

Multi-state Modeling

The introduction and
practice

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Multi-state working group



... and more to come

Recap

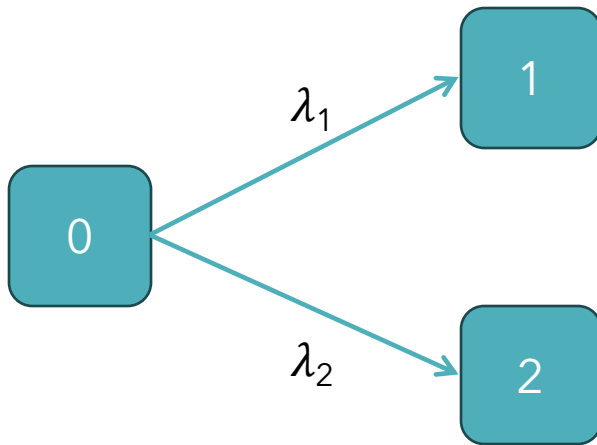
Hazard function



$$h(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \downarrow 0} \frac{P(t \leq T < t + \Delta t \mid T \geq t)}{\Delta t}$$

Recap

Cause-specific hazard



Special case of multi-state model!

$$\lambda_k(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \downarrow 0} \frac{P(t \leq T < t + \Delta t, E = k | T \geq t)}{\Delta t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{e=1}^K \lambda_e(t) &= \lim_{\Delta t \downarrow 0} \frac{\sum_{e=1}^K P(t \leq T < t + \Delta t, E = e | T \geq t)}{\Delta t} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta t \downarrow 0} \frac{P(t \leq T < t + \Delta t | T \geq t)}{\Delta t} = h(t). \end{aligned}$$

Multi-state model

Initial state

Intermediate state

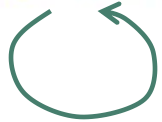
Absorbing state



#0001

Bulbasaur

Grass · Poison



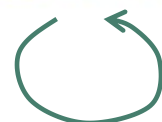
→
Transit 1



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Ivysaur

Grass · Poison



→
Transit 2



#0003

Venusaur

Grass · Poison



Remain in the same state

Mutually exclusive

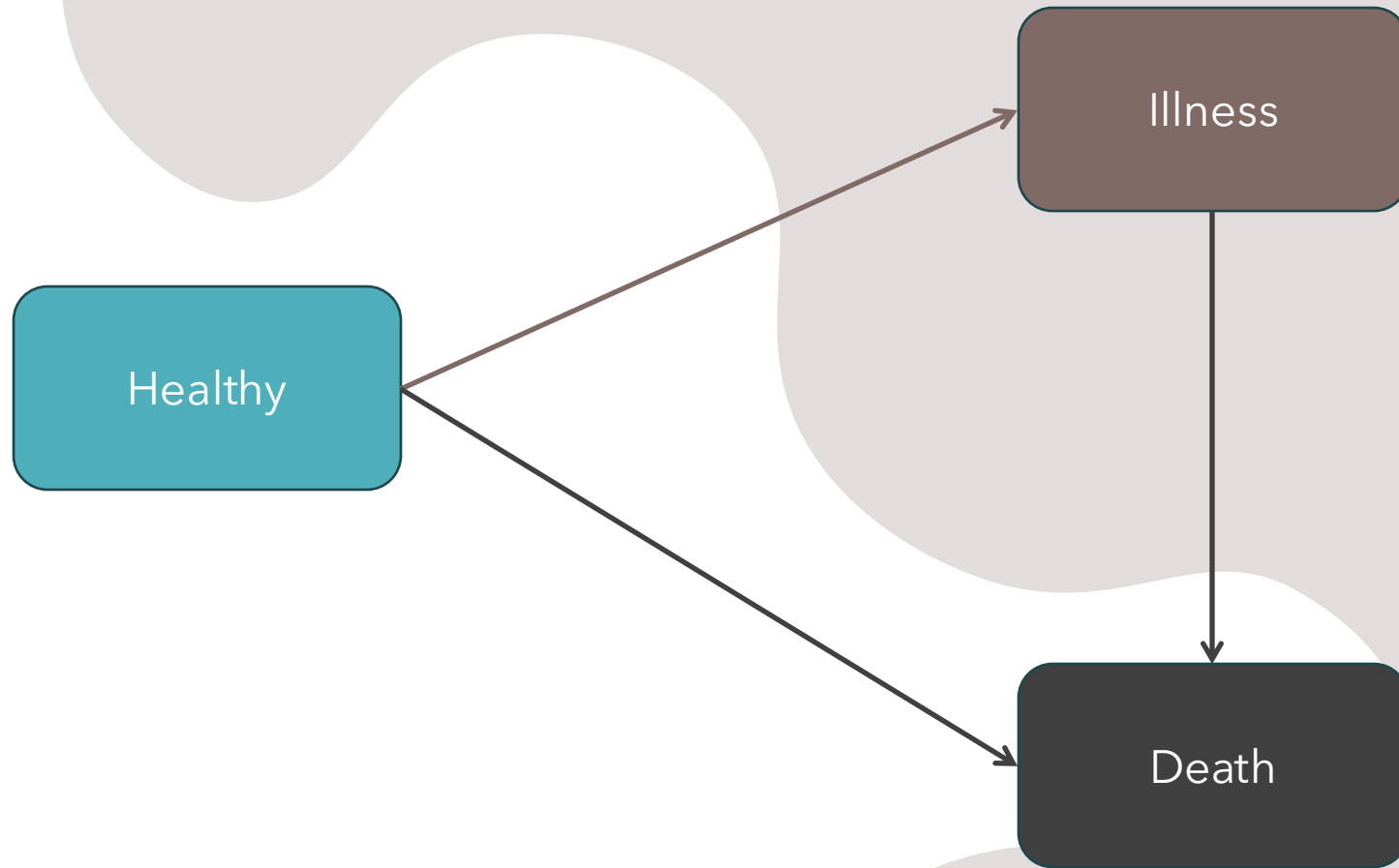
Why do we need multi-state model?

Need information on etiological mechanism

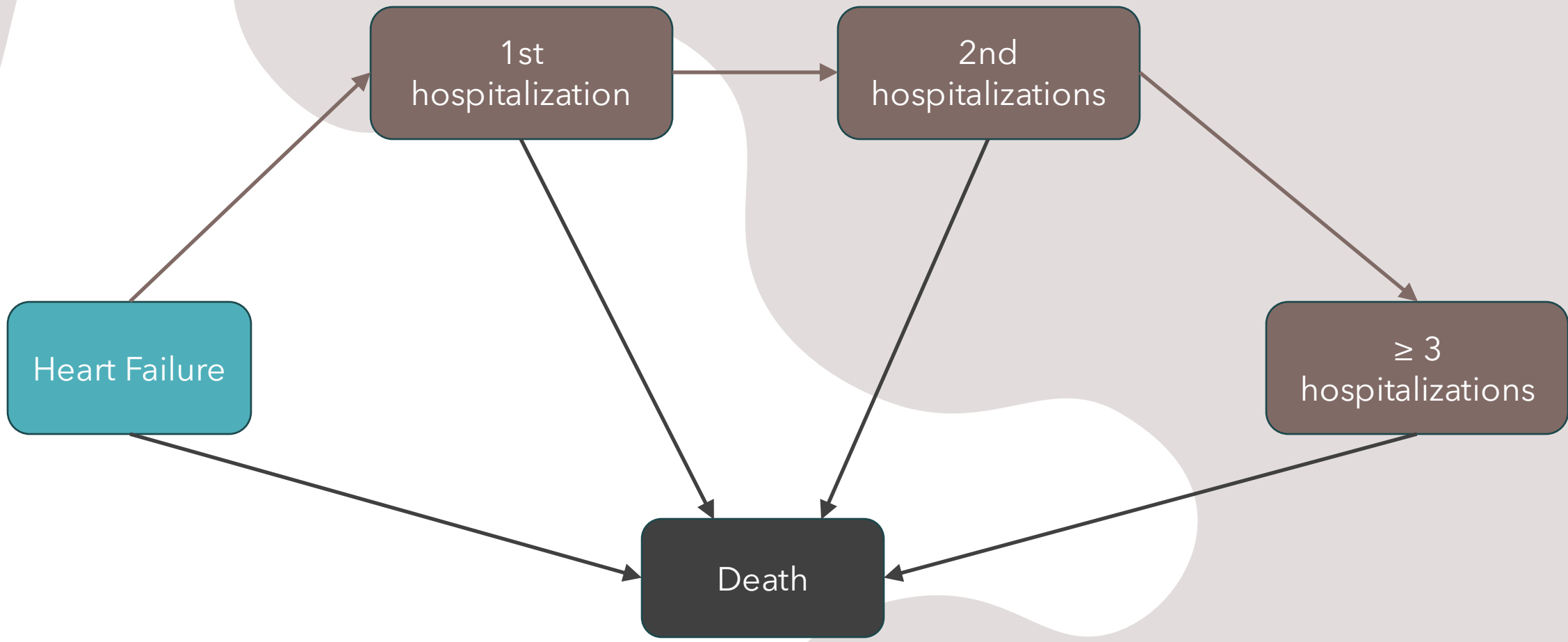
More accurate prediction

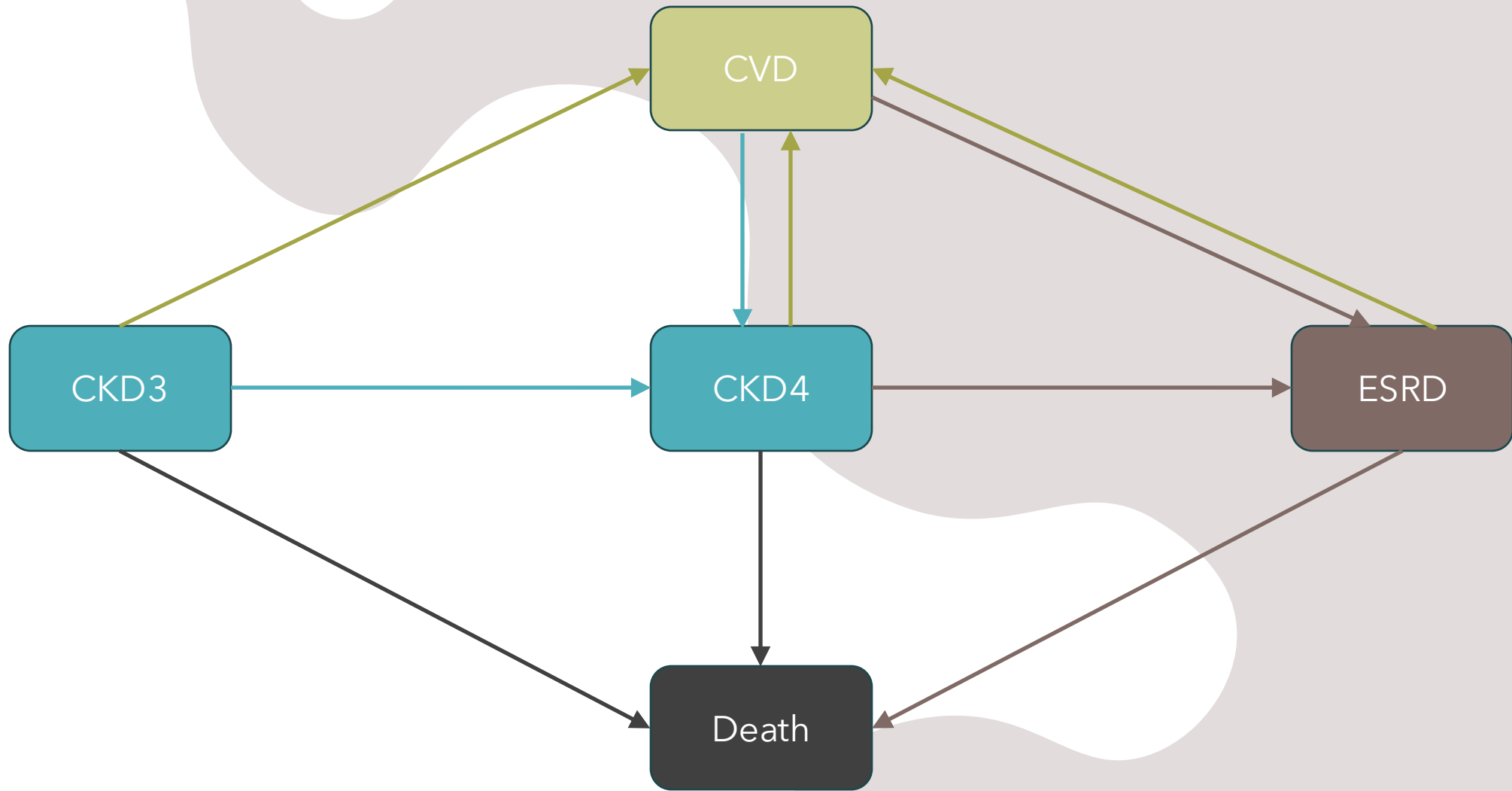
Patients don't have to enter from the initial state

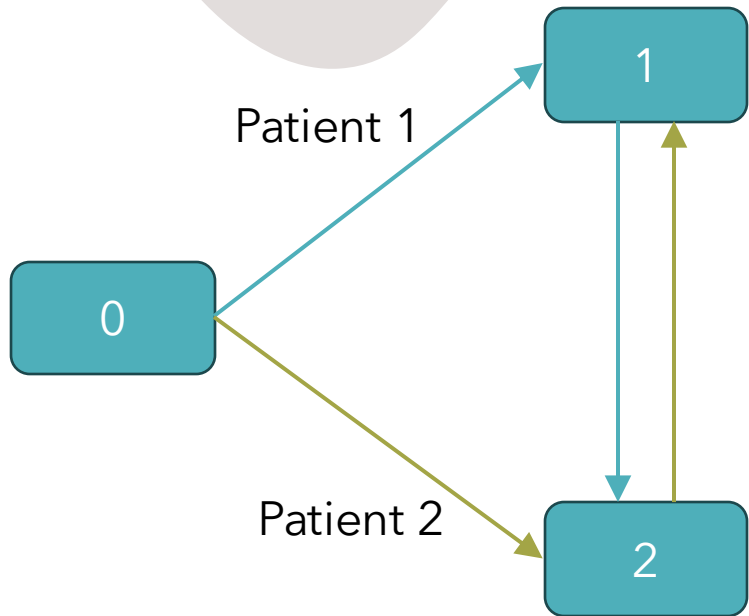
Illness-death model



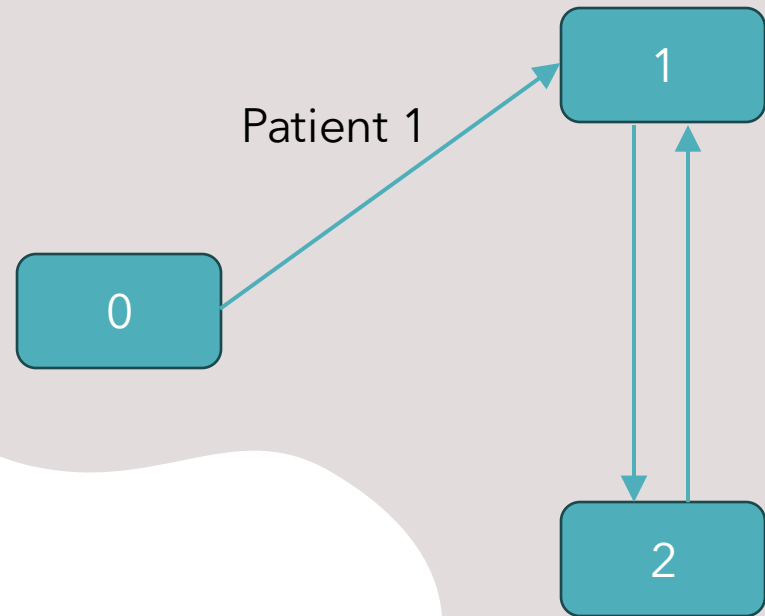
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Model as recurrent events?

Markov property

What happens next only depends on the current state, not on what happened before

Need to be relaxed in more complex models

Time scale

Clock-forward



Clock-reset



Model different transitions with different time scales?

Basic data format: Stage-ordered format

ID	1.time	1.status	2.time	2.status	3.time	3.status
1	10	1	20	0	20	0
2	20	0	20	0	20	0
3	10	1	20	1	30	0
4	10	1	20	1	30	1
5	10	1	20	0	20	1
6	20	0	20	0	20	1

Basic data format

Stage-ordered format (irreversible multi-state data): One column contains the first observation time in that state and the other column is a zero-one variable that denotes whether the state was reached during follow-up

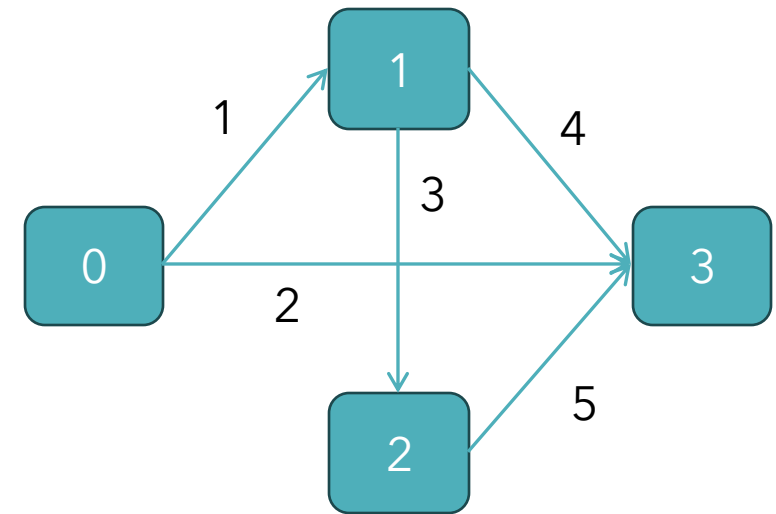
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6	20	0	20	0	20	1

State diagram?

Basic data format: Stage-ordered format

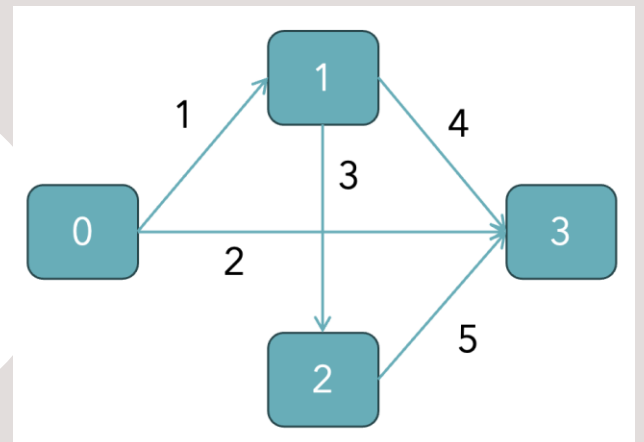
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4	10	1	20	1	30	1
5	10	1	20	0	20	1
6	20	0	20	0	20	1



Basic data format: Transition-based format

ID	1.time	1.status	2.time	2.status	3.time	3.status
1	10	1	20	0	20	0

ID	From	To	Trans	Start	Stop	Status
1	0	1	1	0	10	1
1	0	3	2	0	10	0
1	1	2	3	10	20	0
1	1	3	4	10	20	0

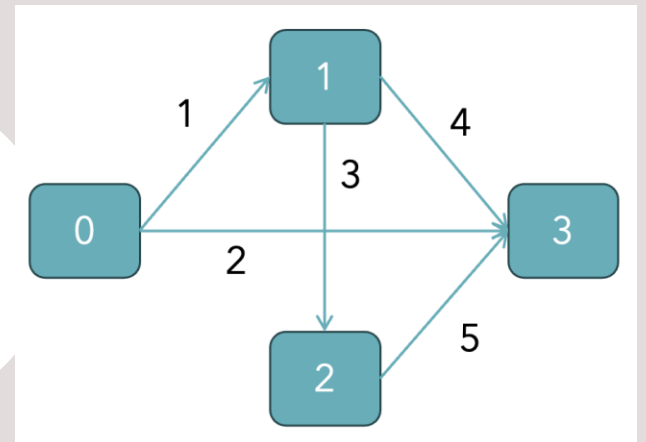


i.e., 1 → censor

Basic data format: Transition-based format

ID	1.time	1.status	2.time	2.status	3.time	3.status
2	20	0	20	0	20	0

ID	From	To	Trans	Start	Stop	Status
2	0	1	1	0	20	0
2	0	3	2	0	20	0

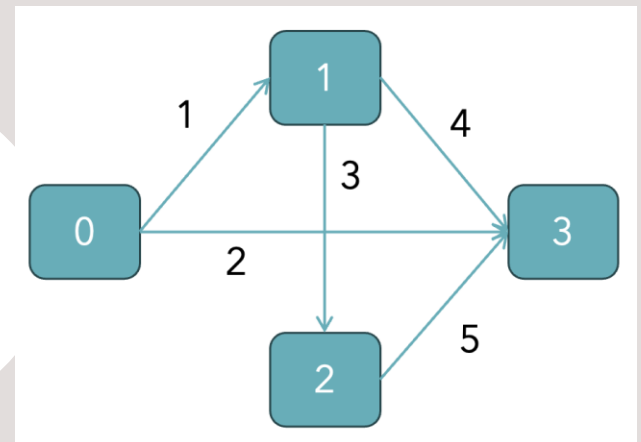


i.e., $0 \rightarrow$ censor

Basic data format: Transition-based format

ID	1.time	1.status	2.time	2.status	3.time	3.status
3	10	1	20	1	30	0

ID	From	To	Trans	Start	Stop	Status
3	0	1	1	0	10	1
3	0	3	2	0	10	0
3	1	2	3	10	20	1
3	1	3	4	10	20	0
3	2	3	5	20	30	0

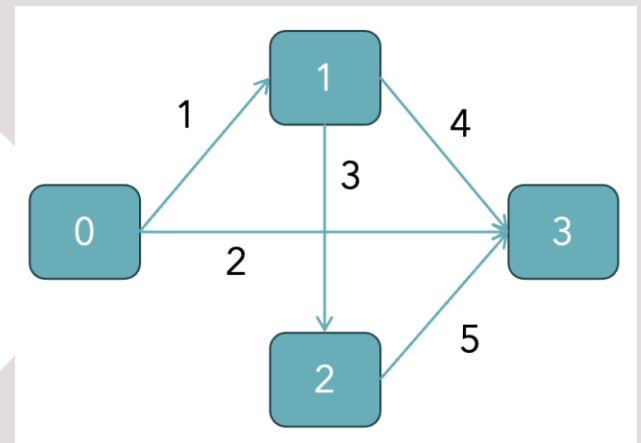


i.e., 2 → censor

Basic data format: Transition-based format

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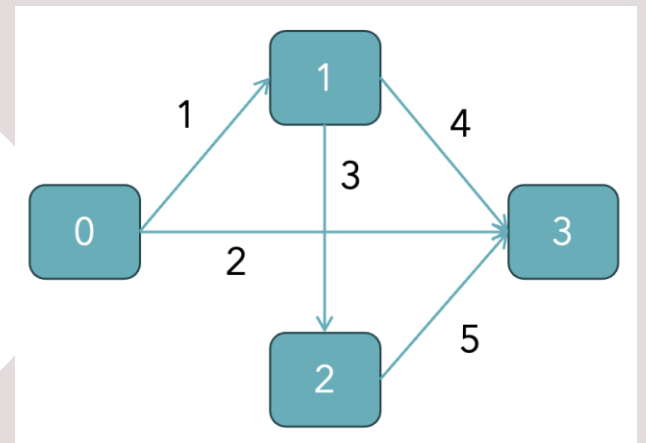
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4	0	1	1	0	10	1
4	0	3	2	0	10	0
4	1	2	3	10	20	1
4	1	3	4	10	20	0
4	2	3	5	20	30	1



Basic data format: Transition-based format

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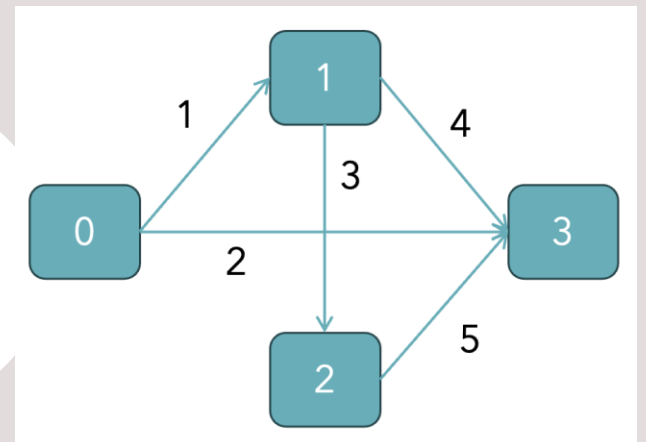
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5	0	3	2	0	10	0
5	1	2	3	10	20	0
5	1	3	4	10	20	1



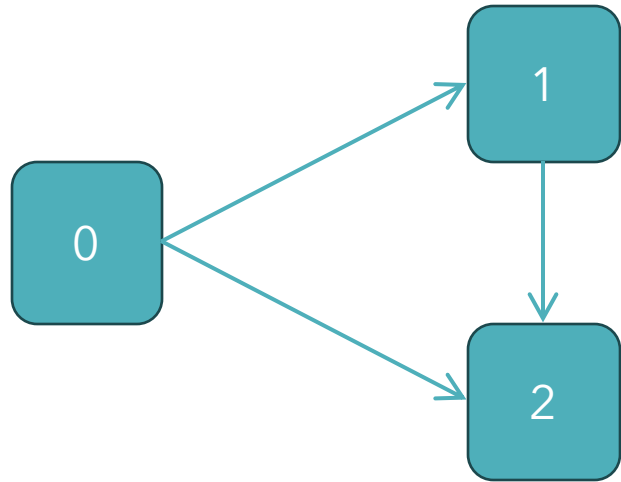
Basic data format: Transition-based format

ID	1.time	1.status	2.time	2.status	3.time	3.status
6	20	0	20	0	20	1

ID	From	To	Trans	Start	Stop	Status
6	0	1	1	0	20	0
6	0	3	2	0	20	1



Aalen-Johansen estimator



Irreversible illness-death model

$$\widehat{P}_{00}(s, t) = \prod_{s < u \leq t} \{1 - \widehat{\lambda}_{01}(u) - \widehat{\lambda}_{02}(u)\}$$


$$\widehat{P}_{11}(s, t) = \prod_{s < u \leq t} \{1 - \widehat{\lambda}_{12}(u)\}$$

$$\widehat{P}_{12}(s, t) = \sum_{s < u \leq t} \widehat{P}_{11}(s, u-) \widehat{\lambda}_{12}(u)$$

$$\widehat{P}_{01}(s, t) = \sum_{s < u \leq t} \widehat{P}_{00}(s, u-) \widehat{\lambda}_{01}(u) \widehat{P}_{11}(u+, t)$$

$$\widehat{P}_{02}(s, t) = \sum_{s < u < t} \widehat{P}_{00}(s, u-) \widehat{\lambda}_{01}(u) \widehat{P}_{12}(u+, t)$$

$$+ \sum_{s < u \leq t} \widehat{P}_{00}(s, u-) \widehat{\lambda}_{02}(u)$$



But if we would like to consider for
the covariate pattern ...

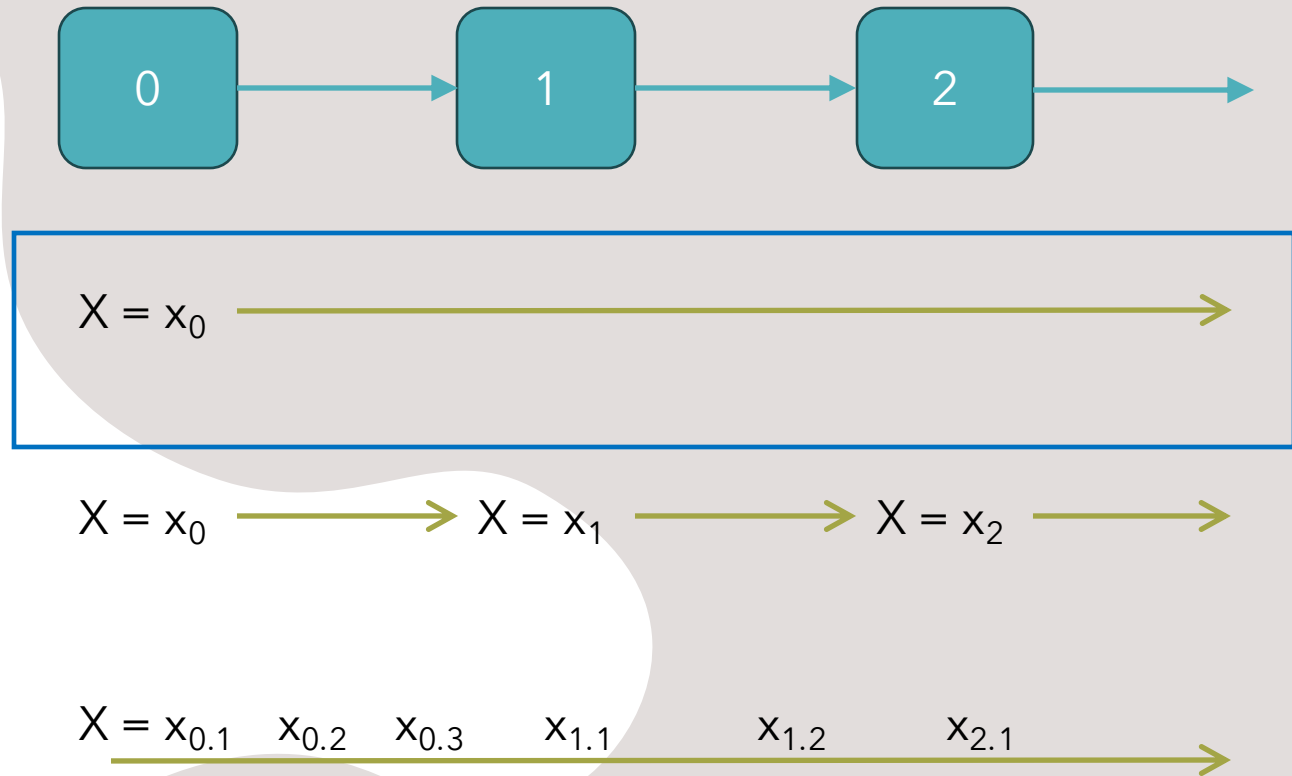
Covariate

Fixed at baseline

Transition specific

Time-varying within transition

Each transition has a different hazard function, which could have the same or different set of covariates



ID	From	To	Trans	Start	Stop	Status	HbA1c
3	0	1	1	0	10	1	7.2
3	0	3	2	0	10	0	7.2
3	1	2	3	10	20	1	7.2
3	1	3	4	10	20	0	7.2
3	2	3	5	20	30	0	7.2

ID	From	To	Trans	Start	Stop	Status	HbA1c
3	0	1	1	0	10	1	7.2
3	0	3	2	0	10	0	7
3	1	2	3	10	20	1	7.8
3	1	3	4	10	20	0	6.7
3	2	3	5	20	30	0	7

Modeling

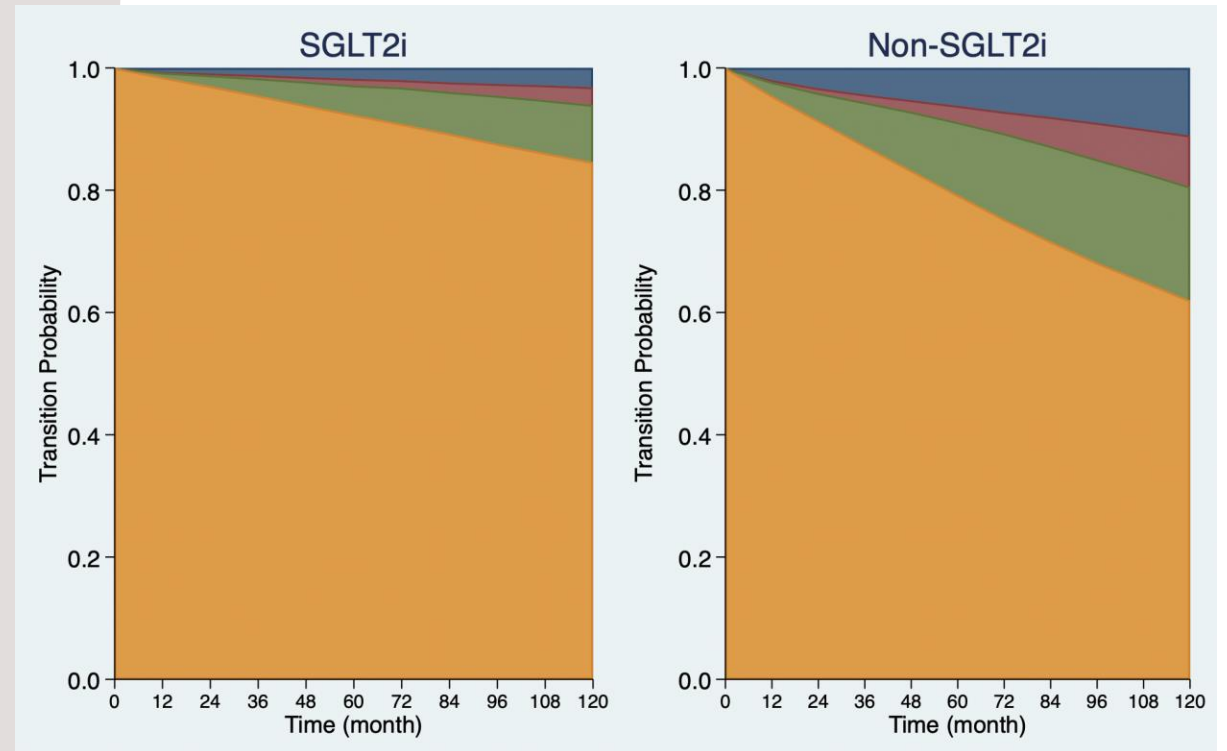
Cox PH model

Parametric survival model

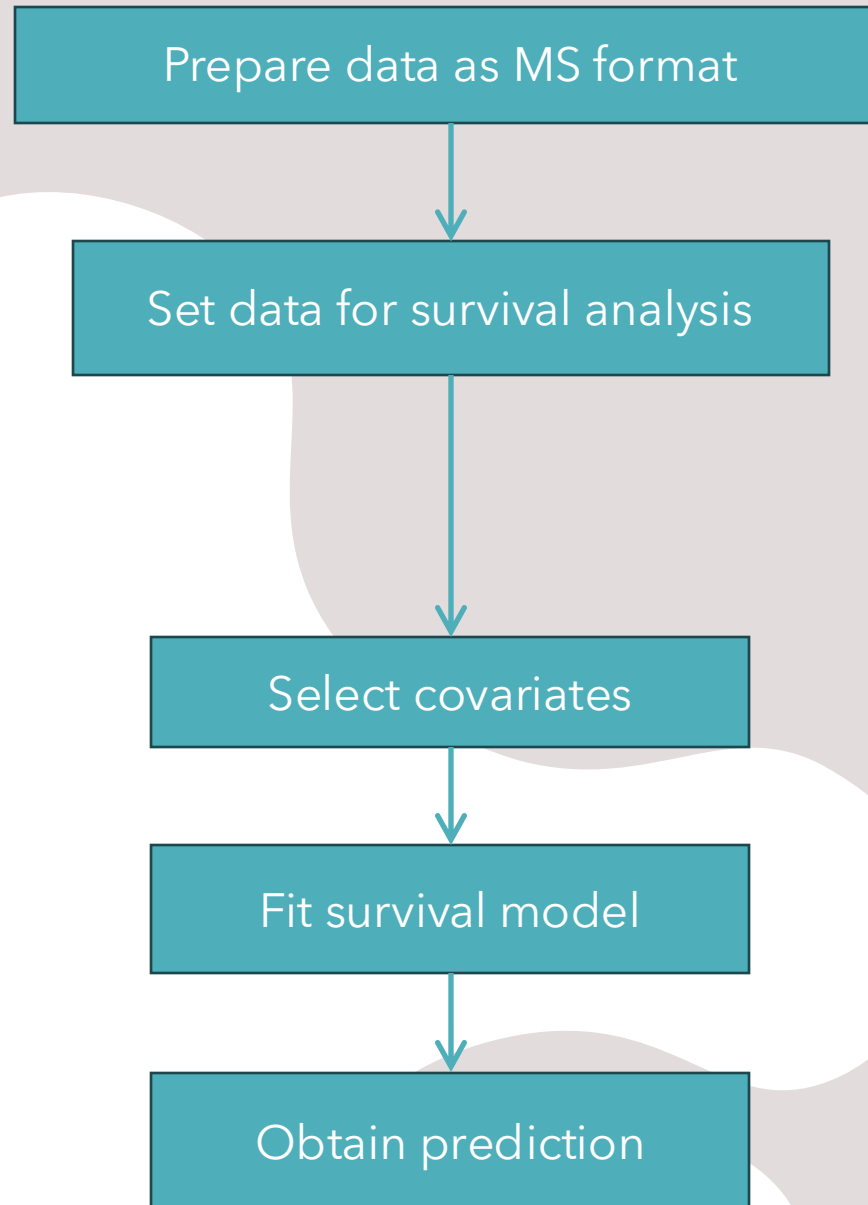
Spline-based model

Transition probability

the probability of a subject being in a certain stage given the subject's starting stage, the time at which the subject began moving through the process, and the subject's covariate profile.



Steps of analysis



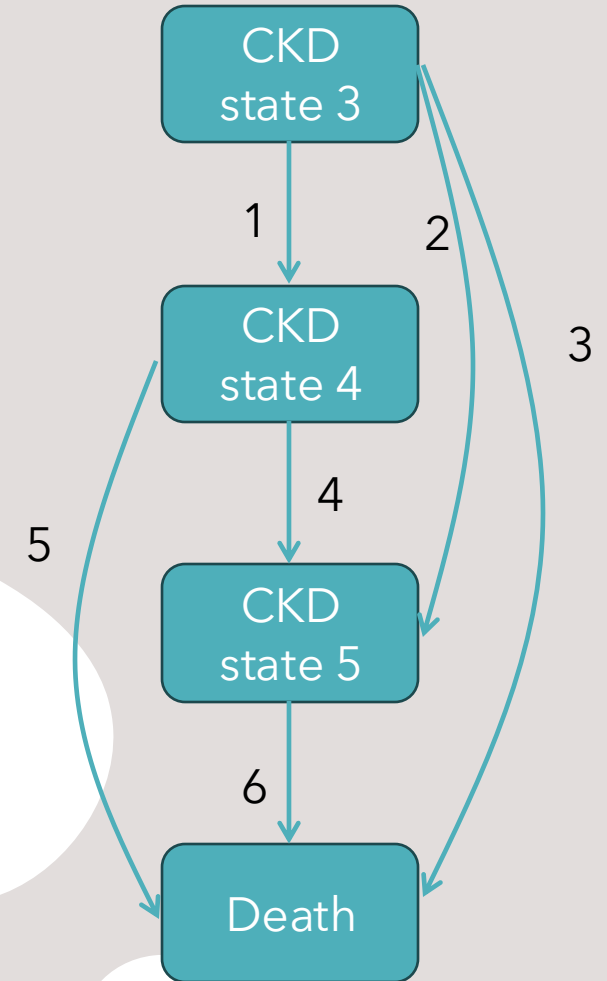
Data for workshop

5266 patients

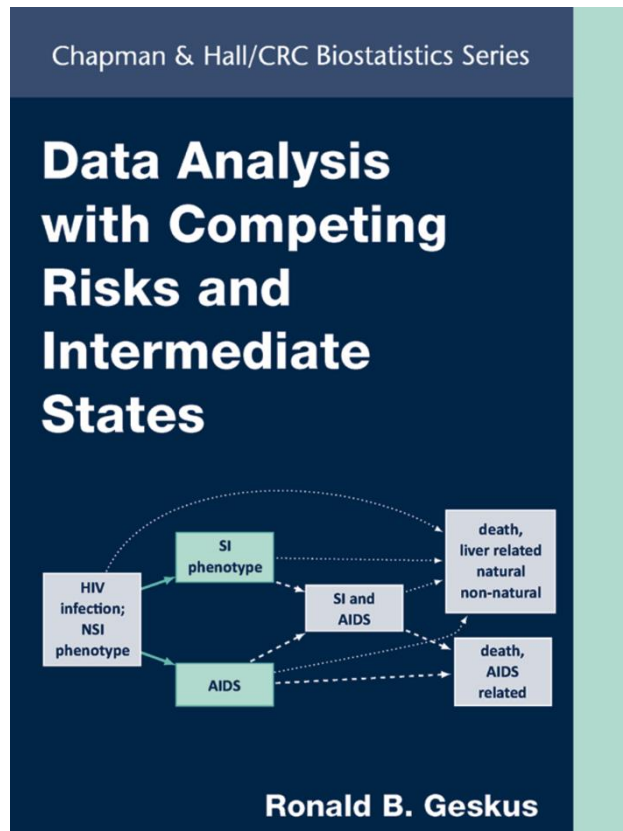
We want to know about the CKD progression

SGLT2i is the intervention of interest
(compared with other 2nd-medications)

Match 1:2 by the date of prescription



STATA time!



<< Suggested reading