

Survival Analysis:

**Calculation of Incidence Rate/
Instantaneous Risk/ Force of Mortality-
Proc Phreg**



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You will be able to understand,

- Survival analysis
- Measure Time and Event
- Censoring
- Survival and Hazard Functions
- Models and Hypothesis Testing
- Calculation and Example
- Interpretation

- Measuring the occurrence of an outcome
- Understanding and analyzing time to event occurrence
(e.g. Heart attack, death etc.)



Survival Analysis is a branch of statistics which deals with analysis of time duration to until one or more events happen, such as death in biological organisms and failure in mechanical systems.

- Survival analysis models factors that influence the time to an event.
Or time to “failure”
- Shouldn't use linear regression
 1. Non-normally distributed outcome
 2. Censoring

To understand better Survival Analysis



- Censored - Exact failure time is unknown within a certain interval.
- Censoring –No information available for time to outcome event.

1. Right censoring

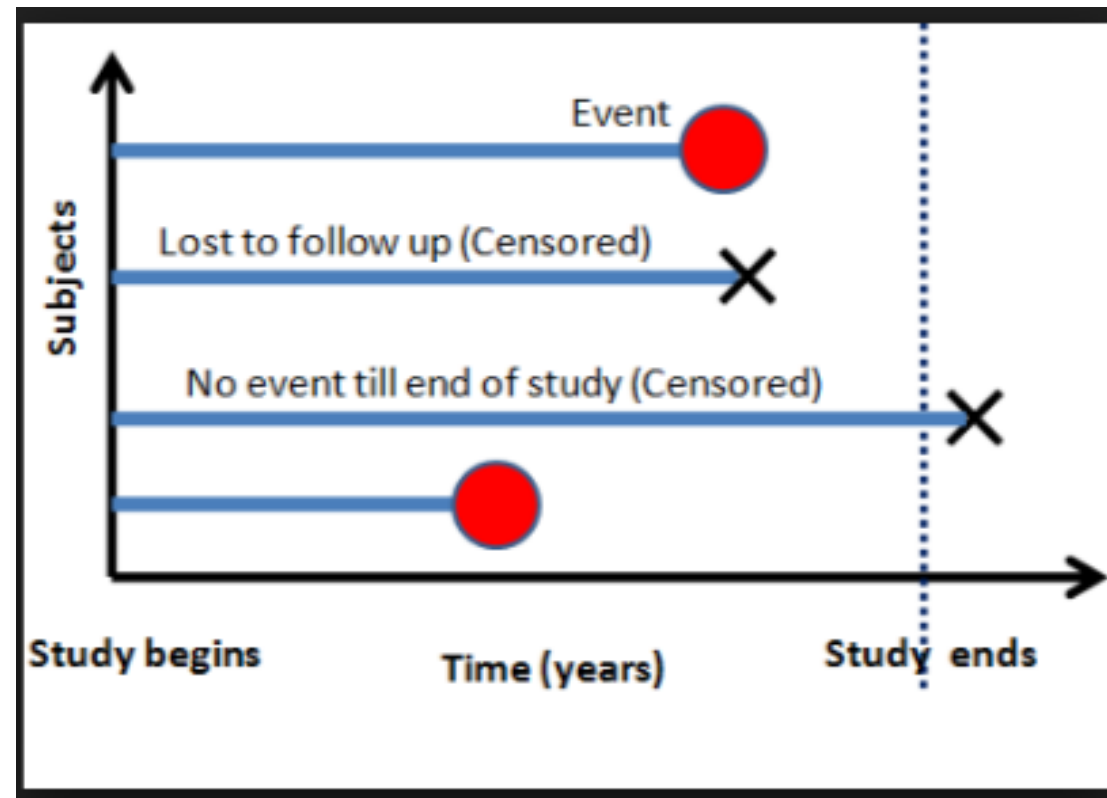
- i. Subject leaves the study before an event occurs
- ii. Study ends before the event has occurred.

2. Left censoring

- i. Event of interest has already occurred before enrolment.

This is very rarely encountered.

- **Time-to-event** measures the time from a particular starting time (e.g., time initiated the treatment) to a particular endpoint of interest (e.g., attaining certain functional abilities)



Survival Function

Let T denote the survival time

$$\begin{aligned} S(t) &= P(\text{surviving longer than time } t) \\ &= P(T > t) \end{aligned}$$

The function $S(t)$ is also known as the cumulative survival function. $0 \leq S(t) \leq 1$

$$\hat{S}(t) = \frac{\text{number of patients surviving longer than } t}{\text{total number of patients in the study}}$$

Hazard Function and Ratio

- The hazard function $h(t)$ of survival time T gives the conditional failure rate
- **The hazard function is also known as the instantaneous failure rate, force of mortality, and age-specific failure rate**
- The hazard function gives the risk of failure per unit time during the aging process

$$h(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(t \leq T < t + \Delta t / T \geq t)}{\Delta t}$$

$$\text{Hazard from density and survival : } h(t) = \frac{f(t)}{S(t)}$$

Survival Analysis can be done

➤ proc lifetest

Non-parametric methods(Life table and KM Plot etc)

➤ Proc Phreg

Cox proportional hazards regression (Hazard Rate)

Still very popular survival analysis method

Model : $h(t) = h_0(t)\exp(B_1X+B_0)$

Difference between hazard/rate ratio and odds ratio/risk ratio:

- Hazard ratio: ratio of rates-Cox regression
- Odds/risk ratio: ratio of proportions-Logistic regression

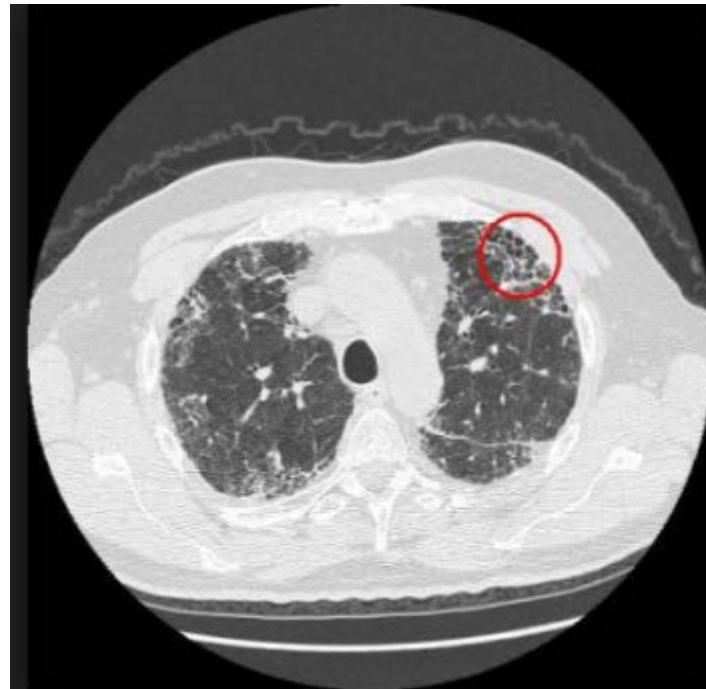
All are measures of relative risk!

Estimating the Hazard and Survival function

- Nonparametric (Lifetest-odds ratio) - Survival function (cumulative hazard)
- Regression method (Phreg-Hazard Rate) - Hazard function $h(t)$
 - Hazard function gives instantaneous rate of failure at time t
 - Hazard function should be strictly nonnegative
 - Another reason we shouldn't use linear regression

Clinical Endpoints for example

- Time to first acute IPF exacerbation (days)
- Time to death (days) (overall study period)



Sample template: Survival Analysis

Proportional hazard model for <time to first acute IPF exacerbation (days) over 52 weeks> with baseline KL-6 cut-off <700 U/mL>

	KL-6 < cut-off		KL-6 ≥ cut-off	
	Placebo	Study Drug	Placebo	Study Drug
Number of analysed patients	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
Failure [N (%)]	xxx (xx.x)	xxx (xx.x)	xxx (xx.x)	xxx (xx.x)
Censored [N (%)]	xxx (xx.x)	xxx (xx.x)	xxx (xx.x)	xxx (xx.x)
Comparison of treatment vs. placebo [1]				
Hazard ratio		x.xx		x.xx
95% Confidence interval		(x.xx, x.xx)		(x.xx, x.xx)
Treatment by subgroup interaction [2]				
p-value				x.xxxxx
Fit Statistics with covariates [2]				
-2 LOG L				xxxx.xx
AIC				xxxx.xx
SBC				xxxx.xx
Global Tests – Chi-square (p-value) [2]				
Likelihood ratio			1	xxx.xx (x.xxxxx)
Score				xxx.xx (x.xxxxx)
Wald				xxx.xx (x.xxxxx)

[1] Based on a Cox's regression model with terms for treatment, gender, age and height.

[2] Based on a Cox's regression model with terms for treatment, gender, age, height, subgroup, and treatment-by-subgroup interaction term.

Sample data structure and required variables

EPT	EPTPR	AGE	SEXDC	HTSTD	BM	TREAT
Time to event [days]	Censoring properties	Age [years]	Gender decode	Height [cm]	BM	TREAT
373	150	63	Male	174	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
153	150	69	Female	170	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
373	150	62	Male	180	B4KL6<ct	Placebo
373	150	61	Male	185	B4KL6<ct	Placebo
373	150	53	Female	172	B4KL6<ct	Placebo
372	150	67	Male	174	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
373	150	72	Male	170	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
373	150	84	Male	168	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
365	150	80	Female	172	B4KL6<ct	Placebo
373	150	83	Male	174	B4KL6<ct	Placebo
373	150	64	Male	165	B4KL6<ct	Placebo
373	150	68	Male	185	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
373	150	69	Male	181	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
373	150	64	Female	166	B4KL6<ct	Placebo
373	150	53	Female	170	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
344	0	72	Male	182	B4KL6<ct	Placebo
373	150	81	Female	149	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
373	150	75	Female	162	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
373	150	59	Male	167	B4KL6<ct	Study Drug
373	150	62	Male	172	B4KL6<ct	Placebo
373	150	60	Male	172	B4KL6<ct	Placebo

Syntax for PROC PHREG

The following statements are available in PROC PHREG. Items within < > are optional.

PROC PHREG <options> ;

ASSESS keyword </options> ;

BASELINE <OUT=SAS-data-set> <COVARIATES=SAS-data-set> <keyword=name

...keyword=name > </options> ;

BAYES <options> ;

BY variables ;

CLASS variable <(options)> <...variable <(options)> > </options> ;

CONTRAST <'label'> effect values <,..., effect values> </options> ;

FREQ variable ;

HAZARDRATIO <'label'> variable </options> ;

ID variables ;

MODEL response <*censor(list)> = variables </options> ;

OUTPUT <OUT=SAS-data-set> <keyword=name ...keyword=name > </options> ;

programming statements ;

STRATA variable <(list)> <...variable <(list)>> </option> ;

<label:>**TEST** equation1 <,..., equationk ></options> ;

WEIGHT variable </option> ;

Sample Code

* Cox Model for Hazard ratio values and its CI ;

```
PROC PHREG DATA=k16A11 ;  
  BY bm ;  
  CLASS treat(REF='Placebo') sexdc / PARAM=REF ORDER=internal ;  
  MODEL ept*eptpr(150) = treat sexdc age htstd / RL ALPHA=0.05 ;  
    HAZARDRATIO "HR" treat ;  
    ODS OUTPUT ParameterEstimate = hrci ;  
RUN;
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* Cox Model for interaction P value and F statistics ;

```
PROC PHREG DATA=k16A11 COVOUT OUTEST = conv ;  
  CLASS treat(REF='Placebo') sexdc bm / PARAM=REF ORDER=internal ;  
  MODEL ept*eptpr(150)=treat bm treat*bm sexdc age htstd/RL ALPHA=0.05 ;  
    HAZARDRATIO treat / AT (bm = ALL);  
    ODS OUTPUT FitStatistics = stats ;  
    ODS OUTPUT GlobalTests = global ;  
    ODS OUTPUT Type3= type ;  
RUN;
```

Convergence of Model

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WARNING: Convergence was not attained in 25 iterations.  
NOTE: The above message was for the following BY group:  
      BM=B4KL6<ct  
NOTE: Convergence criterion (GCONV=1E-8) satisfied.  
NOTE: The above message was for the following BY group:  
      BM=B4KL6>=ct  
NOTE: The data set WORK.HRCI has 8 observations and 12 variables.
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35887  ** *-----End of Titles.Source-----  
NOTE: %INCLUDE (level 1) ending.  
NOTE: Convergence criterion (GCONV=1E-8) satisfied.  
NOTE: The data set WORK.TYPE has 6 observations and 4 variables.  
NOTE: The data set WORK.GLOBAL has 3 observations and 4 variables.  
NOTE: The data set WORK.STATS has 3 observations and 3 variables.  
NOTE: The data set WORK.CONV has 7 observations and 11 variables.
```

Output datasets (ODS)

FitStatistics

	Criterion	Without Covariates	With Covariates
1	-2 LOG L	70.133	61.517
2	AIC	70.133	73.517
3	SBC	70.133	73.193

GlobalTest

	Test	Chi-Square	DF	Pr > Chi-Square
1	Likelihood Ratio	8.6155	6	0.1964
2	Score	7.0137	6	0.3196
3	Wald	5.7891	6	0.4472

Type 3

	EFFECT	DF	Wald Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
1	TREAT	1	0.9028	0.3420
2	BM	1	0.1060	0.7447
3	TREAT*BM	1	0.0001	0.9929
4	SEXDC	1	3.4196	0.0644
5	AGE	1	2.8195	0.0931
6	HTSTD	1	3.9037	0.0482

Parameter Estimate

	Hazard Ratio	95% Lower Confidence Limit for Hazard Ratio	95% Upper Confidence Limit for Hazard Ratio
1	0.000	0.000	.
2	2.244	0.396	12.709

Interpretation of Hazard ratio's

✓ For $BM <$

HR=0.000 : Means non significant

✓ For $BM >$

HR=2.25 : Means 2.25 (More than double) higher incidence of event

Theoretical Situation

If $HR = 1$?



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Thank you !