
BST/STA 222
Fall 2025**Survival Analysis****David M. Rocke**
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Course Information

Class Meetings:	Tuesday and Thursday 2:10pm–3:30pm 115 Wellman Hall
Lab:	Tuesday and Thursday 3:40pm–4:00pm 115 Wellman Hall
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Required Text:	Survival Analysis : Techniques for Censored and Truncated Data. Klein, John P. and Moeschberger, Melvin L., Springer, 2005.
Optional Texts:	Statistical Analysis of Failure Time Data, Second Edition. John Kalbfleisch and Ross Prentice, Wiley, 2002. <i>Mostly useful for parametric survival analysis.</i> Applied Survival Analysis Using R. Dirk Moore, Springer, 2016.
Software:	Example analyses will be in R. For homework, R is suggested.
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Course Grading:	Letter Grades based on – Homework – Exams – Class Attendance – Possible Projects
Prerequisites	Statistical theory courses such as STA 231AB, STA 200ABC, or STA 131ABC.

This course is an introduction to methods for the analysis of time-to-event data such as occur in medical and epidemiological research, engineering reliability studies, and actuarial calculations, with the main emphasis on the first of these three fields of application. Topics include censoring and truncation of data, life tables, nonparametric methods, parametric methods, accelerated failure time models, proportional hazards models, and likelihood and partial likelihood. We will look at the theoretical underpinnings of the models, but the main emphasis will be on model formulation, computation, and interpretation of results.

Topical Outline (Subject to Change)

- Introduction to Survival Analysis
- Basic Quantities and Models in Survival Analysis
- Survival Data and Methods
- Nonparametric Survival Analysis
- Survival Regression
- Hypothesis Tests in Survival Analysis
- Model Building and Checking in Survival Analysis
- Extensions to the Cox Model: Stratification
- Extensions to the Cox Model: Time Dependent Covariates and Multiple Events
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- Multiple Testing and Comparisons in Survival Analysis
- Interval and Double Censoring
- Parametric Survival Models
- Parametric Survival Regression