

# final project

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## 1. Data cleaning

```
library(readr)
library(dplyr)
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
```

```
library(ggplot2)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## -- Attaching core tidyverse packages ----- tidyverse 2.0.0 --
## v forcats   1.0.0      v stringr   1.5.1
## v lubridate 1.9.3      v tibble   3.2.1
## v purrr     1.0.2      v tidyr    1.3.1
```

```
## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()     masks stats::lag()
## i Use the conflicted package (<http://conflicted.r-lib.org/>) to force all conflicts to become errors
```

```
library(skimr)
library(DataExplorer)
library(survival)
library(survminer)
```

```
## Loading required package: ggpubr
##
## Attaching package: 'survminer'
##
## The following object is masked from 'package:survival':
##
##   myeloma
```

```
library(MASS)
```

```
##  
## Attaching package: 'MASS'  
##  
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':  
##  
##     select
```

```
library(knitr)  
cirrhosis <- read_csv("cirrhosis.csv")
```

```
## Rows: 418 Columns: 20  
## -- Column specification -----  
## Delimiter: ","  
## chr (7): Status, Drug, Sex, Ascites, Hepatomegaly, Spiders, Edema  
## dbl (13): ID, N_Days, Age, Bilirubin, Cholesterol, Albumin, Copper, Alk_Phos...  
##  
## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.  
## i Specify the column types or set 'show_col_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.
```

```
# Recode the Status variable  
cirrhosis$Surv_Status <- ifelse(cirrhosis$Status == "D", 1, 0)
```

## 1. EDA

```
# Summary statistics of each column  
summary(cirrhosis)
```

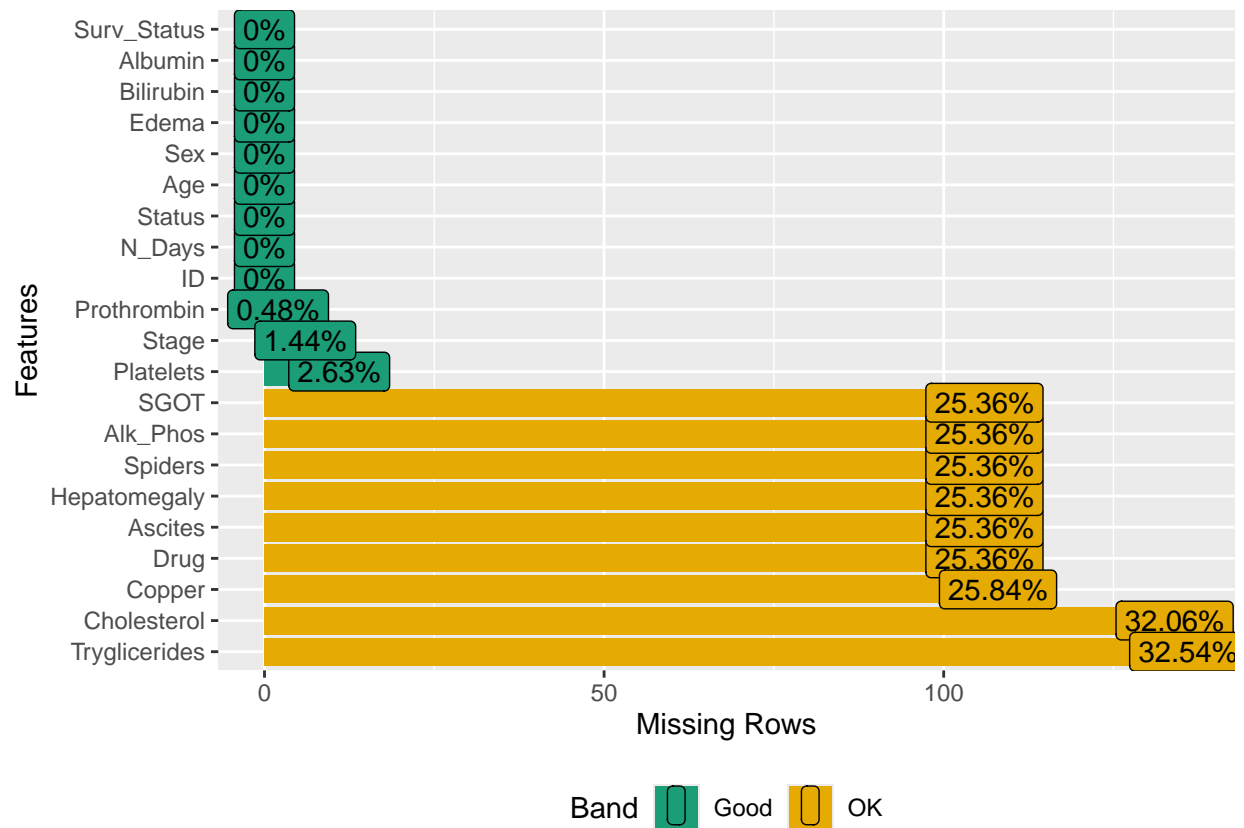
```
##           ID           N_Days           Status           Drug  
## Min.      : 1.0      Min.      : 41      Length:418      Length:418  
## 1st Qu.:105.2      1st Qu.:1093      Class :character      Class :character  
## Median :209.5      Median :1730      Mode  :character      Mode  :character  
## Mean     :209.5      Mean      :1918  
## 3rd Qu.:313.8      3rd Qu.:2614  
## Max.     :418.0      Max.      :4795  
##  
##           Age           Sex           Ascites           Hepatomegaly  
## Min.      : 9598      Length:418      Length:418      Length:418  
## 1st Qu.:15644      Class :character      Class :character      Class :character  
## Median :18628      Mode  :character      Mode  :character      Mode  :character  
## Mean      :18533  
## 3rd Qu.:21272  
## Max.      :28650  
##  
##           Spiders           Edema           Bilirubin           Cholesterol  
## Length:418      Length:418      Min.      : 0.300      Min.      : 120.0  
## Class :character      Class :character      1st Qu.: 0.800      1st Qu.: 249.5  
## Mode  :character      Mode  :character      Median : 1.400      Median : 309.5  
##                               Mean      : 3.221      Mean      : 369.5  
##                               3rd Qu.: 3.400      3rd Qu.: 400.0
```

```
##                               Max.    :28.000   Max.    :1775.0
##                               NA's     :134
##      Albumin      Copper      Alk_Phos      SGOT
##  Min.    :1.960   Min.    : 4.00   Min.    : 289.0   Min.    : 26.35
## 1st Qu.:3.243   1st Qu.: 41.25   1st Qu.: 871.5   1st Qu.: 80.60
## Median :3.530   Median : 73.00   Median : 1259.0   Median :114.70
## Mean    :3.497   Mean    : 97.65   Mean    : 1982.7   Mean    :122.56
## 3rd Qu.:3.770   3rd Qu.:123.00   3rd Qu.: 1980.0   3rd Qu.:151.90
## Max.    :4.640   Max.    :588.00   Max.    :13862.4   Max.    :457.25
##                               NA's     :108   NA's     :106   NA's     :106
## Tryglicerides   Platelets   Prothrombin   Stage
##  Min.    : 33.00   Min.    : 62.0   Min.    : 9.00   Min.    :1.000
## 1st Qu.: 84.25   1st Qu.:188.5   1st Qu.:10.00   1st Qu.:2.000
## Median :108.00   Median :251.0   Median :10.60   Median :3.000
## Mean    :124.70   Mean    :257.0   Mean    :10.73   Mean    :3.024
## 3rd Qu.:151.00   3rd Qu.:318.0   3rd Qu.:11.10   3rd Qu.:4.000
## Max.    :598.00   Max.    :721.0   Max.    :18.00   Max.    :4.000
## NA's     :136   NA's     :11   NA's     :2   NA's     :6
## Surv_Status
##  Min.    :0.0000
## 1st Qu.:0.0000
## Median :0.0000
## Mean    :0.3852
## 3rd Qu.:1.0000
## Max.    :1.0000
##
```

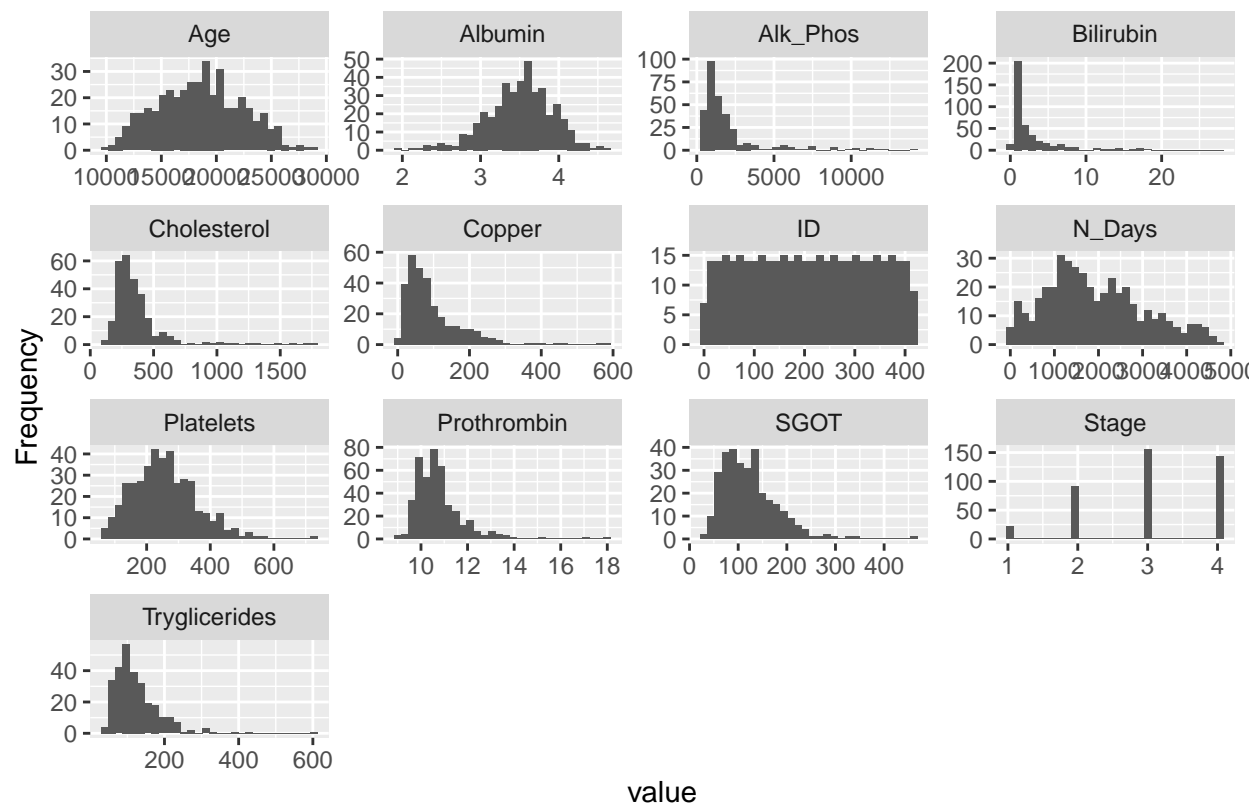
```
# Identify missing values
colSums(is.na(cirrhosis))
```

```
##      ID      N_Days      Status      Drug      Age
##      0         0         0         106         0
##      Sex      Ascites  Hepatomegaly  Spiders      Edema
##      0         106         106         106         0
##      Bilirubin  Cholesterol      Albumin      Copper      Alk_Phos
##      0         134         0         108         106
##      SGOT Tryglicerides  Platelets  Prothrombin      Stage
##      106         136         11         2         6
## Surv_Status
##      0
```

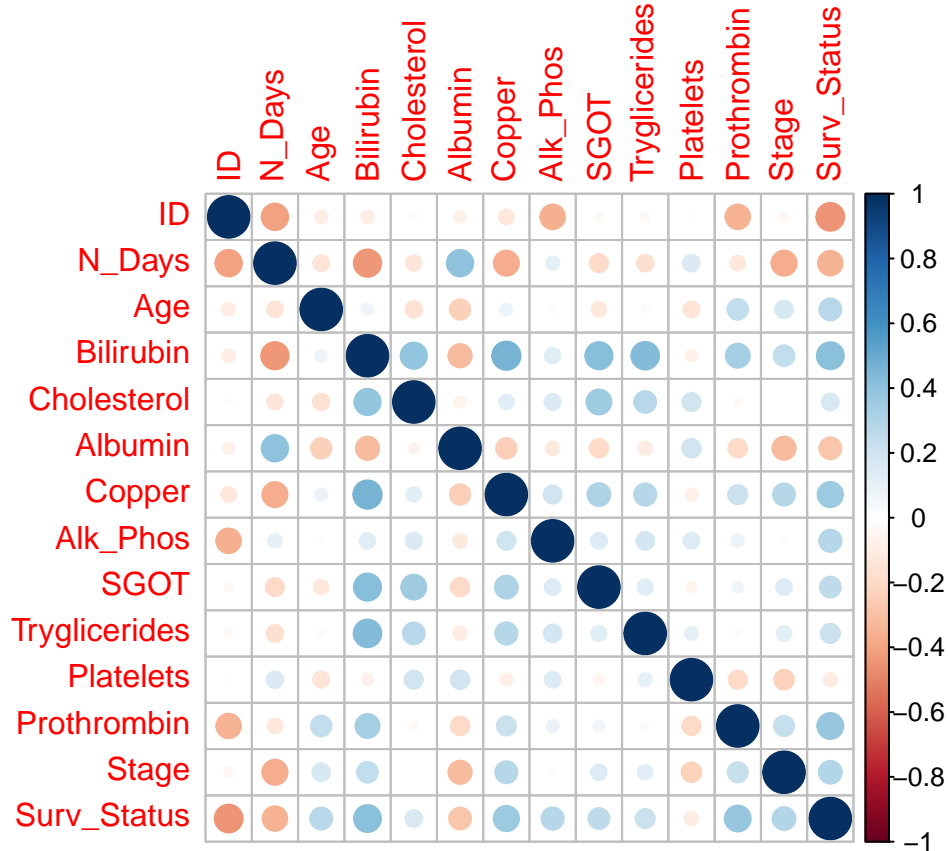
```
# Visualize missing data
plot_missing(cirrhosis)
```



```
# Visualize distributions of numerical columns
plot_histogram(cirrhosis)
```



```
# Correlation matrix for numerical variables
correlation <- cor(select_if(cirrhosis, is.numeric), use = "complete.obs")
corrplot::corrplot(correlation, method = "circle")
```



```
# Dealing with missing values:
# For continuous variables: Replace missing values with median
# For categorical variables: Replace with the most frequent category (mode).
cirrhosis$Prothrombin[is.na(cirrhosis$Prothrombin)] <- median(cirrhosis$Prothrombin, na.rm = TRUE)
cirrhosis$SGOT[is.na(cirrhosis$SGOT)] <- median(cirrhosis$SGOT, na.rm = TRUE)
cirrhosis$Tryglicerides[is.na(cirrhosis$Tryglicerides)] <- median(cirrhosis$Tryglicerides, na.rm = TRUE)
cirrhosis$Cholesterol[is.na(cirrhosis$Cholesterol)] <- median(cirrhosis$Cholesterol, na.rm = TRUE)
cirrhosis$Copper[is.na(cirrhosis$Copper)] <- median(cirrhosis$Copper, na.rm = TRUE)
cirrhosis$Platelets[is.na(cirrhosis$Platelets)] <- median(cirrhosis$Platelets, na.rm = TRUE)
cirrhosis$Alk_Phos[is.na(cirrhosis$Alk_Phos)] <- median(cirrhosis$Alk_Phos, na.rm = TRUE)

mode_impute <- function(x) {
  x[is.na(x)] <- as.character(names(which.max(table(x, useNA = "no"))))
  return(x)
}
cirrhosis$Stage <- mode_impute(cirrhosis$Stage)

# Function to recode NA values based on percentages of known values
recode_na_by_percentage <- function(data, columns) {
  for (column in columns) {
    counts <- table(data[[column]], useNA = "no")
    percentages <- counts / sum(counts)

    # Replace NA values based on the probabilities
    data[[column]] <- sapply(data[[column]], function(x) {
      if (is.na(x)) {
```

```

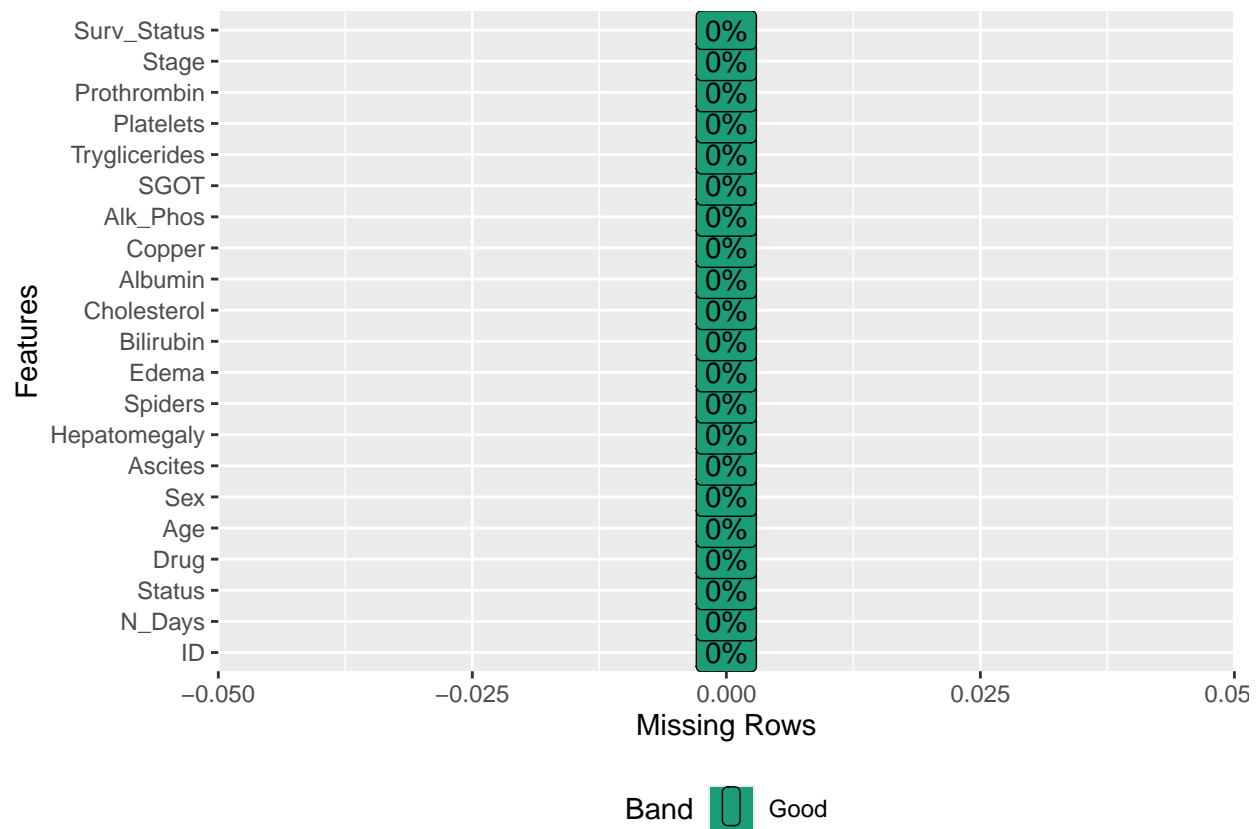
    sample(names(percentages), size = 1, prob = percentages)
  } else {
    x
  }
})
}
return(data)
}

columns_to_recode <- c("Ascites", "Hepatomegaly", "Spiders", "Drug")

# Apply the function to recode NA values
cirrhosis <- recode_na_by_percentage(cirrhosis, columns_to_recode)

# Visualize missing data
plot_missing(cirrhosis)

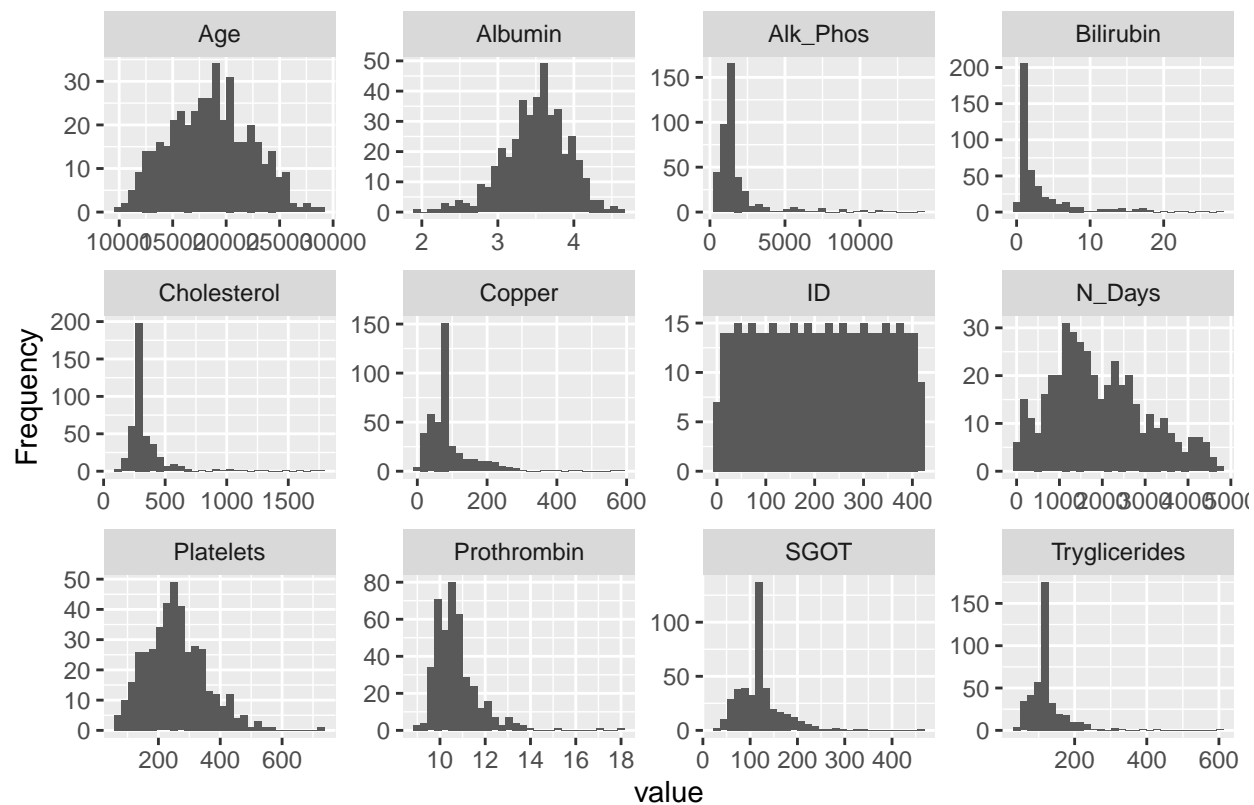
```



```

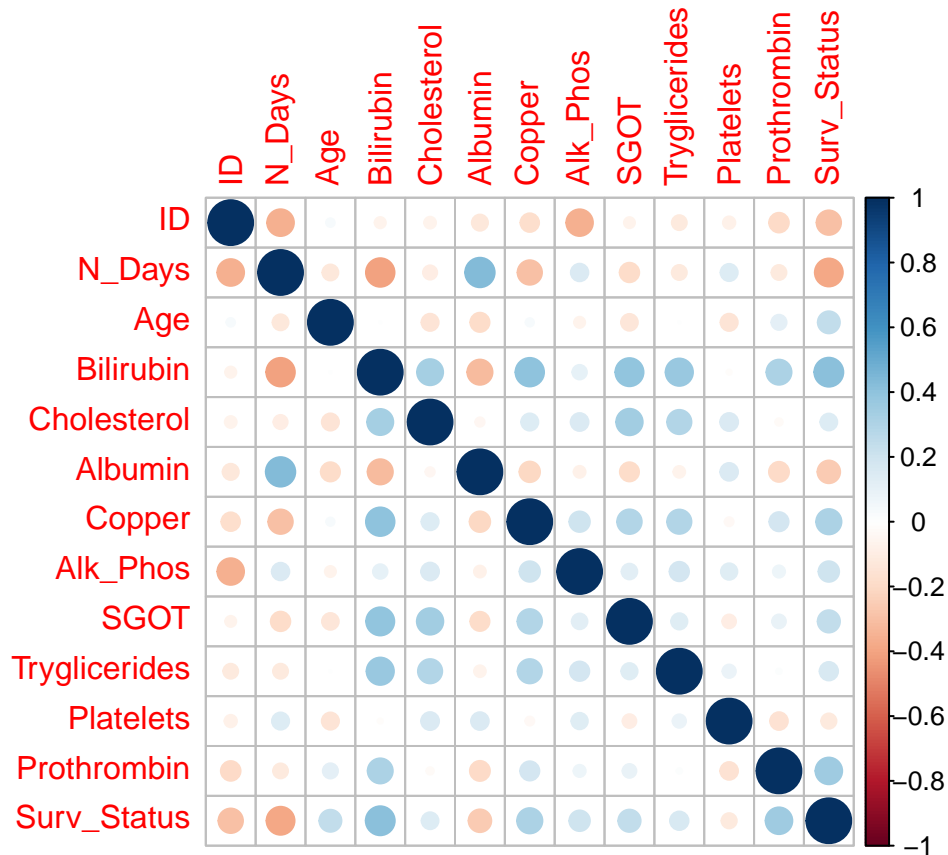
# Visualize distributions of numerical columns
plot_histogram(cirrhosis)

```



```
# Correlation matrix for numerical variables
correlation <- cor(select_if(cirrhosis, is.numeric), use = "complete.obs")
corrplot::corrplot(correlation, method = "circle")
```





## 2. Non-parametric Methods: Kaplan-Meier Estimator

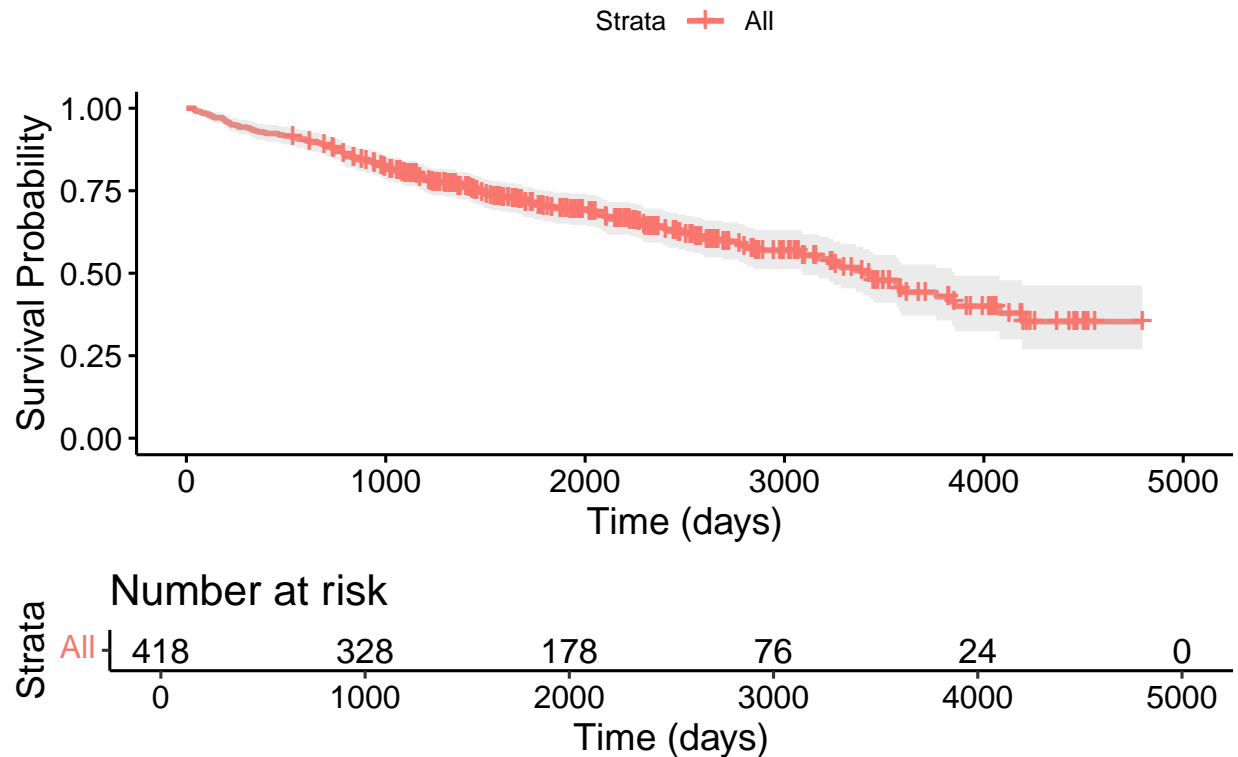
```
# Create a survival object
surv_obj <- Surv(time = cirrhosis$N_Days, event = (cirrhosis$Status == "D"))

# Kaplan-Meier survival curve
km_fit <- survfit(surv_obj ~ 1, data = cirrhosis)

# Plot the survival curve
ggsurvplot(km_fit,
  conf.int = TRUE,
  pval = TRUE,
  risk.table = TRUE,
  title = "Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve",
  xlab = "Time (days)",
  ylab = "Survival Probability")
```

```
## Warning in .pvalue(fit, data = data, method = method, pval = pval, pval.coord = pval.coord, : There a
## This is a null model.
```

## Kaplan–Meier Survival Curve



```
summary(km_fit, times = c(365, 1095, 1825, 2555, 3285, 3650)) # Survival at 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10 years
```

```
## Call: survfit(formula = surv_obj ~ 1, data = cirrhosis)
##
##   time n.risk n.event survival std.err lower 95% CI upper 95% CI
##   365   388     30   0.928  0.0126   0.904   0.953
##  1095   313     52   0.801  0.0197   0.764   0.841
##  1825   197     33   0.703  0.0236   0.658   0.751
##  2555   116     21   0.612  0.0278   0.560   0.669
##  3285    56     13   0.517  0.0342   0.454   0.589
##  3650    35      7   0.442  0.0394   0.371   0.527
```

```
# Log-rank test
survdif(Surv(N_Days, Status == "D") ~ Sex, data = cirrhosis)
```

```
## Call:
## survdiff(formula = Surv(N_Days, Status == "D") ~ Sex, data = cirrhosis)
##
##           N Observed Expected (O-E)^2/E (O-E)^2/V
## Sex=F 374      137   143.7    0.317    2.98
## Sex=M  44       24    17.3    2.640    2.98
##
## Chisq= 3 on 1 degrees of freedom, p= 0.08
```

```
survdif(Surv(N_Days, Status == "D") ~ Drug, data = cirrhosis)
```

```
## Call:
```

```
## survdif(formula = Surv(N_Days, Status == "D") ~ Drug, data = cirrhosis)
```

```
##
```

```
##
```

```
## Drug=D-penicillamine 217      85      84.2    0.00758    0.0159
```

```
## Drug=Placebo         201      76      76.8    0.00831    0.0159
```

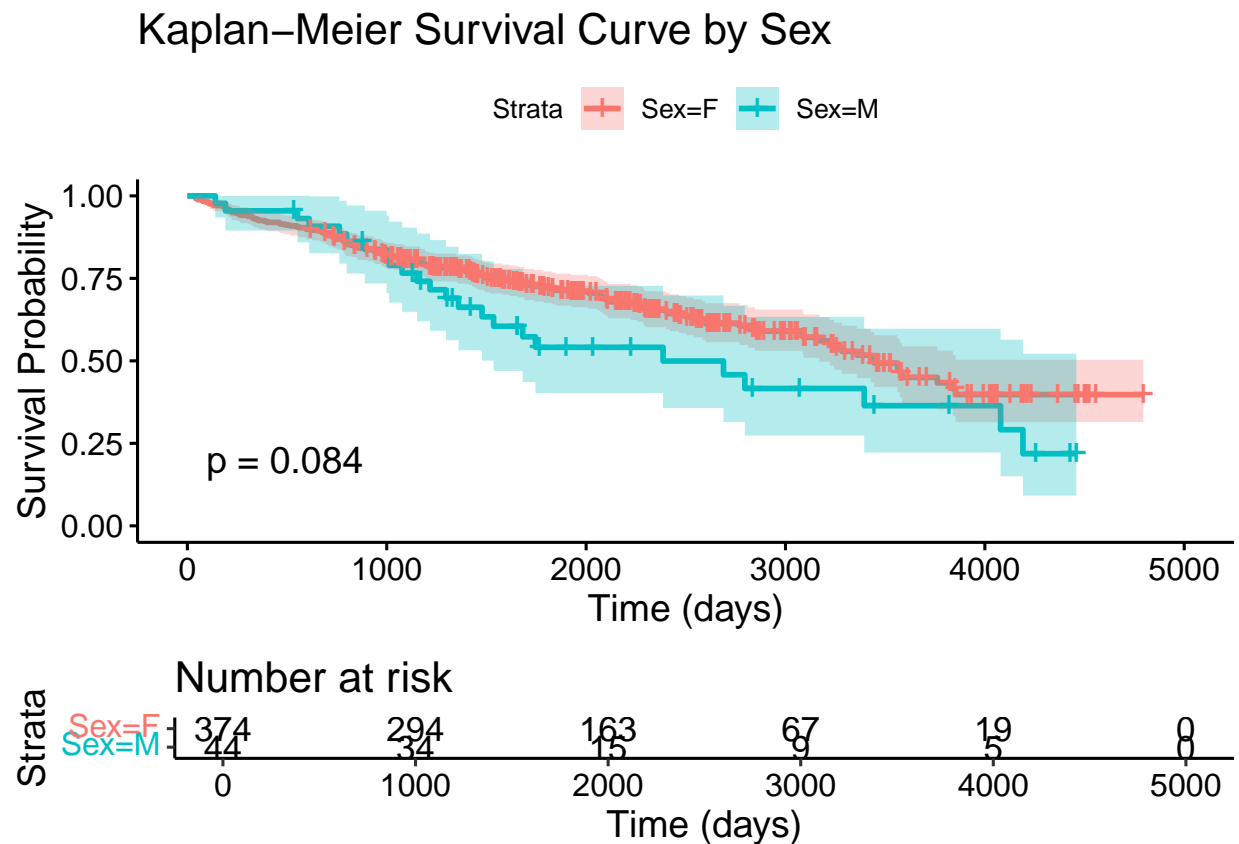
```
##
```

```
## Chisq= 0 on 1 degrees of freedom, p= 0.9
```

```
# draw KM curve stratified by sex and drug
```

```
km_fit_sex <- survfit(Surv(N_Days, Status == "D") ~ Sex, data = cirrhosis)
```

```
ggsurvplot(km_fit_sex,
  conf.int = TRUE,
  pval = TRUE,
  risk.table = TRUE,
  title = "Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve by Sex",
  xlab = "Time (days)",
  ylab = "Survival Probability")
```

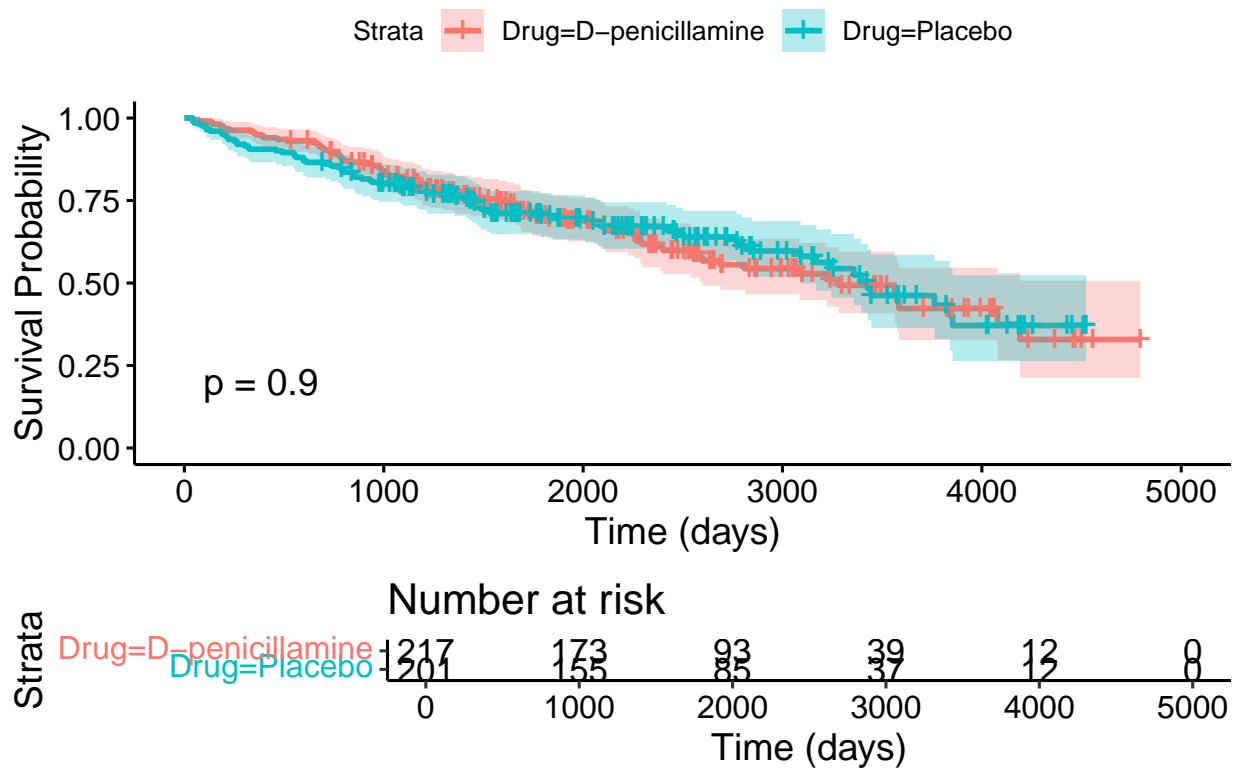


```
km_fit_drug <- survfit(Surv(N_Days, Status == "D") ~ Drug, data = cirrhosis)
```

```
ggsurvplot(km_fit_drug,
  conf.int = TRUE,
```

```
pval = TRUE,
risk.table = TRUE,
title = "Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve by Drug",
xlab = "Time (days)",
ylab = "Survival Probability")
```

## Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve by Drug



### 3. Semi-parametric Methods: Cox Proportional Hazards Model 3.1 Model selection

```
# # 1) Fit a univariate model for each covariate, and identify the predictors significant at some level
# uni_Drug <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Drug, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Drug)
#
# uni_Age <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Age, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Age) **
#
# uni_Sex <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Sex, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Sex) **
#
# uni_Ascites <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Ascites, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Ascites) **
#
# uni_Hepatomegaly <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Hepatomegaly, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Hepatomegaly) **
#
# uni_Spiders <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Spiders, data = cirrhosis)
```

```

# summary(uni_Spiders) **
#
# uni_Bilirubin <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Bilirubin, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Bilirubin) **
#
# uni_Albumin <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Albumin, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Albumin) **
#
# uni_Edema <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Edema, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Edema) **
#
# uni_Copper <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Copper, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Copper) **
#
# uni_Alk_Phos <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Alk_Phos, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Alk_Phos) **
#
# uni_SGOT <- coxph(surv_obj ~ SGOT, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_SGOT) **
#
# uni_Tryglicerides <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Tryglicerides, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Tryglicerides) **
#
# uni_Prothrombin <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Prothrombin, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Prothrombin) **
#
# uni_Cholesterol <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Cholesterol, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Cholesterol) **
#
# uni_Platelets <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Platelets, data = cirrhosis)
# summary(uni_Platelets) **
# # drop Drug
#
# # 2) Fit a multivariate model with all significant univariate predictors, and use backward selection
# model_2 <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Age + Ascites + Hepatomegaly + Spiders + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema + Copp
#               data = cirrhosis)
# model_backward <- stepAIC(model_2, direction = "backward")
# summary(model_backward)
# # drop Ascites, Spiders, Alk_Phos, Tryglicerides, Cholesterol, Platelets
#
# # 3) Starting with final step (2) model, consider each of the non-significant variables from step (1)
# model_3_ascites <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Ascites + Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema + Copp
# model_forward_ascites <- stepAIC(model_3_ascites, direction = "forward")
# summary(model_forward_ascites)
#
# model_3_spiders <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Spiders + Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema + Copp
# model_forward_spiders <- stepAIC(model_3_spiders, direction = "forward")
# summary(model_forward_spiders)
#
# model_3_alk <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Alk_Phos + Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema + Copper
# model_forward_alk <- stepAIC(model_3_alk, direction = "forward")
# summary(model_forward_alk)
#

```

```

# model_3_tryglicerides <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Tryglicerides + Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin +
# model_forward_tryglicerides <- stepAIC(model_3_tryglicerides, direction = "forward")
# summary(model_forward_tryglicerides)
#
# model_3_cholesterol <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Cholesterol + Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema +
# model_forward_cholesterol <- stepAIC(model_3_cholesterol, direction = "forward")
# summary(model_forward_cholesterol)
#
# model_3_platelets <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Platelets + Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema +
# model_forward_platelets <- stepAIC(model_3_platelets, direction = "forward")
# summary(model_forward_platelets)
# # no new variables added
#
# # 4) Do final pruning of main-effects model (omit variables that are non-significant, add any that a
# model_4 <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema + Copper + SGOT + Prothr
#               data = cirrhosis)
# model_final <- stepAIC(model_4, direction = "both")
# summary(model_final)

# Overall stepwise model selection
model_all <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Drug + Sex + Age + Ascites + Hepatomegaly + Spiders + Bilirubin + Albumin
                  data = cirrhosis)
model_stepwise <- stepAIC(model_all, direction = "both")

```

```

## Start:  AIC=1561.13
## surv_obj ~ Drug + Sex + Age + Ascites + Hepatomegaly + Spiders +
##      Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema + Copper + Alk_Phos + SGOT +
##      Tryglicerides + Prothrombin + Cholesterol + Platelets + Stage
##
##           Df      AIC
## - Spiders      1 1559.1
## - Platelets     1 1559.1
## - Alk_Phos      1 1559.2
## - Drug          1 1559.2
## - Sex           1 1559.4
## - Cholesterol   1 1559.6
## - Ascites       1 1559.8
## - Tryglicerides 1 1560.4
## <none>          1561.1
## - Copper        1 1562.2
## - Hepatomegaly   1 1562.6
## - SGOT          1 1562.7
## - Edema         2 1563.1
## - Prothrombin    1 1565.6
## - Stage         3 1566.3
## - Albumin       1 1566.6
## - Age           1 1572.3
## - Bilirubin     1 1582.2
##
## Step:  AIC=1559.14
## surv_obj ~ Drug + Sex + Age + Ascites + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin +
##      Albumin + Edema + Copper + Alk_Phos + SGOT + Tryglicerides +
##      Prothrombin + Cholesterol + Platelets + Stage

```

```

##
##           Df      AIC
## - Platelets      1 1557.2
## - Alk_Phos       1 1557.2
## - Drug           1 1557.2
## - Sex            1 1557.4
## - Cholesterol    1 1557.6
## - Ascites        1 1557.8
## - Tryglicerides  1 1558.4
## <none>           1559.1
## - Copper         1 1560.4
## - Hepatomegaly   1 1560.7
## - SGOT           1 1560.7
## + Spiders        1 1561.1
## - Edema           2 1561.2
## - Prothrombin     1 1563.7
## - Albumin         1 1564.7
## - Stage           3 1564.9
## - Age             1 1570.3
## - Bilirubin       1 1580.5
##
## Step: AIC=1557.15
## surv_obj ~ Drug + Sex + Age + Ascites + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin +
##           Albumin + Edema + Copper + Alk_Phos + SGOT + Tryglicerides +
##           Prothrombin + Cholesterol + Stage
##
##           Df      AIC
## - Alk_Phos      1 1555.2
## - Drug           1 1555.3
## - Sex            1 1555.4
## - Cholesterol    1 1555.7
## - Ascites        1 1555.8
## - Tryglicerides  1 1556.4
## <none>           1557.2
## - Copper         1 1558.4
## - Hepatomegaly   1 1558.7
## - SGOT           1 1559.0
## + Platelets      1 1559.1
## + Spiders        1 1559.1
## - Edema           2 1559.3
## - Prothrombin     1 1561.7
## - Albumin         1 1562.7
## - Stage           3 1563.0
## - Age             1 1568.3
## - Bilirubin       1 1578.6
##
## Step: AIC=1555.23
## surv_obj ~ Drug + Sex + Age + Ascites + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin +
##           Albumin + Edema + Copper + SGOT + Tryglicerides + Prothrombin +
##           Cholesterol + Stage
##
##           Df      AIC
## - Drug           1 1553.3
## - Sex            1 1553.5

```

```

## - Cholesterol      1 1553.7
## - Ascites          1 1553.9
## - Tryglicerides    1 1554.5
## <none>              1555.2
## - Copper           1 1556.5
## - Hepatomegaly     1 1556.8
## - SGOT             1 1557.1
## + Alk_Phos         1 1557.2
## + Spiders          1 1557.2
## + Platelets        1 1557.2
## - Edema            2 1557.3
## - Prothrombin      1 1559.8
## - Albumin          1 1560.7
## - Stage            3 1561.2
## - Age              1 1566.9
## - Bilirubin        1 1576.7
##
## Step:  AIC=1553.34
## surv_obj ~ Sex + Age + Ascites + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin +
##           Edema + Copper + SGOT + Tryglicerides + Prothrombin + Cholesterol +
##           Stage
##
##           Df      AIC
## - Sex      1 1551.6
## - Cholesterol 1 1551.9
## - Ascites  1 1552.0
## - Tryglicerides 1 1552.8
## <none>      1553.3
## - Copper   1 1554.7
## - Hepatomegaly 1 1554.8
## - SGOT     1 1555.2
## + Drug     1 1555.2
## + Alk_Phos 1 1555.3
## + Spiders  1 1555.3
## + Platelets 1 1555.3
## - Edema    2 1555.6
## - Prothrombin 1 1557.8
## - Albumin  1 1558.7
## - Stage    3 1559.6
## - Age      1 1565.0
## - Bilirubin 1 1575.1
##
## Step:  AIC=1551.64
## surv_obj ~ Age + Ascites + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin +
##           Edema + Copper + SGOT + Tryglicerides + Prothrombin + Cholesterol +
##           Stage
##
##           Df      AIC
## - Cholesterol 1 1550.2
## - Ascites     1 1550.4
## - Tryglicerides 1 1551.1
## <none>        1551.6
## - Hepatomegaly 1 1553.3
## + Sex          1 1553.3

```



```

## + Drug          1 1553.5
## + Alk_Phos      1 1553.5
## - Edema         2 1553.6
## + Spiders       1 1553.6
## + Platelets     1 1553.6
## - SGOT          1 1553.6
## - Copper        1 1553.8
## - Prothrombin   1 1556.2
## - Albumin       1 1556.8
## - Stage         3 1557.7
## - Age           1 1565.5
## - Bilirubin     1 1573.2
##
## Step:  AIC=1550.17
## surv_obj ~ Age + Ascites + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin +
##      Edema + Copper + SGOT + Tryglicerides + Prothrombin + Stage
##
##           Df      AIC
## - Ascites      1 1548.9
## - Tryglicerides 1 1549.4
## <none>          1550.2
## + Cholesterol  1 1551.6
## - Edema        2 1551.7
## - Hepatomegaly 1 1551.8
## + Sex          1 1551.9
## + Drug         1 1552.0
## - Copper       1 1552.1
## + Alk_Phos     1 1552.1
## + Platelets    1 1552.2
## + Spiders      1 1552.2
## - SGOT         1 1552.9
## - Prothrombin  1 1554.6
## - Albumin      1 1555.5
## - Stage        3 1556.0
## - Age          1 1563.6
## - Bilirubin    1 1574.8
##
## Step:  AIC=1548.9
## surv_obj ~ Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema +
##      Copper + SGOT + Tryglicerides + Prothrombin + Stage
##
##           Df      AIC
## - Tryglicerides 1 1547.6
## <none>          1548.9
## + Ascites       1 1550.2
## + Cholesterol   1 1550.4
## + Sex           1 1550.5
## - Hepatomegaly  1 1550.6
## + Alk_Phos      1 1550.8
## + Drug          1 1550.8
## + Spiders       1 1550.9
## + Platelets     1 1550.9
## - SGOT          1 1551.3
## - Edema         2 1551.5

```

```
## - Copper          1 1551.8
## - Prothrombin     1 1553.6
## - Stage           3 1554.8
## - Albumin         1 1555.7
## - Age             1 1564.0
## - Bilirubin       1 1573.6
##
## Step: AIC=1547.64
## surv_obj ~ Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema +
##      Copper + SGOT + Prothrombin + Stage
##
##              Df      AIC
## <none>                1547.6
## + Tryglicerides    1 1548.9
## + Sex              1 1549.2
## + Cholesterol      1 1549.3
## + Ascites          1 1549.4
## + Drug             1 1549.4
## + Alk_Phos         1 1549.5
## - Hepatomegaly     1 1549.5
## + Platelets        1 1549.6
## + Spiders          1 1549.6
## - Copper           1 1550.0
## - SGOT             1 1550.5
## - Edema            2 1551.3
## - Prothrombin      1 1552.5
## - Stage            3 1553.1
## - Albumin          1 1554.2
## - Age              1 1563.6
## - Bilirubin        1 1573.4
```

```
summary(model_stepwise)
```

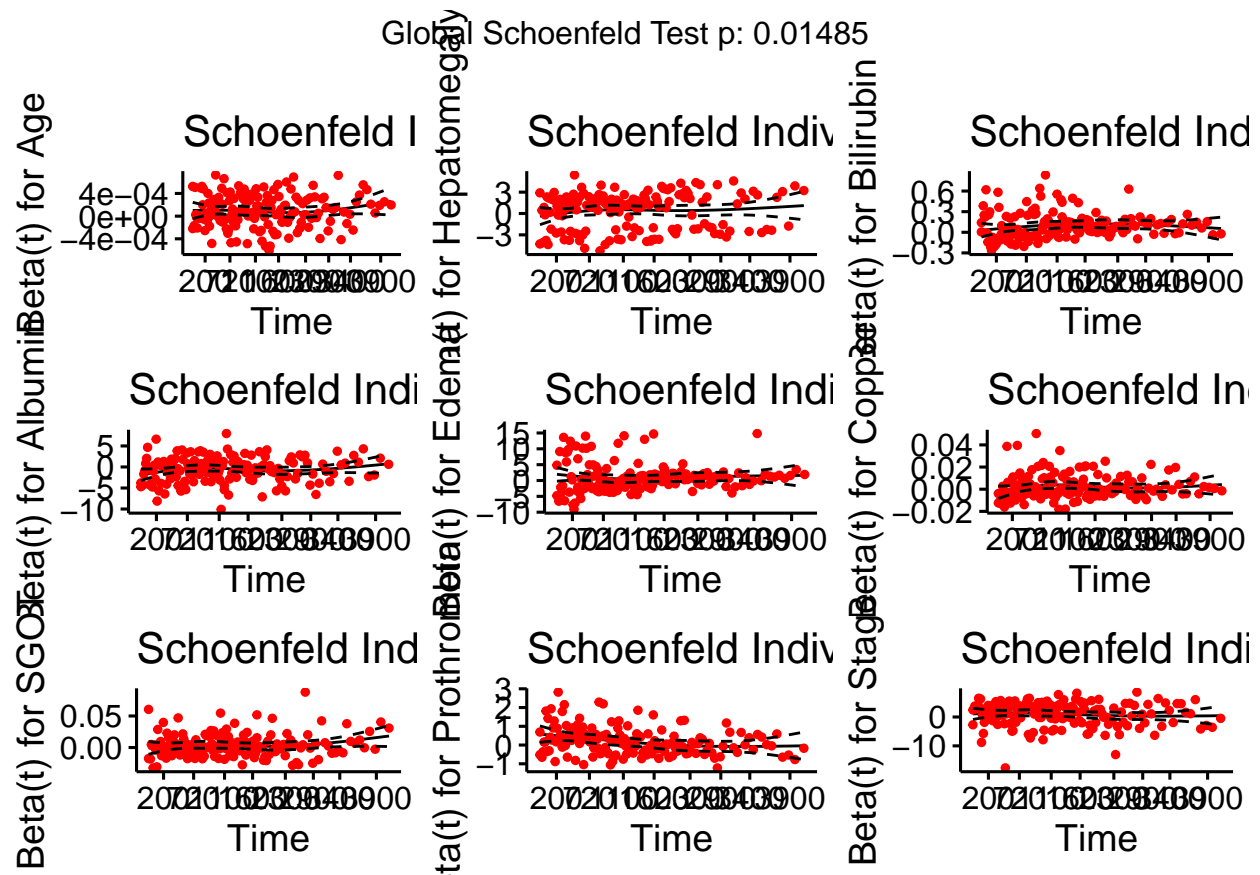
```
## Call:
## coxph(formula = surv_obj ~ Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin +
##      Edema + Copper + SGOT + Prothrombin + Stage, data = cirrhosis)
##
##      n= 418, number of events= 161
##
##              coef exp(coef) se(coef)      z Pr(>|z|)
## Age           9.650e-05 1.000e+00 2.301e-05 4.194 2.74e-05 ***
## HepatomegalyY 3.708e-01 1.449e+00 1.899e-01 1.953 0.05086 .
## Bilirubin     9.222e-02 1.097e+00 1.595e-02 5.782 7.37e-09 ***
## Albumin      -6.552e-01 5.193e-01 2.198e-01 -2.981 0.00288 **
## EdemaS        2.068e-01 1.230e+00 2.332e-01 0.887 0.37519
## EdemaY        8.679e-01 2.382e+00 2.992e-01 2.901 0.00372 **
## Copper        1.956e-03 1.002e+00 9.015e-04 2.170 0.03002 *
## SGOT          3.700e-03 1.004e+00 1.592e-03 2.323 0.02016 *
## Prothrombin   2.033e-01 1.225e+00 7.123e-02 2.854 0.00432 **
## Stage2        7.112e-01 2.036e+00 7.452e-01 0.954 0.33986
## Stage3        1.024e+00 2.784e+00 7.340e-01 1.395 0.16299
## Stage4        1.431e+00 4.183e+00 7.367e-01 1.942 0.05208 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
##
##               exp(coef) exp(-coef) lower .95 upper .95
## Age           1.0001     0.9999    1.0001    1.000
## HepatomegalyY  1.4489     0.6902    0.9986    2.102
## Bilirubin      1.0966     0.9119    1.0629    1.131
## Albumin        0.5193     1.9255    0.3376    0.799
## EdemaS         1.2297     0.8132    0.7786    1.942
## EdemaY         2.3818     0.4199    1.3251    4.281
## Copper         1.0020     0.9980    1.0002    1.004
## SGOT           1.0037     0.9963    1.0006    1.007
## Prothrombin    1.2254     0.8161    1.0657    1.409
## Stage2         2.0365     0.4910    0.4727    8.773
## Stage3         2.7844     0.3591    0.6606   11.736
## Stage4         4.1827     0.2391    0.9872   17.723
##
## Concordance= 0.836 (se = 0.016 )
## Likelihood ratio test= 223.3 on 12 df,  p=<2e-16
## Wald test              = 244.7 on 12 df,  p=<2e-16
## Score (logrank) test = 359.8 on 12 df,  p=<2e-16
```

```
# Test proportional hazards assumption
cox_zph <- cox.zph(model_stepwise)
cox_zph
```

```
##               chisq df      p
## Age           0.0531  1 0.8177
## Hepatomegaly  1.2362  1 0.2662
## Bilirubin     6.8079  1 0.0091
## Albumin       2.1082  1 0.1465
## Edema         3.8781  2 0.1438
## Copper        1.5195  1 0.2177
## SGOT          5.7431  1 0.0166
## Prothrombin   6.9178  1 0.0085
## Stage         5.6052  3 0.1325
## GLOBAL       24.9950 12 0.0148
```

```
# Plot Schoenfeld residuals to check proportional hazards
ggcoxzph(cox_zph)
```



```
# Bilirubin & Prothrombin violate the PH assumption
```

```
# Fit the extended Cox model with time-dependent terms
```

```
cox_model_td <- coxph(surv_obj ~ Age + Hepatomegaly + Albumin + Bilirubin + Bilirubin*N_Days + Edema +  
  Prothrombin + Prothrombin*N_Days + SGOT + SGOT*N_Days + Stage, data = cirrhosis)
```

```
## Warning in coxph.fit(X, Y, istrat, offset, init, control, weights = weights, :  
## Ran out of iterations and did not converge
```

```
## Warning in coxph.fit(X, Y, istrat, offset, init, control, weights = weights, :  
## one or more coefficients may be infinite
```

```
summary(cox_model_td)
```

```
## Call:  
## coxph(formula = surv_obj ~ Age + Hepatomegaly + Albumin + Bilirubin +  
##   Bilirubin * N_Days + Edema + Copper + Prothrombin + Prothrombin *  
##   N_Days + SGOT + SGOT * N_Days + Stage, data = cirrhosis)  
##  
## n= 418, number of events= 161  
##  
##
```

	coef	exp(coef)	se(coef)	z	Pr(> z )
## Age	4.033e-05	1.000e+00	5.064e-05	0.797	0.4257
## HepatomegalyY	1.304e-01	1.139e+00	3.616e-01	0.361	0.7185

```
## Albumin          4.712e-02  1.048e+00  4.014e-01  0.117  0.9066
## Bilirubin        -9.630e-03  9.904e-01  3.041e-02 -0.317  0.7515
## N_Days           -3.293e-01  7.194e-01  4.366e-02 -7.542  4.65e-14 ***
## EdemaS           -1.895e-01  8.274e-01  5.015e-01 -0.378  0.7056
## EdemaY            3.281e-01  1.388e+00  5.602e-01  0.586  0.5581
## Copper            2.931e-05  1.000e+00  1.792e-03  0.016  0.9870
## Prothrombin      -9.678e-02  9.078e-01  1.742e-01 -0.556  0.5785
## SGOT             -1.659e-03  9.983e-01  3.057e-03 -0.543  0.5875
## Stage2            1.017e+00  2.766e+00  4.739e-01  2.147  0.0318 *
## Stage3            1.418e+00  4.129e+00  3.403e-01  4.167  3.09e-05 ***
## Stage4            1.392e+00  4.021e+00  3.302e-01  4.214  2.50e-05 ***
## Bilirubin:N_Days  5.224e-05  1.000e+00  3.216e-05  1.624  0.1043
## N_Days:Prothrombin 2.894e-04  1.000e+00  1.385e-04  2.089  0.0367 *
## N_Days:SGOT       4.071e-06  1.000e+00  2.214e-06  1.839  0.0660 .
```

```
## ---
```

```
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
##
```

```
##               exp(coef) exp(-coef) lower .95 upper .95
## Age            1.0000      1.0000    0.9999    1.0001
## HepatomegalyY   1.1392      0.8778    0.5608    2.3141
## Albumin         1.0482      0.9540    0.4773    2.3023
## Bilirubin       0.9904      1.0097    0.9331    1.0512
## N_Days          0.7194      1.3900    0.6604    0.7837
## EdemaS          0.8274      1.2086    0.3096    2.2109
## EdemaY          1.3883      0.7203    0.4631    4.1622
## Copper          1.0000      1.0000    0.9965    1.0035
## Prothrombin     0.9078      1.1016    0.6452    1.2771
## SGOT            0.9983      1.0017    0.9924    1.0043
## Stage2          2.7661      0.3615    1.0927    7.0025
## Stage3          4.1286      0.2422    2.1190    8.0439
## Stage4          4.0213      0.2487    2.1052    7.6811
## Bilirubin:N_Days 1.0001      0.9999    1.0000    1.0001
## N_Days:Prothrombin 1.0003      0.9997    1.0000    1.0006
## N_Days:SGOT     1.0000      1.0000    1.0000    1.0000
```

```
##
```

```
## Concordance= 1 (se = 0 )
```

```
## Likelihood ratio test= 1681 on 16 df,  p=<2e-16
```

```
## Wald test          = 109 on 16 df,  p=7e-16
```

```
## Score (logrank) test = 674.6 on 16 df,  p=<2e-16
```

```
# Plot Schoenfeld residuals to check proportional hazards
```

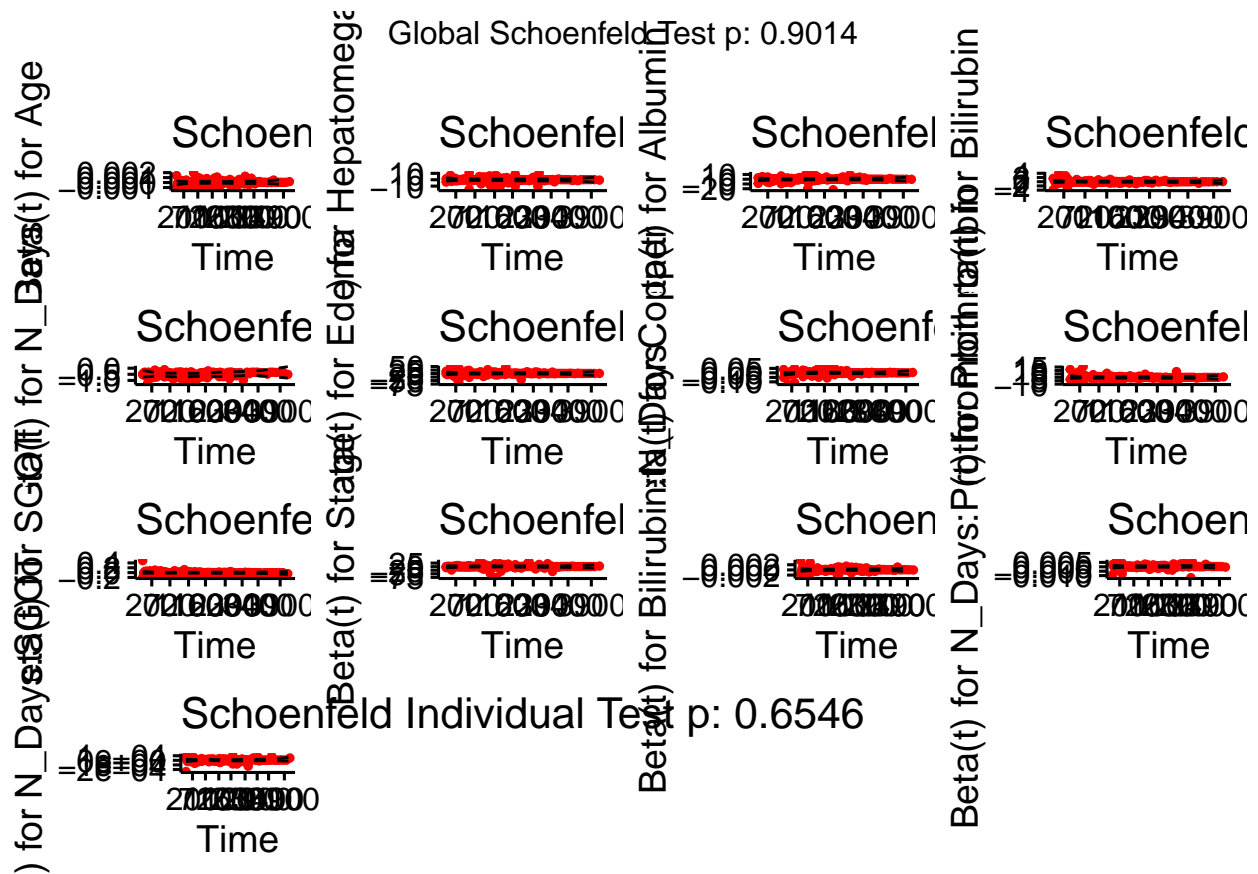
```
cox_zph_td <- cox.zph(cox_model_td)
```

```
cox_zph_td
```

```
##               chisq df    p
## Age            0.2703  1 0.60
## Hepatomegaly   0.1364  1 0.71
## Albumin        0.6071  1 0.44
## Bilirubin      0.6039  1 0.44
## N_Days         0.6953  1 0.40
## Edema          0.1954  2 0.91
## Copper         1.4673  1 0.23
## Prothrombin    0.4853  1 0.49
## SGOT           0.0381  1 0.85
```

```
## Stage          0.4495  3 0.93
## Bilirubin:N_Days 0.1753  1 0.68
## N_Days:Prothrombin 0.1251  1 0.72
## N_Days:SGOT      0.2001  1 0.65
## GLOBAL          9.2807 16 0.90
```

```
ggcoxzph(cox_zph_td)
```



```
# PH assumption: The hazard ratio for a given covariate is constant over time.
# global p-value = 1, do not reject the null hypothesis, so the PH assumption holds.
```

```
# compare AIC
# model with interaction
AIC(cox_model_td)
```

```
## [1] 97.83188
```

```
# model without interaction
AIC(model_stepwise)
```

```
## [1] 1547.637
```

```
# model with interaction has lower AIC
```

```
anova(model_stepwise, cox_model_td, test = "LRT")
```

```
## Analysis of Deviance Table
```

```
## Cox model: response is surv_obj
```

```
## Model 1: ~ Age + Hepatomegaly + Bilirubin + Albumin + Edema + Copper + SGOT + Prothrombin + Stage
```

```
## Model 2: ~ Age + Hepatomegaly + Albumin + Bilirubin + Bilirubin * N_Days + Edema + Copper + Prothrombin
```

```
##      loglik  Chisq Df Pr(>|Chi|)
```

```
## 1 -761.82
```

```
## 2 -32.92 1457.8  4  < 2.2e-16 ***
```

```
## ---
```

```
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
# The time-dependent model (Model 2) is a significantly better fit compared to the simpler model (Model 1)
```

```
# so the final model is:
```

```
# coxph(surv_obj ~ Age + Hepatomegaly + Albumin + Bilirubin + Bilirubin*N_Days + Edema + Copper +
```

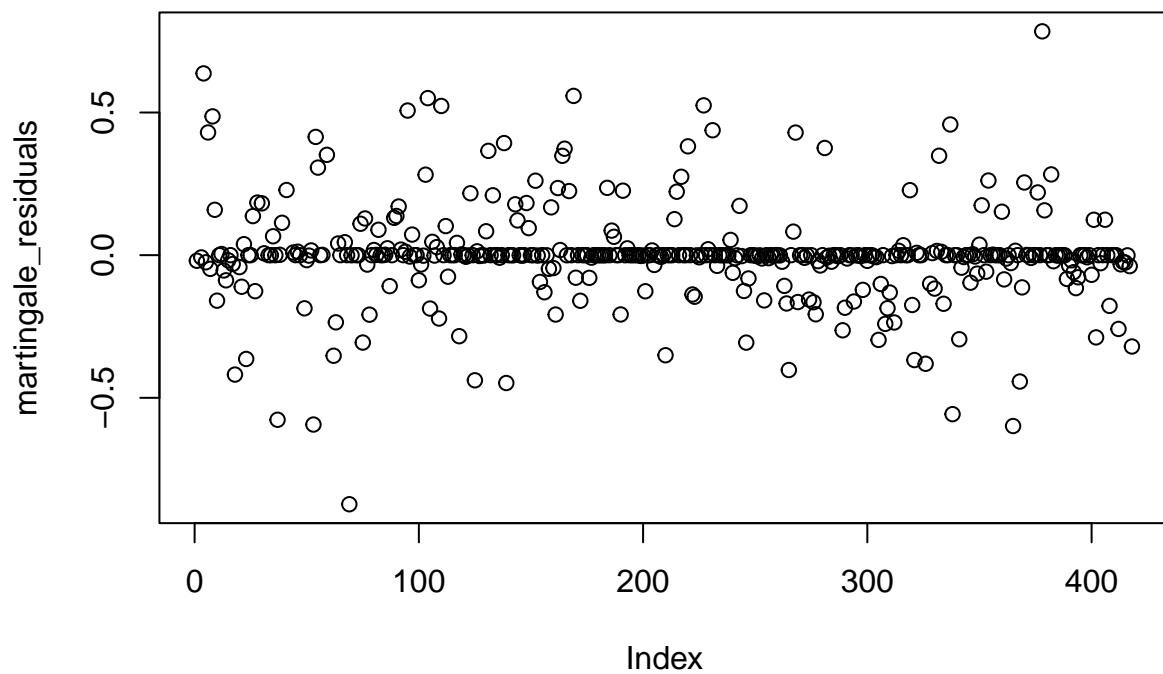
```
# Prothrombin + Prothrombin*N_Days + SGOT + SGOT*N_Days + Stage, data = cirrhosis)
```

### 3.2 Residual analysis

```
# Martingale Residuals
```

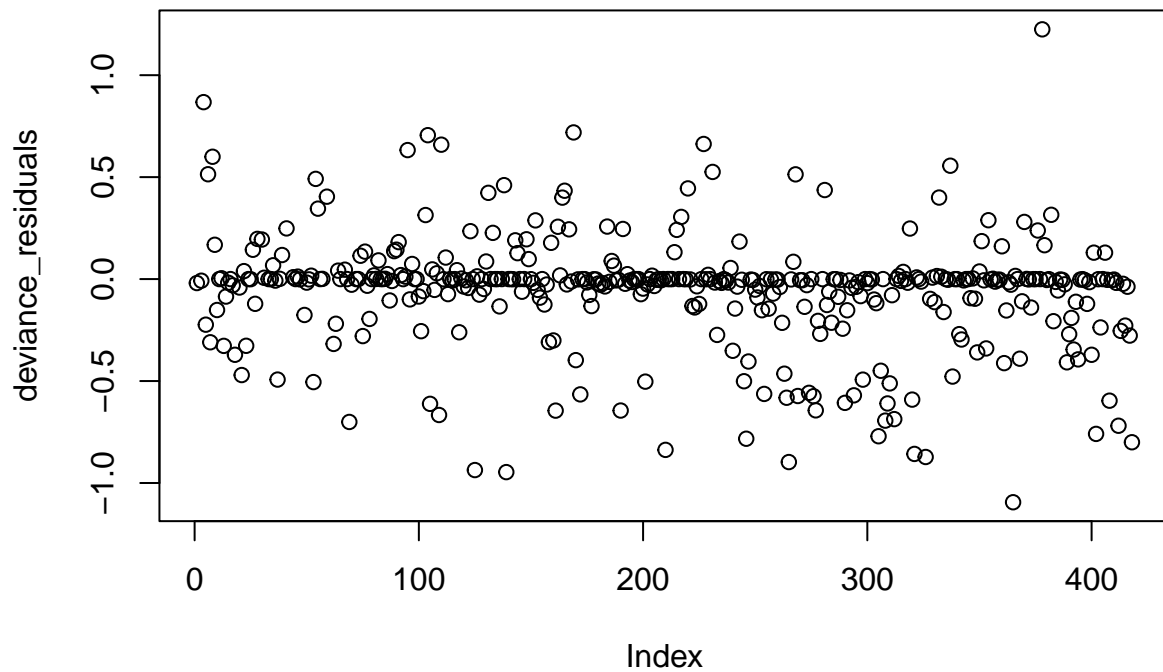
```
martingale_residuals <- residuals(cox_model_td, type = "martingale")
```

```
plot(martingale_residuals)
```



```
# Deviance Residuals  
deviance_residuals <- residuals(cox_model_td, type = "deviance")  
plot(deviance_residuals)
```





*# Residual analysis suggest a generally good fit for the model, but a few observations with larger residuals  
# Addressing or further investigating these outliers may improve interpretability and robustness of the model*

```
# Identify observations with deviance residuals > |0.5|
influential_obs <- which(abs(deviance_residuals) > 0.5)
print(influential_obs)
```

```
## 4 6 8 53 69 71 95 104 105 109 110 125 139 161 169 172 190 201 210 227
## 4 6 8 53 69 71 95 104 105 109 110 125 139 161 169 172 190 201 210 227
## 231 245 246 254 264 265 268 269 274 276 277 290 294 305 308 309 310 312 320 321
## 231 245 246 254 264 265 268 269 274 276 277 290 294 305 308 309 310 312 320 321
## 326 337 365 378 402 408 412 418
## 326 337 365 378 402 408 412 418
```