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Chapter 1

Reading data

1.1 Case data

The data are given by date of birth and date of diagnosis for different countries:

```
> library( Epi )
> ca <- read.csv( "../data/cases.csv", header=TRUE )
> names( ca ) <- tolower( names(ca) )
> ( tt <- table( ca$cen ) )

  A1  B1  K1  L1  S1  U1  W3  X1  Y1
4571 610 1862 312 3363 2652 2361 2704 949

> cn <- names( tt )
> co <- c("Austria",
+         "Belgium (Antwerp)",
+         "Lithuania",
+         "Luxembourg",
+         "Spain (Catalonia)",
+         "UK (N.Ireland)",
+         "Poland (Katowice)",
+         "Sweden (Stockholm)",
+         "Slovenia")
> data.frame( co, cn, tt )

      co cn Var1 Freq
1      Austria A1   A1 4571
2 Belgium (Antwerp) B1   B1 610
3      Lithuania K1   K1 1862
4      Luxembourg L1   L1 312
5 Spain (Catalonia) S1   S1 3363
6      UK (N.Ireland) U1   U1 2652
7 Poland (Katowice) W3   W3 2361
8 Sweden (Stockholm) X1   X1 2704
9      Slovenia Y1   Y1 949

> ca <- transform( ca, cen = factor( cen, levels=cn, labels=co ),
+                 sex = factor( sex, levels=1:2, labels=c("M","F") ),
+                 bda = cal.yr( as.Date(bda,format="%m/%d/%Y") ),
+                 ida = cal.yr( as.Date(ida,format="%m/%d/%Y") ) )
> ca <- transform( ca, A = as.numeric(floor(ida-bda)),
+                 P = as.numeric(floor(ida)),
+                 C = as.numeric(floor(bda)) )
> str( ca )

'data.frame':      19384 obs. of  9 variables:
 $ cen: Factor w/ 9 levels "Austria","Belgium (Antwerp)",...: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ cid: int  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
 $ bda:Classes 'cal.yr', 'numeric' num [1:19384] 1979 1976 1978 1984 1985 ...
 $ sex: Factor w/ 2 levels "M","F": 1 2 1 2 1 2 2 2 2 1 ...
 $ ida:Classes 'cal.yr', 'numeric' num [1:19384] 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 ...
```

```

$ age: int  9 13 10 4 3 7 6 3 8 11 ...
$ A  : num  9 13 10 4 3 7 6 3 8 11 ...
$ P  : num  1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 ...
$ C  : num  1979 1975 1978 1984 1985 ...

> head( ca )
      cen cid      bda sex      ida age  A    P    C
1 Austria  1 1979.150    M 1989.031  9  9 1989 1979
2 Austria  2 1975.960    F 1989.025 13 13 1989 1975
3 Austria  3 1978.260    M 1989.072 10 10 1989 1978
4 Austria  4 1984.174    F 1989.099  4  4 1989 1984
5 Austria  5 1985.414    M 1989.187  3  3 1989 1985
6 Austria  6 1981.745    F 1989.244  7  7 1989 1981

```

With this groomed database we can now make a table of cases by sex, age and date of follow-up and date of birth and center:

```

> cl <- aggregate( rep(1,nrow(ca)), by=ca[,c("sex","A","P","C","cen")], FUN=sum )
> with( cl, table(P-A-C) )
> names( cl )[match("x",names(cl))] <- "D"
> str( cl )

```

Thus `cl` now have one entry for each Lexis triangle with at least one case of T1D for the ages 0–15, dates 1989–2013 subdivided by year of birth. Well, for each sex and centre.

1.1.1 C-sets of cases

```

> cl <- aggregate( rep(1,nrow(ca)), by=ca[,c("sex","A","P","cen")], FUN=sum )
> names( cl )[match("x",names(cl))] <- "D"
> str( cl )

'data.frame':      5213 obs. of  5 variables:
 $ sex: Factor w/ 2 levels "M","F": 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 ...
 $ A  : num  0 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4 5 ...
 $ P  : num  1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 ...
 $ cen: Factor w/ 9 levels "Austria","Belgium (Antwerp)",...: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ D  : num  1 3 3 5 1 5 3 3 4 1 ...

```

Thus `cl` now have one entry for each Lexis C-set with at least one case of T1D for the ages 0–15 and dates 1989–2013; so-called sets of the Lexis diagram. Well, for each sex and centre.

1.2 Population data

We now read the population data, assuming that we have them as person-years for each combination of age and period:

```

> pop <- read.table( "../data/popdat.txt", header=TRUE, sep="\t" )
> head( pop )
  Year Age  A1M  A1F  B1M  B1F  L1M  L1F  K1M  K1F  S1M  S1F  U1M  U1F  W3M  W3F  X1M
1 1989  0 45319 42625 5290 5134 2365 2330 29004 27772 28631 26925 13617 12731 26659 24932 12099
2 1989  1 44428 42305 5479 5290 2218 2172 30155 29069 29241 27498 13873 13247 28689 27260 11568
3 1989  2 44913 42771 5522 5215 2338 2215 31362 29595 30329 28521 14065 13197 30619 29002 10632
4 1989  3 45474 42769 5257 5096 2150 1986 30125 29483 31915 30012 13820 13063 32331 30569 10215
5 1989  4 45997 44011 5438 5151 2222 2037 29971 28839 32715 30765 13697 12814 34368 33312  9563
6 1989  5 46395 44195 5614 5232 2158 2135 30055 28522 33255 31458 13542 12891 35944 33525  9229
      X1F  Y1M  Y1F
1 11574 12337 11570
2 11010 13185 12514

```

```

3 10154 12994 12514
4 9729 12778 12171
5 9256 13528 13051
6 8681 13817 13039

> dim( pop )
[1] 375 20

> yl <- reshape( pop, varying = 3:20,
+               v.names = "Y",
+               timevar = "gr",
+               times = names(pop)[3:20],
+               direction = "long" )
> head( yl )

      Year Age  gr      Y id
1.A1M 1989  0 A1M 45319  1
2.A1M 1989  1 A1M 44428  2
3.A1M 1989  2 A1M 44913  3
4.A1M 1989  3 A1M 45474  4
5.A1M 1989  4 A1M 45997  5
6.A1M 1989  5 A1M 46395  6

> unique( yl$gr )
[1] "A1M" "A1F" "B1M" "B1F" "L1M" "L1F" "K1M" "K1F" "S1M" "S1F" "U1M" "U1F" "W3M" "W3F" "X1M" "X1F"
[17] "Y1M" "Y1F"

> table( substr( yl$gr, 1, 1 ) )
  A  B  K  L  S  U  W  X  Y
750 750 750 750 750 750 750 750 750

> table( substr( yl$gr, 3, 3 ) )
  F  M
3375 3375

> ( tt <- table( substr( yl$gr, 1, 1 ) ) )
  A  B  K  L  S  U  W  X  Y
750 750 750 750 750 750 750 750 750

> cn <- names( tt )
> cbind( cn, co )

      cn  co
[1,] "A" "Austria"
[2,] "B" "Belgium (Antwerp)"
[3,] "K" "Lithuania"
[4,] "L" "Luxembourg"
[5,] "S" "Spain (Catalonia)"
[6,] "U" "UK (N.Ireland)"
[7,] "W" "Poland (Katowice)"
[8,] "X" "Sweden (Stockholm)"
[9,] "Y" "Slovenia"

> yl <- transform( yl, sex = factor( substr( gr, 3, 3 ),
+                                   levels=c("M","F") ),
+                 cen = factor( substr( gr, 1, 1 ),
+                               levels = cn,
+                               labels = co ) )[,
+                 c("sex","Age","Year","cen","Y")]
> names( yl ) <- c("sex","A","P","cen","Y")
> head( yl )

      sex A  P  cen      Y
1.A1M  M  0 1989 Austria 45319
2.A1M  M  1 1989 Austria 44428
3.A1M  M  2 1989 Austria 44913
4.A1M  M  3 1989 Austria 45474
5.A1M  M  4 1989 Austria 45997
6.A1M  M  5 1989 Austria 46395

```

1.2.1 Population data in Lexis triangles

The data in `p1` is population risk time in C-sets (classified by age and date) of the Lexis diagram, but we would like to have the data in Lexis triangles, now we have the T1D cases in these.

(...)

1.3 Merging population and case data

First a brief overview of the two data sets

```
> str( cl )
'data.frame':      5213 obs. of  5 variables:
 $ sex: Factor w/ 2 levels "M","F": 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 ...
 $ A  : num  0 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4 5 ...
 $ P  : num  1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 ...
 $ cen: Factor w/ 9 levels "Austria","Belgium (Antwerp)",...: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ D  : num  1 3 3 5 1 5 3 3 4 1 ...

> str( yl )
'data.frame':      6750 obs. of  5 variables:
 $ sex: Factor w/ 2 levels "M","F": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ A  : int  0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ...
 $ P  : int  1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 ...
 $ cen: Factor w/ 9 levels "Austria","Belgium (Antwerp)",...: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ Y  : num  45319 44428 44913 45474 45997 ...

> aa <- merge( cl, yl, all=T )
> dim( aa )
[1] 6750      6

> table( is.na(aa$D) )
FALSE  TRUE
 5213  1537

> aa$D[is.na(aa$D)] <- 0
> # code A and P as the midpoints
> aa <- transform( aa, A = A+0.5,
+                  P = P+0.5 )
> summary( aa )
```

sex	A	P	cen	D	Y
M:3375	Min. : 0.5	Min. :1990	Austria : 750	Min. : 0.000	Min. : 1957
F:3375	1st Qu.: 3.5	1st Qu.:1996	Belgium (Antwerp): 750	1st Qu.: 1.000	1st Qu.: 9080
	Median : 7.5	Median :2002	Lithuania : 750	Median : 2.000	Median :13145
	Mean : 7.5	Mean :2002	Luxembourg : 750	Mean : 2.872	Mean :18756
	3rd Qu.:11.5	3rd Qu.:2008	Spain (Catalonia): 750	3rd Qu.: 4.000	3rd Qu.:28470
	Max. :14.5	Max. :2014	UK (N.Ireland) : 750	Max. :22.000	Max. :52431
			(Other) :2250		

We now have the dataset to be used for analysis, first an overview of the number of cases per center and sex:

```
> addmargins( xtabs( D ~ cen + sex, data=aa ) )
```

	sex		
cen	M	F	Sum
Austria	2474	2097	4571
Belgium (Antwerp)	318	292	610
Lithuania	927	935	1862
Luxembourg	159	153	312
Spain (Catalonia)	1753	1610	3363
UK (N.Ireland)	1382	1270	2652

```

Poland (Katowice) 1219 1142 2361
Sweden (Stockholm) 1438 1266 2704
Slovenia          446  503  949
Sum               10116 9268 19384

```

```
> addmargins( xtabs( D ~ P + sex, data=aa ) )
```

```

      sex
P      M      F      Sum
1989.5 288    246    534
1990.5 293    275    568
1991.5 314    292    606
1992.5 307    289    596
1993.5 322    317    639
1994.5 317    286    603
1995.5 336    304    640
1996.5 334    310    644
1997.5 340    345    685
1998.5 330    323    653
1999.5 356    339    695
2000.5 406    362    768
2001.5 403    333    736
2002.5 426    427    853
2003.5 475    382    857
2004.5 456    443    899
2005.5 428    385    813
2006.5 438    436    874
2007.5 482    396    878
2008.5 475    415    890
2009.5 488    426    914
2010.5 471    462    933
2011.5 526    468    994
2012.5 553    488   1041
2013.5 552    519   1071
Sum    10116  9268 19384

```

```
> addmargins( xtabs( D ~ A + sex, data=aa ) )
```

```

      sex
A      M      F      Sum
0.5    100    72    172
1.5    438    360    798
2.5    557    439    996
3.5    563    501   1064
4.5    523    555   1078
5.5    543    570   1113
6.5    600    608   1208
7.5    682    681   1363
8.5    708    730   1438
9.5    758    843   1601
10.5   858    930   1788
11.5   931    903   1834
12.5   957    865   1822
13.5  1033    708   1741
14.5   865    503   1368
Sum    10116  9268 19384

```

```
> round( addmargins( xtabs( D ~ cen + sex, data=aa ) ) /
+        addmargins( xtabs( Y ~ cen + sex, data=aa ) )*10^5, 1 )
```

```

      sex
cen      M      F      Sum
Austria    14.5  12.9  13.7
Belgium (Antwerp) 15.2  14.6  14.9
Lithuania   11.0  11.6  11.3
Luxembourg  15.4  15.6  15.5
Spain (Catalonia) 13.5  13.2  13.4
UK (N.Ireland) 29.0  28.0  28.5
Poland (Katowice) 12.2  12.0  12.1

```

```

Sweden (Stockholm) 33.2 30.7 32.0
Slovenia           10.6 12.6 11.5
Sum                15.6 15.0 15.3

> round( addmargins( xtabs( D ~ P + sex, data=aa ) ) /
+        addmargins( xtabs( Y ~ P + sex, data=aa ) )*10^5, 1 )

      sex
P      M    F  Sum
1989.5 10.0  9.0  9.5
1990.5 10.3 10.2 10.2
1991.5 11.1 10.9 11.0
1992.5 10.9 10.8 10.9
1993.5 11.5 12.0 11.8
1994.5 11.5 10.9 11.2
1995.5 12.4 11.8 12.1
1996.5 12.6 12.2 12.4
1997.5 13.0 13.8 13.4
1998.5 12.3 12.7 12.5
1999.5 13.5 13.6 13.6
2000.5 15.7 14.7 15.2
2001.5 15.8 13.7 14.8
2002.5 16.9 17.8 17.4
2003.5 19.0 16.1 17.6
2004.5 18.4 18.8 18.6
2005.5 17.4 16.5 16.9
2006.5 17.9 18.8 18.3
2007.5 19.8 17.1 18.5
2008.5 19.5 17.9 18.7
2009.5 20.0 18.4 19.2
2010.5 19.2 19.9 19.5
2011.5 21.3 20.0 20.7
2012.5 22.4 20.9 21.7
2013.5 22.4 22.2 22.3
Sum     15.6 15.0 15.3

> round( addmargins( xtabs( D ~ A + sex, data=aa ) ) /
+        addmargins( xtabs( Y ~ A + sex, data=aa ) )*10^5, 1 )

      sex
A      M    F  Sum
0.5    2.5  1.9  2.2
1.5   10.7  9.3 10.0
2.5   13.5 11.2 12.4
3.5   13.5 12.7 13.1
4.5   12.5 14.0 13.2
5.5   12.9 14.2 13.5
6.5   14.1 15.1 14.6
7.5   15.9 16.7 16.3
8.5   16.3 17.7 17.0
9.5   17.3 20.2 18.7
10.5  19.3 22.0 20.6
11.5  20.7 21.1 20.9
12.5  21.0 19.9 20.5
13.5  22.3 16.1 19.3
14.5  18.5 11.3 15.0
Sum    15.6 15.0 15.3

```

Chapter 2

APC-analysis

2.1 Separate models

First we make an APC-analysis of each of the countries and plot the results in a panel for each. We choose a parametrization with a flat calendar time effect in order to show the birth-cohort effects. First we define the knots to be used, we use 5 knots for each effect (3-non-linear parameters), except for age where we use 6.

```
> a.kn <- with( aa, quantile( rep( A,D), probs=(1:6-0.5)/6 ) )
> p.kn <- with( aa, quantile( rep( P ,D), probs=(1:5-0.5)/5 ) )
> c.kn <- with( aa, quantile( rep( P-A,D), probs=(1:5-0.5)/5 ) )
```

For the purpose of plotting we devise a function to extract and write the annual drift as a character variable, and also devise two arrays to hold the tests for non-linearity of cohort and period effects, as well as the deviance of d.f. for the APC-model fitted:

```
> drf <-
+ function( oo )
+ {
+   paste( formatC( (oo$Drift[1,1]-1)*100, format="f", digits=1 ), " (",
+           formatC( (oo$Drift[1,2]-1)*100, format="f", digits=1 ), ";",
+           formatC( (oo$Drift[1,3]-1)*100, format="f", digits=1 ), ")" )
+ }
> dev <- NArray( list( cen=levels(aa$cen),
+                      sex=levels(aa$sex),
+                      mod=c("Sep","Joint"),
+                      typ=c("deviance","df") ) )
> tst <- NArray( list( cen=levels(aa$cen),
+                      sex=levels(aa$sex),
+                      eff=c("Per","Coh"),
+                      ref=c("APC","Ad") ) )
```

With these prerequisites we can now fit an APC-model separately for each sex and center:

```
> par( mfrow=c(3,3), mar=c(0,0,0,0), oma=c(3,4,4,4), mgp=c(3,1,0)/1.6 )
> for( i in 1:nlevels(aa$cen) )
+ {
+   side <- NULL
+   if( i > 6 ) side <- c(side,1)
+   if( i%%3 == 1 ) side <- c(side,2)
+   if( i < 4 ) side <- c(side,3)
+   if( i%%3 == 0 ) side <- c(side,4)
+   cn <- levels(aa$cen)[i]
+   cat( "\n.....", cn, ".....\n")
+   cat( "      Boys\n")
+   mc <- apc.fit( data = subset( aa, cen==cn & sex=="M" ),
```

```

+           parm = "ACP",
+           ref.c = 1993,
+           scale = 10^5,
+           npar = list(A=a.kn,P=p.kn,C=c.kn) )
+ cat( "      Girls\n")
+ fc <- apc.fit( data = subset( aa, cen==cn & sex=="F" ),
+           parm = "ACP",
+           ref.c = 1993,
+           scale = 10^5,
+           npar = list(A=a.kn,P=p.kn,C=c.kn) )
+ dev[cn,"M","Sep",] <- c( mc$Model$deviance, mc$Model$df.residual )
+ dev[cn,"F","Sep",] <- c( fc$Model$deviance, fc$Model$df.residual )
+ mc$Anova[c(4,5,6,3),5]
+ tst[cn,"M",,] <- mc$Anova[c(4,5,6,3),5]
+ tst[cn,"F",,] <- fc$Anova[c(4,5,6,3),5]
+ apc.frame( a.lab = seq(0,15,5),
+           # a.tic = 0:15,
+           cp.lab = seq(1980,2010,10),
+           cp.tic = seq(1975,2015,5),
+           r.lab = c( c(2,5), c(1,2,5)*10 ),
+           r.tic = c( c(2:9), c(1:7)*10 ),
+           rr.ref = 10,
+           side = side )
+ apc.lines( mc, ci=TRUE, lwd=c(4,1,1), lty=c(1,0,1), col="blue" )
+ apc.lines( fc, ci=TRUE, lwd=c(4,1,1), lty=c(1,0,1), col="red" )
+ pc.matlines( mc$Per[,1], mc$Per[,-1], ci=TRUE, lwd=c(4,1,1), lty="11", col="blue" )
+ pc.matlines( fc$Per[,1], fc$Per[,-1], ci=TRUE, lwd=c(4,1,1), lty="11", col="red" )
+ text( 50, 55, paste( cn, " ", annual drift (%):", sep="" ), cex=1.2, font=2, adj=1 )
+ text( 50, 55/ 1.17, drf(mc), col="blue", cex=1.2, font=2, adj=1 )
+ text( 50, 55/(1.17*1.13), drf(fc), col="red", cex=1.2, font=2, adj=1 )
+ }

```

..... Austria

Boys

```
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	716.25			
Age-drift	368	478.50	1	237.747	<2e-16
Age-Cohort	365	472.97	3	5.527	0.1370
Age-Period-Cohort	362	466.77	3	6.203	0.1021
Age-Period	365	472.37	-3	-5.598	0.1329
Age-drift	368	478.50	-3	-6.133	0.1053

Girls

```
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	636.52			
Age-drift	368	469.15	1	167.374	< 2.2e-16
Age-Cohort	365	463.59	3	5.562	0.134955
Age-Period-Cohort	362	448.90	3	14.683	0.002108
Age-Period	365	463.08	-3	-14.174	0.002678
Age-drift	368	469.15	-3	-6.072	0.108172

..... Belgium (Antwerp)

Boys

```
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	419.99			
Age-drift	368	406.88	1	13.1062	0.0002943
Age-Cohort	365	404.54	3	2.3396	0.5049809

```

Age-Period-Cohort      362      401.50  3    3.0436 0.3849499
Age-Period              365      401.89 -3   -0.3941 0.9414676
Age-drift               368      406.88 -3   -4.9891 0.1725945

```

Girls

```
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	395.24			
Age-drift	368	390.32	1	4.9137	0.02664
Age-Cohort	365	388.33	3	1.9901	0.57446
Age-Period-Cohort	362	387.65	3	0.6831	0.87717
Age-Period	365	390.00	-3	-2.3560	0.50188
Age-drift	368	390.32	-3	-0.3172	0.95675

..... Lithuania

Boys

```
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	556.95			
Age-drift	368	434.07	1	122.887	< 2.2e-16
Age-Cohort	365	424.17	3	9.891	0.019512
Age-Period-Cohort	362	418.87	3	5.300	0.151105
Age-Period	365	420.92	-3	-2.048	0.562436
Age-drift	368	434.07	-3	-13.143	0.004337

Girls

```
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	541.61			
Age-drift	368	409.05	1	132.553	< 2e-16
Age-Cohort	365	398.25	3	10.802	0.01285
Age-Period-Cohort	362	398.09	3	0.158	0.98408
Age-Period	365	405.21	-3	-7.116	0.06830
Age-drift	368	409.05	-3	-3.844	0.27882

..... Luxembourg

Boys

```
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	333.87			
Age-drift	368	322.48	1	11.3836	0.000741
Age-Cohort	365	321.71	3	0.7750	0.855429
Age-Period-Cohort	362	321.10	3	0.6105	0.894017
Age-Period	365	322.06	-3	-0.9590	0.811174
Age-drift	368	322.48	-3	-0.4266	0.934699

Girls

```
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	332.21			
Age-drift	368	330.57	1	1.64350	0.1998
Age-Cohort	365	329.12	3	1.44957	0.6940
Age-Period-Cohort	362	328.86	3	0.25935	0.9675
Age-Period	365	330.29	-3	-1.42761	0.6991

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Age-drift          368      330.57 -3 -0.28131   0.9635

..... Spain (Catalonia) .....
      Boys
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

      Resid. Df Resid. Dev Df Deviance Pr(>Chi)
Age          369      511.72
Age-drift    368      509.37  1    2.3486  0.12539
Age-Cohort   365      503.23  3    6.1393  0.10503
Age-Period-Cohort 362      496.55  3    6.6806  0.08280
Age-Period   365      506.26 -3   -9.7117  0.02118
Age-drift    368      509.37 -3   -3.1082  0.37525
      Girls
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

      Resid. Df Resid. Dev Df Deviance Pr(>Chi)
Age          369      492.63
Age-drift    368      490.89  1    1.7345  0.18783
Age-Cohort   365      480.41  3   10.4798  0.01490
Age-Period-Cohort 362      471.96  3    8.4478  0.03761
Age-Period   365      481.81 -3   -9.8492  0.01989
Age-drift    368      490.89 -3   -9.0784  0.02827

..... UK (N.Ireland) .....
      Boys
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

      Resid. Df Resid. Dev Df Deviance Pr(>Chi)
Age          369      527.03
Age-drift    368      472.79  1   54.237 1.777e-13
Age-Cohort   365      464.07  3    8.716  0.03332
Age-Period-Cohort 362      461.22  3    2.858  0.41408
Age-Period   365      469.37 -3   -8.153  0.04295
Age-drift    368      472.79 -3   -3.420  0.33125
      Girls
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

      Resid. Df Resid. Dev Df Deviance Pr(>Chi)
Age          369      493.17
Age-drift    368      440.54  1   52.624 4.04e-13
Age-Cohort   365      434.69  3    5.851  0.11910
Age-Period-Cohort 362      431.70  3    2.998  0.39196
Age-Period   365      434.01 -3   -2.309  0.51071
Age-drift    368      440.54 -3   -6.539  0.08813

..... Poland (Katowice) .....
      Boys
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

      Resid. Df Resid. Dev Df Deviance Pr(>Chi)
Age          369      714.30
Age-drift    368      474.84  1  239.453 < 2.2e-16
Age-Cohort   365      473.89  3    0.956 0.8118581
Age-Period-Cohort 362      453.29  3   20.592 0.0001279
Age-Period   365      462.37 -3   -9.076 0.0282940

```

```
Age-drift          368      474.84 -3  -12.472 0.0059289
      Girls
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	721.09			
Age-drift	368	469.52	1	251.570	< 2.2e-16
Age-Cohort	365	466.28	3	3.245	0.3553741
Age-Period-Cohort	362	419.28	3	46.996	3.482e-10
Age-Period	365	453.14	-3	-33.862	2.118e-07
Age-drift	368	469.52	-3	-16.379	0.0009481

..... Sweden (Stockholm)

```
      Boys
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	489.51			
Age-drift	368	452.72	1	36.792	1.315e-09
Age-Cohort	365	447.39	3	5.327	0.14937
Age-Period-Cohort	362	441.78	3	5.612	0.13207
Age-Period	365	445.73	-3	-3.953	0.26661
Age-drift	368	452.72	-3	-6.986	0.07233

```
      Girls
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	469.42			
Age-drift	368	434.52	1	34.897	3.476e-09
Age-Cohort	365	434.24	3	0.286	0.96261
Age-Period-Cohort	362	426.14	3	8.097	0.04405
Age-Period	365	427.82	-3	-1.683	0.64077
Age-drift	368	434.52	-3	-6.701	0.08208

..... Slovenia

```
      Boys
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	464.93			
Age-drift	368	427.00	1	37.931	7.331e-10
Age-Cohort	365	421.22	3	5.780	0.12280
Age-Period-Cohort	362	417.11	3	4.110	0.24987
Age-Period	365	424.10	-3	-6.983	0.07244
Age-drift	368	427.00	-3	-2.907	0.40621

```
      Girls
[1] "ML of APC-model Poisson with log(Y) offset : ( ACP ):\n"
```

Analysis of deviance for Age-Period-Cohort model

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
Age	369	495.20			
Age-drift	368	457.74	1	37.452	9.37e-10
Age-Cohort	365	454.43	3	3.312	0.34593
Age-Period-Cohort	362	447.98	3	6.455	0.09146
Age-Period	365	453.92	-3	-5.943	0.11440
Age-drift	368	457.74	-3	-3.824	0.28113

We also collected the residual deviances as well as the tests for linearity of period / cohort effects

```
> round( ftable( addmargins( dev[,,"Sep",], 1 ), row.vars=1 ), 1 )
```

	sex typ	M deviance	df	F deviance	df
cen					
Austria		466.8	362.0	448.9	362.0
Belgium (Antwerp)		401.5	362.0	387.6	362.0
Lithuania		418.9	362.0	398.1	362.0
Luxembourg		321.1	362.0	328.9	362.0
Spain (Catalonia)		496.6	362.0	472.0	362.0
UK (N.Ireland)		461.2	362.0	431.7	362.0
Poland (Katowice)		453.3	362.0	419.3	362.0
Sweden (Stockholm)		441.8	362.0	426.1	362.0
Slovenia		417.1	362.0	448.0	362.0
Sum		3878.2	3258.0	3760.6	3258.0

The test for the non-linearity of period or cohort can either be as removal of a non-linear effect from the APC-model or addition of a non-linear effect to the Age-drift model. To get a quick overview of the tests for linearity of period / cohort effects we collected these p-values in a handy form, and they are (in %):

```
> round( ftable( tst*100, col.vars=c(3,2,4) ), 1 )
```

	eff	Per			Coh				
sex	M		F	M	F				
ref	APC	Ad	APC	Ad	APC	Ad	APC	Ad	
cen									
Austria	10.2	10.5	0.2	10.8	13.3	13.7	0.3	13.5	
Belgium (Antwerp)	38.5	17.3	87.7	95.7	94.1	50.5	50.2	57.4	
Lithuania	15.1	0.4	98.4	27.9	56.2	2.0	6.8	1.3	
Luxembourg	89.4	93.5	96.7	96.4	81.1	85.5	69.9	69.4	
Spain (Catalonia)	8.3	37.5	3.8	2.8	2.1	10.5	2.0	1.5	
UK (N.Ireland)	41.4	33.1	39.2	8.8	4.3	3.3	51.1	11.9	
Poland (Katowice)	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.1	2.8	81.2	0.0	35.5	
Sweden (Stockholm)	13.2	7.2	4.4	8.2	26.7	14.9	64.1	96.3	
Slovenia	25.0	40.6	9.1	28.1	7.2	12.3	11.4	34.6	

From these p-values we see that only Poland exhibit strong evidence for non-linearity of the period effect; from the graph it is seen that this can be attributed to a similar pattern among boys and girls with a peak period-effect around 2000. Since this is the de-trended period-effects, we can only say on this basis is that there seem to be some sort of calendar time change at this point in Poland.

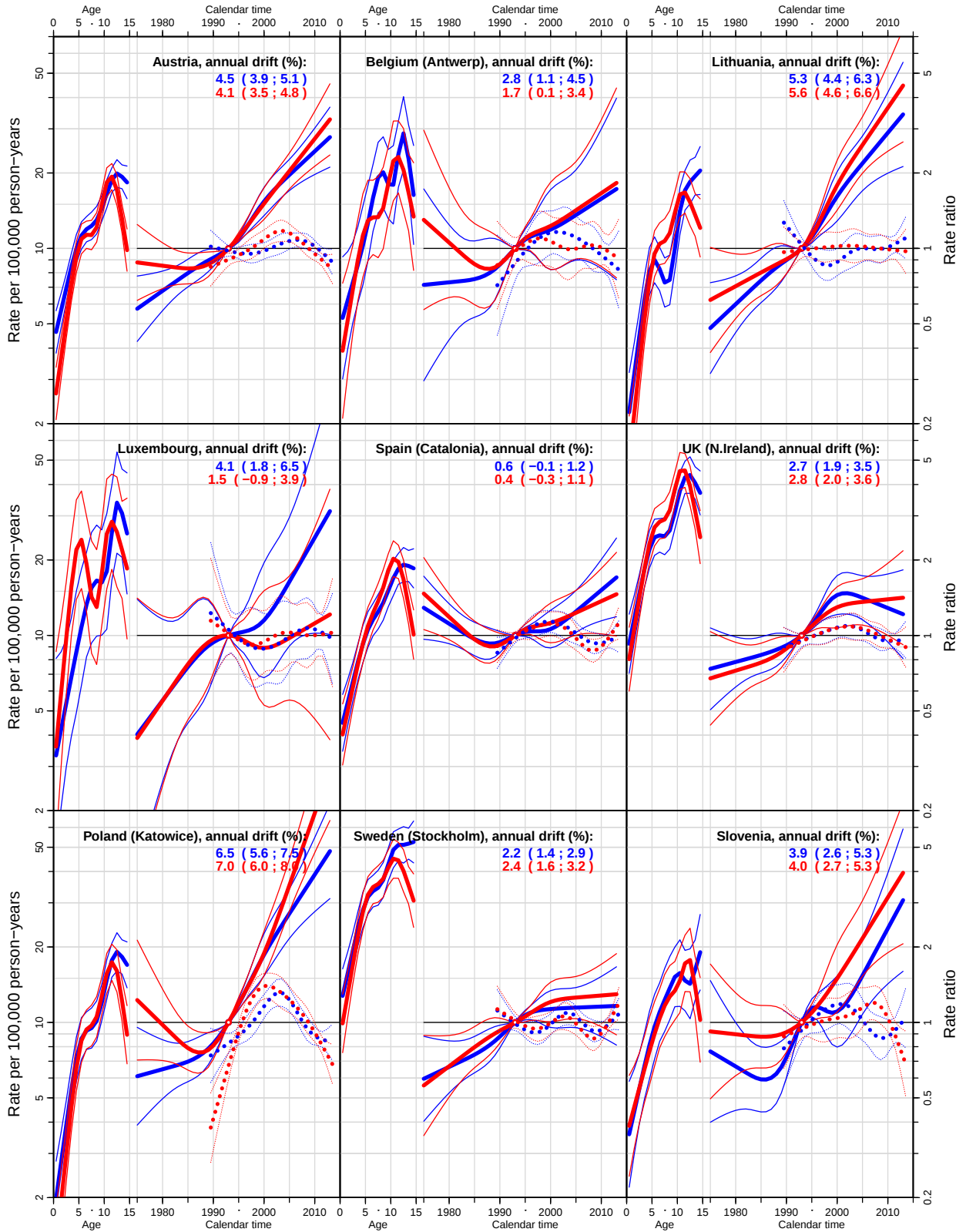


Figure 2.1: Age-Period-Cohort models for the centers separately, and separately for boys (blue) and girls (red), with period effects (dotted) constrained to be horizontal and 1 on average, and cohort-effects to be 1 at 1993; that is the age-specific incidence rates shown refer to the 1993 generation of children.

Chapter 3

Joint models

3.1 Intermediate models

Despite the observation of a formally statistically significant non-linearity of period-effects in some centres, we fit a joint model for all countries with separate cohort effects but common age effects, ignoring (the non-linear component of) the period effects.

```
> Mm <- glm( D ~ Ns( A, kn=a.kn ) +
+           cen +
+           cen:Ns( P-A, kn=c.kn ),
+           offset = log(Y),
+           family = poisson,
+           data = subset(aa,sex=="M") )
> Fm <- update( Mm, data = subset(aa,sex=="F") )
```

If we want to compare with separate models we need to fit the corresponding interaction models; one with all three effects separately and one with only age and cohort effects:

```
> Mi <- glm( D ~ cen:( Ns( A, kn=a.kn, i=T ) +
+                     Ns( P , kn=p.kn, ref=2000 ) +
+                     Ns( P-A, kn=c.kn, ref=1993 ) ) - 1,
+           offset = log(Y),
+           family = poisson,
+           data = subset(aa,sex=="M") )
> Fi <- update( Mi, data = subset(aa,sex=="F") )
> Mc <- glm( D ~ cen:( Ns( A, kn=a.kn, i=T ) +
+                     Ns( P-A, kn=c.kn, ref=1993 ) ) - 1,
+           offset = log(Y),
+           family = poisson,
+           data = subset(aa,sex=="M") )
> Fc <- update( Mc, data = subset(aa,sex=="F") )
```

In order to compare these models we compute the deviance residuals, so that we can compute the likelihood-ratio statistics as well as the contribution from each centre to these:

```
> Dev <- NArray( list( cen=levels(aa$cen),
+                     sex=levels(aa$sex),
+                     mod=c("APC:c","AC:c","A+C:c","no Per","same Age") ) )
> Dev[, "M", "APC:c"] <- tapply( residuals(Mi)^2, aa[aa$sex=="M","cen"], sum )
> Dev[, "M", "AC:c"] <- tapply( residuals(Mc)^2, aa[aa$sex=="M","cen"], sum )
> Dev[, "M", "A+C:c"] <- tapply( residuals(Mm)^2, aa[aa$sex=="M","cen"], sum )
> Dev[, "F", "APC:c"] <- tapply( residuals(Fi)^2, aa[aa$sex=="F","cen"], sum )
> Dev[, "F", "AC:c"] <- tapply( residuals(Fc)^2, aa[aa$sex=="F","cen"], sum )
> Dev[, "F", "A+C:c"] <- tapply( residuals(Fm)^2, aa[aa$sex=="F","cen"], sum )
> Dev[, , "no Per"] <- Dev[, , "AC:c"] - Dev[, , "APC:c"]
```

```

> Dev[,,"same Age"] <- Dev[,,"A+C:c"] - Dev[,,"AC:c" ]
> round( ftable( addmargins(Dev,1), col.vars=c(2,3) ), 1 )

```

	sex mod	M APC:c	AC:c	A+C:c	no	Per	same	Age	F APC:c	AC:c	A+C:c	no	Per	same	Age
cen															
Austria		466.8	473.0	477.5	6.2		4.5	448.9	463.6	466.1	14.7			2.5	
Belgium (Antwerp)		401.5	404.5	412.9	3.0		8.3	387.6	388.3	389.0	0.7			0.7	
Lithuania		418.9	424.2	449.8	5.3		25.6	398.1	398.3	413.4	0.2			15.2	
Luxembourg		321.1	321.7	327.4	0.6		5.7	328.9	329.1	337.7	0.3			8.6	
Spain (Catalonia)		496.6	503.2	505.6	6.7		2.4	472.0	480.4	489.9	8.4			9.5	
UK (N.Ireland)		461.2	464.1	467.2	2.9		3.1	431.7	434.7	436.6	3.0			1.9	
Poland (Katowice)		453.3	473.9	487.5	20.6		13.6	419.3	466.3	481.5	47.0			15.2	
Sweden (Stockholm)		441.8	447.4	451.0	5.6		3.6	426.1	434.2	443.6	8.1			9.4	
Slovenia		417.1	421.2	428.0	4.1		6.8	448.0	454.4	462.0	6.5			7.5	
Sum		3878.2	3933.2	4006.9	55.0		73.7	3760.6	3849.3	3919.9	88.8			70.5	

```

> round( c( Mi$deviance,
+           Mc$deviance,
+           Mm$deviance,
+           Fi$deviance,
+           Fc$deviance,
+           Fm$deviance ), 1 )
[1] 3878.2 3933.2 4006.9 3760.6 3849.3 3919.9
> df <- diff( c( sum(!is.na(coef(Mm))),
+               sum(!is.na(coef(Mc))),
+               sum(!is.na(coef(Mi))) ) ) / 9
> round( cbind( df, Q=qchisq( p=0.95, df=df ) ), 1 )

```

	df	Q
[1,]	4.4	10.2
[2,]	3.0	7.8

```

> pval <- addmargins(Dev,1)[,,"4:5"]
> fmat <- pval[-10,-10,]
> fmat[,,"1"] <- df[2]
> fmat[,,"2"] <- df[1]
> fmat <- addmargins(fmat,1)
> pval <- 1-pchisq(pval,fmat)
> round( ftable(pval*100,col.vars=3:2), 1 )

```

	mod	no	Per	same	Age	F
	sex	M	F	M	F	
cen						
Austria		10.2	0.2	40.4	71.0	
Belgium (Antwerp)		38.5	87.7	10.5	97.0	
Lithuania		15.1	98.4	0.0	0.6	
Luxembourg		89.4	96.7	26.9	9.4	
Spain (Catalonia)		8.3	3.8	72.4	6.5	
UK (N.Ireland)		41.4	39.2	61.0	80.6	
Poland (Katowice)		0.0	0.0	1.2	0.6	
Sweden (Stockholm)		13.2	4.4	53.0	6.9	
Slovenia		25.0	9.1	18.3	14.1	
Sum		0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	

The number of d.f. per center is quite small (3 and 4.4), and 1 and 3 centers respectively contribute significantly to the test for linearity of the period effect for men (Poland) and women (Poland, Spain, Austria), whereas only two centres (Poland, Lithuania) contribute significantly to the test for common age-effects across centers.

3.2 Joint model

We shall therefore further reduce the model to one where we assume a common cohort effect for the two sexes for each center. This will be a model for the entire dataset where

we will have separate age-effects for boys and girls, common for all centres, but cohort effects common for both sexes but separately for each centre.

As a first approximation we fit a model with separate age-effects for boys and girls but common cohort effect, separately for each center. In order to extract the effects we set up the contrast matrices for age and for the cohort-effects with reference 1993.

```
> clr <- rainbow(9)
> a.pt <- seq(0,15,,100)
> c.pt <- seq(1975,2013,,100)
> Ca <- Ns( a.pt, knots=a.kn, i=T )
> Cc <- Ns( c.pt, knots=c.kn, ref=1993 )
> par( mfrow=c(3,3), mar=c(0,0,0,0), oma=c(3,4,4,4), mgp=c(3,1,0)/1.6 )
> for( i in 1:nlevels(aa$cen) )
+ {
+   side <- NULL
+   if( i > 6 ) side <- c(side,1)
+   if( i%%3 == 1 ) side <- c(side,2)
+   if( i < 4 ) side <- c(side,3)
+   if( i%%3 == 0 ) side <- c(side,4)
+   cn <- levels(aa$cen)[i]
+   Mc <- glm( D ~ sex:( Ns( A, kn=a.kn, i=T ) ) +
+               Ns( P-A, kn=c.kn, ref=1993 ) - 1,
+               family = poisson,
+               offset = log( Y ),
+               data = subset(aa,cen==cn) )
+   Ma <- ci.exp( Mc, subset="xM", ctr.mat=Ca ) * 10^5
+   Fa <- ci.exp( Mc, subset="xF", ctr.mat=Ca ) * 10^5
+   nM <- data.frame( A=a.pt, P=1993+a.pt, sex="M", Y=10^5 )
+   nF <- data.frame( A=a.pt, P=1993+a.pt, sex="F", Y=10^5 )
+   Mp <- ci.pred( Mc, newdata=nM )
+   Fp <- ci.pred( Mc, newdata=nF )
+   Ra <- ci.exp( Mc, subset=c("xM","xF"), ctr.mat=cbind(Ca,-Ca) )
+   Rc <- ci.exp( Mc, subset="P", ctr.mat=Cc )
+   apc.frame( a.lab = seq(0,15,5),
+               # a.tic = 0:15,
+               cp.lab = seq(1980,2010,10),
+               cp.tic = seq(1975,2015,5),
+               r.lab = c( c(1,2,5), c(1,2,5)*10 ),
+               r.tic = c( c(2:9), c(1:7)*10 ),
+               rr.ref = 10,
+               side = side )
+   matlines( a.pt, cbind(Ma,Fa,Ra*10),
+             lwd=c(3,1,1), lty=1, col=rep(c("blue","red","gray"),each=3) )
+   pc.matlines( c.pt, Rc,
+                lwd=c(3,1,1), lty=1, col=clr[i] )
+   text( 50, 55, cn, cex=1.2, font=2, adj=1, col=clr[i] )
+ }
```

From figure 3.1 we see that the general look of the age-curves are quite similar with a peak among girls around 10–12 and among boys a bit later. Also pretty consistently is the M/F RR which is below 1 in the range 5–11 (where girls have higher incidence than boys), and quite steeply increasing toward the end of the covered age-range.

3.3 Final model

Therefore it is obvious to summarize the entire dataset in a model with separate age-effects for the two sexes (but common across centres) and separate cohort-effects for each centre (but common for the two sexes). The rationale for this is that the age-dependence of incidence of T1D is then taken as an aging phenomenon that is thought to be universal,

whereas the level of the intensity of the process is subject to temporal and geographical influence.

```
> MJ <- glm( D ~ Ns( A, kn=a.kn, intercept=TRUE ):sex +
+ cen + Ns( P-A, kn=c.kn, ref=1993 ):cen,
+ family = poisson,
+ offset = log( Y ),
+ data = aa )
> round( ci.exp( MJ ), 3 )
```

	exp(Est.)	2.5%	97.5%
(Intercept)	0.085	0.046	0.157
cenBelgium (Antwerp)	1.236	1.046	1.460
cenLithuania	0.794	0.711	0.886
cenLuxembourg	1.292	1.034	1.613
cenSpain (Catalonia)	1.016	0.925	1.117
cenUK (N.Ireland)	2.283	2.075	2.513
cenPoland (Katowice)	0.942	0.852	1.042
cenSweden (Stockholm)	2.629	2.394	2.886
cenSlovenia	0.935	0.809	1.081
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)1:sexM	0.005	0.003	0.009
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)2:sexM	0.001	0.001	0.002
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)3:sexM	0.002	0.001	0.004
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)4:sexM	0.020	0.013	0.031
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)5:sexM	0.000	0.000	0.000
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)6:sexM	1.282	1.185	1.387
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)1:sexF	0.006	0.003	0.010
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)2:sexF	0.001	0.001	0.002
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)3:sexF	0.003	0.001	0.005
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)4:sexF	0.020	0.013	0.029
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)5:sexF	0.000	0.000	0.000
Ns(A, kn = a.kn, intercept = TRUE)6:sexF	1.000	1.000	1.000
cenAustria:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)1	1.543	1.352	1.760
cenBelgium (Antwerp):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)1	1.537	1.081	2.185
cenLithuania:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)1	1.343	1.096	1.647
cenLuxembourg:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)1	1.548	0.940	2.551
cenSpain (Catalonia):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)1	1.049	0.897	1.227
cenUK (N.Ireland):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)1	1.513	1.277	1.794
cenPoland (Katowice):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)1	2.103	1.751	2.525
cenSweden (Stockholm):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)1	1.520	1.280	1.805
cenSlovenia:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)1	1.819	1.365	2.424
cenAustria:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)2	1.995	1.808	2.200
cenBelgium (Antwerp):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)2	1.493	1.138	1.961
cenLithuania:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)2	2.221	1.901	2.595
cenLuxembourg:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)2	1.309	0.896	1.914
cenSpain (Catalonia):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)2	1.012	0.898	1.139
cenUK (N.Ireland):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)2	1.841	1.616	2.098
cenPoland (Katowice):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)2	2.559	2.231	2.936
cenSweden (Stockholm):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)2	1.542	1.355	1.756
cenSlovenia:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)2	1.659	1.332	2.065
cenAustria:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)3	2.767	2.351	3.256
cenBelgium (Antwerp):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)3	1.709	1.131	2.581
cenLithuania:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)3	2.792	2.220	3.511
cenLuxembourg:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)3	2.110	1.095	4.067
cenSpain (Catalonia):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)3	1.043	0.904	1.203
cenUK (N.Ireland):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)3	2.273	1.852	2.790
cenPoland (Katowice):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)3	4.228	3.368	5.308
cenSweden (Stockholm):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)3	2.051	1.647	2.556
cenSlovenia:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)3	2.170	1.602	2.939
cenAustria:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)4	2.448	2.247	2.667
cenBelgium (Antwerp):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)4	1.655	1.314	2.085
cenLithuania:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)4	2.715	2.383	3.094
cenLuxembourg:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)4	1.571	1.140	2.165
cenSpain (Catalonia):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)4	1.261	1.143	1.392
cenUK (N.Ireland):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)4	1.705	1.522	1.910
cenPoland (Katowice):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)4	3.109	2.774	3.485
cenSweden (Stockholm):Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)4	1.661	1.489	1.852

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cenSlovenia:Ns(P - A, kn = c.kn, ref = 1993)4          2.451 2.053 2.925
> Ma <- ci.exp( MJ, subset=c("Int","xM"), ctr.mat=cbind(1,Ca) ) * 10^5
> Fa <- ci.exp( MJ, subset=c("Int","xF"), ctr.mat=cbind(1,Ca) ) * 10^5
> Ra <- ci.exp( MJ, subset=c( "xM","xF"), ctr.mat=cbind(Ca,-Ca) )
> Ce <- ci.exp( MJ, subset= levels(aa$cen)[1], ctr.mat=Cc )
> # The gsub(...) is necessary because "(" has a special status in regexp
> for( cn in levels(aa$cen)[-1] )
+ Ce <- cbind( Ce, ci.exp( MJ, subset=gsub("\\(", "\\\\(",cn), ctr.mat=cbind(1,Cc) ) )

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Once we fitted the model and extracted the results we can plot the results as age-specific rates referring to the

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> fmod <- function( ci.A=TRUE, ci.C=TRUE )
+ {
+   par( mar=c(3,4,1,4), mgp=c(3,1,0)/1.6, las=1 )
+   apc.frame( a.lab = seq(0,15,5),
+             cp.lab = seq(1980,2010,10),
+             cp.tic = c(seq(1975,2010,5),2028),
+             cp.txt = "Date of birth",
+             r.lab = c( c(2,5), c(1,2)*10 ),
+             r.tic = c( c(2:9), c(1:2)*10, 25 ),
+             rr.ref = 5 )
+   fp <- options()[["apc.frame.par"]]
+   abline( h=fp[2] )
+   matlines( a.pt, cbind(Ma,Fa,Ra*5),
+             lwd=c(4,1,1), lty=1, col=rep(c("blue","red",gray(0.5)),each=3) )
+   pc.matlines( c.pt, Ce, lwd=c(4,1,1), lty=if(ci.C) 1 else c(1,0,0), col=rep(clr,each=3) )
+   pc.points( 1993, 1, pch=16, cex=1.5, col=clr[1] )
+   last <- Ce[100,0:8*3+1] # last points on the cohort curves
+   perm <- order( last )   # the order in which they are
+   nl <- nlevels(aa$cen)
+   ln <- levels(aa$cen)
+   text( rep(2014.1,nl)-fp[1], ty <- fp[2]*1.2*1.15^(1:nl),
+         ln[perm], col=clr[perm], font=2, adj=0, cex=1.2 )
+   segments( rep(2013,nl)-fp[1], last[perm]*fp[2],
+             rep(2014,nl)-fp[1], ty, col=clr[perm] )
+ }
> fmod()

> fmod( ci.C=FALSE )

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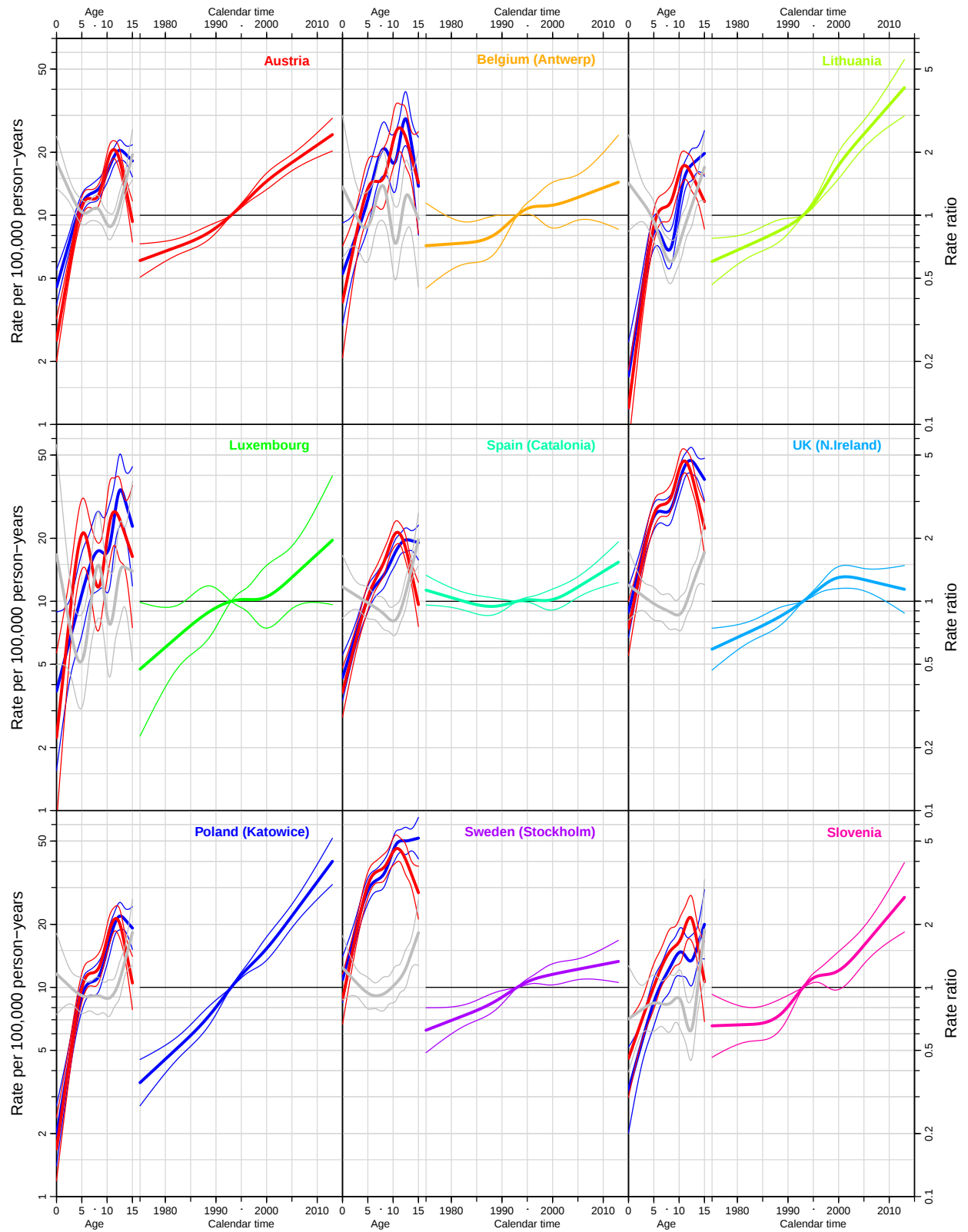


Figure 3.1: *Separate models for each center with age-effects separate for each sex, but common cohort-effect. The gray curve in the age-range is the M/F RR.*

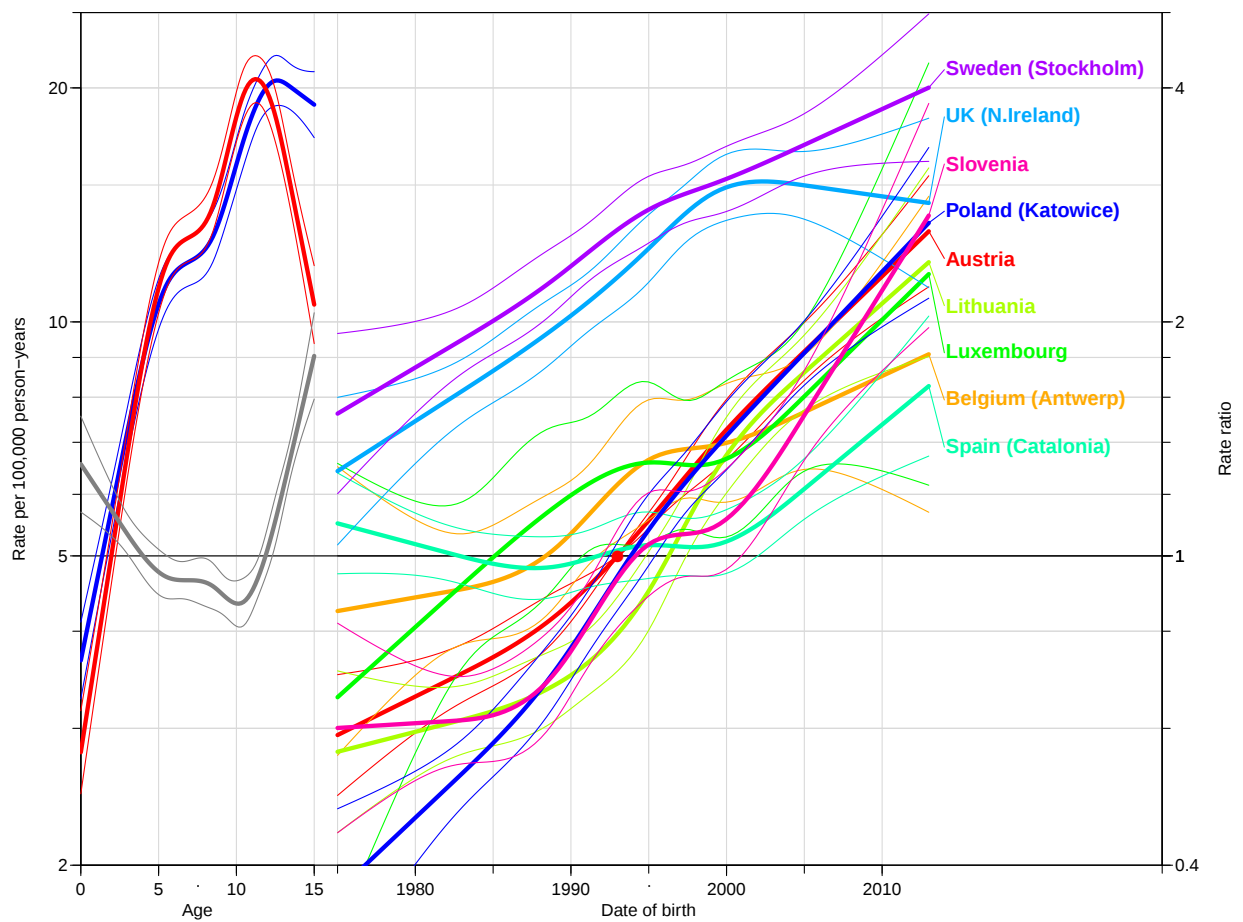


Figure 3.2: Age-specific cohort (longitudinal) incidence rates of T1D (blue—boys; red—girls) and their ratio (gray), referring to the 1993 birth cohort in Austria. In the right hand side of the panel are the cohort RRs relative to the 1993 birth cohort in Austria. Thin lines indicate 95% confidence limits.

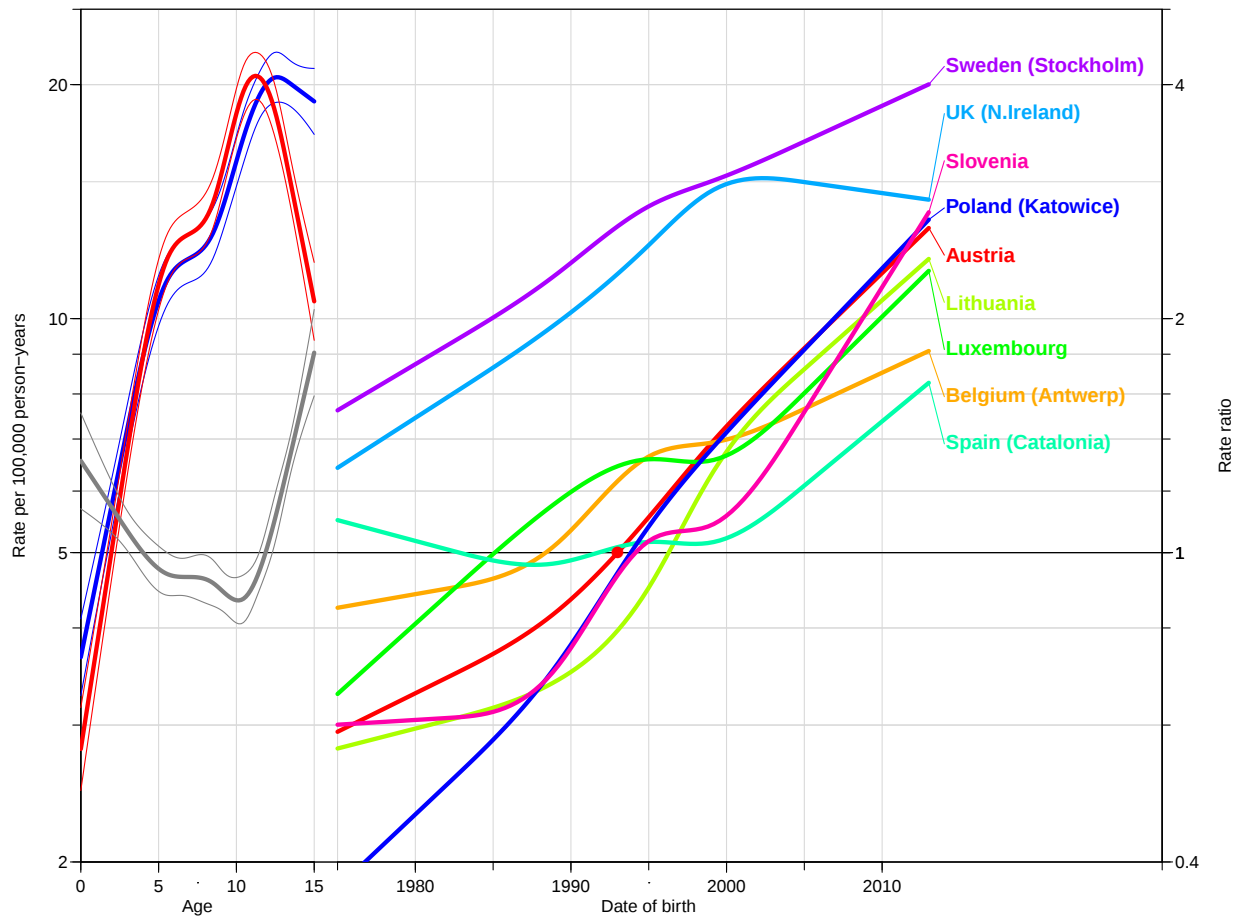


Figure 3.3: Age-specific cohort (longitudinal) incidence rates of T1D (blue—boys; red—girls) and their ratio (gray), referring to the 1993 birth cohort in Austria. In the right hand side of the panel are the cohort RRs relative to the 1993 birth cohort in Austria. Thin lines indicate 95% confidence limits; confidence limits for the cohort effects are omitted for clarity of exposition.

3.4 Conclusion

The incidence of T1D is increasing throughout Europe, the average annual rate increase is broadly between 2 and 5%; Catalonia with a slower increase (0.5%/year) and Poland with a higher (7%/year) (figure reffig:APC).

There is no clear pattern in the relationship between the magnitude of incidence rates and change in incidence rates; some centres show a tendency to a flattening of the increase across birth cohorts (Sweden, Poland, Belgium), others an upward increase (Spain, Slovenia) — figure 3.3.

The age-specific rates peak at age 11–12 for girls and 12–13 for boys, at roughly the same level. In the reference cohort (Austria, 1993) this is around 20 per 100,000 PY, but Swedish and Polish rates are more than twice as high for this birth cohort; and later birth cohorts (around 2010) exhibit also twice as high incidence rates — figure 3.3.

We also observed a consistent pattern throughout with higher incidence rates among girls in the range 4–12 years and higher among boys before and after this — figure 3.3.