

Constructing an Abridged Life Table based on Estimator of the Probability of Death Using Maximum Likelihood Estimation

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ABSTRACT

This research aims to construct an abridged life table by estimating the probability of death using maximum likelihood estimation. This research is a descriptive research with a qualitative approach. The model used is Polya Model. Subjects in this research were five students of the Islamic Economics study program at UIN Sulthan Thaha Saifuddin Jambi. The Indonesian mortality data used is the Taspem Mortality Table 2012. Based on the constructing result of abridged life table using data of the Taspem Mortality Table 2012, the life expectancy for the population aged 0 is 75.25 years.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The high and low level of mortality in a country not only affects population growth, but can also be used as a barometer of the high and low level of health in that country [1]. Lower mortality rate will indicate that a society has a good survival rate and higher mortality rate will indicate otherwise [2]. Mortality data in a country is usually presented in a life table. Basically, life table is a hypothetical table that combines various mortality rates in different ages into a single statistical model [3]. Life table is not only designed to measure mortality rates, but can also be used in the health and insurance sectors [4].

There are four life table models that were developed based on the analysis of calculation of death rate in the real population. The four models include United Nations Model Life Tables, Coale and Demeny Regional Model Life Tables, Ledermann's System of Model Life Tables, and Brass Logit Life Table System [5]. Indonesia currently is still using the Coale-Demeny Model approach, especially Western Model of Coale-Demeny Life Table [1].

Life table can be constructed into two tabular forms i.e. complete life table and abridged life table. Complete life table is a table that containing data of death in a population which presented in one-year age intervals, while abridged life table is a table that containing data

of death in a population which grouped in five or ten age intervals [6]. Cohorts can be assumed started from a radix, such as 1,000, 10,000, or 100,000 [7].

The model used in this research is Polya Model. The stages in Polya Model are (1) understanding the problem, (2) planning a solution, (3) solving the problem, and (4) checking again [8]. In this research, life table that will be constructed is an abridged life table. By using Polya Model, students are expected to be able to construct an abridged life table based on mortality data in Indonesia.

2. METHOD

This research is a descriptive research with a qualitative approach. The strategy used is exploration of processes, activities, and events [9]. Subjects in this research were five students of the Islamic Economics study program at UIN Sulthan Thaha Saifuddin Jambi. In the implementation, by using Polya Model, students are given instructions i.e. steps that must be taken for constructing an abridged life table. The Indonesian mortality data used in this research is the values of probability of death in the Taspem Mortality Table 2012 which is presented in Table 1 [10].

Table 1. The Taspen Mortality Table 2012

Age (x)	TMT 2012	Live life Expectancy	Age (x)	TMT 2012	Live life Expectancy	Age (x)	TMT 2012	Live life Expectancy
0	0.00426377	75.73	44	0.00315417	33.64	88	0.17113628	4.51
1	0.00049113	75.05	45	0.00343661	32.74	89	0.18841370	4.23
2	0.00038199	74.09	46	0.00374428	31.85	90	0.20541175	3.98
3	0.00030559	73.12	47	0.00407945	30.97	91	0.21846568	3.75
4	0.00025830	72.14	48	0.00444455	30.09	92	0.23527747	3.52
5	0.00023647	71.16	49	0.00484225	29.22	93	0.25573757	3.29
6	0.00023283	70.17	50	0.00527544	28.36	94	0.27936940	3.08
7	0.00022556	69.19	51	0.00574727	27.50	95	0.30669336	2.89
8	0.00021464	68.20	52	0.00626117	26.66	96	0.33209456	2.72
9	0.00020373	67.22	53	0.00682086	25.82	97	0.35875021	2.58
10	0.00018918	66.23	54	0.00743039	24.99	98	0.37353517	2.46
11	0.00018554	65.24	55	0.00809417	24.17	99	0.39535380	2.33
12	0.00020218	64.26	56	0.00881699	23.36	100	0.42297904	2.21
13	0.00022031	63.27	57	0.0096404	22.56	101	0.44870892	2.09
14	0.00024007	62.28	58	0.01046098	21.77	102	0.47665736	1.98
15	0.00026160	61.30	59	0.01139393	20.99	103	0.50701062	1.87
16	0.00028507	60.31	60	0.01240957	20.22	104	0.53995495	1.77
17	0.00031063	59.33	61	0.01351512	19.46	105	0.57534791	1.67
18	0.00033849	58.35	62	0.01471843	18.71	106	0.61216513	1.58
19	0.00036884	57.37	63	0.01602800	17.98	107	0.65047784	1.49
20	0.00040192	56.39	64	0.01745305	17.25	108	0.68992995	1.41
21	0.00043797	55.41	65	0.01900358	16.54	109	0.73138152	1.33
22	0.00047724	54.44	66	0.02069040	15.84	110	0.77448194	1.23
23	0.00052004	53.46	67	0.02252522	15.15	111	1.00000000	1.00
24	0.00056667	52.49	68	0.02452070	14.48			
25	0.00061748	51.52	69	0.02669054	13.82			
26	0.00067285	50.55	70	0.02904951	13.17			
27	0.00073318	49.58	71	0.03172822	12.54			
28	0.00079892	48.62	72	0.03505881	11.91			
29	0.00087055	47.66	73	0.03857564	11.31			
30	0.00094860	46.70	74	0.04233899	10.72			
31	0.00103364	45.74	75	0.04648031	10.15			
32	0.00112630	44.79	76	0.05099961	9.60			
33	0.00122727	43.84	77	0.05612148	9.06			
34	0.00133728	42.89	78	0.06197740	8.54			
35	0.00145714	41.94	79	0.06860023	8.04			
36	0.00158774	41.00	80	0.07583658	7.56			
37	0.00173003	40.07	81	0.08465607	7.10			
38	0.00188506	39.13	82	0.09406716	6.66			
39	0.00205398	38.21	83	0.10390006	6.25			
40	0.00223801	37.28	84	0.11475734	5.86			
41	0.00243850	36.36	85	0.12690193	5.49			
42	0.00265694	35.45	86	0.13941902	5.14			
43	0.00289492	34.54	87	0.15481203	4.81			

3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Suppose there are N independent observations X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N with the probability density function $f(x; \theta), \theta \in \Omega$. Then the likelihood function for θ is defined as

$$L(\theta; x) = \prod_{i=1}^N f(x_i; \theta), \theta \in \Omega. \tag{1}$$

If likelihood function is differentiable in θ , then the value of $\hat{\theta}$ is the value that maximizing $L(\theta)$ function.

To make it easier to derive, in most cases, the likelihood function is transformed into a log-likelihood function as follows

$$l(\theta) = \ln L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N \ln f(x_i; \theta), \theta \in \Omega. \tag{2}$$

The value of $\hat{\theta}$ is obtained from solution of equation [11]

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} l(\theta) = 0. \tag{3}$$

Suppose there are N individuals whose mortality rate is to be observed in a one year period and assumed following the Binomial distribution. If D represents the number of individuals who death in one year period, with assuming that death of each individual to- i is independent and with same probability i.e. q , then

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_i, \tag{4}$$

where $\delta_i = 1$ if it's fail (death), $\delta_i = 0$ otherwise (alive). Since it is assumed that $P(\delta_i = 1) = q$, then the probability mass function is [12]

$$P(D = k) = \binom{N}{k} q^k (1 - q)^{N-k}. \tag{5}$$

By using Equation (1), (2), and (3) for Equation (5), so the estimator of q -parameter for each interval of age $(x, x + 1]$ using the maximum likelihood estimator is

$$L(q_x) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_x} \left[\binom{N_x}{\delta_i} q_x^{\delta_i} (1 - q_x)^{N_x - \delta_i} \right]$$

$$\leftrightarrow l(q_x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_x} [\ln(N_x!) + \delta_i \ln(q_x) + (N_x - \delta_i) \ln(1 - q_x) - \ln(\delta_i!) - \ln((N_x - \delta_i)!)]$$

$$\leftrightarrow l'(q_x) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_x} \delta_i}{q_x} - \frac{N_x - \sum_{i=1}^{N_x} \delta_i}{1 - q_x} = 0$$

$$\leftrightarrow \hat{q}_x = \frac{D_x}{N_x}. \tag{6}$$

In solving the problems, students are given notations, functions, and formulas of life table. The notations and functions in life table include x which represent the ages of the population, then l_x is number of individuals who survive at the exact age of x [13]. In this research, the radix used was 100,000. The number of death of individuals between the age of x to $x + n$ is denoted by ${}_n d_x$ and defined as

$${}_n d_x = l_x - l_{x+n}. \tag{7}$$

The probability of survival of individuals of aged x will reach the exact aged $x + n$ is denoted by ${}_n p_x$ and defined as

$${}_n p_x = \frac{l_{x+n}}{l_x}. \tag{8}$$

While for special cases, the probability of survival of individuals of aged x will reach the exact aged $x + 1$ is denoted by p_x and defined as [14]

$$p_x = \frac{l_{x+1}}{l_x}. \tag{9}$$

The probability of survival of individuals aged 0 will reach certain aged x is denoted by ${}_x p_0$ and defined as

$${}_x p_0 = \frac{l_x}{l_0}. \tag{10}$$

So by using Equation (9), Equation (10) can also be expressed as

$${}_x p_0 = \frac{l_1}{l_0} \cdot \frac{l_2}{l_1} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{l_x}{l_{x-1}} = p_0 \cdot p_1 \cdot \dots \cdot p_{x-1}. \tag{11}$$

x	q_x	L_x	nd_x	nL_x	T_x	e_x	$n^m q_x$
0	0.00426	100000	426	99574	7525060	75.25	0.00427
1	0.0044	99574	43	99131	7425273	74.57	0.00436
5	0.0012	99431	111	99320	7027263	70.67	0.00122
10	0.00104	99320	103	99217	6530185	65.75	0.00121
15	0.00157	99217	156	99061	6034043	60.82	0.00131
20	0.00240	99061	238	98823	5538348	55.91	0.00148
25	0.00368	98823	364	98459	5043678	51.04	0.00174
30	0.00547	98459	558	97901	4549433	46.22	0.00214
35	0.00869	97901	851	97050	4055933	41.43	0.00275
40	0.01331	97050	1292	95758	3572155	36.81	0.00368
45	0.02036	95758	1950	93808	3090135	32.27	0.00491
50	0.03115	93808	2922	90886	2616220	27.89	0.00633
55	0.04743	90886	4311	86575	2150485	23.71	0.00812
60	0.07197	86575	6221	80354	1710833	19.76	0.01093
65	0.10842	80354	8711	71643	1293555	16.10	0.01493
70	0.16474	71643	11801	59842	918593	12.75	0.02091
75	0.25379	59842	15185	44657	581930	9.78	0.02814
80	0.39208	44657	19505	25152	323733	7.25	0.03754
85	0.57280	25152	23142	15547	144260	5.32	0.16054
90	0.74532	11595	8642	3630	4418	4.03	0.23761
95	0.75178	2953	2220	9215	11049	3.74	0.24091
100+	1.00000	733	733	1833	1833	2.50	0.40000

Figure 1 Abridged life table using data of the Taspen Mortality Table 2012 with estimator of the probability of death using maximum likelihood estimation

Furthermore, the probability of death of individuals aged x will die before reaching the exact aged $x + n$ is denoted by ${}_n q_x$ and defined as

$${}_n q_x = 1 - {}_n p_x = \frac{{}_n d_x}{l_x}. \tag{12}$$

The length of time spent by number of individuals (l_x) in the interval of aged x to $x + n$ is denoted by ${}_n L_x$ and defined as

$${}_n L_x = \int_0^n l_{x+s} ds. \tag{13}$$

The remaining total of life time that will be passed by number of individuals of the exact aged x is denoted by T_x and defined as

$$T_x = \sum_{a=0}^{\omega} {}_nL_{x+an} \quad (14)$$

Where ω is the maximum age of the population. Then the life expectancy of the population aged x is denoted by e_x and defined as

$$e_x = \frac{T_x}{l_x} \quad (15)$$

Next, the death rate of the population between the aged x to $x + n$ is denoted by ${}_n m_x$ and defined as [15]

$${}_n m_x = \frac{{}_n d_x}{{}_n l_x} \quad (16)$$

The following is an abridged life table made by students based on the Polya Model with estimator of the probability of death using the maximum likelihood estimation using data of the Taspem Mortality Table 2012.

4. CONCLUSION

Based on Polya Model, students understand how to construct an abridged life table based on Indonesian mortality data. Based on estimator of the probability of death using maximum likelihood estimation, with assuming follows the Binomial distribution, we get the estimator of the probability of death is the number of deaths compared all individuals observed in that period. Based on the constructing result of abridged life table using data of the Taspem Mortality Table 2012, the life expectancy for the population aged 0 is 75.25 years. That result is not significantly different from the life expectancy of the population aged 0 in the Taspem Mortality Table 2012 (in Table 1) i.e. 75.73 years.

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