

mortality

# Life Tables and Selection

Lecture: Weeks 4-5

# Chapter summary

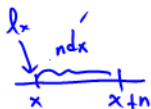
- What is a **life table**? ✓
  - also called a mortality table ✓
  - tabulation of basic mortality functions ✓
  - deriving probabilities/expectations from a life table ✓
- Relationships to survival functions ✓
- Assumptions for fractional (non-integral) ages ✓
- Select and ultimate tables ✓
  - national life tables
  - valuation or pricing tables
- Chapter 3, DHW

integral ages

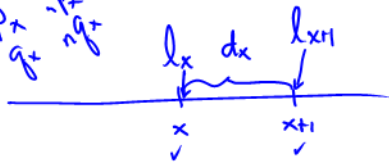
15  
16  
17  
⋮

## What is the life table?

- A tabular presentation of the mortality evolution of a cohort group of lives.
- Begin with  $\underline{\ell_0}$  number of lives (e.g. 100,000) - called the radix of the life table.
- (Expected) number of lives who are age  $x$ :  $\ell_x = \ell_0 \cdot S_0(x) = \ell_0 \cdot {}_x p_0$
- (Expected) number of deaths between ages  $x$  and  $x + 1$ :  
 $d_x = \ell_x - \ell_{x+1}$ . ✓
- (Expected) number of deaths between ages  $x$  and  $x + n$ :  
 ${}_n d_x = \ell_x - \ell_{x+n}$ . ✓
- Conditional on survival to age  $x$ , the probability of dying within  $n$  years is:  
 ${}_n q_x = \frac{{}_n d_x}{\ell_x} = \frac{(\ell_x - \ell_{x+n})}{\ell_x} = 1 - \frac{\ell_{x+n}}{\ell_x} = 1 - {}_n p_x$
- Conditional on survival to age  $x$ , the probability of living to reach age  $x + n$  is:  
 ${}_n p_x = 1 - {}_n q_x = \frac{\ell_{x+n}}{\ell_x}$ .



$$P_x \quad \frac{1}{q_x}$$

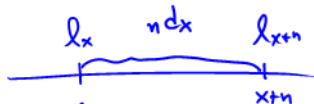


$$l_0 = \text{radix} = \text{fix } 1$$

eg 100,000

$l_x =$  (expected) number of lives who reach age  $x$  (who are alive at beginning of age  $x$ )

$d_x =$  number of deaths between ages  $x$  &  $x+1$

$$= l_x - l_{x+1}$$


$nd_x =$  number of deaths between age  $x$  &  $x+n$

$n=1$  ✓

$$1d_x = d_x$$

$$= l_x - l_{x+n}$$

$$l_x = \frac{l_0 \cdot \Pr(X > x)}{\underline{S_0(x)}}$$

$l_x$  is non-increasing in  $x$

(decreasing)

$$\begin{array}{c} l_x' \quad \quad l_{x+1} \\ \hline x \quad \quad x+1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} l_x &\geq l_{x+1} \\ &\geq l_{x+2} \\ &\geq l_{x+3} \\ &\geq \vdots \\ &\geq l_{x+n} \end{aligned}$$

## Example of a life table

$$\frac{d_0}{l_0 - l_1}$$

$x$	$l_x$	$d_x$	$q_x$	$p_x$	$e_x$
0	100,000	680	0.006799	0.993201	77.84
1	99,320	48	0.000483	0.999517	77.37
2	99,272	29	0.000297	0.999703	76.41
3	99,243	22	0.000224	0.999776	75.43
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
50	93,735	413	0.004404	0.995596	30.87
51	93,323	443	0.004750	0.995250	30.01
52	92,879	475	0.005113	0.994887	29.15
53	92,404	507	0.005488	0.994512	28.30
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
97	5,926	1,370	0.231201	0.768799	3.15
98	4,556	1,133	0.248600	0.751400	2.95
99	3,423	913	0.266786	0.733214	2.76

raw table

$${}_2p_{50} = \frac{l_{52}}{l_{50}} = \frac{92879}{93735}$$

$$= p_{50} \cdot p_{51}$$

$$\frac{d_x}{l_x}$$

5 age year  
2 age yearcomplete expectation of life  
or  
average life

$$50 + 30.87 = 80.87$$

lag: 50 may not

old

Source: U.S. Life Table for the total population, 2004, Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

## Radix of the life table

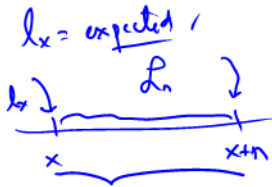
- The radix of the life table does not have to start at age 0, e.g. start with age  $x_0$ , so that the table starts with radix  $l_{x_0}$ .
- The limiting age of the table is usually denoted by  $\omega$ , in which case the table gives entries for only a period of  $\omega - x_0$ .
- All the formulas still work, e.g. conditional on survival to age  $x$ , the probability of surviving to reach age  $x + n$  is:

$$\underline{{}_n p_x} = 1 - {}_n q_x = \frac{l_{x+n}}{l_x}.$$

- Note that among  $l_x$  independent lives who have reached age  $x$ , the number of survivors  $\mathcal{L}_n$  within  $n$  years is a **Binomial** random variable with parameters  $l_x$  and  ${}_n p_x$  so that

$$E(\mathcal{L}_n) = l_x \cdot {}_n p_x.$$

$L_n$  = number of survivors  
out of  $l_x$  lives at  
age  $x$



with probability  $n p_x$

$L_n \sim$  ~~binomial~~ Binomial random variable

$\sim \text{bin}(n, p)$

$n = l_x$

$p = n p_x$

$n \cdot p \cdot (1-p)$

1 or 0 survivors etc

$$E[L_n] = \cancel{l_x} \cdot \frac{n p_x}{\frac{l_{x+n}}{\cancel{l_x}}} = l_{x+n}$$

$$\text{Var}[L_n] = \cancel{l_x} \cdot \frac{n p_x}{\cancel{l_x}} \cdot (1 - n p_x) = l_{x+n} \left( \frac{l_x - l_{x+n}}{l_x} \right)$$



Revised example 3.1

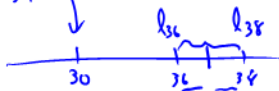
$x$	$l_x$	$d_x$
30	10000	34.78
31	9965.22	38.10
32	...	...
...	...	...
39	9434.08	80.11

Using Table 3.1, page 43 of DHW, calculate the following:

- the probability that (30) will survive another 5 years
- the probability that (39) will survive to reach age 40
- the probability that (30) will die within 10 years
- the probability that (30) dies between ages 36 and 38

$$P_{39} = \frac{l_{40}}{l_{39}} = \frac{9434.08 - 80.11}{9434.08}$$

$${}_{6|2}q_{30} = \frac{l_{36} - l_{38}}{l_{30}}$$



$${}_{10}q_{30} = 1 - {}_{10}p_{30} = 1 - \frac{l_{40}}{l_{30}}$$

$$6/2 q_{30} = \frac{l_{36} - l_{38}}{l_{30}} //$$

$$= \frac{d_{36} + d_{37}}{l_{30}} //$$



$$nd_x = l_x - l_{x+n}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$= d_x + d_{x+1} + \dots + d_{x+n-1}$$



$$n p_x = \frac{l_{x+n}}{l_x}$$

$$n q_x = \frac{nd_x}{l_x}$$

$$6 p_{30} \cdot 2 q_{36}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\frac{l_{36}}{l_{30}} \left( 1 - \frac{l_{38}}{l_{36}} \right) = \frac{l_{36} - l_{38}}{l_{30}}$$

$$\frac{l_{36} - l_{38}}{l_{30}}$$

$$d_{36} + d_{37}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$\frac{l_{36} - l_{37}}{l_{36}} + \frac{l_{37} - l_{38}}{l_{37}}$$

## Illustrative example 1

$$e_x' = \int_0^{\infty} {}_t p_x dt$$

Complete the following life table:

$x$	$l_x$	$d_x$	$p_x$	$q_x$
40	24,983	442	.	.
41	24,541	366	.	.
42	24,175	259	○	○
43	23,880	224	.	.
44	23,656	159	.	.
45	23,495	○	○	○

$$24983 - 24541 = 442$$

$$24541 - 24175 = 366$$

$$\frac{l_{41}}{l_{40}} = \frac{24541}{24983} = .982308$$

$$1 - .982308 = \dots$$

$$.985086 \quad .014914$$

not possible  
to calculate

## Additional useful formulas

From a life table, the following formulas can also easily be verified (or use your intuition):

- $\ell_x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_{x+k}$ : the number of survivors at age  $x$  should be equal to the number of deaths in each year of age for all the following years.
- ${}_n d_x = \ell_x - \ell_{x+n} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} d_{x+k}$ : the number of deaths within  $n$  years should be equal to the number of deaths in each year of age for the next  $n$  years.
- Finally, the probability that  $(x)$  survives the next  $n$  years but dies the following  $m$  years after that can be derived using:

$${}_n|{}_m q_x = {}_n p_x - {}_{n+m} p_x = \frac{{}_m d_{x+n}}{\ell_x} = \frac{\ell_{x+n} - \ell_{x+n+m}}{\ell_x}.$$

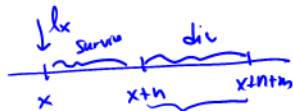
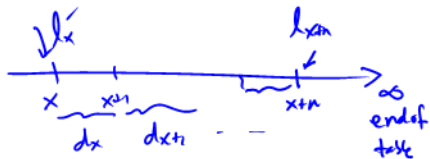
$$l_x = d_x + d_{x+1} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_{x+k}$$

↓

$${}_n d_x = l_x - l_{x+n}$$

$$= \underbrace{d_x + d_{x+1} + \dots + d_{x+n-1}}_{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} d_{x+k} \quad \text{n years}}$$

$${}_n | m q_x = \frac{l_{x+n} - l_{x+n+m}}{l_x} = \frac{{}_n p_x - {}_{n+m} p_x}{{}_n p_x - {}_{n+m} p_x} = \frac{{}_n m q_x - {}_{n+m} p_x}{{}_n p_x - {}_{n+m} p_x}$$



relates life table  
to survival models

$$S_0(x) = {}_x p_0 = \frac{l_{x+t_0}}{l_0} = \frac{l_x}{l_0}$$

$l_0$  = radix of life table  
from birth.

$$\mu_x = -\frac{d}{dx} \log S_0(x) = -\frac{1}{S_0(x)} \frac{d}{dx} S_0(x)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{l_x/l_0} \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{l_x}{l_0} \right) = -\frac{1}{l_x} \frac{d}{dx} l_x = \mu_x$$

$$\underbrace{-\frac{d}{dx} \log l_x}_{=} = \mu_x$$

$$S_0(x) = {}_x p_0 = \frac{l_x}{l_0}$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$e^{-\int_0^x \mu_z dz}$$

$$l_x = l_0 \cdot e^{-\int_0^x \mu_z dz}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dx} l_x = -l_x \mu_x}$$

$$\mu_{x+t} = -\frac{d}{dt} \log t p_x$$

$$= -\frac{1}{t p_x} \frac{d}{dt} t p_x \left( \frac{l_{x+t}}{l_x} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{l_{x+t}} \frac{d}{dt} l_{x+t}$$

$$= -\frac{d}{dt} \log l_{x+t} = \mu_{x+t}$$

$S_x(t) =$  prob that  $(x)$  will survive the next  $t$  years

4:46  $\rightarrow$

4:51

$$S_x(t) = t p_x$$

$$\mu_{x+t} = -\frac{d}{dt} \log \underline{S_x(t)}$$

$$S_x(t) = \Pr[\underline{T_x} > t]$$

$$= \frac{S_0(x+t)}{S_0(x)}$$

$$= \frac{x+t p_0}{x p_0}$$

$$= \frac{l_{x+t}/l_0}{l_x/l_0}$$

$$= l_{x+t}/l_x$$

$$= t p_x$$

## The force of mortality

- It is easy to show that the **force of mortality** can be expressed in terms of life table function as:

$$\mu_x = -\frac{1}{l_x} \cdot \frac{dl_x}{dx} \quad \checkmark$$

- Thus, in effect, we can also write

$$l_x = l_0 \cdot \exp\left(-\int_0^x \mu_z dz\right) \quad \checkmark$$

- With a simple change of variable, it is easy to see also that

$$\mu_{x+t} = -\frac{1}{l_{x+t}} \cdot \frac{dl_{x+t}}{dt} = -\frac{1}{t p_x} \cdot \frac{d t p_x}{dt} \quad \checkmark$$

- It follows immediately that:

$$t p_x = S_x(t) = \Pr[T_x > t]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} t p_x = -\underbrace{t p_x}_{\text{circled}} \mu_{x+t} = \frac{d}{dt} \Pr[T_x > t]$$



## Curtate expectation of life

Curtate lifetime is a discrete random variable

- Recall the expected value of  $K_x$  is called the curtate expectation of life. It can be expressed now as

$$E[K_x] = e_x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k p_x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{l_{x+k}}{l_x}.$$

- The  $n$ -year temporary curtate expectation of life is

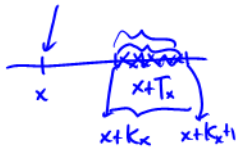
$$e_{x:\overline{n}|} = \sum_{k=1}^n k p_x = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{l_{x+k}}{l_x},$$

which gives the average number of completed years lived over the interval  $(x, x + n]$  for a life  $(x)$ .

life table  $\Rightarrow$  probability distribution of curtate lifetime  $K_x$

$$\Pr[K_x = k] = {}_k|q_x$$

= prob of dying between  $k$  and  $k+1$



$$= {}_k p_x \cdot q_{x+k}$$

$$\frac{d_{x+k}}{l_x}$$

$$E[K_x] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \cdot \Pr[K_x = k]$$

$$\text{Var}[K_x] = E[K_x^2] - \underline{e}_x^2$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} {}_k p_x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{l_{x+k}}{l_x} = \underline{e}_x = \begin{matrix} \text{certain} \\ \text{expectation} \\ \text{of life} \end{matrix}$$

$$e_{x:\overline{n}|} = E[\min(K_x, n)] = \sum_{k=1}^n {}_k p_x$$

$$\text{Var}(K_x) = E[K_x^2] - e_x^2$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$\sum_{K=0}^{\infty} K^2 \cdot \underbrace{p_r[K_x=K]}_{\frac{d_x + K}{d_x}}$$

$\infty =$  end of life table

## Illustrative example 2

Suppose you are given the following extract from a life table:

$x$	$l_x$
94	16,208
95	10,902
96	7,212
97	4,637
98	2,893
99	1,747
100	0

- Calculate  $e_{95}$ .  $= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k p_{95} = \frac{l_{96} + l_{97} + \dots + l_{99}}{l_{95}} = \frac{7212 + 4637 + 2893 + 1747}{10902} = 1.512975$
- Calculate the variance of  $K_{95}$ , the curtate future lifetime of (95).
- Calculate  $e_{95:\overline{3}|}$ .  $= \frac{l_{96} + l_{97} + l_{98}}{l_{95}} = \frac{7212 + 4637 + 2893}{10902} = 1.352229$

$$\text{Var}(K_{95}) = ?$$

$$\Pr[K_x = k] = \frac{d_{x+k}}{l_x}$$

$$e_{95} = 1.512475 \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^2 \cdot \Pr[K_{95} = k]$$

$x$	$k$	$\Pr[K_{95} = k]$
95	0	$\frac{2575}{10902}$
	1	$\frac{10902}{10902}$
	2	$\frac{1744}{10902}$
	3	
	4	

$k^2$	$k^2 \cdot \Pr[K_{95} = k]$	$\frac{d_{95+k}/l_{95}}{k \cdot \Pr[K_{95} = k]}$
0	$\frac{2575}{10902}$	
1	$4 \left( \frac{1744}{10902} \right)$	
4		
9		
16		
		<hr/>
		1.512475

$$\sum k^2 \Pr[K_{95} = k] = \underline{4.386076}$$

$$\text{Var}(K_{95}) = \underline{E[K_{95}^2]} - e_{95}^2 = \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^2 \Pr[K_{95} = k]}_{4.386076} - (1.512475)^2 = \underline{2.098496}$$

$\dot{e}_x'$  $e_x'$  $\frac{l_x dx}{l_{x+1}}$ 

fractional age



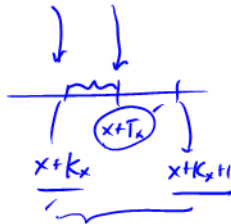
continuous expected lifetime

discrete (centals) expected lifetime

age last birthday - exact at 35.2

$$\dot{e}_x \approx e_x' + \frac{1}{2}$$

approximately -

 $K_x$  $\downarrow$   
 $T_x$  $l_{1.5} \cdot 2P_{1.8}$ 

$x$	$l_x$	$d_x$	$P_x$	$q_x$	$\dot{e}_x'$
0	:				
1					
2					



## Illustrative example 3

$$\frac{l_x}{l_{x+1}} = \frac{d_x}{125} \Rightarrow 10,000 - 125 = 9875$$

For a life ( $x$ ), you are given  $l_x = 10,000$  and the following extract from a life table:

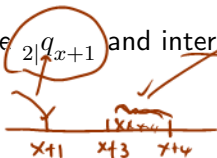
$l_x$
10,000
9875
9625
9275
8725

age	$k$	$d_{x+k}$
$x$	0	125
$x+1$	1	250
$x+2$	2	350
$x+3$	3	500
$x+4$	4	750

$$\begin{aligned} {}_2|q_{x+1} &= \frac{d_{x+3}}{l_{x+1}} \\ &= \frac{500}{9875} \\ &= .05063291 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{l_{x+3} - l_{x+4}}{l_{x+1}}$$

Calculate  ${}_2|q_{x+1}$  and interpret this probability.



prob that ( $x+1$ ) will survive 2 years and then die the following year will die between ages  $x+3$  and  $x+4$



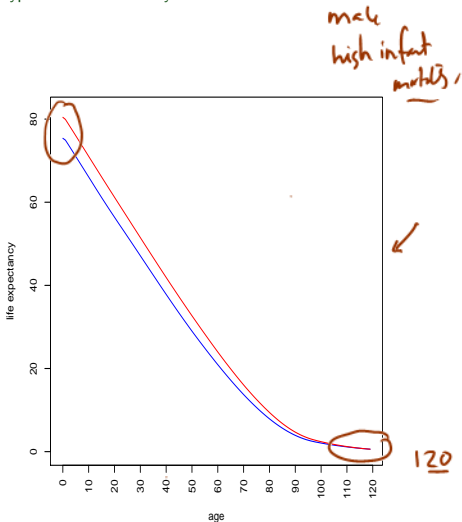
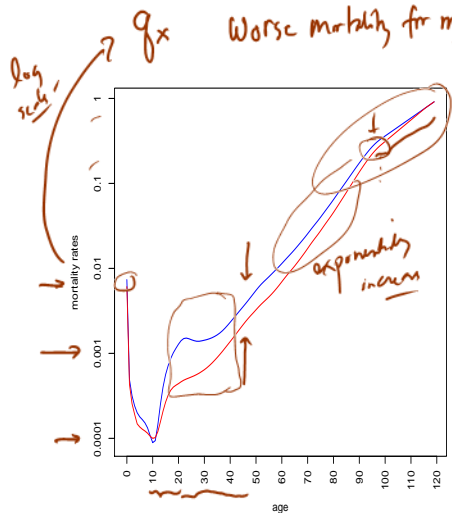


Figure: Source: Life Tables, 2007 from the Social Security Administration - male (blue), female (red)

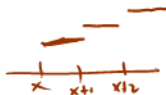
# Fractional age assumptions



- When adopting a life table (which may contain only integer ages), some assumptions are needed about the distribution between the integers.
- The two most common assumptions (or interpolations) used are (where  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ):

- linear interpolation (also called **UDD** assumption):

$$l_{x+t} = (1-t)l_x + tl_{x+1}$$

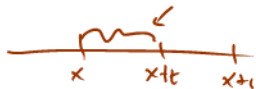


- exponential interpolation (equivalent to **constant force** assumption):

$$\log l_{x+t} = (1-t) \log l_x + t \log l_{x+1}$$

$\downarrow$   
 $\ln$

$${}^tq_x = \frac{dx+t}{lx} = t \cdot \frac{dx'}{lx'} = t \cdot q_x$$

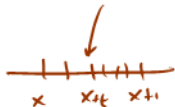


UDD:  $\boxed{{}^tq_x = t \cdot q_x}$  VIF ✓

$${}^tp_x = 1 - t \cdot q_x \quad \checkmark$$

$$\mu_{x+t} = \frac{-1}{{}^tp_x} \frac{d}{dt} {}^tp_x = \frac{-1}{1-t \cdot q_x} \cdot (-q_x) = \frac{q_x}{1-t \cdot q_x} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\underbrace{{}^tp_x \cdot \mu_{x+t}} = -\frac{d}{dt} {}^tp_x = -(-q_x) = q_x \quad (\text{independent of } t)$$



linear interpolation of  $l$   $0 \leq t \leq 1$

$$l_{x+t} = t \cdot l_{x+1} + (1-t) l_x$$

$$d_{x+t} = l'_x - l'_{x+t}$$

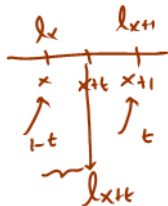
$$= \cancel{l'_x} - t \cdot l'_{x+1} + (1-t) l'_x$$

$$= t \cdot \underbrace{(l'_x - l'_{x+1})}_{dx} = t \cdot dx$$

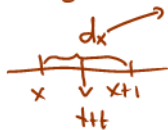
uniformly distributing deaths between  $x$  to  $x+1$

$$d_{x+1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot dx$$

UDD = uniform distribution of deaths



$x$	$l'_x$	$d'_x$
0	-	-
1	-	-
2	-	-



exponential interpolation

$$\begin{aligned}\log l_{x+t} &= (1-t) \log l_x + t \log l_{x+1} \\ &= \log l_x^{1-t} + \log l_{x+1}^t \\ &= \log(l_x^{1-t} l_{x+1}^t)\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\log A + \log B \\ &= \log AB\end{aligned}$$

$$l_{x+t} = l_x^{1-t} l_{x+1}^t \quad \text{VIF} \quad \text{exponential}$$

$${}^t p_x = \frac{l_{x+t}}{l_x} = \frac{l_x^{1-t} l_{x+1}^t}{l_x} = \frac{l_x^{1-t}}{l_x^{1-t}} \frac{l_{x+1}^t}{l_x^t} = \left(\frac{l_{x+1}}{l_x}\right)^t = P_x$$

$${}^t p_x = (P_x)^t \quad \text{VIF} \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$${}^t q_x = 1 - (P_x)^t = 1 - (1 - q_x)^t$$

$$u_{x+t} = -\frac{1}{tP_x} \frac{d}{dt} tP_x$$

$$= -\frac{1}{(P_x)^t} (P_x)^t \log P_x$$

$$tP_x = (P_x)^t = e^{t \log P_x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} tP_x = (P_x)^t \cdot \log P_x$$

$$= \underbrace{-\log P_x}_{\substack{+ \\ \mu = -\log P_x}} \leftarrow \text{independent of } t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{x+1/2} & / \\ \mu_{x+1/3} & / \\ \mu_{x+3/4} & / \end{aligned}$$

$$x, x+1 \Rightarrow \underbrace{\mu = -\log P_x}_{P_x = e^{-\mu}} \rightarrow \text{constant for } \mu$$

$$tP_x \mu_{x+t} = -\frac{d}{dt} tP_x = \underbrace{-(P_x)^t \log P_x}_{(e^{-\mu})^t \cdot \mu} = \underbrace{\mu e^{-\mu t}}_{\substack{\text{between} \\ 0 \leq t \leq 1}}$$

## Some results on the fractional age assumptions

Function	Linear (UDD)	Exponential (constant force)
${}_tq_x$	$t \cdot q_x$	$1 - (1 - q_x)^t$
$\mu_{x+t}$	$\frac{q_x}{1 - t \cdot q_x}$	$\mu = -\log p_x$
${}_t p_x \mu_{x+t}$	$\underline{q_x}$	$\underline{\mu e^{-\mu t}}$

$${}_t p_x = (p_x)^t$$

$$\mu = -\log p_x$$

$$p_x = e^{-\mu}$$

Here we have  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

## Illustrative example 4

You are given the following extract from a life table:

$x$	$l_x$
55	85,916
56	84,772
57	83,507
58	82,114

Estimate  ${}_{1.4}p_{55}$  and  ${}_{0.5|1.6}q_{55}$  under each of the following assumptions for non-integral ages:

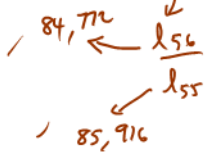
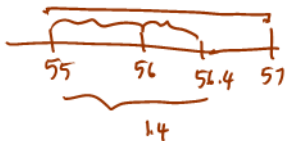
- (a) UDD; and
- (b) constant force.

Interpret these probabilities.



UDD

$$1.4P_{55} = P_{55} \cdot \underbrace{.4P_{56}}_{(1 - .4q_{56})} \cdot \underbrace{(1 - .4^*q_{56})}_{1 - P_{56}}$$



$$= \frac{l_{56}}{l_{55}} \left( 1 - .4^* \left( 1 - \frac{l_{57}}{l_{56}} \right) \right)$$

83,567

84,772

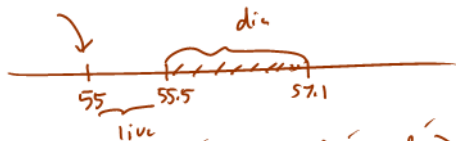
$$= \underline{\underline{.9807952}}$$

$$1.4P_{55} = \frac{l_{56.4}}{l_{55}} = \frac{.6l_{56} + .4l_{57}}{l_{55}} = \frac{.6(84772) + .4(83507)}{85916}$$
$$= \underline{\underline{.9807952}}$$

more direct

0.5 | 1.6 of 55

since  $lx$ 's are given  $\Rightarrow$  directly with  $lx$



$$= \frac{l_{55.5} - l_{57.1}}{l_{55}} = \frac{(.5l_{55} + .5l_{56}) - (.9l_{57} + .1l_{58})}{l_{55}}$$

plus values

$$= \underline{\underline{.0230027}}$$

constant force

$${}_{1.4}p_{55} = \frac{l_{56.4}}{l_{55}} = \frac{l_{56}^{.6} l_{57}^{.4}}{l_{55}} = \frac{84772^{.6} 83507^{.4}}{85916} = .9807686$$

$l_x$  are given

$$\begin{cases} {}_t p_x = (p_x)^t \\ l_{x+t} = l_x^{1-t} l_{x+1}^t \end{cases}$$

$${}_{0.5|1.6}q_{55} = \frac{l_{55.5} - l_{57.1}}{l_{55}} = \frac{l_{55}^{.5} l_{56}^{.5} - l_{57}^{.9} l_{58}^{.1}}{l_{55}}$$

plus  
value

$$= \underline{\underline{.0229929}}$$

## Illustrative example 5

Assume the Uniform Distribution of Death (UDD) assumption holds between integer ages. You are given:

$$0.5p_{65} = 0.95$$

$$0.3p_{66} = 0.92$$

$$.5q_{65} = 1 - .5p_{65} = 1 - .95 = .05 \Rightarrow .5 \times q_{65} = .05$$

$$q_{65} = \frac{.05}{.5} = .1$$

Calculate the probability that (65) will survive the next two years.

$$.3q_{66} = 1 - .92 = .08$$

$$q_{66} = \frac{.08}{.3}$$

$$2p_{65} = p_{65} \cdot p_{66} = (1 - .025)(1 - \frac{.08}{.3}) = .66$$

## Fractional part of the year lived



- Denote by  $R_x$  the **fractional part** of a year lived in the year of death. Then we have

$$T_x = \bar{K}_x + \bar{R}_x$$

$$T_x - K_x = R_x$$

where  $T_x$  is the time-until-death and  $K_x$  is the curtate future lifetime of  $(x)$ .

- We can describe the joint probability distribution of  $(K_x, R_x)$  as

$$\Pr[(K_x = k) \cap (R_x \leq s)] = \Pr[k < T_x \leq k + s] = \underline{\underline{k p_x \cdot s q_{x+k}}},$$

for  $k = 0, 1, \dots$  and for  $0 < s < 1$ .

- The UDD assumption is equivalent to the assumption that the fractional part  $R_x$  occurs uniformly during the year, i.e.  $R_x \sim U(0, 1)$ .
  - It can be demonstrated that  $K_x$  and  $R_x$  are independent in this case.

$$\Pr[K_x = k \text{ and } R_x \leq s]$$



$$= \frac{k p_x \cdot s q^{x+k}}{1}$$

$$T_x = K_x + R_x \quad \text{UDD}$$

$$R_x \sim \text{Uniform}(0,1)$$

$$E[T_x] = E[K_x] + E[R_x]$$

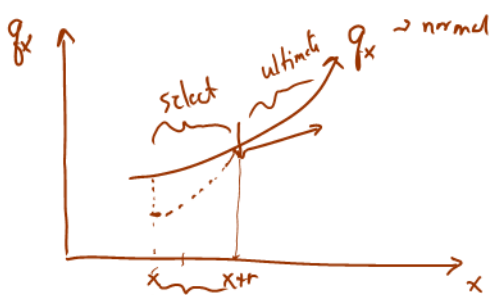


$$\dot{e}_x = e_x + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$R_x \sim U(0,1)$$

assumed

$$\dot{e}_x \approx e_x + \frac{1}{2}$$



Select and ultimate table

Selection process

underwriting

↓  
amount is big -

history  
family  
profession  
health  
medical -

(x)

[x] age x  
but select

x  
↓  
buy  
policy

r = select period

$$q_{[x]} \leq q_x$$

$$q_{[x]+1} \leq q_{x+1}$$

⋮

$$q_{[x]+j} = q_{x+j} \quad j \geq r$$

r is small

r = 2, 3, ...

# Select and ultimate tables

$${}_tq_{[x]} \quad {}_tp_{[x]} \quad l_{[x]+t}$$

- Group of lives underwritten for insurance coverage usually has different mortality than the general population (some test required before insurance is offered).
- Mortality then becomes a function of age  $[x]$  at selection (e.g. policy issue, onset of disability) and duration  $t$  since selection.
- For select tables, notation such as  ${}_tq_{[x]}$ ,  ${}_tp_{[x]}$ , and  $l_{[x]+t}$ , are then used.
- However, impact of selection diminishes after some time - the **select period** (denoted by  $r$ ).
- In effect, we have

$$\underline{q}_{[x]+j} = \underline{q}_{x+j}, \quad \text{for } j \geq r.$$

$$q_{[x]} \leq q_x$$

$$q_{[x]+1} \leq q_{x+1}$$



# Example of a select and ultimate table

$[x]$	$1000q_{[x]}$	$1000q_{[x]+1}$	$1000q_{[x]+2}$	$l_{[x]}$	$l_{[x]+1}$	$l_{[x]+2}$	$x+2$
30	0.222	0.330	0.422	9,907	9,905	9,901	32
31	0.234	0.352	0.459	9,903	9,901	9,897	33
32	0.250	0.377	0.500	9,899	9,896	9,893	34
33	0.269	0.407	0.545	9,894	9,892	9,888	35
34	0.291	0.441	0.596	9,889	9,887	9,882	36

$$l_{[x]+1} \neq l_{[x+1]}$$

$r=2$   
select  
period

- From this table, try to compute probabilities such as:

(a)  $2p_{[30]}$ ;  $\rightarrow 2p_{[30]} = \frac{l_{[30]+2}}{l_{[30]}} = \frac{l_{32}}{l_{30}} = \frac{9901}{9907}$

(b)  $5p_{[30]}$ ;  $\rightarrow 5p_{[30]} = \frac{l_{[30]+5}}{l_{[30]}} = \frac{l_{35}}{l_{30}} = \frac{9888}{9907}$

(c)  $1|q_{[31]}$ ; and

(d)  $3q_{[31]+1}$ .

$${}_1q_{[31]} = P_{[31]} \times q_{[31]+1}$$

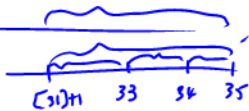
$$= (1 - q_{[31]}) \times q_{[31]+1}$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{.234}{1000}\right) \times \frac{.352}{1000}$$

$$= \frac{\# \text{ of death}}{\# \text{ alive}} = \frac{9901 - 9897}{9903}$$

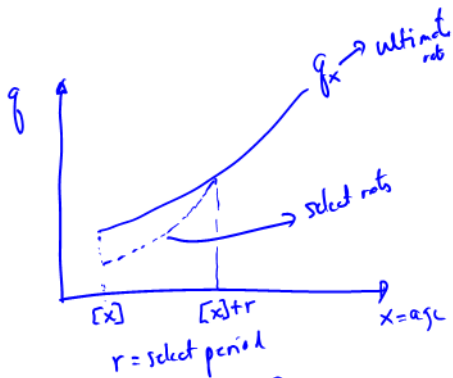
$${}_3q_{[31]+1} = 1 - {}_3p_{[31]+1}$$

$$= 1 - \left(1 - \frac{.352}{1000}\right) \left(1 - \frac{.455}{1000}\right) \left(1 - \frac{.500}{1000}\right)$$



$$= \frac{l_{[31]+1} - l_{35}}{l_{[31]+1}}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{l_{35}}{l_{[31]+1}} = 1 - \frac{9884}{9901}$$



select ←  $q_{[x]} \leq q_x$   
 $q_{[x]+1} \leq q_{x+1}$

$$q_{[x]+r} = q_{x+r}$$

Select and ultimate table -  
 underwriting  $\Rightarrow$  selection  
 determine how healthy you  
 are to be insured -

$$q_{[x]+j} = q_{x+j}, \text{ for } j \geq r$$

# Illustrative example 6

A select and ultimate table with a three-year select period begins at selection age  $x$ .

You are given the following information:

- $l_{x+6} = 90,000$

- $q_{[x]} = \frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow p_{[x]} = \frac{5}{6} = \frac{l_{[x]+1}}{l_{[x]}} \Rightarrow l_{[x]} = \frac{6}{5} l_{[x]+1}$

- $5p_{[x+1]} = \frac{4}{5} \Rightarrow \frac{l_{x+6}}{l_{[x+1]}} = \frac{4}{5} \Rightarrow l_{[x+1]} = \frac{5}{4} l_{x+6}$

- $3p_{[x]+1} = \frac{9}{10} \cdot 3p_{[x+1]}$

Evaluate  $l_{[x]} = ?$

$$\frac{5}{3} \cdot 90,000 = 150,000$$

$$\frac{5}{5} \cdot \frac{10}{9} \cdot \frac{5}{4} l_{x+6} = 90,000$$

$$= \frac{6}{5} \cdot \frac{10}{9} l_{[x+1]}$$

$$p_{[x]} = \frac{5}{6} = \frac{l_{[x]+1}}{l_{[x]}} \Rightarrow l_{[x]} = \frac{6}{5} l_{[x]+1}$$

$$\frac{l_{x+6}}{l_{[x+1]}} = \frac{4}{5} \Rightarrow l_{[x+1]} = \frac{5}{4} l_{x+6}$$

$$\frac{l_{[x]+1+3}}{l_{[x]+1}} = \frac{l_{x+4}}{l_{[x]+1}} = \frac{9}{10}$$

$$\frac{l_{[x+1]+3}}{l_{[x+1]}} = \frac{l_{x+4}}{l_{[x+1]}} \Rightarrow l_{[x+1]} = \frac{10}{9} l_{x+4}$$

linear  $\Rightarrow$  vDD  
 exponential  $\Rightarrow$  constant force

# Illustrative example 7



constant force  $l_{x+t} = l_x \cdot l_{x+t}^t$

You are given the following extract from a select and ultimate life table:

$[x]$	$l_{[x]}$	$l_{[x]+1}$	$l_{x+2}$	$x+2$
60	29,616	29,418	29,132	62
61	29,131	28,920	28,615	63
62	28,601	28,378	28,053	64

~~$l_{[60]+1}$~~   
 $[60]+.8$      $[60]+1.5$

Calculate  $1000 \cdot {}_{0.7}q_{[60]+0.8}$ , assuming a constant force of mortality at fractional ages.

$$= 1000 \times \left( 1 - \frac{l_{[60]+1.5}}{l_{[60]+.8}} \right) = \frac{l_{[60]+1} \cdot l_{[60]+2}^{.5}}{(l_{[60]} \cdot l_{[60]+1}^{.2}) \cdot l_{[60]+1}^{.8}} = 1000 \times \left( 1 - \frac{29418^{.5} \cdot 29132^{.5}}{29616^{.2} \cdot 29418^{.8}} \right) = 6.207014$$

## Illustrative example 8

$${}_t p_{[65]} = \frac{l_{[65]+t}}{l_{[65]}}$$

$$\int_0^2 = \int_0^h + \int_h^{1/2} + \int_{1/2}^1 + \int_1^{3h}$$

You are given the following extract from a select and ultimate life table:

$[x]$	$l_{[x]}$	$l_{[x]+1}$	$l_{x+2}$	$x+2$
65	80,625	79,954	78,839	67
66	79,137	78,402	77,252	68
67	77,575	76,770	75,578	69

Approximate  $\dot{e}_{[65]:\overline{2}}$  using the trapezium (trapezoidal) rule with  $h = 0.5$  and assuming UDD for fractional ages.

$$\dot{e}_{[65]:\overline{2}} = \int_0^2 {}_t p_{[65]} dt = \frac{1}{80625} \int_0^2 l_{[65]+t} dt$$

$$\frac{1}{80625} \left[ \int_0^{1/2} f(cs) + t \, dt + \int_{1/2}^1 f(cs) + t \, dt + \dots \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{80625} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \underline{f(cs)} + \underline{f(cs) + 1/2} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \underline{f(cs) + 1/2} + \underline{f(cs) + 1} \right] + \dots \right] \int_a^b f(t) \, dt = \frac{1}{2} [ \underline{f(a)} + \underline{f(b)} ]$$

...

= ??

## Illustrative example 9

For a select-and-ultimate mortality table with a 3-year select period, you are given:

$x$	$q_{[x]}$	$q_{[x]+1}$	$q_{[x]+2}$	$q_{x+3}$	$x + 3$
60	0.09	0.11	0.13	0.15	63
61	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.16	64
62	0.11	0.13	0.15	0.17	65
63	0.12	0.14	0.16	0.18	66
64	0.13	0.15	0.17	0.19	67

(i)

(ii) Becky was a newly selected life on 01/01/2012.(iii) Becky's age on 01/01/2012 is 61.(iv)  $Q$  is the probability on 01/01/2012 that Becky will be dead by 01/01/2017.Calculate  $Q$ .

Handwritten notes and calculations:

select rate (bracketed over the first three columns of the table)

die (bracketed over the timeline)

Timeline: 01/01/2012 to 01/01/2017

ultimate (bracketed over the last two columns of the table)

$Q = {}_5q_{[61]}$

$$= 1 - p_{[61]} \cdot p_{[61]+1} \cdot p_{[61]+2} \cdot p_{[61]+3} \cdot p_{[61]+4}$$

$$= 1 - .9 \cdot (.88) \cdot (.87) \cdot (.84) \cdot (.83)$$

$Q = .5251231$  (circled)



$${}_t q_x = t \cdot q_x$$

# Illustrative example 10 - modified SOA MLC Spring 2012

$$e_{x:\overline{n}|} =$$

Suppose you are given:

- $p_{50} = 0.98$
- $p_{51} = 0.96$
- $e_{51.5} = 22.4$
- The force of mortality is constant between ages 50 and 51.
- Deaths are uniformly distributed between ages 51 and 52.

Calculate  $e_{50.5}$ .

$$\text{UDD: } {}_t q_x = t \cdot q_x$$

$$\text{CF: } {}_t p_x = (p_x)^t$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_{50.5} &= \underbrace{e_{50.5:\overline{1}|}}_{p_{50.5}} + \underbrace{p_{50.5}}_{\substack{\text{CF} \\ 22.4}} \cdot e_{51.5} \\
 &= p_{50.5} \left( \frac{1 + 22.4}{23.4} \right) \\
 &= \underbrace{.5 p_{50.5}}_{(98)^{.5} \cdot \text{CF}} \cdot \underbrace{.5 p_{51}}_{\text{UDD}} \times 23.4 \cdot \underbrace{.04}_{(1 - .5 q_{51})} = \underline{\underline{22.70152}}
 \end{aligned}$$

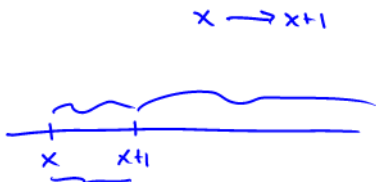
$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{50} &= .5 p_{50} \cdot .5 p_{50.5} \\
 p_{50} &= (p_{50})^{.5} \cdot .5 p_{50.5} \Rightarrow .5 p_{50.5} = (p_{50})^{.5} \\
 &= (.98)^{.5}
 \end{aligned}$$

# recursive formulas for e

$$e_x = e_{x:\pi} + p_x \cdot e_{x+1}$$

$\downarrow$                        $\downarrow$                        $\downarrow$

50.5                      50.5                      51.5



# Illustrative example 11 - modified SOA MLC Spring 2012

In a 2-year select and ultimate mortality table, you are given:

- $q_{[x]+1} = 0.96 q_{x+1}$  → for any  $x$

- $l_{65} = 82,358$

- $l_{66} = 81,284$

Calculate  $l_{[64]+1}$ .

for  $x=64 \Rightarrow \frac{l_{[64]+1}}{81,284} = 1 - .96(1 - P_{65})$

$l_{66} = \frac{l_{[64]+2}}{l_{[64]+1}} = 1 - .96\left(1 - \frac{l_{66}}{l_{65}}\right)$

$81,284$   
 $82,358$

$$\Rightarrow l_{[64]+1} = 82,315$$

Survival

$$S_x(0) = 1$$

$$S_x(\infty) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} S_x(x) = \dots < 0$$



$$\frac{\partial P_x}{\partial x} = \underbrace{P_x - P_{x+1}}_{\downarrow} P_{x+2}$$

$$\frac{\partial P_x}{\partial x} = \dots = \dots$$



# Illustrative example 12 - SOA MLC Fall 2014 MC#20

For a mortality table with a select period of two years, you are given:

$x$	$q_{[x]}$	$q_{[x]+1}$	$q_{x+2}$	$x + 2$
50	0.0050	0.0063	0.0080	52
(i) 51	0.0060	0.0073	0.0090	53
52	0.0070	0.0083	0.0100	54
53	0.0080	0.0093	0.0110	55

(ii) The force of mortality is constant between integral ages.

Calculate  $1000 {}_{2.5}q_{[50]+0.4}$ .

*Practice on this*

$$= 1000 (-0.01642) = \underline{\underline{16.42}}$$

# Mortality projection factors



Read Section 3.11



later on

## Only other symbol used in the MLC exam

 $l_x$  $l_x$ 

Expression	SOA adopts the symbol
number of lives	$l_x$

 $l_x$   $l_x$