

Homework 10

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Group 1: 4, 12+, 15, 21+, 23

Group 2: 2, 6+, 8+, 10, 19

$H_0: h_1(t) = h_2(t)$ for all t

$H_1: h_1(t) \neq h_2(t)$ for some t

```
df = tibble(  
  group = rep(c(1, 2), each = 5),  
  time = c(4, 12, 15, 21, 23, 2, 6, 8, 10, 19),  
  delta = c(1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1)  
)  
  
str(df)
```

```
## tibble [10 x 3] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)  
## $ group: num [1:10] 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 2  
## $ time : num [1:10] 4 12 15 21 23 2 6 8 10 19  
## $ delta: num [1:10] 1 0 1 0 1 1 0 0 1 1
```

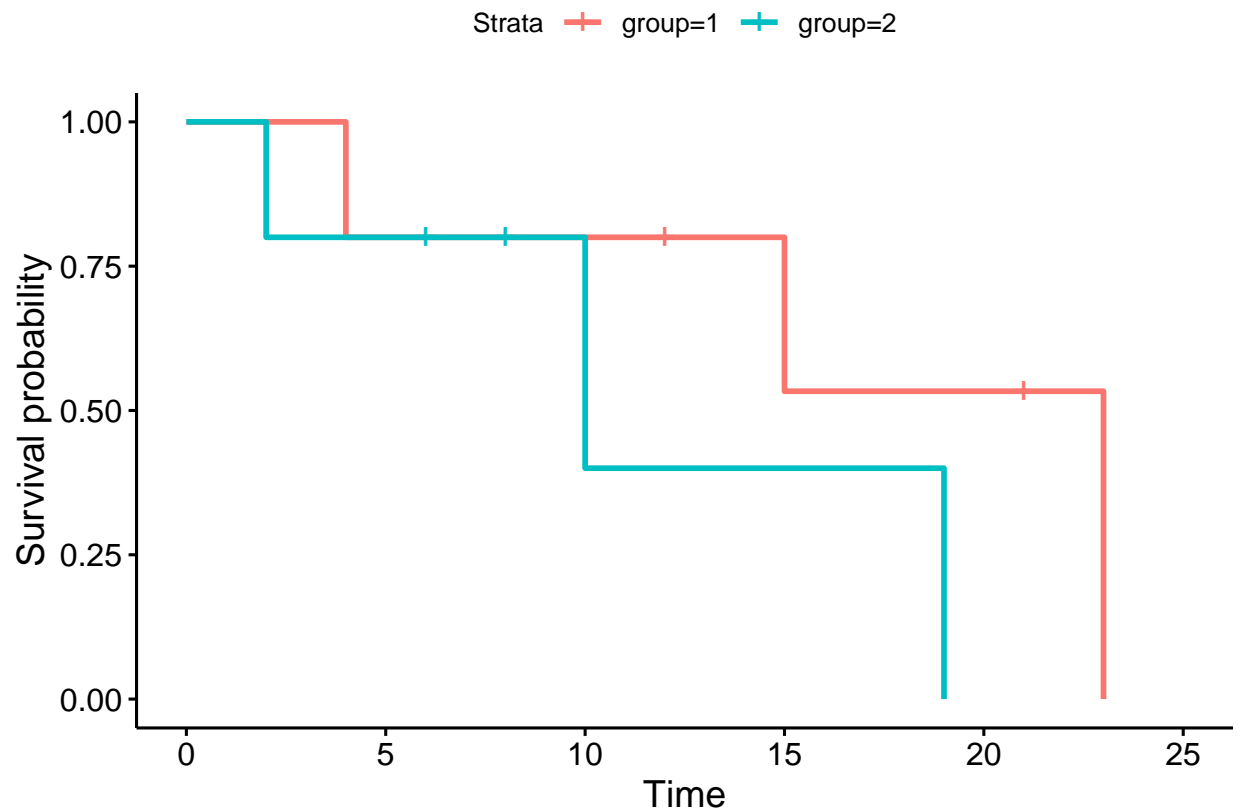
```
# check censored  
Surv(df$time, df$delta, type = "right")
```

```
## [1] 4 12+ 15 21+ 23 2 6+ 8+ 10 19
```

```
# log-rank test  
survdif(Surv(time, delta) ~ group, data = df)
```

```
## Call:  
## survdiff(formula = Surv(time, delta) ~ group, data = df)  
##  
##           N Observed Expected (O-E)^2/E (O-E)^2/V  
## group=1 5      3      4.14      0.313      1.15  
## group=2 5      3      1.86      0.697      1.15  
##  
## Chisq= 1.1 on 1 degrees of freedom, p= 0.3
```

```
# plot survival function
ggsurvplot(survfit(Surv(time, delta) ~ group, data = df), xlab = "Time")
```



P-value > 0.05 suggests that we cannot reject the null hypothesis. Thus, we can conclude that $h_1(t) = h_2(t)$ for all t .

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```
data(kidtran)
str(kidtran)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 863 obs. of 6 variables:
## $ obs : int 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
## $ time : int 1 5 7 9 13 13 17 20 26 26 ...
## $ delta : int 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 1 1 ...
## $ gender: int 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ race : int 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ age : int 46 51 55 57 45 43 47 65 55 44 ...
```

Let's compare the survival curves for different races in each sex group.

In the log-rank test, I set the hypotheses as follows:

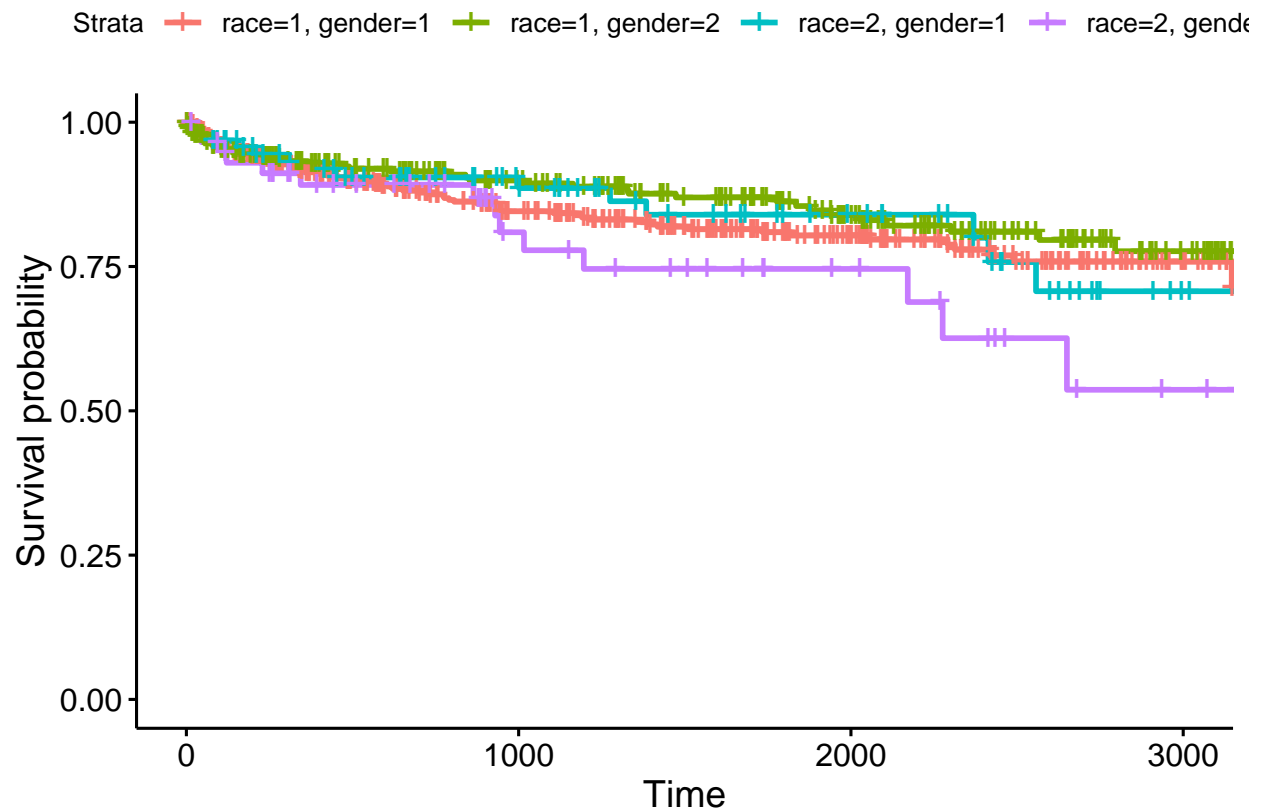
H_0 : the death times of kidney transplant patients are identical among four groups

H_1 : the death times of kidney transplant patients are not the same among four groups

```
# log-rank test
survdif(Surv(time, delta) ~ race + gender, data = kidtran)
```

```
## Call:
## survdiff(formula = Surv(time, delta) ~ race + gender, data = kidtran)
##
##              N Observed Expected (O-E)^2/E (O-E)^2/V
## race=1, gender=1 432      73   69.25    0.2025    0.4013
## race=1, gender=2 280      39   47.39    1.4860    2.2531
## race=2, gender=1  92      14   14.52    0.0184    0.0205
## race=2, gender=2  59      14    8.84    3.0173    3.2245
##
##  Chisq= 4.7  on 3 degrees of freedom, p= 0.2
```

```
# plot survival function
ggsurvplot(survfit(Surv(time, delta) ~ race + gender, data = kidtran), xlab = "Time")
```



The result ($p\text{-value} > 0.05$) indicates that we cannot reject the null hypothesis; hence, there is no statistically significant difference in the survival curves among four groups.

```
data(larynx)
```

```
df <- as_tibble(larynx) |>
```

```
  mutate(
    z1 = ifelse(stage == 2, 1, 0),
    z2 = ifelse(stage == 3, 1, 0),
    z3 = ifelse(stage == 4, 1, 0),
    z4 = age
  )
```

```
str(df)
```

```
## tibble [90 x 9] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
## $ stage : int [1:90] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ time  : num [1:90] 0.6 1.3 2.4 2.5 3.2 3.2 3.3 3.3 3.5 3.5 ...
## $ age   : int [1:90] 77 53 45 57 58 51 76 63 43 60 ...
## $ diagyr: int [1:90] 76 71 71 78 74 77 74 77 71 73 ...
## $ delta : int [1:90] 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 1 1 ...
## $ z1     : num [1:90] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ z2     : num [1:90] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ z3     : num [1:90] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ z4     : int [1:90] 77 53 45 57 58 51 76 63 43 60 ...
```

Let

z1 = 1 if the patient is in stage 2, 0 otherwise;

z2 = 1 if the patient is in stage 3, 0 otherwise;

z3 = 1 if the patient is in stage 4, 0 otherwise;

z4 = age of the patient (in years);

Now, I will fit a proportional hazards model using the covariates z1, z2, z3, z4 and the interaction term z1*z4.

```
fit = coxph(Surv(time, delta) ~ factor(z1) + factor(z2) + factor(z3) + z4 + (factor(z1) * z4), data = d
```

```
summary(fit)
```

```
## Call:
```

```
## coxph(formula = Surv(time, delta) ~ factor(z1) + factor(z2) +  
##       factor(z3) + z4 + (factor(z1) * z4), data = df, ties = "breslow")
```

```
##
```

```
## n= 90, number of events= 50
```

```
##
```

```
##               coef exp(coef)    se(coef)      z Pr(>|z|)  
## factor(z1)1   -7.3820143  0.0006223   3.4027542 -2.169  0.0301 *  
## factor(z2)1    0.6218044  1.8622853   0.3558078  1.748  0.0805 .  
## factor(z3)1    1.7534270  5.7743576   0.4239595  4.136 3.54e-05 ***  
## z4             0.0059729  1.0059908   0.0148792  0.401  0.6881  
## factor(z1)1:z4 0.1116674  1.1181409   0.0476728  2.342  0.0192 *  
## ---
```

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

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##
```

```
##               exp(coef) exp(-coef) lower .95 upper .95
```

```
## factor(z1)1      0.0006223 1606.8231 7.900e-07    0.4903
## factor(z2)1      1.8622853    0.5370 9.272e-01    3.7403
## factor(z3)1      5.7743576    0.1732 2.516e+00   13.2550
## z4               1.0059908    0.9940 9.771e-01    1.0358
## factor(z1)1:z4   1.1181409    0.8943 1.018e+00    1.2277
##
## Concordance= 0.682 (se = 0.04 )
## Likelihood ratio test= 24.11 on 5 df,    p=2e-04
## Wald test           = 23.77 on 5 df,    p=2e-04
## Score (logrank) test = 27.98 on 5 df,    p=4e-05
```

Significant p-values (< 0.05) indicate that the corresponding variables `factor(z1)1`, `factor(z3)1`, and `factor(z1)1:z4` have a significant effect on survival.

All else being equal, being Stage 2 patients reduce the hazard by a factor of 0.00062 (vs Stage 1 patients); being Stage 4 patients increase the hazard by a factor of 5.77 (vs Stage 1 patients). There seems to be an interaction between Stage 2 patients and age.

The relative risk of dying for a Stage 2 patient of age 50 vs Stage 1 patient of age 50 can be calculated as follows:

$$RR = \frac{h_2(t)}{h_1(t)} = \frac{e^{-7.3820143+50 \times 0.0059729}}{e^{50 \times 0.0059729}} \approx 0.00062$$

```
# plot the survival rate curve
fit2 = survfit(fit, newdata = data.frame(z4 = 50, z1 = 1, z2 = 0, z3 = 0))
fit1 = survfit(fit, newdata = data.frame(z4 = 50, z1 = 0, z2 = 0, z3 = 0))

plot(fit2, col = "black", xlab = "Time", ylab = "Survival rate", conf.int = FALSE, main = "Surv Rate of
lines(fit1, col = "red", conf.int = FALSE)
legend("bottomright", c("Stage 1", "Stage 2"), col = c("red", "black"), lty = 1)
```

Surv Rate of Parient at Age 50 from PH Model

