

## Supplementary Material

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### 1. ADDITIONAL FIGURE

Figure 1 below presents the net survival curves obtained for the whole population of men lung cancer patients obtained with models M1–M3 as well as with the non-parametric Pohar-Perme estimator (Perme and others, 2012). In contrast, Figure 3 in the paper presents the net survival curves associated to specific patient characteristics (age, deprivation, comorbidities, and stage). Additional details on the models and the data set can be found in Section “Application: Lung Cancer data” of the paper.

### 2. TECHNICAL DETAILS

#### *Calculation of (2.6)*

The overall survival function is obtained by integrating out  $\gamma$

$$\tilde{S}_o(t; \mathbf{x}) = \int_0^\infty S_o(t | \gamma; \mathbf{x}) dG(\gamma),$$

where  $S_o(t | \gamma; \mathbf{x}) = \exp \left\{ - \int_0^t h_o(s | \gamma; \mathbf{x}) ds \right\}$ . By using the decomposition (2.5), we can rewrite the conditional cumulative hazard as follows:

$$\tilde{H}_o(t | \gamma; \mathbf{x}) = H_E(t; \mathbf{x}) + \gamma [H_P(A + t; \mathbf{z}) - H_P(A; \mathbf{z})].$$

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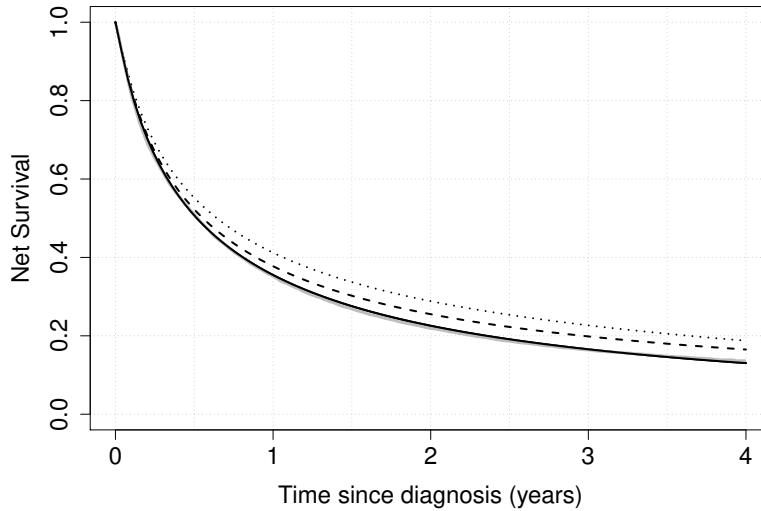


Fig. 1. Illustration for men lung cancer patients: comparison of net survival curves obtained with models M1 (continuous black line), M2 (dashed line), M3 (dotted line), as well as the non-parametric Pohar-Perme estimator (continuous grey line) for the whole population.

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{S}_o(t; \mathbf{x}) &= \int_0^\infty \exp \{-\gamma [H_P(A+t; \mathbf{z}) - H_P(A; \mathbf{z})] - H_E(t; \mathbf{x})\} dG(\gamma) \\ &= \exp \{-H_E(t; \mathbf{x})\} \int_0^\infty \exp \{-\gamma [H_P(A+t; \mathbf{z}) - H_P(A; \mathbf{z})]\} dG(\gamma),\end{aligned}$$

This equation thus indicate that the overall survival can be written as the product of the net survival,  $\exp \{-H_E(t; \mathbf{x})\}$ , multiplied by the Laplace transform of the differences of the population cumulative hazard.

### 3. TRUE VALUES OF THE PARAMETERS AND CORRESPONDING NET SURVIVAL

#### *Simulation design I*

Table 1 shows the net survival (NS) associated to the different covariate values in the simulation design I.

#### *Simulation design II*

For the Simulation design II, we consider an alternative baseline hazard function given by the Weibull distribution with scale parameter  $\theta = 12$  and shape parameter  $\kappa = 0.8$ . This baseline hazard is decreasing. Moreover, when the baseline hazard is Weibull, it is known that the AFT, AH, and PH structures coincide, thus the additional parameters in the GH structure become redundant (Rubio and others, 2018). Thus, for

sex	comorb.	age	NS(1)	NS(5)
0	0	60	0.90	0.51
0	1	60	0.87	0.42
1	0	60	0.88	0.44
1	1	60	0.85	0.35
0	0	70	0.81	0.34
0	1	70	0.76	0.25
1	0	70	0.77	0.27
1	1	70	0.72	0.19
0	0	80	0.69	0.22
0	1	80	0.63	0.15
1	0	80	0.64	0.16
1	1	80	0.56	0.10

Table 1. Simulation design I:  $(\kappa, \theta, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (\text{age}, \text{sex}, \text{comorbidity}) = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ , and  $\beta_2 = (\text{age}, \text{sex}, \text{comorbidity}) = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ . Net Survival (NS) associated to the different covariate configurations at 1 and 5 years.

this scenario we only fit the PH model with a Weibull baseline hazard (we emphasise that this is not a restriction as the PH, the AH, and the AFT model coincide when we assume a Weibull baseline hazard). The fitted model now contains two parameters for the baseline hazard ( $\theta, \kappa$ ) and three regression parameters ( $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$ ). The simulation of the covariates is done in the same way as described in the Simulation Studies section in the main paper. Table 2 shows the net survival (NS) associated to the different covariate values in the simulation design I. Table 18 shows the proportion of selected hazard structures using AIC for both designs.

sex	comorb.	age	NS(1)	NS(5)
0	0	60	0.90	0.69
0	1	60	0.89	0.67
1	0	60	0.89	0.67
1	1	60	0.88	0.64
0	0	70	0.87	0.61
0	1	70	0.86	0.58
1	0	70	0.86	0.58
1	1	70	0.85	0.55
0	0	80	0.83	0.51
0	1	80	0.82	0.48
1	0	80	0.82	0.48
1	1	80	0.80	0.44

Table 2. Simulation design II:  $(\theta, \kappa) = (12, 0.8)$ , and  $\beta = (\text{age}, \text{sex}, \text{comorbidity}) = (0.03, 0.1, 0.1)$ . Net Survival (NS) associated to the different covariate configurations at 1 and 5 years.

#### 4. SIMULATION STUDY

##### 4.1 $n = 5000$ : *Simulation design I*

The results associated to  $n = 5000$  and design I are presented in Tables 3–5. The corresponding fitted hazards are presented in Figures 2–4.

**Design I:  $\gamma = 1$**

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.786	1.806	0.414	0.421	0.416	0.948
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.606	0.607	0.065	0.066	0.065	0.946
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.529	2.440	0.469	0.458	0.470	0.954
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.102	0.102	0.015	0.014	0.015	0.957
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.083	0.089	0.256	0.239	0.256	0.948
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.082	0.085	0.239	0.238	0.240	0.957
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.050	0.050	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.949
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.200	0.198	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.955
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.250	0.249	0.045	0.042	0.045	0.934
M2	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.649	1.675	0.512	0.526	0.521	0.948
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.589	0.587	0.099	0.102	0.100	0.916
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.802	2.595	0.964	0.898	1.010	0.926
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.101	0.101	0.014	0.014	0.014	0.951
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.107	0.116	0.244	0.234	0.244	0.945
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.085	0.089	0.235	0.241	0.235	0.964
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.049	0.049	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.935
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.195	0.200	0.057	0.058	0.057	0.950
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.255	0.251	0.055	0.053	0.055	0.935
M3	$\gamma (1)$	1.027	1.025	0.664	0.661	0.664	0.876
	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.601	1.601	0.558	0.607	0.577	0.970
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.566	0.562	0.101	0.111	0.107	0.951
	$\alpha (2.5)$	3.029	2.774	1.118	1.110	1.236	0.966
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.101	0.100	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.958
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.080	0.091	0.251	0.252	0.252	0.953
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.086	0.094	0.248	0.253	0.248	0.958
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.047	0.047	0.006	0.006	0.007	0.955
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.178	0.183	0.063	0.067	0.067	0.972
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.272	0.269	0.061	0.062	0.064	0.952
M4	$b (0)$	0.632	0.100	1.004	4.925	1.186	–
	$\mu (1)$	1.482	1.448	0.791	0.874	0.926	0.788
	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.655	1.711	0.497	0.459	0.506	0.961
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.584	0.591	0.088	0.075	0.089	0.922
M4	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.831	2.587	0.978	0.717	1.032	0.942
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.100	0.100	0.016	0.014	0.016	0.935
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.086	0.093	0.253	0.235	0.253	0.941
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.091	0.090	0.240	0.235	0.240	0.948
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.049	0.049	0.005	0.004	0.005	0.921
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.193	0.197	0.055	0.048	0.055	0.944
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.258	0.253	0.054	0.047	0.055	0.914
	$c (1)$	1.234	1.000	0.739	–	0.775	–

Table 3. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ ,  $n = 5000$ , and no mismatch  $\gamma = 1$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

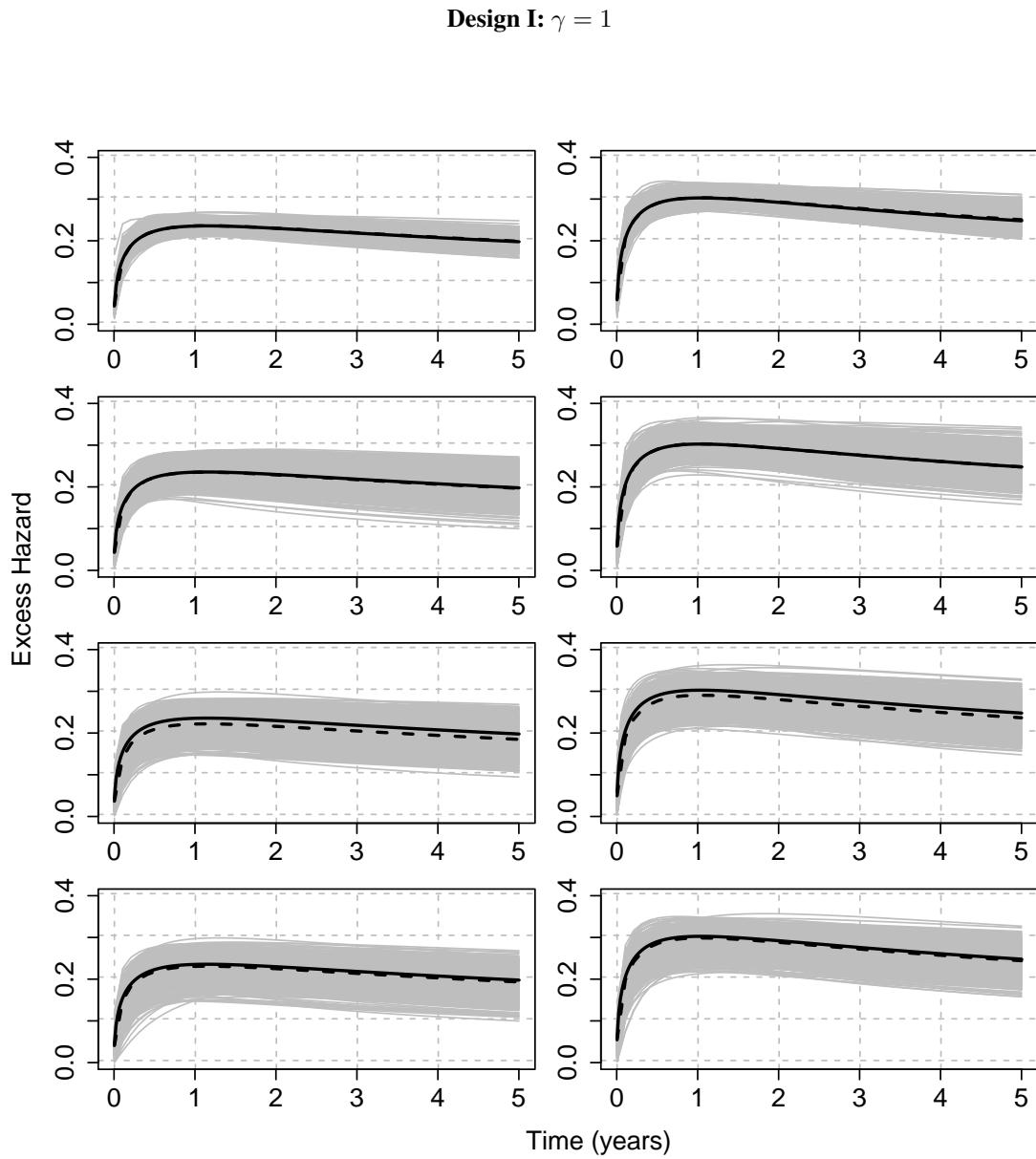


Fig. 2. Scenario with no mismatch  $\gamma = 1$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 5000$  and 30% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$

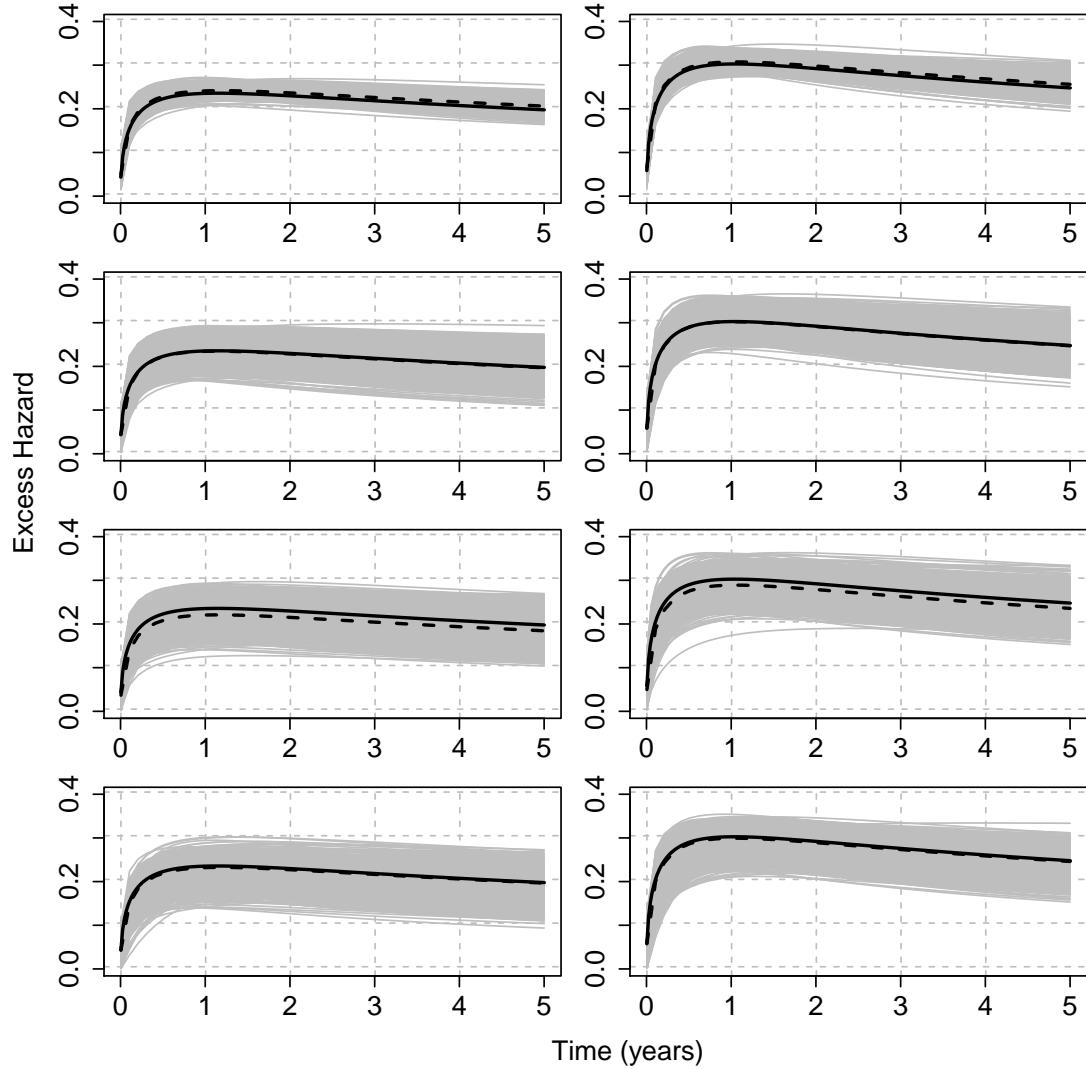


Fig. 3. Scenario with moderate mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 5000$  and 30% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$

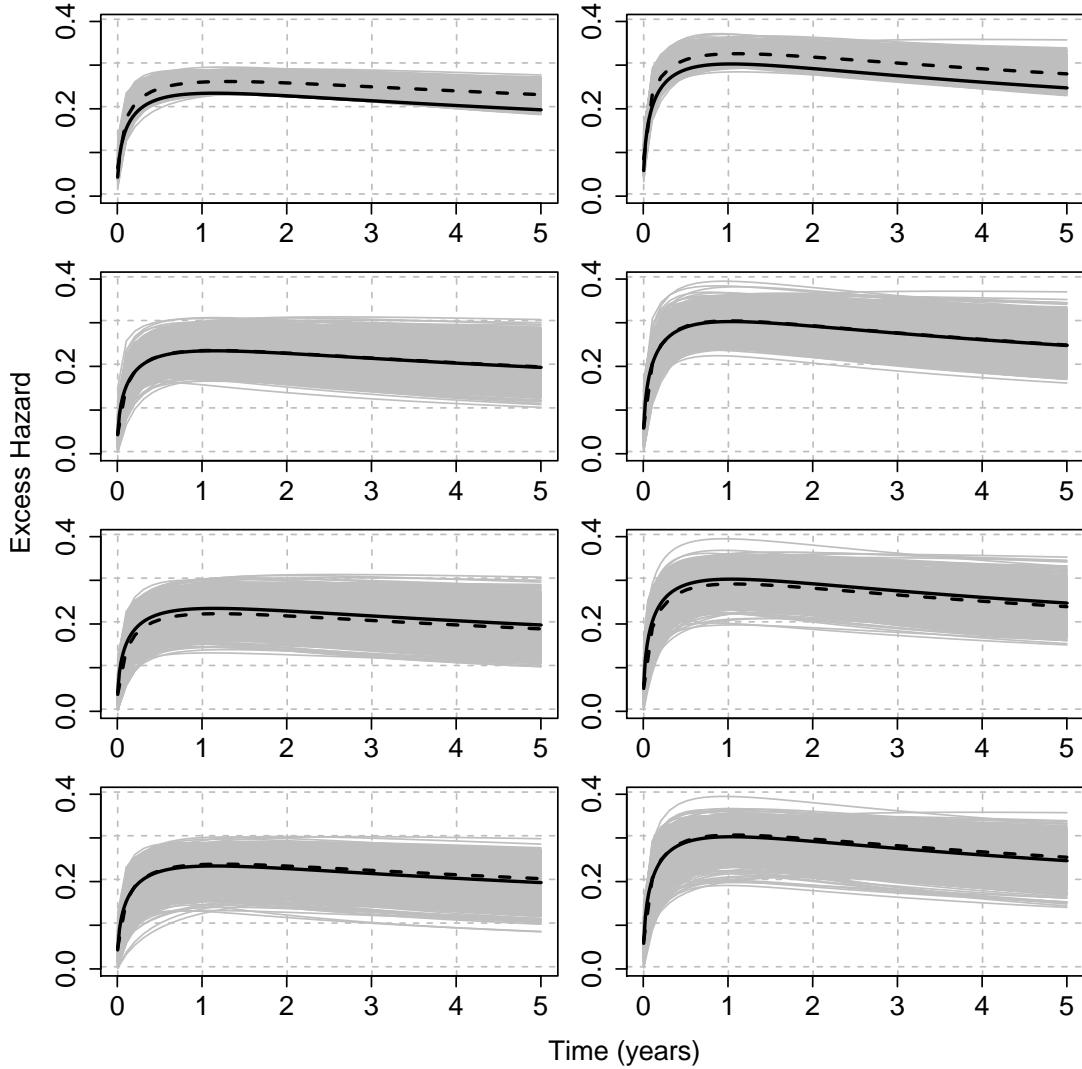


Fig. 4. Scenario with severe mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 5000$  and 30% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.860	1.860	0.406	0.409	0.421	0.930
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.626	0.626	0.066	0.066	0.071	0.925
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.399	2.341	0.433	0.417	0.444	0.931
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.101	0.099	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.955
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.083	0.080	0.254	0.247	0.254	0.958
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.107	0.108	0.250	0.246	0.250	0.951
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.051	0.051	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.922
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.211	0.213	0.043	0.042	0.044	0.943
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.241	0.242	0.042	0.042	0.043	0.950
M2	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.656	1.704	0.541	0.535	0.549	0.934
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.590	0.591	0.107	0.105	0.107	0.916
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.818	2.578	1.034	0.940	1.081	0.928
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.101	0.100	0.015	0.014	0.015	0.956
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.108	0.112	0.239	0.241	0.239	0.960
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.097	0.099	0.250	0.249	0.250	0.948
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.049	0.050	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.924
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.196	0.201	0.058	0.060	0.058	0.954
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.254	0.250	0.055	0.055	0.056	0.942
M3	$\gamma (1.2)$	1.218	1.254	0.736	0.706	0.736	0.883
	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.609	1.637	0.591	0.628	0.607	0.957
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.567	0.568	0.108	0.116	0.113	0.958
	$\alpha (2.5)$	3.061	2.755	1.211	1.181	1.334	0.970
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.100	0.099	0.016	0.016	0.016	0.945
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.079	0.076	0.261	0.262	0.262	0.959
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.088	0.092	0.253	0.260	0.253	0.957
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.046	0.047	0.007	0.007	0.008	0.957
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.176	0.183	0.066	0.070	0.070	0.961
M4	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.271	0.266	0.062	0.064	0.066	0.952
	$b (0.02)$	0.613	0.254	0.906	1.443	1.083	0.678
	$\mu (1.2)$	1.711	1.718	0.856	0.930	0.997	0.774
	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.710	1.759	0.542	0.469	0.543	0.950
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.596	0.609	0.098	0.077	0.098	0.921
M4	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.785	2.458	1.125	0.749	1.160	0.939
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.100	0.099	0.017	0.015	0.017	0.943
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.089	0.085	0.255	0.246	0.255	0.953
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.113	0.106	0.260	0.247	0.260	0.951
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.049	0.050	0.006	0.004	0.006	0.902
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.197	0.203	0.059	0.049	0.059	0.936
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.253	0.248	0.058	0.048	0.058	0.937
	$c (1.2)$	1.348	1.000	0.817	–	0.830	–

Table 4. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ ,  $n = 5000$ , and moderate mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

4.2  $n = 10000$ : *Simulation design I*

The results associated to  $n = 10000$  and design I are presented in Tables 6–9. The corresponding fitted hazards are presented in Figures 5–8.

4.3  $n = 5000$ : *Simulation design II*

The results associated to  $n = 5000$  and design II are presented in Tables 10–13. The corresponding fitted hazards are presented in Figures 9–12.

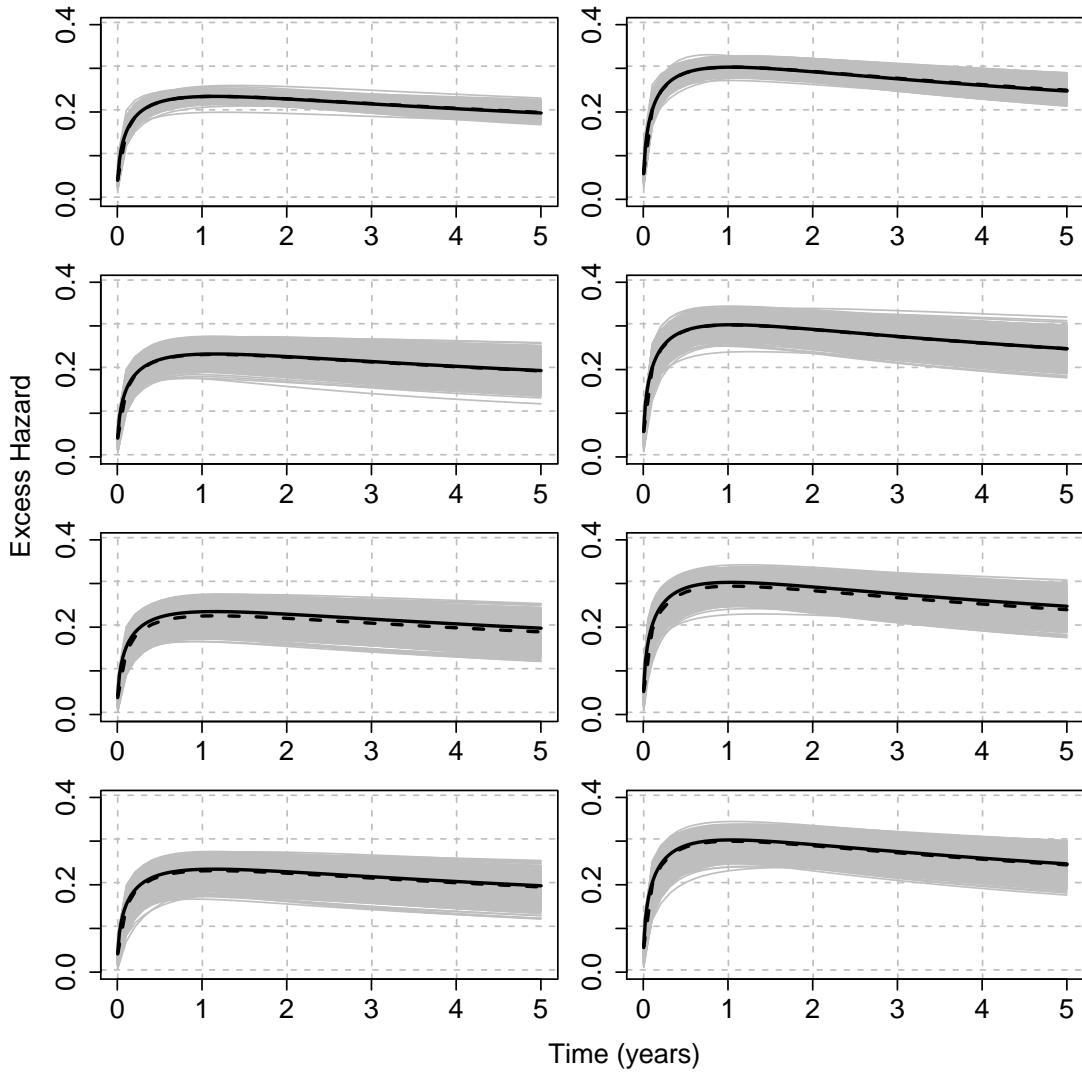
**Design I:**  $\gamma = 1$ 

Fig. 5. Scenario with no mismatch  $\gamma = 1$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 10000$  and 30% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$

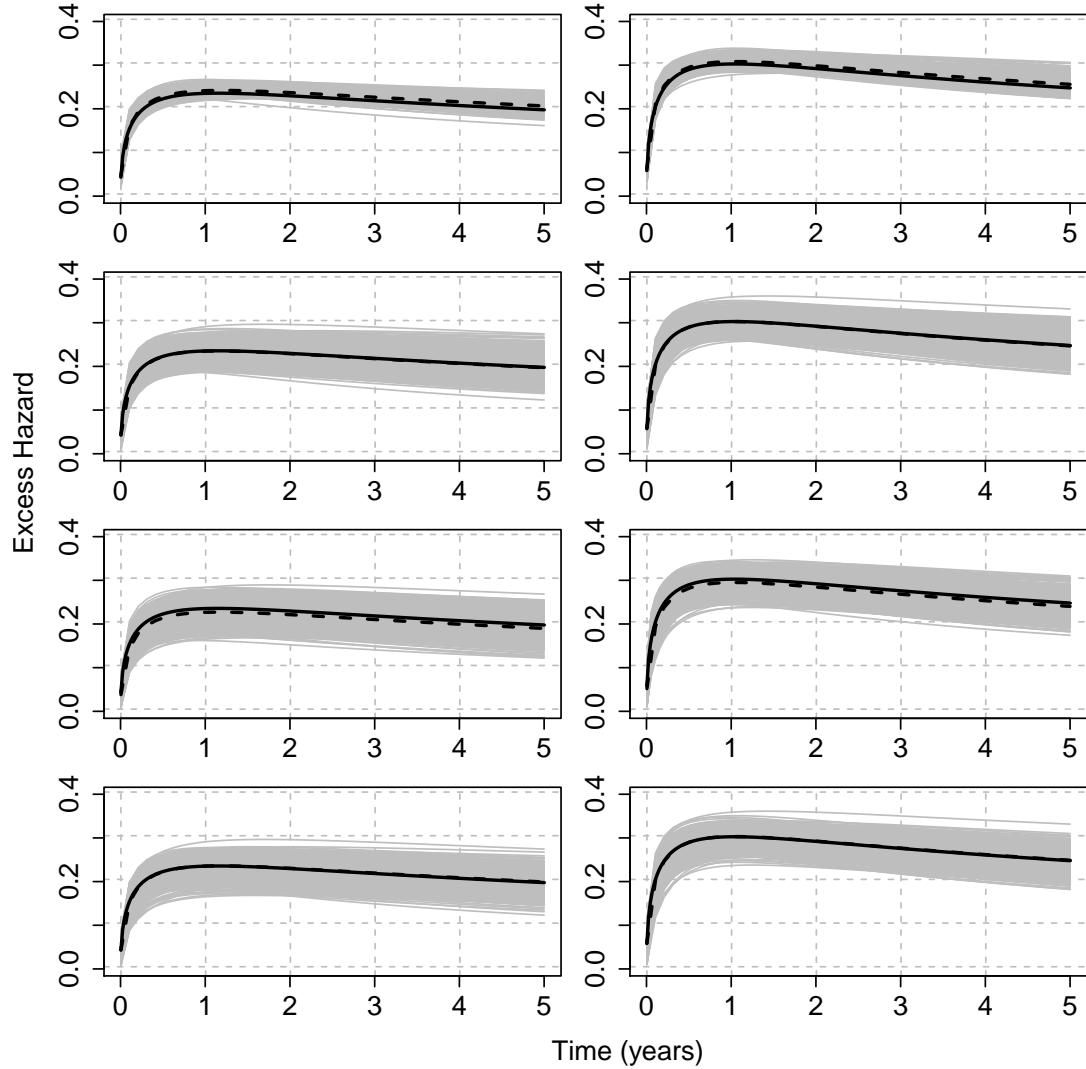


Fig. 6. Scenario with moderate mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 10000$  and 30% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$

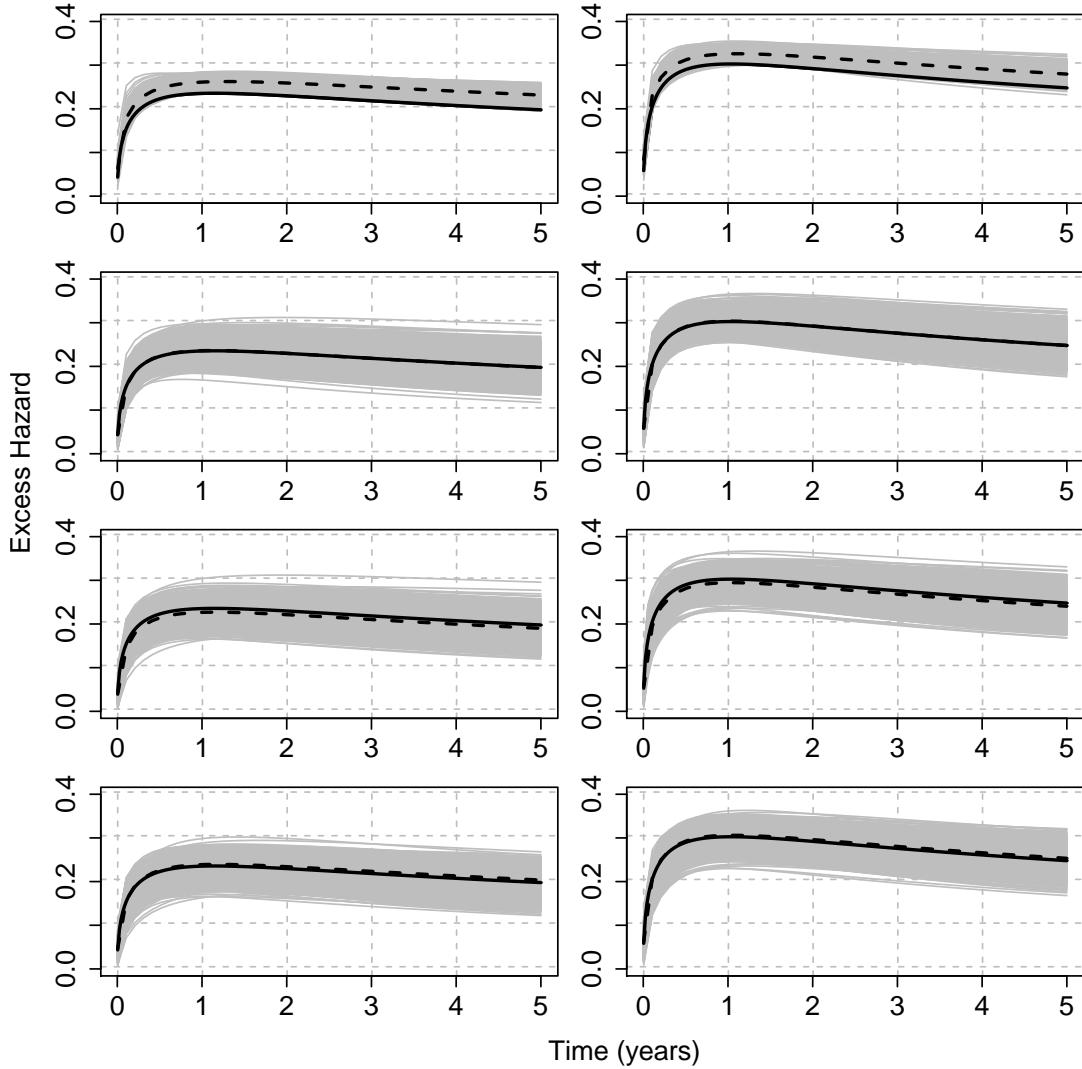


Fig. 7. Scenario with severe mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 10000$  and 30% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$

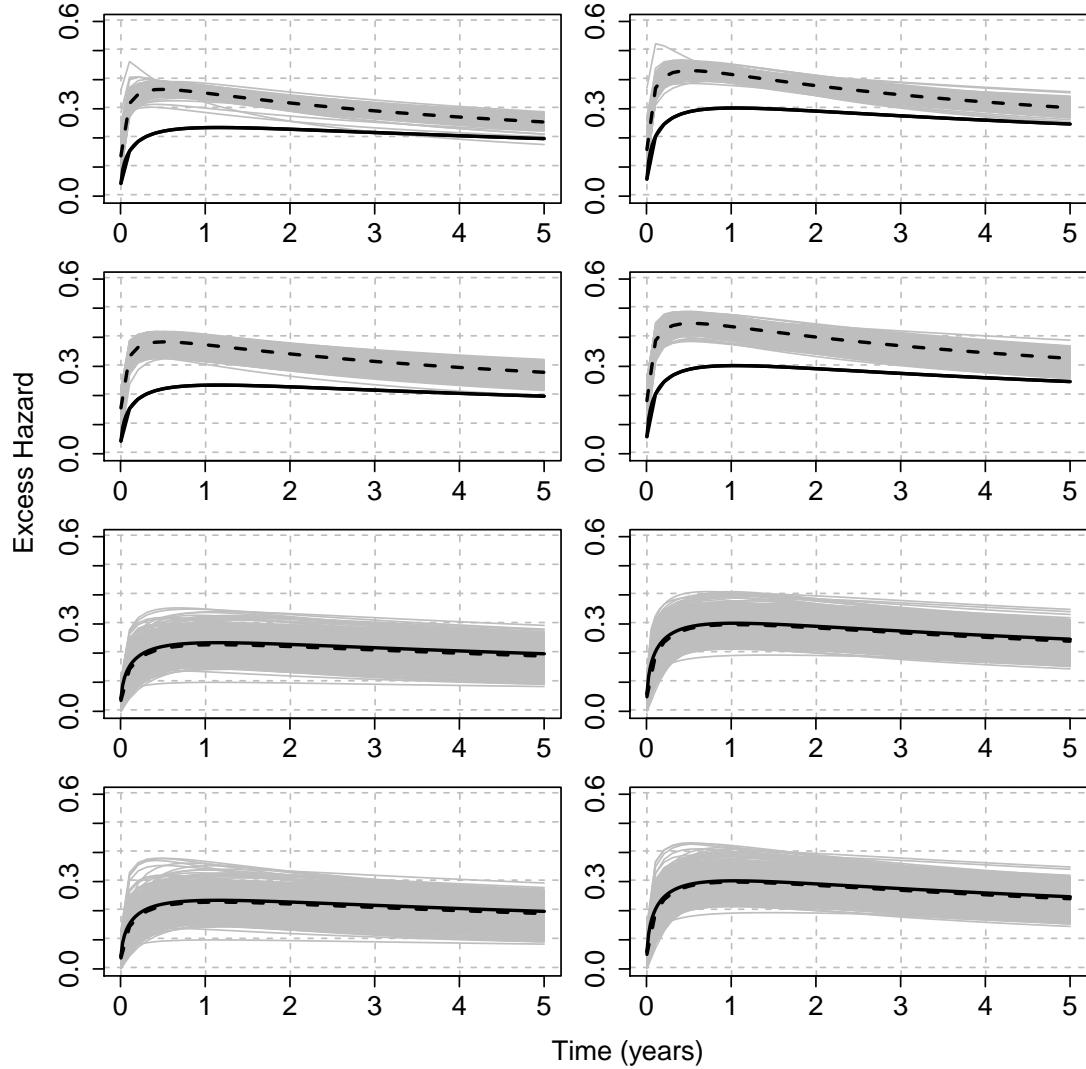


Fig. 8. Scenario with wide mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 10000$  and 30% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

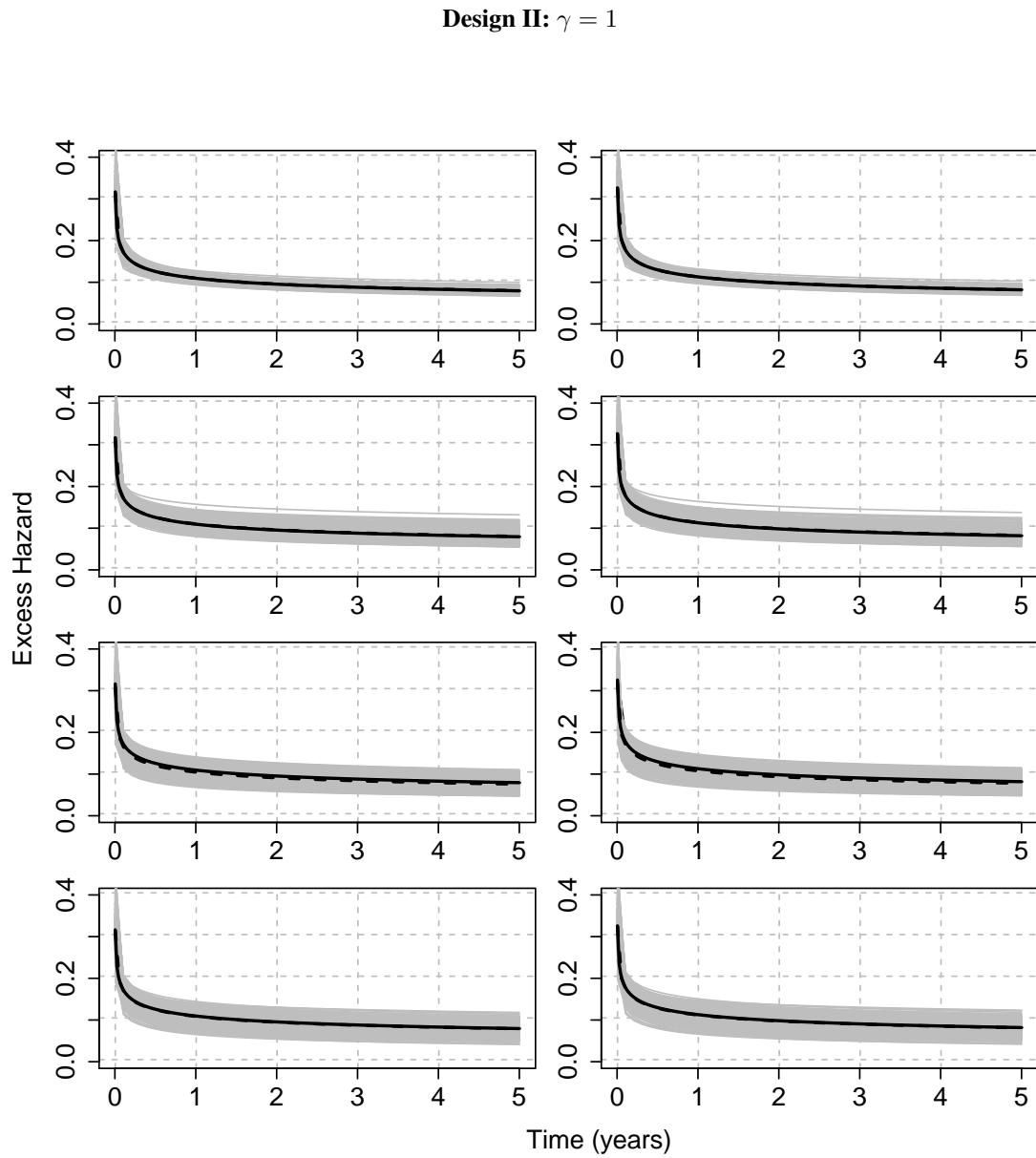


Fig. 9. Scenario with no mismatch  $\gamma = 1$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 5000$  and 45% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$

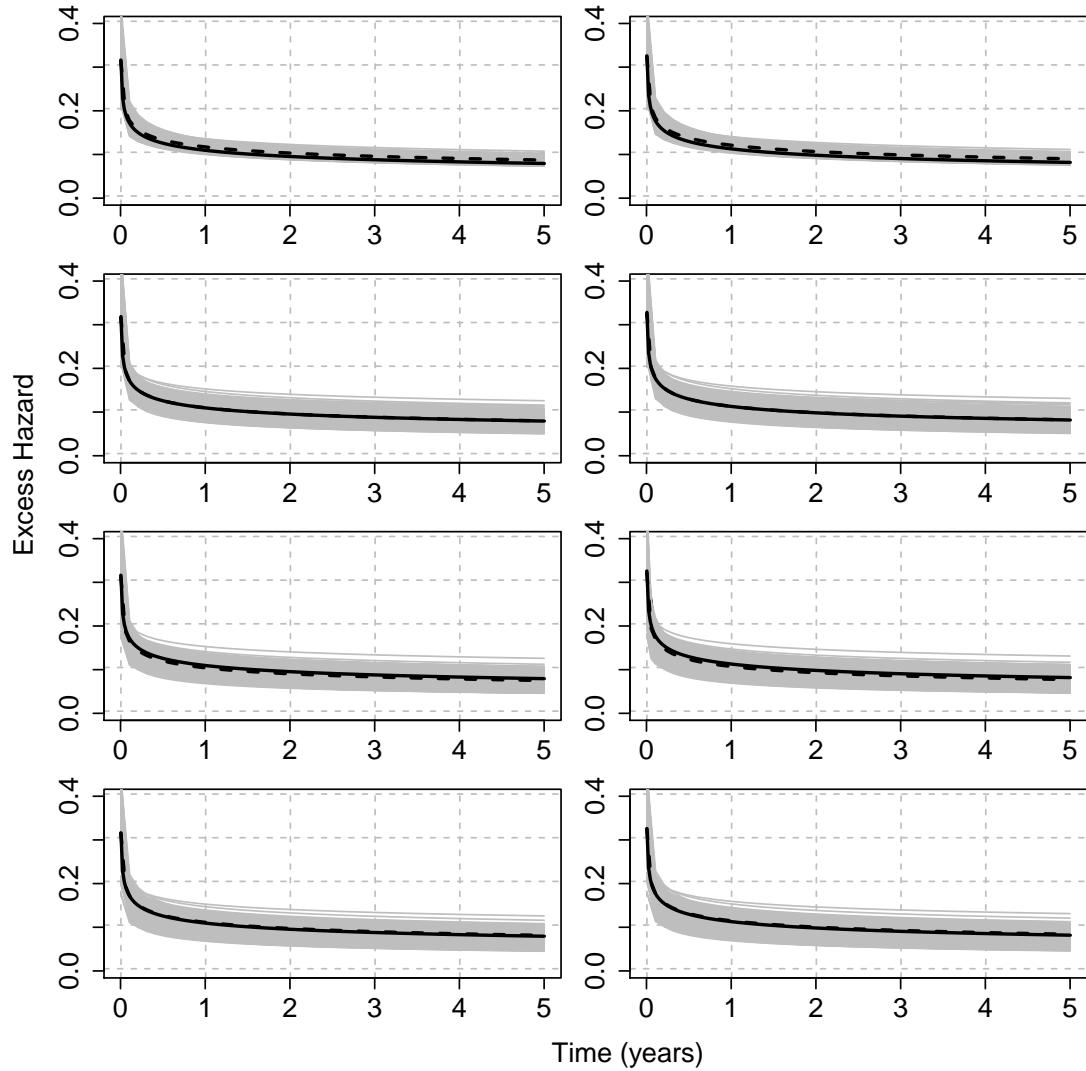


Fig. 10. Scenario with moderate mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 5000$  and 45% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$

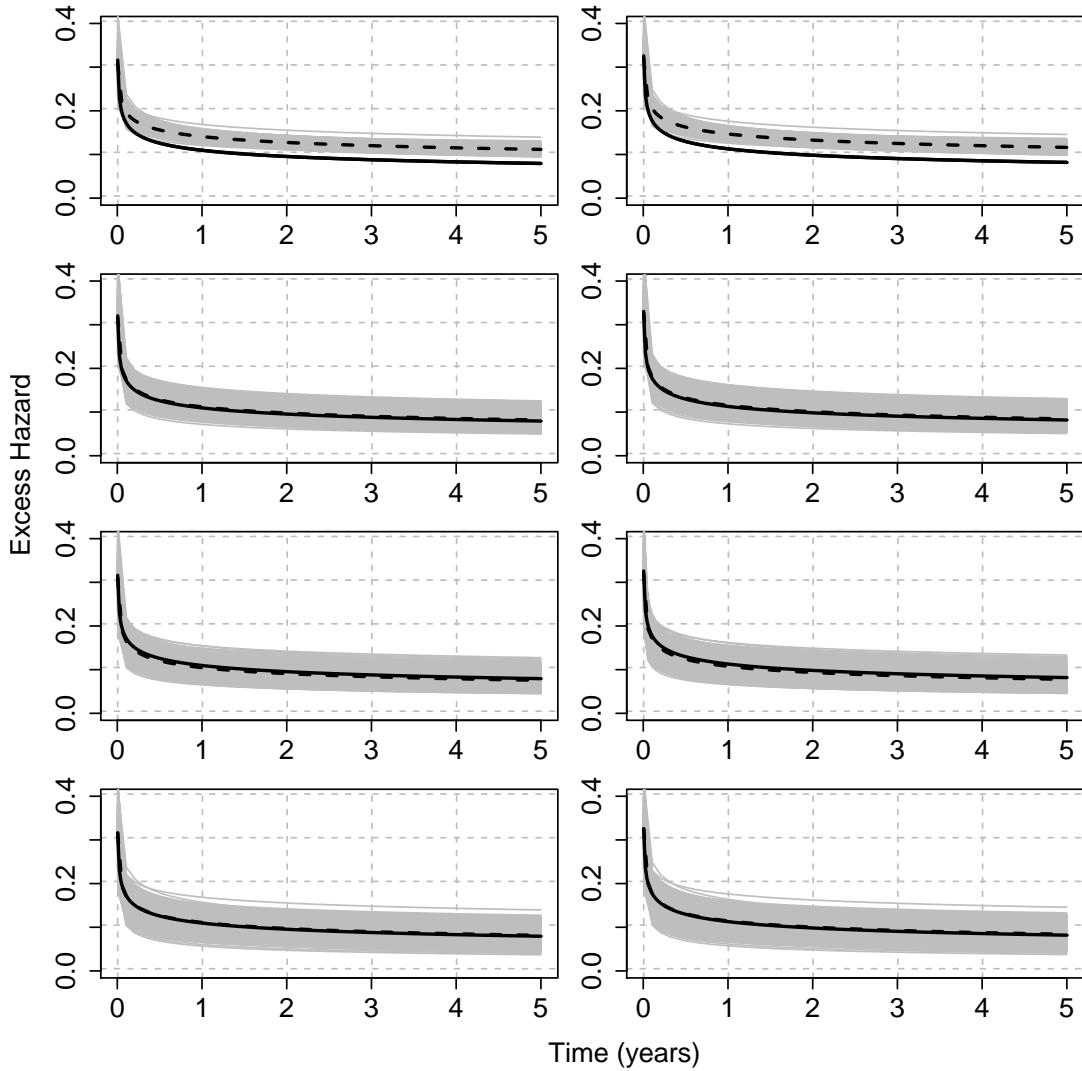


Fig. 11. Scenario with severe mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 5000$  and 45% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$

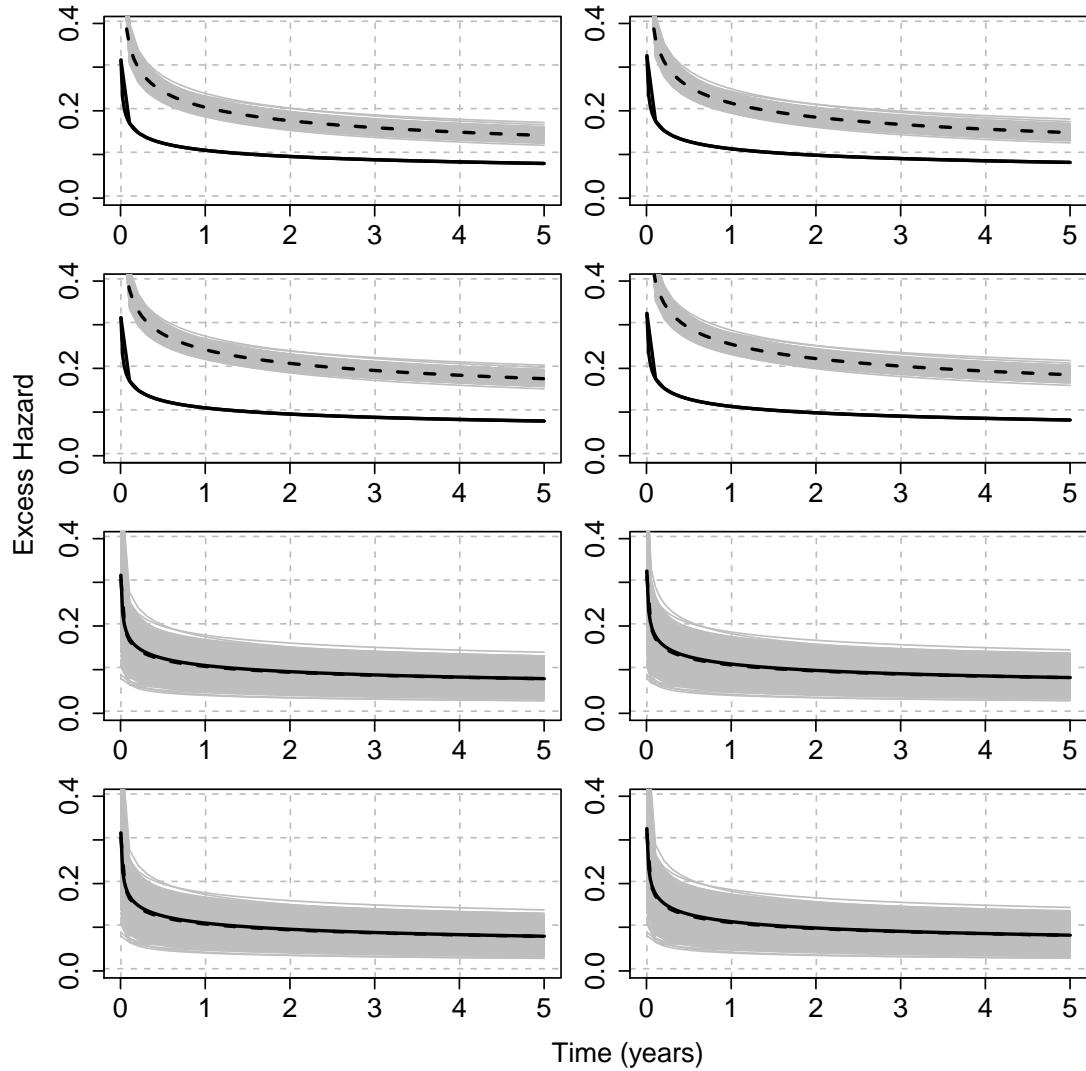


Fig. 12. Scenario with wide mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 5000$  and 45% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (1.75)	2.039	2.045	0.368	0.370	0.468	0.825
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.688	0.686	0.067	0.067	0.111	0.687
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.064	2.026	0.320	0.318	0.541	0.697
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.102	0.101	0.016	0.016	0.016	0.962
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.079	0.092	0.278	0.275	0.279	0.952
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.170	0.174	0.281	0.275	0.290	0.958
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.054	0.054	0.003	0.003	0.005	0.701
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.241	0.240	0.040	0.040	0.057	0.832
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.216	0.216	0.040	0.040	0.053	0.859
M2	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.657	1.674	0.564	0.567	0.571	0.915
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.594	0.589	0.113	0.115	0.113	0.938
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.810	2.578	1.008	1.014	1.054	0.940
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.102	0.101	0.016	0.016	0.016	0.954
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.115	0.124	0.263	0.263	0.264	0.957
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.110	0.114	0.276	0.272	0.276	0.959
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.049	0.050	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.946
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.195	0.201	0.067	0.066	0.067	0.933
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.253	0.253	0.058	0.060	0.058	0.938
M3	$\gamma$ (1.875)	1.845	1.935	0.845	0.854	0.845	0.910
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.659	1.664	0.622	0.653	0.628	0.935
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.580	0.575	0.117	0.124	0.119	0.957
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.976	2.690	1.157	1.198	1.251	0.965
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.099	0.017	0.017	0.017	0.944
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.079	0.101	0.291	0.288	0.292	0.964
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.112	0.111	0.284	0.287	0.284	0.957
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.047	0.048	0.007	0.007	0.008	0.958
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.182	0.189	0.072	0.075	0.075	0.955
M4	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.268	0.265	0.066	0.068	0.068	0.949
	$b$ (0.075)	0.543	0.206	0.814	7.701	0.939	0.783
	$\mu$ (1.875)	2.304	2.327	0.951	1.023	1.043	0.837
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.770	1.860	0.607	0.497	0.607	0.889
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.619	0.643	0.121	0.087	0.123	0.807
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.729	2.269	1.359	0.872	1.377	0.813
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.099	0.018	0.016	0.018	0.936
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.079	0.105	0.306	0.276	0.307	0.951
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.142	0.130	0.294	0.274	0.297	0.941
M5	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.050	0.052	0.007	0.005	0.007	0.793
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.208	0.220	0.077	0.056	0.077	0.872
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.247	0.239	0.064	0.052	0.065	0.899
	$c$ (1.875)	1.786	1.000	1.101	–	1.104	–

Table 5. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ ,  $n = 5000$ , and severe mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

4.4  $n = 10000$ : *Simulation design II*

The results associated to  $n = 10000$  and design II are presented in Tables 14–17. The corresponding fitted hazards are presented in Figures 13–16.

## 5. RESULTS FOR NATIONAL LIFE TABLES

Table 19 shows the results for the fitted excess hazard models using life tables without the deprivation variable (*i.e.* national life tables). See the Section “Application: Lung Cancer data” of the paper for more

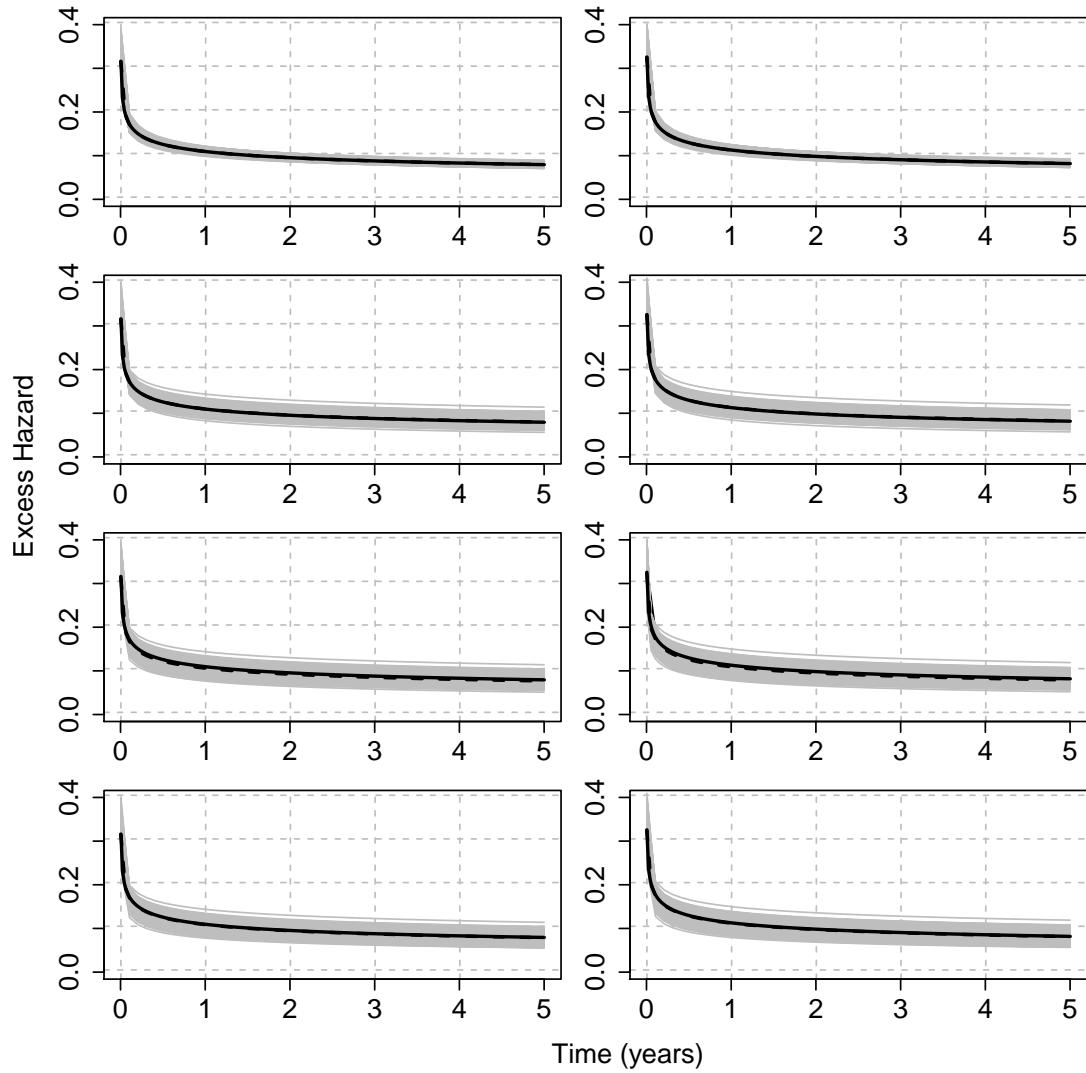
**Design II:  $\gamma = 1$** 

Fig. 13. Scenario with no mismatch  $\gamma = 1$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 10000$  and 45% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$

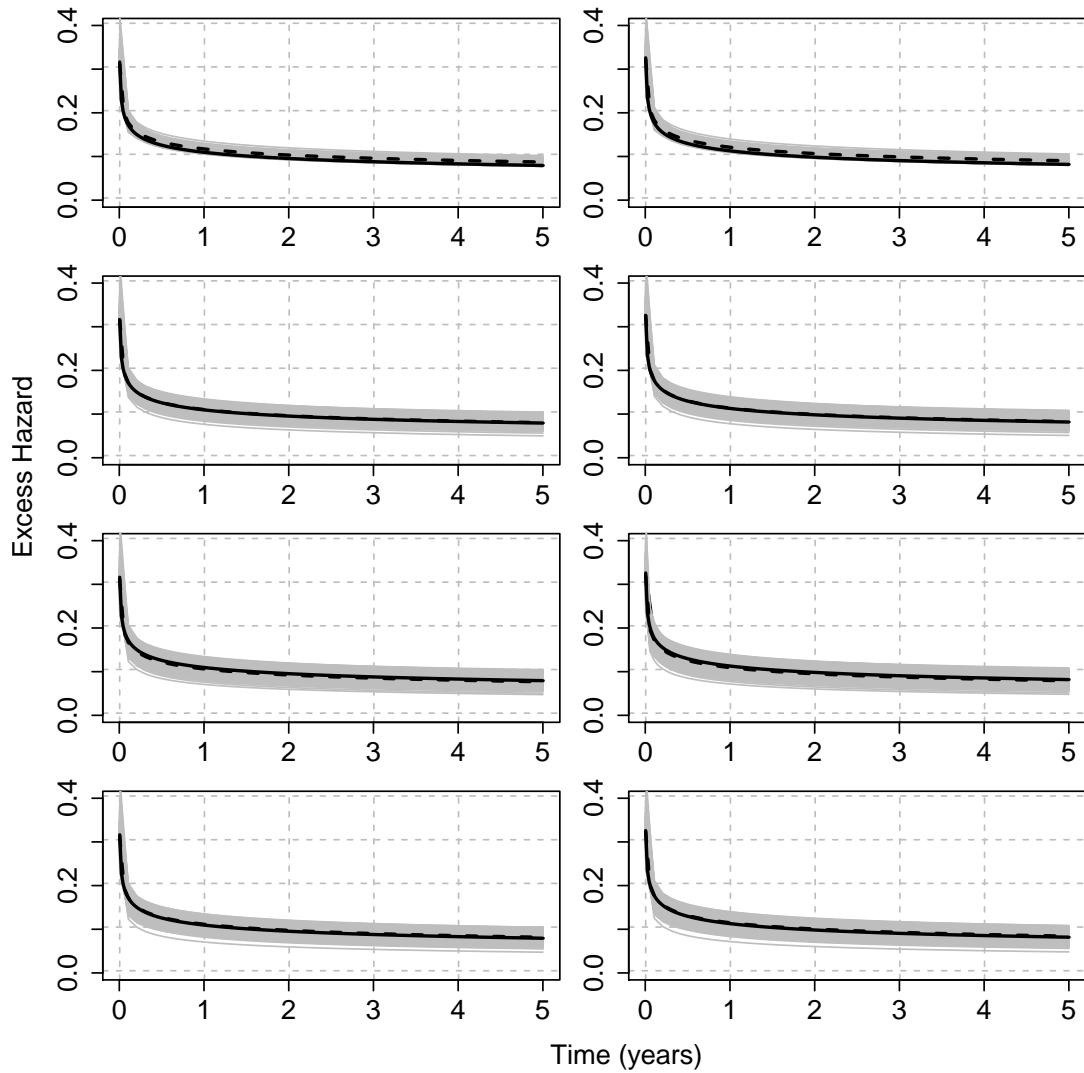


Fig. 14. Scenario with moderate mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 10000$  and 45% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$

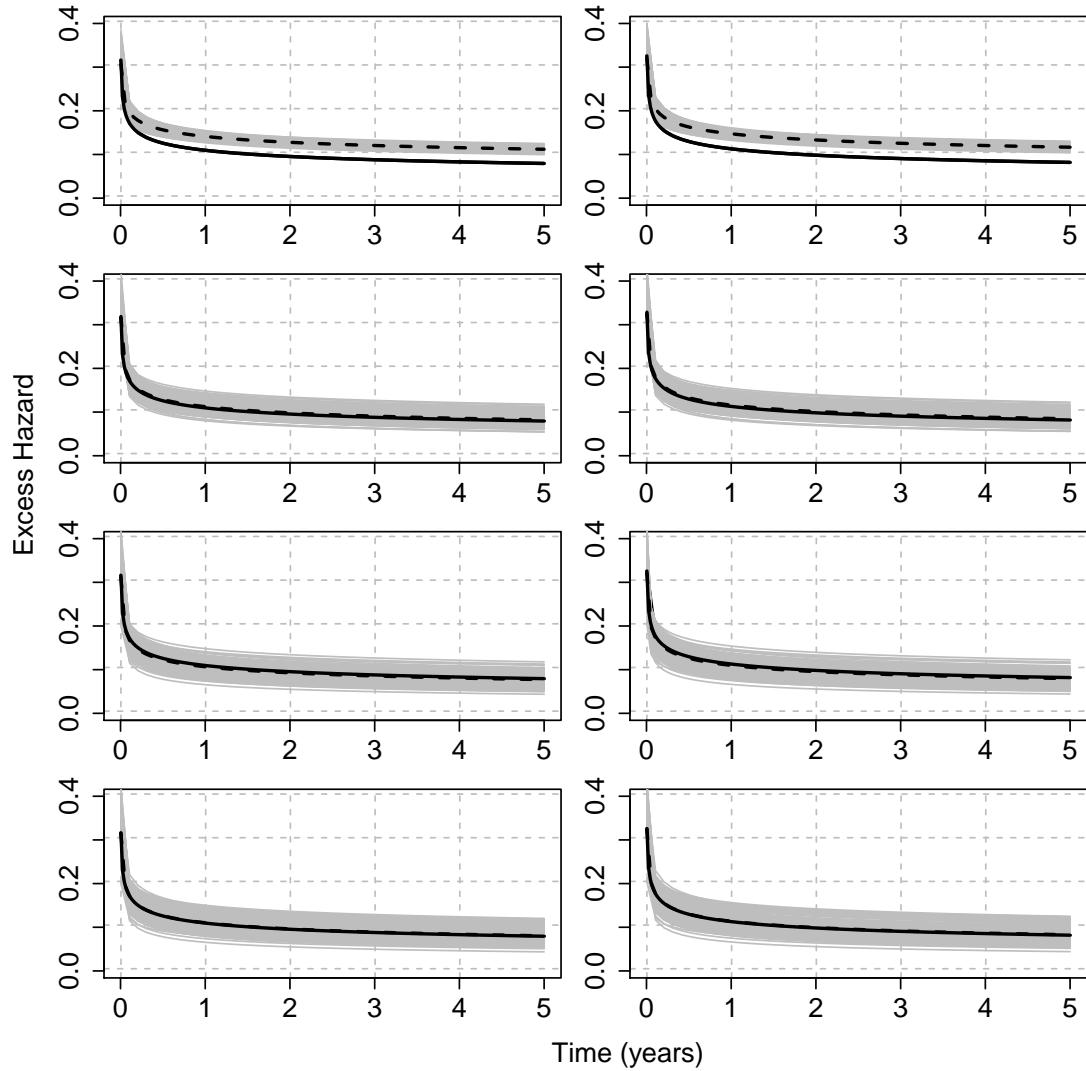


Fig. 15. Scenario with severe mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 10000$  and 45% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$

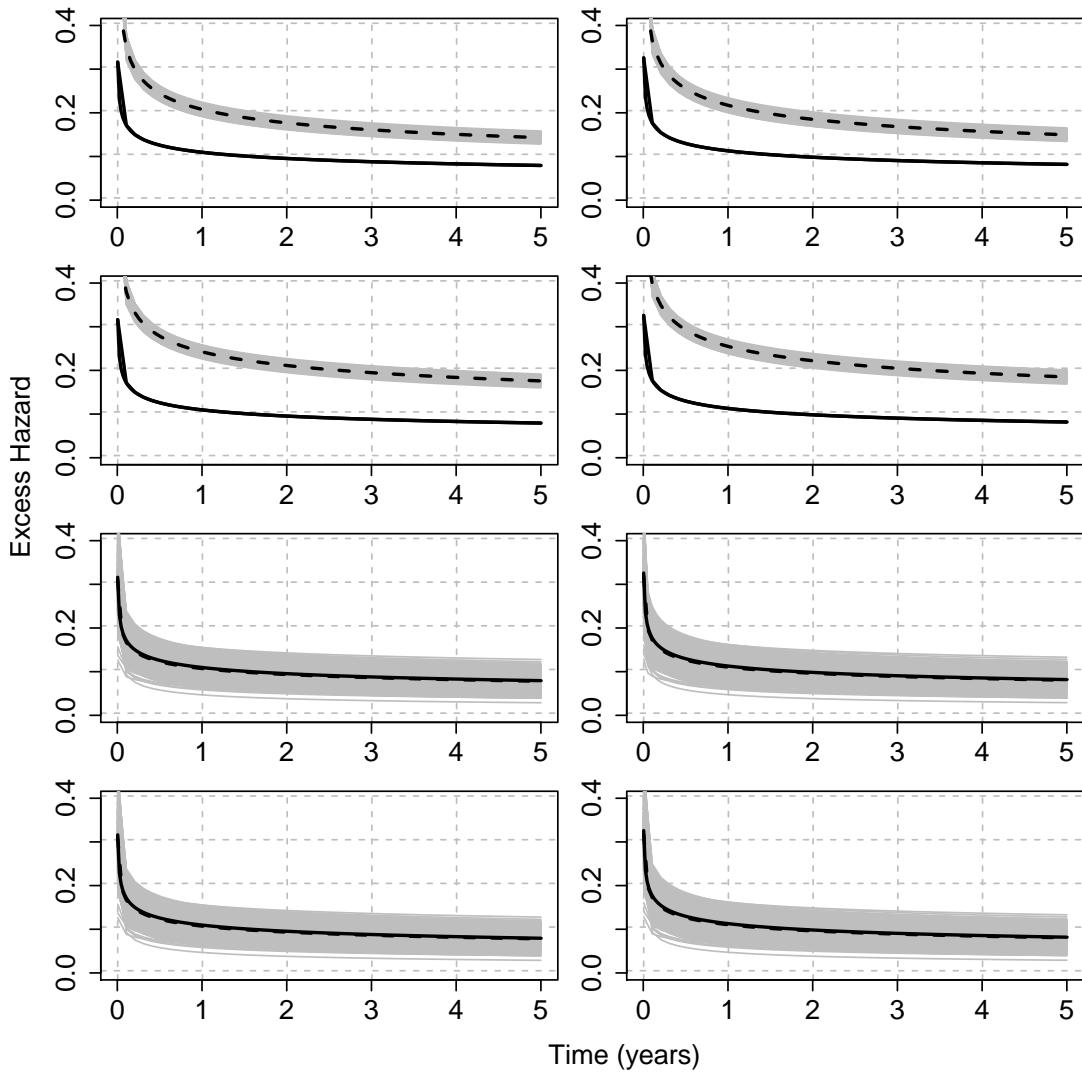


Fig. 16. Scenario with wide mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 1000 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 10000$  and 45% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design I:  $\gamma = 1$** 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.797	1.772	0.322	0.298	0.325	0.912
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.608	0.605	0.050	0.046	0.050	0.920
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.488	2.483	0.332	0.313	0.332	0.922
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.102	0.101	0.010	0.010	0.011	0.956
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.092	0.098	0.179	0.166	0.179	0.936
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.095	0.094	0.177	0.166	0.177	0.940
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.050	0.050	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.942
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.200	0.200	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.942
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.250	0.250	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.943
M2	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.701	1.718	0.397	0.384	0.399	0.941
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.595	0.596	0.077	0.075	0.077	0.931
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.650	2.532	0.622	0.572	0.639	0.932
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.101	0.101	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.958
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.105	0.105	0.168	0.164	0.168	0.953
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.098	0.091	0.174	0.170	0.174	0.944
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.049	0.050	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.929
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.196	0.197	0.041	0.042	0.041	0.936
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.253	0.253	0.037	0.038	0.037	0.953
M3	$\gamma (1)$	1.036	1.049	0.519	0.511	0.520	0.887
	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.670	1.684	0.423	0.425	0.430	0.956
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.580	0.577	0.078	0.080	0.081	0.950
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.781	2.667	0.695	0.659	0.750	0.961
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.100	0.099	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.960
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.083	0.086	0.176	0.174	0.177	0.959
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.097	0.092	0.179	0.175	0.179	0.953
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.048	0.048	0.004	0.004	0.005	0.947
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.184	0.187	0.044	0.046	0.047	0.957
M4	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.264	0.262	0.041	0.042	0.044	0.963
	$b (0)$	0.489	0.128	0.772	1.154	0.914	–
	$\mu (1)$	1.341	1.360	0.604	0.645	0.694	0.810
	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.708	1.720	0.378	0.326	0.380	0.935
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.593	0.596	0.067	0.053	0.068	0.909
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.656	2.550	0.593	0.426	0.613	0.922
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.100	0.100	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.949
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.098	0.101	0.174	0.165	0.174	0.945
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.100	0.100	0.173	0.165	0.173	0.946
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.049	0.050	0.004	0.003	0.004	0.907
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.194	0.197	0.039	0.033	0.039	0.920
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.255	0.253	0.036	0.032	0.037	0.945
	$c (1)$	1.143	1.000	0.503	–	0.523	–

Table 6. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ ,  $n = 10000$ , and no mismatch  $\gamma = 1$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

details.

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.846	1.846	0.305	0.291	0.319	0.906
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.625	0.623	0.049	0.047	0.055	0.890
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.384	2.360	0.308	0.291	0.329	0.898
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.101	0.100	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.949
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.092	0.098	0.185	0.170	0.185	0.934
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.119	0.119	0.177	0.171	0.178	0.952
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.051	0.051	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.910
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.209	0.209	0.030	0.029	0.031	0.936
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.241	0.241	0.030	0.029	0.031	0.933
M2	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.671	1.697	0.409	0.392	0.417	0.940
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.591	0.590	0.080	0.077	0.081	0.929
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.692	2.571	0.655	0.603	0.682	0.936
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.100	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.953
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.110	0.112	0.174	0.167	0.174	0.943
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.105	0.099	0.173	0.172	0.173	0.954
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.049	0.050	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.921
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.195	0.196	0.044	0.043	0.045	0.943
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.253	0.251	0.039	0.039	0.039	0.944
M3	$\gamma$ (1.2)	1.224	1.270	0.556	0.536	0.556	0.900
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.648	1.662	0.430	0.430	0.442	0.961
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.579	0.578	0.080	0.081	0.083	0.953
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.804	2.679	0.708	0.679	0.771	0.959
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.099	0.099	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.952
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.090	0.092	0.183	0.176	0.183	0.947
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.107	0.098	0.177	0.177	0.177	0.957
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.048	0.048	0.004	0.004	0.005	0.939
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.184	0.186	0.047	0.047	0.049	0.947
M4	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.263	0.260	0.042	0.043	0.044	0.955
	$b$ (0.02)	0.401	0.081	0.663	0.670	0.764	0.717
	$\mu$ (1.2)	1.506	1.543	0.605	0.655	0.678	0.834
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.728	1.761	0.391	0.328	0.391	0.924
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.601	0.607	0.072	0.054	0.072	0.886
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.612	2.473	0.625	0.428	0.634	0.901
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.099	0.011	0.010	0.011	0.948
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.098	0.177	0.169	0.177	0.944
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.116	0.107	0.174	0.169	0.175	0.951
M5	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.050	0.051	0.004	0.003	0.004	0.872
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.198	0.202	0.042	0.034	0.042	0.910
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.251	0.249	0.038	0.033	0.038	0.920
	$c$ (1.2)	1.219	1.000	0.530	—	0.530	—

Table 7. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ ,  $n = 10000$ , and moderate mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

## 6. MISSPECIFICATION OF THE FRAILTY DISTRIBUTION

In this section, we present a simulation study where we assess the effect of misspecifying the distribution of the correction parameter  $\gamma$  in model (2.5). We simulate  $\gamma$  from a lognormal distribution with log-scale parameter  $\sigma = 0.2$  and log-location parameter  $\mu = 0.63$ . This frailty distribution has mean 1.91 and variance 0.5. The Kullback-Liebler divergence between this distribution and the  $Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ , employed in the severe mismatch scenario, is 0.01. Thus, this represents a scenario where the correction is not a gamma variate, but the shape of its distribution can be closely reproduced with a gamma distribution. Results are presented in Tables 20–21 and Figures 17–18, which very similar to those obtained in the

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma (1.75)$	2.024	2.026	0.261	0.264	0.378	0.757
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.684	0.684	0.046	0.047	0.096	0.522
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.059	2.040	0.223	0.224	0.494	0.528
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.101	0.101	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.952
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.088	0.085	0.201	0.189	0.202	0.949
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.151	0.151	0.192	0.189	0.199	0.948
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.054	0.054	0.002	0.002	0.005	0.507
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.242	0.242	0.027	0.028	0.050	0.681
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.217	0.218	0.028	0.028	0.043	0.788
M2	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.661	1.693	0.424	0.413	0.433	0.945
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.591	0.590	0.084	0.083	0.085	0.955
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.703	2.560	0.685	0.654	0.714	0.953
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.101	0.101	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.945
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.114	0.106	0.184	0.180	0.184	0.954
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.092	0.096	0.182	0.186	0.182	0.957
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.050	0.050	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.941
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.198	0.202	0.048	0.046	0.048	0.945
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.252	0.251	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.942
M3	$\gamma (1.875)$	1.854	1.899	0.639	0.618	0.639	0.910
	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.654	1.679	0.458	0.456	0.468	0.956
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.580	0.578	0.087	0.087	0.089	0.958
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.813	2.654	0.762	0.734	0.824	0.967
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.100	0.100	0.012	0.011	0.011	0.940
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.084	0.088	0.193	0.193	0.194	0.958
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.097	0.098	0.189	0.193	0.189	0.961
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.048	0.048	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.956
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.188	0.192	0.050	0.051	0.052	0.947
M4	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.262	0.259	0.045	0.046	0.046	0.959
	$b (0.075)$	0.355	0.134	0.543	0.538	0.610	0.812
	$\mu (1.875)$	2.178	2.207	0.706	0.732	0.768	0.843
	$\sigma (1.75)$	1.733	1.792	0.467	0.372	0.467	0.870
	$\kappa (0.6)$	0.609	0.622	0.097	0.065	0.097	0.726
	$\alpha (2.5)$	2.620	2.395	0.766	0.546	0.775	0.744
	$\beta_{11} (0.1)$	0.100	0.100	0.012	0.011	0.012	0.937
	$\beta_{12} (0.1)$	0.097	0.094	0.194	0.186	0.194	0.951
	$\beta_{13} (0.1)$	0.112	0.109	0.193	0.186	0.193	0.947
	$\beta_{21} (0.05)$	0.050	0.051	0.005	0.003	0.005	0.723
	$\beta_{22} (0.2)$	0.205	0.213	0.053	0.039	0.053	0.802
	$\beta_{23} (0.25)$	0.247	0.241	0.046	0.037	0.046	0.872
	$c (1.875)$	1.780	1.813	0.840	—	0.845	—

Table 8. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ ,  $n = 10000$ , and severe mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

gamma frailty scenario. This indicates that model M3 can capture mismatches in the life tables even in cases where the mismatch is not generated by a gamma distribution, but as long as the gamma distribution can approximate the shape of the true generating correction for some values of the parameters.

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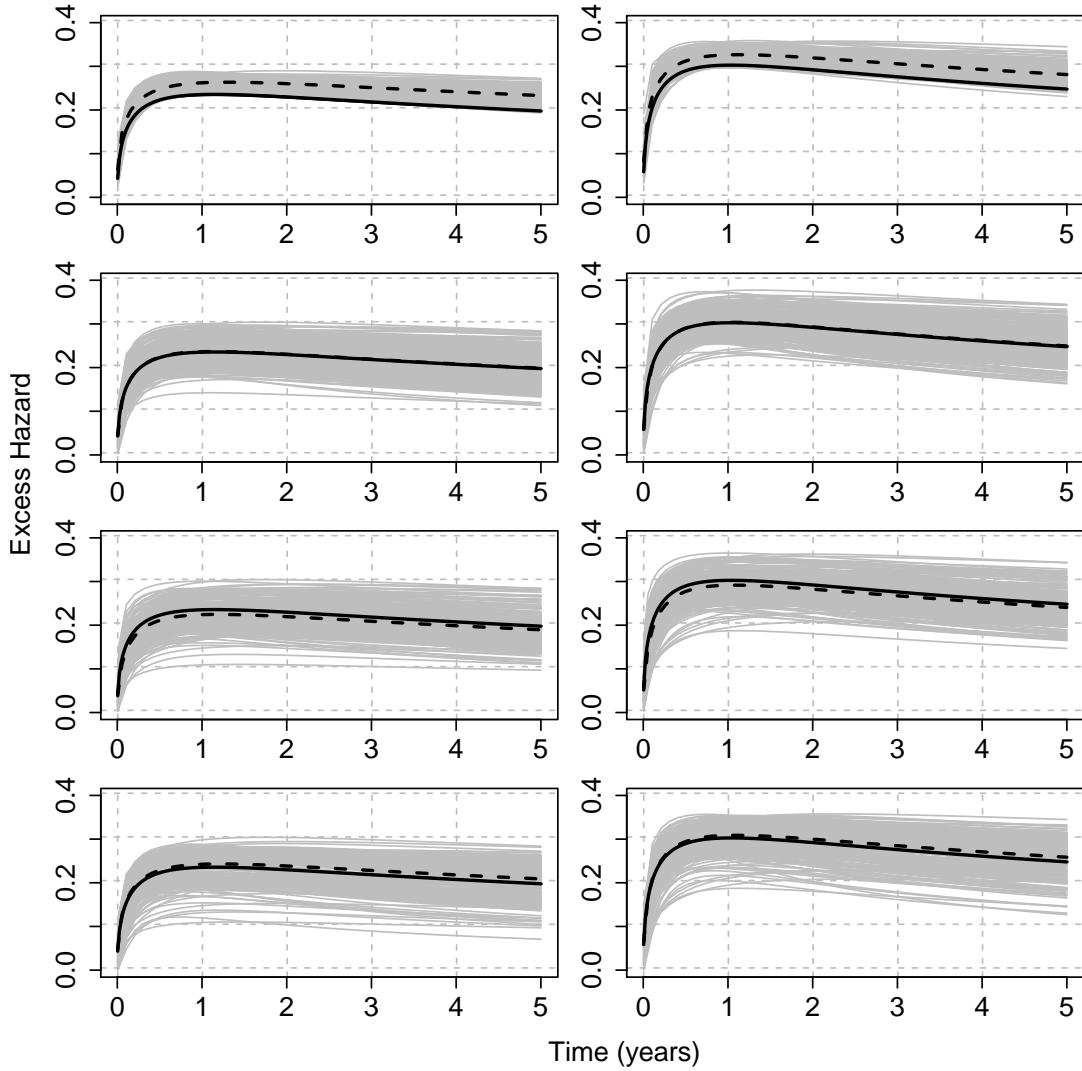
**Misspecified Frailty**

Fig. 17. Scenario with misspecified mismatch  $\gamma \sim \text{lognormal}(0.63, 0.2)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 250 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 5000$  and 30% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

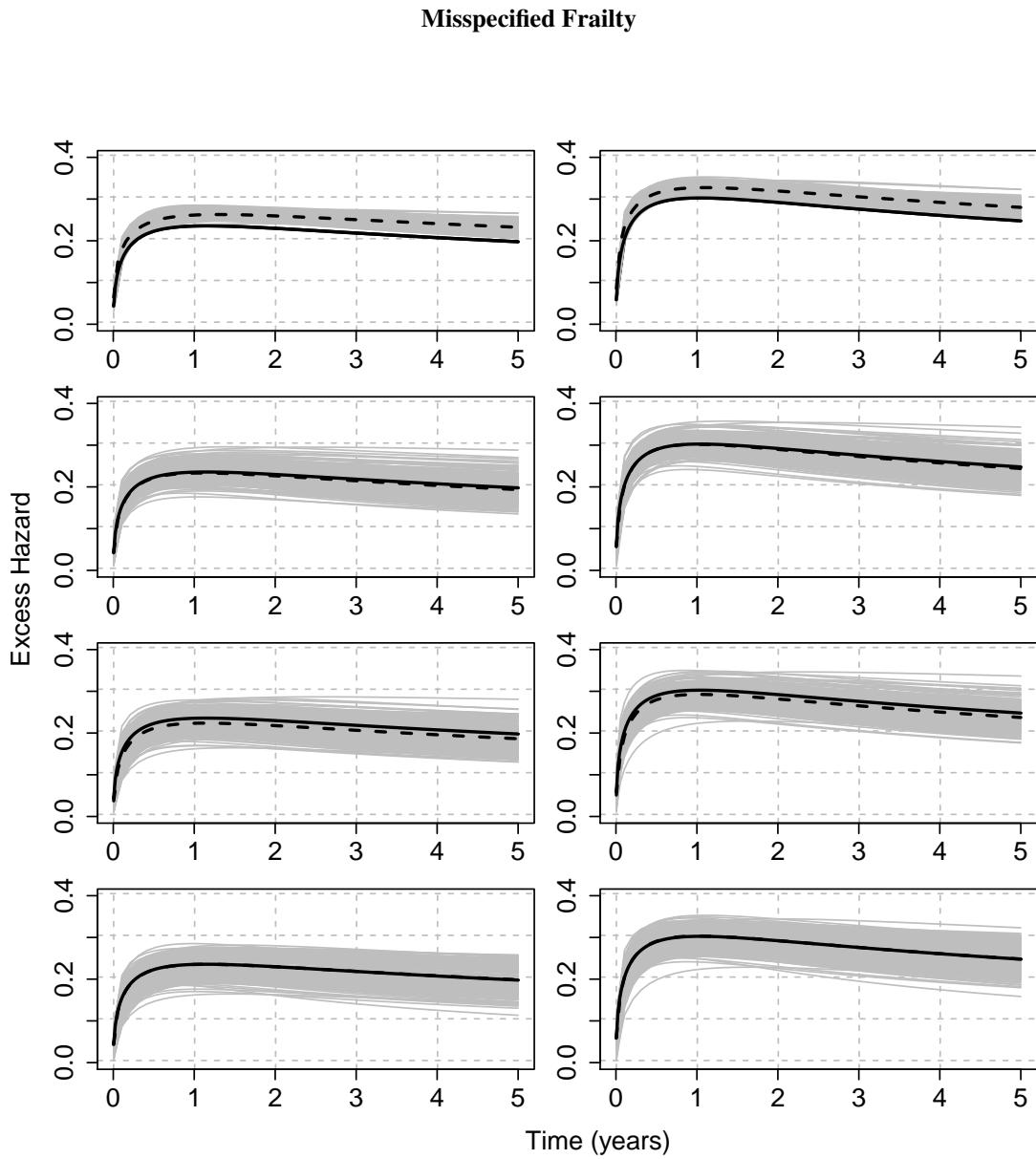


Fig. 18. Scenario with misspecified mismatch  $\gamma \sim \text{lognormal}(0.63, 0.2)$ . Models M1–M4 from top to bottom. Mean of the fitted hazards (dashed lines), compared to the true generating hazard (continuous lines), and 250 sample-specific fitted hazards (grey lines) for  $n = 10000$  and 30% censoring. Panels from left to right correspond to covariate values (age, sex, comorbidity)=(70, 0, 0), (70, 0, 1), respectively.

**Design I:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.216	1.215	0.161	0.154	0.558	0.123
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.592	0.593	0.033	0.032	0.034	0.933
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.337	2.313	0.221	0.211	0.275	0.850
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.120	0.119	0.009	0.009	0.021	0.384
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.404	0.409	0.174	0.154	0.351	0.473
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	-0.045	-0.046	0.165	0.155	0.219	0.857
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.065	0.065	0.002	0.002	0.015	0.000
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.293	0.294	0.036	0.032	0.100	0.167
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.162	0.163	0.033	0.032	0.094	0.197
M2	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.318	1.324	0.151	0.166	0.458	0.338
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.635	0.639	0.040	0.046	0.054	0.747
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.108	2.066	0.233	0.252	0.456	0.544
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.120	0.119	0.009	0.009	0.021	0.390
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.408	0.409	0.157	0.157	0.346	0.497
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	-0.017	-0.018	0.152	0.158	0.192	0.900
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.067	0.067	0.002	0.002	0.017	0.000
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.308	0.310	0.031	0.032	0.113	0.097
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.153	0.153	0.029	0.031	0.101	0.123
M3	$\gamma$ (6.5)	0.323	0.037	0.450	0.412	6.193	0.805
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.542	1.554	0.538	0.530	0.576	0.975
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.564	0.573	0.094	0.089	0.101	0.945
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	3.052	2.755	1.144	0.930	1.270	0.970
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.100	0.020	0.018	0.020	0.908
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.108	0.101	0.247	0.239	0.247	0.942
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.084	0.083	0.240	0.231	0.241	0.947
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.048	0.049	0.006	0.006	0.007	0.960
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.185	0.192	0.065	0.062	0.067	0.936
M4	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.264	0.258	0.060	0.057	0.062	0.954
	$b$ (10)	12.014	9.648	9.291	6.876	9.503	0.853
	$\mu$ (6.5)	6.951	6.985	1.230	1.244	1.309	0.877
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.539	1.554	0.540	0.528	0.579	0.966
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.564	0.573	0.094	0.089	0.101	0.943
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	3.053	2.755	1.144	0.927	1.271	0.967
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.100	0.020	0.018	0.020	0.905
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.109	0.102	0.247	0.239	0.247	0.940
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.084	0.083	0.240	0.231	0.240	0.947
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.048	0.049	0.007	0.006	0.007	0.954
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.186	0.193	0.066	0.062	0.067	0.933
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.263	0.258	0.061	0.057	0.062	0.949
	$c$ (6.5)	6.948	6.985	1.271	—	1.347	—

Table 9. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ ,  $n = 10000$ , and wide mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

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**Design II:  $\gamma = 1$** 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (12)	12.020	11.978	0.839	0.856	0.839	0.946
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.801	0.800	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.954
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.954
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.100	0.101	0.057	0.058	0.057	0.952
M2	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.099	0.099	0.058	0.058	0.058	0.948
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.163	11.963	1.886	1.899	1.892	0.952
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.801	0.801	0.029	0.028	0.029	0.949
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.953
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.099	0.103	0.071	0.070	0.071	0.954
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.099	0.099	0.059	0.059	0.059	0.952
M3	$\gamma$ (1)	0.984	1.007	0.242	0.239	0.243	0.936
	$\sigma$ (12)	13.179	12.841	2.555	2.730	2.813	0.967
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.796	0.796	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.960
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.028	0.028	0.005	0.006	0.005	0.956
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.083	0.087	0.079	0.079	0.081	0.958
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.105	0.104	0.063	0.063	0.064	0.958
	$b$ (0)	0.260	0.022	0.386	0.328	0.465	–
M4	$\mu$ (1)	1.158	1.136	0.331	0.357	0.367	0.892
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.365	12.066	2.080	1.195	2.110	0.903
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.800	0.800	0.027	0.022	0.027	0.935
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.004	0.003	0.004	0.910
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.096	0.099	0.070	0.061	0.070	0.932
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.101	0.100	0.060	0.059	0.060	0.949
	$c$ (1)	1.028	1.000	0.250	–	0.252	–

Table 10. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa) = (12, 0.8)$ ,  $\beta = (0.03, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $n = 5000$ , and no mismatch  $\gamma = 1$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (12)	10.827	10.778	0.709	0.718	1.370	0.639
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.816	0.815	0.019	0.020	0.025	0.879
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.033	0.033	0.002	0.002	0.004	0.741
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.128	0.127	0.055	0.055	0.062	0.913
M2	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.092	0.092	0.054	0.055	0.055	0.955
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.257	11.966	2.033	1.990	2.048	0.953
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.799	0.800	0.028	0.029	0.028	0.953
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.959
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.096	0.098	0.072	0.072	0.072	0.949
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.100	0.098	0.060	0.061	0.060	0.954
M3	$\gamma$ (1.2)	1.188	1.206	0.248	0.249	0.248	0.948
	$\sigma$ (12)	13.322	12.807	2.673	2.855	2.980	0.967
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.794	0.795	0.030	0.031	0.030	0.969
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.028	0.028	0.005	0.006	0.006	0.955
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.078	0.081	0.080	0.082	0.083	0.960
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.105	0.104	0.064	0.066	0.064	0.958
	$b$ (0.02)	0.251	0.069	0.356	0.306	0.425	0.719
	$\mu$ (1.2)	1.374	1.351	0.341	0.370	0.382	0.898
M4	$\sigma$ (12)	12.061	11.172	2.482	1.371	2.482	0.705
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.804	0.807	0.028	0.023	0.029	0.904
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.032	0.005	0.003	0.005	0.772
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.103	0.107	0.073	0.063	0.073	0.924
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.098	0.098	0.059	0.059	0.059	0.951
	$c$ (1.2)	1.162	1.000	0.306	—	0.308	—

Table 11. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa) = (12, 0.8)$ ,  $\beta = (0.03, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $n = 5000$ , and moderate mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (12)	8.262	8.247	0.453	0.457	3.765	0.000
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.854	0.854	0.018	0.018	0.057	0.140
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.041	0.041	0.002	0.002	0.012	0.001
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.203	0.202	0.049	0.050	0.115	0.465
M2	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.077	0.075	0.050	0.050	0.055	0.928
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.020	11.728	2.269	2.179	2.268	0.939
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.802	0.799	0.030	0.031	0.030	0.945
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.031	0.031	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.950
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.106	0.110	0.078	0.078	0.078	0.941
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.103	0.102	0.066	0.066	0.066	0.948
M3	$\gamma$ (1.875)	1.783	1.801	0.305	0.298	0.318	0.970
	$\sigma$ (12)	13.365	12.727	2.994	3.219	3.289	0.971
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.795	0.794	0.031	0.033	0.032	0.961
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.028	0.028	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.949
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.083	0.087	0.086	0.089	0.088	0.956
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.109	0.109	0.069	0.072	0.070	0.960
	$b$ (0.075)	0.244	0.138	0.300	0.282	0.344	0.794
M4	$\mu$ (1.875)	2.033	2.017	0.402	0.438	0.432	0.917
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.448	11.984	3.286	2.329	3.315	0.807
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.802	0.798	0.035	0.029	0.035	0.836
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.007	0.005	0.007	0.795
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.102	0.107	0.089	0.078	0.089	0.876
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.104	0.102	0.068	0.067	0.068	0.947
	$c$ (1.875)	1.827	1.839	0.491	—	0.493	—

Table 12. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa) = (12, 0.8)$ ,  $\beta = (0.03, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $n = 5000$ , and severe mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (12)	5.485	5.480	0.273	0.274	6.520	0.000
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.769	0.768	0.014	0.014	0.034	0.397
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.045	0.045	0.002	0.002	0.015	0.000
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.203	0.202	0.044	0.042	0.111	0.337
M2	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.052	0.052	0.042	0.042	0.064	0.800
	$\sigma$ (12)	4.445	4.446	0.177	0.179	7.557	0.000
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.801	0.801	0.012	0.012	0.013	0.944
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.050	0.050	0.002	0.002	0.020	0.000
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.248	0.247	0.036	0.036	0.152	0.011
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.043	0.043	0.036	0.036	0.067	0.629
M3	$\gamma$ (6.5)	$10^{-8}$	0.000	0.000	0.000	6.500	0.000
	$\sigma$ (12)	13.441	12.309	5.018	4.593	5.219	0.935
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.805	0.804	0.044	0.042	0.044	0.948
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.029	0.029	0.008	0.008	0.008	0.930
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.088	0.095	0.109	0.108	0.110	0.944
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.107	0.104	0.087	0.090	0.087	0.973
	$b$ (10)	10.832	10.209	2.896	2.627	3.012	0.939
M4	$\mu$ (6.5)	6.692	6.696	0.917	0.934	0.936	0.923
	$\sigma$ (12)	13.441	12.309	5.018	4.593	5.219	0.935
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.805	0.804	0.044	0.042	0.044	0.948
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.029	0.029	0.008	0.008	0.008	0.930
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.088	0.095	0.109	0.108	0.110	0.944
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.107	0.104	0.087	0.090	0.087	0.973
	$c$ (6.5)	6.692	6.696	0.917	—	0.936	—

Table 13. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa) = (12, 0.8)$ ,  $\beta = (0.03, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $n = 5000$ , and wide mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

**Design II:  $\gamma = 1$** 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (12)	12.027	11.999	0.601	0.603	0.602	0.946
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.801	0.800	0.013	0.014	0.013	0.964
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.952
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.100	0.101	0.041	0.041	0.041	0.952
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.102	0.102	0.040	0.041	0.040	0.947
M2	$\sigma$ (12)	12.071	11.958	1.340	1.313	1.342	0.942
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.801	0.801	0.019	0.020	0.019	0.953
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.947
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.100	0.103	0.050	0.049	0.050	0.940
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.102	0.102	0.040	0.041	0.040	0.960
M3	$\gamma$ (1)	0.988	0.990	0.173	0.167	0.174	0.946
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.742	12.471	1.731	1.792	1.882	0.953
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.797	0.797	0.020	0.021	0.020	0.954
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.029	0.029	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.951
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.089	0.090	0.055	0.054	0.056	0.949
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.106	0.105	0.042	0.044	0.042	0.962
	$b$ (0)	0.178	0.026	0.257	0.225	0.312	–
M4	$\mu$ (1)	1.108	1.093	0.237	0.248	0.260	0.906
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.244	12.025	1.379	0.819	1.400	0.901
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.800	0.800	0.018	0.015	0.018	0.940
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.003	0.002	0.003	0.913
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.097	0.100	0.049	0.043	0.049	0.936
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.103	0.102	0.041	0.041	0.041	0.950
	$c$ (1)	1.022	1.000	0.183	–	0.184	–

Table 14. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa) = (12, 0.8)$ ,  $\beta = (0.03, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $n = 10000$ , and no mismatch  $\gamma = 1$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (12)	10.797	10.790	0.491	0.503	1.299	0.372
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.816	0.816	0.014	0.014	0.021	0.794
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.033	0.033	0.002	0.002	0.003	0.541
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.128	0.128	0.039	0.039	0.048	0.886
M2	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.094	0.094	0.038	0.039	0.039	0.948
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.006	11.888	1.385	1.352	1.384	0.951
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.802	0.801	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.961
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.947
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.100	0.106	0.051	0.050	0.051	0.951
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.101	0.100	0.042	0.043	0.042	0.963
M3	$\gamma$ (1.2)	1.176	1.184	0.175	0.176	0.177	0.960
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.735	12.540	1.796	1.865	1.940	0.963
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.798	0.798	0.021	0.022	0.021	0.965
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.029	0.029	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.945
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.087	0.091	0.055	0.056	0.057	0.953
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.105	0.104	0.044	0.045	0.044	0.963
	$b$ (0.02)	0.181	0.054	0.243	0.214	0.291	0.727
M4	$\mu$ (1.2)	1.312	1.297	0.246	0.263	0.270	0.925
	$\sigma$ (12)	11.862	11.164	1.780	0.980	1.784	0.569
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.805	0.807	0.021	0.017	0.022	0.847
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.031	0.032	0.004	0.002	0.004	0.664
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.105	0.113	0.056	0.045	0.056	0.904
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.100	0.099	0.042	0.042	0.042	0.952
	$c$ (1.2)	1.155	1.000	0.244	—	0.248	—

Table 15. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa) = (12, 0.8)$ ,  $\beta = (0.03, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $n = 10000$ , and moderate mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.2, 0.02)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (12)	8.221	8.209	0.311	0.319	3.792	0.000
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.855	0.855	0.013	0.013	0.056	0.010
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.041	0.041	0.002	0.002	0.012	0.000
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.202	0.202	0.035	0.035	0.108	0.178
M2	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.075	0.074	0.035	0.035	0.043	0.885
	$\sigma$ (12)	11.747	11.550	1.530	1.473	1.550	0.940
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.803	0.803	0.021	0.022	0.021	0.950
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.031	0.031	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.955
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.109	0.111	0.053	0.054	0.053	0.947
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.098	0.097	0.047	0.046	0.047	0.935
M3	$\gamma$ (1.875)	1.783	1.793	0.208	0.209	0.228	0.973
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.719	12.348	2.040	2.101	2.162	0.963
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.798	0.798	0.022	0.023	0.022	0.959
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.029	0.029	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.960
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.091	0.095	0.059	0.061	0.060	0.962
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.103	0.102	0.050	0.049	0.050	0.941
	$b$ (0.075)	0.184	0.113	0.217	0.201	0.243	0.817
M4	$\mu$ (1.875)	1.975	1.956	0.294	0.312	0.310	0.926
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.171	11.822	2.076	1.646	2.082	0.928
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.801	0.801	0.023	0.022	0.023	0.934
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.030	0.030	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.932
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.101	0.104	0.059	0.056	0.059	0.934
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.100	0.098	0.049	0.047	0.049	0.935
	$c$ (1.875)	1.857	1.825	0.321	—	0.321	—

Table 16. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa) = (12, 0.8)$ ,  $\beta = (0.03, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $n = 10000$ , and severe mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(1.875, 0.075)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

**Design II:**  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$ 

Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (12)	5.491	5.493	0.191	0.193	6.512	0.000
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.768	0.768	0.009	0.010	0.033	0.099
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.045	0.044	0.001	0.001	0.015	0.000
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.203	0.202	0.030	0.030	0.107	0.063
M2	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.052	0.053	0.030	0.030	0.056	0.642
	$\sigma$ (12)	4.447	4.448	0.124	0.126	7.554	0.000
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.800	0.800	0.008	0.009	0.008	0.959
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.050	0.050	0.001	0.001	0.020	0.000
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.247	0.246	0.025	0.025	0.149	0.000
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.044	0.044	0.025	0.025	0.062	0.393
M3	$\gamma$ (6.5)	$10^{-8}$	0.000	0.000	0.000	6.500	0.000
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.989	12.394	3.463	3.040	3.600	0.936
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.800	0.800	0.030	0.029	0.030	0.939
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.029	0.029	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.927
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.088	0.097	0.078	0.076	0.079	0.945
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.107	0.104	0.063	0.063	0.063	0.956
	$b$ (10)	10.382	10.011	1.780	1.662	1.820	0.947
M4	$\mu$ (6.5)	6.647	6.634	0.661	0.661	0.677	0.916
	$\sigma$ (12)	12.989	12.394	3.463	3.040	3.600	0.936
	$\kappa$ (0.8)	0.800	0.800	0.030	0.029	0.030	0.939
	$\beta_1$ (0.03)	0.029	0.029	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.927
	$\beta_2$ (0.1)	0.088	0.097	0.078	0.076	0.079	0.945
	$\beta_3$ (0.1)	0.107	0.104	0.063	0.063	0.063	0.956
	$c$ (6.5)	6.647	6.634	0.661	—	0.677	—

Table 17. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa) = (12, 0.8)$ ,  $\beta = (0.03, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $n = 10000$ , and wide mismatch  $\gamma \sim Ga(6.5, 10)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage).

Scenario	M1	M2	M3
<i>n</i> = 5000 – Design I			
$\gamma = 1$	0.701	0.216	0.083
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(1.2, 0.02)$	0.708	0.209	0.083
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(1.875, 0.075)$	0.598	0.298	0.104
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(6.5, 10)$	0.074	0.023	0.903
<i>n</i> = 5000 – Design II			
$\gamma = 1$	0.815	0.142	0.043
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(1.2, 0.02)$	0.703	0.250	0.047
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(1.875, 0.075)$	0.165	0.729	0.106
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(6.5, 10)$	0.000	0.000	1.000
<i>n</i> = 10000 – Design I			
$\gamma = 1$	0.741	0.194	0.065
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(1.2, 0.02)$	0.724	0.216	0.060
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(1.875, 0.075)$	0.482	0.411	0.104
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(6.5, 10)$	0.005	0.000	0.995
<i>n</i> = 10000 – Design II			
$\gamma = 1$	0.799	0.158	0.043
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(1.2, 0.02)$	0.620	0.320	0.060
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(1.875, 0.075)$	0.034	0.836	0.130
$\gamma \sim \text{Ga}(6.5, 10)$	0.000	0.000	1.000

Table 18. Proportion of selected models using AIC.

	M1	M2	M3
$b$	–	–	12.49 (2.71)
$\gamma   \mu$	–	2.59 (0.21)	6.88 (0.71)
$\theta$	0.05 (0.01)	0.03 (0.01)	0.03 (0.01)
$\kappa$	0.38 (0.01)	0.35 (0.01)	0.35 (0.01)
$\alpha$	4.63 (0.33)	5.56 (0.47)	5.77 (0.56)
Age-t	0.3 (0.04)	0.29 (0.04)	0.16 (0.04)
Dep-t	0.11 (0.04)	0.11 (0.04)	0.13 (0.04)
Stage 1-t	-2.7 (0.25)	-2.29 (0.32)	-6.07 (1)
Stage 2-t	-2.21 (0.2)	-2.03 (0.22)	-2.87 (0.32)
Stage 3-t	-1.66 (0.11)	-1.58 (0.11)	-1.78 (0.12)
CV-t	0.31 (0.11)	0.32 (0.11)	0.42 (0.11)
COPD-t	0.14 (0.11)	0.09 (0.12)	0.41 (0.12)
Age	0.27 (0.01)	0.23 (0.02)	0.16 (0.02)
Dep	0.07 (0.01)	0.07 (0.01)	0.08 (0.01)
Stage 1	-2.85 (0.06)	-3.13 (0.09)	-3.26 (0.36)
Stage 2	-2.16 (0.06)	-2.31 (0.07)	-2.65 (0.08)
Stage 3	-1.23 (0.03)	-1.26 (0.04)	-1.36 (0.04)
CV	0.24 (0.04)	0.26 (0.04)	0.29 (0.04)
COPD	0.19 (0.04)	0.18 (0.04)	0.27 (0.04)
AIC	20310.12	20255.2	<b>20236.05</b>

Table 19. Regression parameter estimates (standard errors) using models M1–M3, with their corresponding AIC using national life tables (not deprivation-specific). Note: The time- dependent effects are indicated with -t. For model M2,  $\gamma$  is estimated, while  $\mu$  is estimated for model M3. Age=Age at diagnosis (centred at 70, and divided by 10), Dep=Income Deprivation Score (centred at 0.1, and divided by 10), CV=CardioVascular comorbidity, COPD=Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, AIC=Akaike Information Criteria (best model indicated in bold font).

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Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (1.75)	2.010	1.992	0.394	0.366	0.472	0.832
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.686	0.682	0.073	0.066	0.113	0.712
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.091	2.042	0.360	0.325	0.544	0.692
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.101	0.100	0.017	0.016	0.017	0.936
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.092	0.076	0.290	0.274	0.290	0.952
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.149	0.143	0.285	0.275	0.289	0.972
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.054	0.054	0.003	0.003	0.005	0.676
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.243	0.245	0.041	0.040	0.060	0.804
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.214	0.210	0.041	0.040	0.054	0.872
M2	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.612	1.676	0.605	0.559	0.620	0.936
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.586	0.595	0.122	0.115	0.123	0.916
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	3.109	2.536	2.751	1.371	2.812	0.940
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.101	0.100	0.018	0.015	0.018	0.916
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.131	0.119	0.277	0.261	0.279	0.952
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.087	0.096	0.264	0.267	0.264	0.972
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.049	0.049	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.944
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.195	0.202	0.070	0.066	0.070	0.920
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.253	0.245	0.061	0.060	0.060	0.944
M3	$\gamma$ (1.91)	1.887	1.905	0.885	0.846	0.883	0.892
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.658	1.716	0.685	0.637	0.690	0.932
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.582	0.594	0.132	0.122	0.133	0.920
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	3.431	2.579	4.505	1.972	4.592	0.948
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.099	0.099	0.021	0.018	0.021	0.924
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.078	0.066	0.318	0.288	0.318	0.956
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.106	0.097	0.299	0.288	0.299	0.980
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.047	0.048	0.008	0.007	0.008	0.964
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.183	0.189	0.080	0.074	0.082	0.928
M4	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.263	0.256	0.072	0.068	0.073	0.952
	$b$ (-)	1.512	0.252	7.690	2.927	-	-
	$\mu$ (1.91)	2.349	2.314	1.005	1.041	1.095	0.84
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.856	1.957	0.537	0.445	0.546	0.884
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.645	0.663	0.110	0.086	0.119	0.804
M5	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.603	2.147	2.642	0.892	2.638	0.808
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.101	0.100	0.018	0.016	0.018	0.916
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.101	0.084	0.294	0.270	0.293	0.948
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.123	0.120	0.272	0.271	0.272	0.980
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.052	0.053	0.006	0.004	0.006	0.776
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.223	0.235	0.062	0.051	0.066	0.840
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.230	0.220	0.058	0.049	0.061	0.888
M6	$c$ (1.91)	1.424	1.000	0.826	-	-	-

Table 20. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ ,  $n = 5000$ , and  $\gamma \sim \text{lognormal}(0.63, 0.2)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage). The RMSE and coverage of  $b$  are omitted as they require the true scale parameter, which is undefined in this case due to model misspecification.

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Model	Parameter	MMLE	mMLE	ESD	Mean Std Error	RMSE	Coverage
M1	$\sigma$ (1.75)	2.037	2.034	0.247	0.262	0.378	0.760
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.687	0.685	0.045	0.047	0.098	0.524
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.042	2.031	0.209	0.220	0.503	0.512
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.099	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.948
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.092	0.096	0.196	0.189	0.196	0.956
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.172	0.183	0.188	0.190	0.200	0.948
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.055	0.055	0.002	0.002	0.005	0.400
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.241	0.243	0.029	0.028	0.050	0.676
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.219	0.218	0.027	0.028	0.042	0.800
M2	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.614	1.622	0.422	0.426	0.442	0.960
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.579	0.575	0.086	0.083	0.088	0.960
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.810	2.645	0.917	0.717	0.966	0.960
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.100	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.944
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.111	0.123	0.183	0.180	0.183	0.964
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.100	0.183	0.186	0.183	0.968
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.050	0.050	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.960
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.191	0.194	0.047	0.047	0.048	0.940
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.258	0.255	0.040	0.043	0.041	0.960
M3	$\gamma$ (1.91)	1.977	2.053	0.612	0.610	0.615	0.904
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.633	1.644	0.472	0.473	0.486	0.952
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.574	0.566	0.091	0.088	0.095	0.948
	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.894	2.738	0.990	0.791	1.063	0.952
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.098	0.098	0.012	0.011	0.012	0.940
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.080	0.090	0.194	0.196	0.195	0.960
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.116	0.109	0.195	0.196	0.196	0.960
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.048	0.048	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.972
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.182	0.182	0.051	0.051	0.054	0.940
M4	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.267	0.267	0.045	0.047	0.048	0.940
	$b$ (-)	0.712	0.223	2.632	0.865	-	-
	$\mu$ (1.91)	2.320	2.358	0.685	0.736	0.797	0.844
	$\sigma$ (1.75)	1.772	1.844	0.431	0.370	0.430	0.868
	$\kappa$ (0.6)	0.618	0.632	0.092	0.069	0.093	0.776
M5	$\alpha$ (2.5)	2.548	2.321	0.926	0.546	0.926	0.772
	$\beta_{11}$ (0.1)	0.100	0.099	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.948
	$\beta_{12}$ (0.1)	0.098	0.100	0.191	0.186	0.191	0.964
	$\beta_{13}$ (0.1)	0.129	0.115	0.192	0.189	0.194	0.944
	$\beta_{21}$ (0.05)	0.051	0.052	0.004	0.003	0.005	0.724
	$\beta_{22}$ (0.2)	0.208	0.217	0.051	0.040	0.051	0.820
	$\beta_{23}$ (0.25)	0.244	0.240	0.041	0.037	0.041	0.884
	$c$ (1.91)	1.668	1.524	0.749	-	-	-

Table 21. Simulation results for the scenario GH with  $(\sigma, \kappa, \alpha) = (1.75, 0.6, 2.5)$ ,  $\beta_1 = (0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (0.05, 0.2, 0.25)$ ,  $n = 10000$ , and  $\gamma \sim \text{lognormal}(0.63, 0.2)$ . Mean of the MLEs (MMLE), median of the MLEs (mMLE), empirical standard deviation (ESD), mean (estimated) standard error, root-mean-square error (RMSE), and coverage proportions (Coverage). The RMSE and coverage of  $b$  are omitted as they require the true scale parameter, which is undefined in this case due to model misspecification.