

Advanced Theory

Survival Analysis 2005

Problems for February 22, 2005

1) $h_F(t|F) = \exp(b_0 + b_1 F)$

Find the MLE for b_0 and b_1 and for variance(\hat{b}_0), variance(\hat{b}_1), and covariance(\hat{b}_0, \hat{b}_1).

We assume that $T \sim \exp(\lambda)$. Let $B = \{b_0, b_1\}$. Let $\sum_j^{n_1}$ represent summing over all those in whom $F_j = 0$, and $\sum_j^{n_2}$ represent summing over the remaining group.

$$L(B) \propto \prod_i^n \exp(b_0 + b_1 F_i) \exp(-\exp(b_0 + F_i b_1) t_i)$$

$$\log L(B) \propto \sum_i^n (b_0 + b_1 F_i) - \exp(b_0 + F_i b_1) t_i$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial b_1} \log L(B) = \sum_i^n F_i - F_i \exp(b_0 + F_i b_1) t_i$$

Solve for the value that sets the above equation to 0.

$$0 = \sum_i^n F_i - F_i t_i \exp(b_0 + F_i b_1)$$

$$0 = \sum_i^{n_2} 1 - t_i \exp(b_0 + b_1)$$

$$0 = n_2 - \exp(b_0 + b_1) \sum_i^{n_2} t_i$$

$$\log(n_2) = b_0 + b_1 + \log\left(\sum_i^{n_2} t_i\right)$$

$$b_1 = \log(n_2 / \sum_i^{n_2} t_i) - b_0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial b_0} \log L(B) = \sum_i^n (1 - t_i \exp(b_0 + F_i b_1))$$

Set to 0.

$$0 = \sum_i^n (1 - t_i \exp(b_0 + F_i b_1))$$

$$0 = n - \sum_j^{n_1} t_j \exp(b_0) - \sum_i^{n_2} t_i \exp(b_0 + b_1)$$

Substitute for b_1

$$0 = n - \sum_j^{n_1} t_j \exp(b_0) - \sum_i^{n_2} t_i \exp(\log(n_2 / \sum_i^{n_2} t_i))$$

$$0 = n - \sum_j^{n_1} t_j \exp(b_0) - n_2$$

$$\log n_1 = \log(\sum_j^{n_1} t_j) + b_0$$

$$\hat{b}_0 = \log(n_1 / \log(\sum_j^{n_1} t_j))$$

Hence,

$$\hat{b}_1 = \log(n_2 / \sum_i^{n_2} t_i) - \log(n_1 / \log(\sum_j^{n_1} t_j))$$

To find the variance:

Let $b = \{b_0, b_1\}$. By MLE theory, we know that,

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{b} - b) \xrightarrow{d} MVN(0, I^{-1})$$

where

$$I^{-1} = -E \left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_0^2} \log L(b|t_1) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_0 \partial b_1} \log L(b|t_1) \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_0 \partial b_1} \log L(b|t_1) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_1^2} \log L(b|t_1) \end{array} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_1^2} \log L(B|t_i) = -F_1 \exp(b_0 + F_1 b_1) t_i \\
& \quad - E[-F_1 \exp(b_0 + F_1 b_1) T_1] \\
& = \{ \exp(b_0 + b_1) E[T_1 | F_1 = 1] P(F_1 = 1) \} \\
& = \{ \exp(b_0 + b_1) / \exp(b_0 + b_1) P(F_1 = 1) \} \\
& \quad = P(F_1 = 1) \\
& \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_0^2} \log L(B) = - \exp(b_0 + F_1 b_1) t_1 \\
& \quad - E[- \exp(b_0 + F_1 b_1) t_1] \\
& = \{ \exp(b_0 + b_1) E[t_1 | F = 1] P(F = 1) + \exp(b_0) E[t_1 | F = 0] P(F = 0) \} \\
& \quad = \{ P(F = 1) + P(F = 0) \} = 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_0 \partial b_1} \log L(B) = -F_1 \exp(b_0 + F_1 b_1) t_1 \\
& \quad - E[-F_1 \exp(b_0 + F_1 b_1) T_1] \\
& \quad = P(F_1 = 1)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$I^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & P(F_1 = 1) \\ P(F_1 = 1) & P(F_1 = 1) \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

On 3/1/2005, we will use other methods to check our results.

2) Prove:

If Y has a Weibull distribution then,

$$E[Y^r] = \lambda^{-r/\gamma} \Gamma(1 + r/\gamma)$$

For $\lambda = 1/3$, $\gamma = 2$, $a = 2$, and $b = 4$, find $E[Y]$, $\text{Variance}(Y)$, and $P(Y \geq b | Y \geq a)$

a)

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y^r] &= \lambda^{-r/\gamma} \Gamma(1 + r/\gamma) \\ &= \int t^r \lambda \gamma t^{\gamma-1} \exp(-\lambda t^\gamma) dt \end{aligned}$$

Let's do a change of variable transformation. Let $x = \lambda t^\gamma$. Then, $t = (x/\lambda)^{1/\gamma}$ and $\frac{d}{dt}t = 1/\gamma(x/\lambda)^{1/\gamma-1}$. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y^r] &= \lambda^{-r/\gamma} \Gamma(1 + r/\gamma) \\ &= \int (x/\lambda)^{r/\gamma} \gamma \lambda (x/\lambda)^{(\gamma-1)/\gamma} \exp(-x) \frac{1}{\gamma \lambda} (x/\lambda)^{(1-\gamma)/\gamma} dx \\ &= \int (x/\lambda)^{r/\gamma} \exp(-x) dx \\ &= \lambda^{-r/\gamma} \int x^{(1+r/\gamma)-1} \exp(-x) dx \\ &= \lambda^{-r/\gamma} \Gamma(1 + r/\gamma) \end{aligned}$$

b) By substitution, we see that,

$$E[Y] = \sqrt{3} \Gamma(3/2) = 1.5$$

$$E[Y^2] = 3 \Gamma(2) = 3$$

$$Var(Y) = 3 - 1.5^2 = .75$$

c) Use Bayes' theorem to see,

$$P(Y \geq 4 | Y \geq 2) = P(Y \geq 4) / P(Y \geq 2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y \geq 2) &= \int_2^\infty 2/3t \exp(-t^2/3) dt \\ &= \exp(-t^2/3) \Big|_2^\infty \\ &= 1 - \exp(-4/3) \end{aligned}$$

$$P(Y \geq 4) = \int_4^\infty 2/3t \exp(-t^2/3) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \exp(-t^2/3)|_4^\infty \\ &= 1 - \exp(-16/3) \end{aligned}$$

$$P(Y \geq 4|Y \geq 4) = [1 - \exp(-4/3)]/[1 - \exp(-2/3)] = 1.51$$