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# Module 1: Survival Analysis (p's & q's)

## Section 1: Basics

$(x)$ : person who is age  $x$

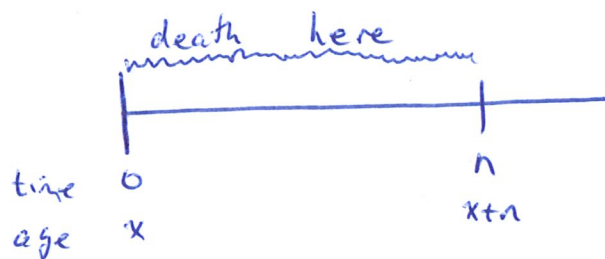
"rvr" - random variable representing

$T_x$  = rvr the time until the death of  $(x)$

$\text{supp}(T_x) = [0, \infty) \Rightarrow T_x$  is a continuous r.v.

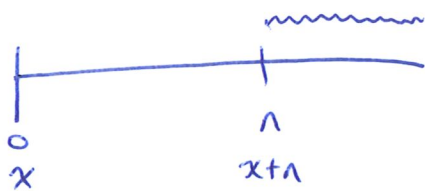
cdf:  $F_{T_x}(t) = F_x(t) = \Pr(T_x \leq t)$  actuarial notation  ${}_t q_x$

${}_n q_x = \Pr((x) \text{ dies before age } x+n)$



sf:  $S_{T_x}(t) = S_x(t) = \Pr(T_x > t)$  actuarial notation  ${}_t p_x$

${}_n p_x = \Pr((x) \text{ survives to age } x+n)$



Examples:

$${}_0 p_x = 1$$

$${}_0 q_x = 0$$

$${}_{\infty} p_x = 0$$

$${}_{\infty} q_x = 1$$

## Remarks:

$$1) \quad {}_n P_x + {}_n q_x = 1$$

$$2) \quad \text{Notation} \quad P_x = {}_1 P_x$$

$$q_x = {}_1 q_x$$

3) Notation

${}_n P_x$   
↳ age  
duration (time value)

Factoring Survival Probabilities (p's)

$${}_{k+n} P_x = \Pr((x) \text{ survives to age } x+k+n)$$

$$= \underbrace{\Pr((x) \text{ survives to age } x+k)}_{{}_k P_x} \cdot \underbrace{\Pr((x+k) \text{ survives to age } x+k+n)}_{{}_n P_{x+k}}$$

$${}_{k+n} P_x = {}_k P_x \cdot {}_n P_{x+k} = {}_n P_x \cdot {}_k P_{x+n}$$

Examples: (See next page)

Module 1 Section 1 Example 1

You are given:

- i) The probability that (40) survives to age 45 is 0.9.
- ii) The probability that a person who is 40 dies after age 60 is 0.7.

Determine the percentage of 45-year olds who live longer than 15 years.

Solution:

$$i) \quad {}_5P_{40} = 0.9$$

$$ii) \quad {}_{20}P_{40} = 0.7$$

Q:  ${}_{15}P_{45} = ?$

A:  ${}_{20}P_{40} = {}_5P_{40} \cdot {}_{15}P_{45}$

$$\Rightarrow {}_{15}P_{45} = \frac{7}{9}$$

Module 1 Section 1 Example 2

You are given:

- i) The probability that (35) dies within 35 years is 0.68.
- ii) The proportion of 50 year olds who survive to age 70 is 0.4.

Determine the probability that a randomly chose 35-year old dies before age 50.

Solution:

$$i) {}_{35}q_{35} = .68 \implies {}_{35}P_{35} = .32$$

$$ii) {}_{20}P_{50} = .4$$

$$Q: {}_{15}q_{35} = ? = 1 - {}_{15}P_{35}$$

$${}_{35}P_{35} = {}_{15}P_{35} \cdot {}_{20}P_{50}$$

$$\implies {}_{15}P_{35} = \frac{.32}{.4} = 0.8$$

$$\therefore {}_{15}q_{35} = 0.2$$