

## Meta-analysis of Survival Curves

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### **Abstract**

The increasing demand for timely, yet evidence-based decisions in health care and public health, synthesis of evidence or meta-analysis, has gained popularity over the last decade. While there are numerous methods/models for performing meta-analysis on various types of outcomes, in this talk I will focus on meta-analysis of survival outcomes. For survival outcomes (e.g. time to event) the standard method employed in meta-analysis studies involves combining log-hazard ratios in a linear, fixed or random effects, model. However, such methods are not suitable for meta-analysis of multiple time-dependent survival estimates (generally, survival curves). I will present the conceptual basis of meta-analysis of survival curves and propose some extensions to existing methods. Two real data applications will also be presented: the first obtains data from registries regarding orthopedic surgeries, and the second would be a conceptual application to the treatment of depression. Results from a few simulation studies will also be presented.

### **Biographical Note**

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