

Exam TMA4275 May 2013

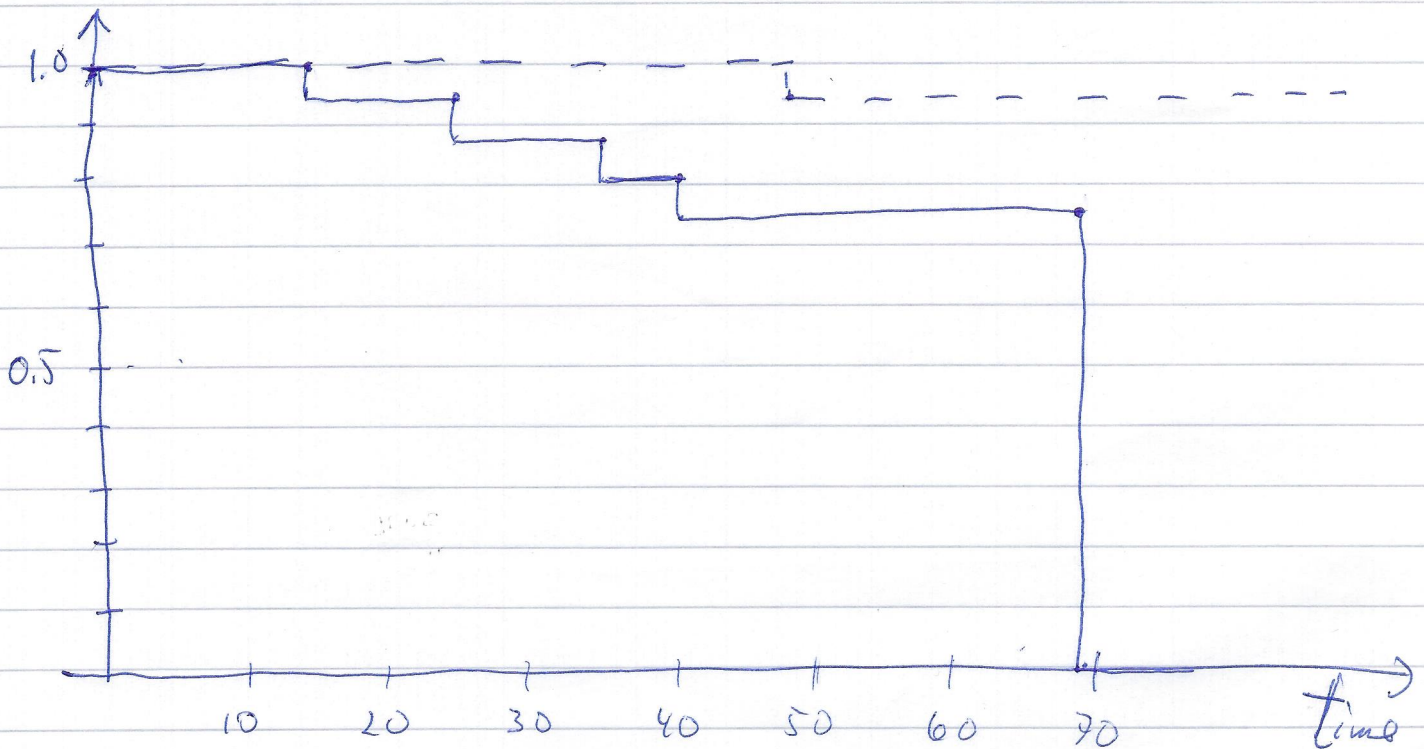
Problem 1:

a) Placebo:

| Time $t_{(i)}$ | $n_i$ | $d_i$ | $\frac{n_i - d_i}{n_i}$ | KM ( $P(T > t_{(i)})$ ) |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 14             | 17    | 1     | $\frac{16}{17}$         | 0.9412                  |
| 26             | 14    | 1     | $\frac{13}{14}$         | 0.8739                  |
| 36             | 13    | 1     | $\frac{12}{13}$         | 0.8067                  |
| 42             | 12    | 1     | $\frac{11}{12}$         | 0.7395                  |
| 69             | 1     | 1     | 0                       | 0                       |

DES:

|    |    |   |                 |        |
|----|----|---|-----------------|--------|
| 50 | 16 | 1 | $\frac{15}{16}$ | 0.9375 |
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Apparently, the DES treatment leads to longer survival.

Est. median lifetime Placebo: 69

Est. mean lifetime Placebo:

Area under KM curve up to 69:

$$1 \cdot 14 + 0.9412 \cdot 12 + 0.8739 \cdot 10 + 0.8067 \cdot 6 \\ + 0.7395 \cdot 27 = \underline{58.84}$$

Est. mean lifetime DES:

Area under KM curve up to 70 (largest observed time):

$$1.50 + 0.9375 \cdot 20 = \underline{68.75}$$

(Median lifetime can't be computed because estimate does not go beyond 0.5).

b) Model:

$$\ln T = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{Treat} + \beta_2 \cdot \text{Age} + \beta_3 \cdot \text{Hb} + \beta_4 \cdot \text{Size} \\ + \beta_5 \cdot \text{Index} + \frac{1}{\alpha} W$$

where  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_5$  are unknown regression coefficients,  $\beta_0$  is the intercept;  $\alpha$  is the shape parameter and  $W$  is Gumbel-distributed.

Median for Weibull-distribution with  $R(t) = e^{-\left(\frac{t}{\theta}\right)^\alpha}$  is  $\underline{\tilde{t} = \theta(\ln 2)^{1/\alpha}}$

Thus median lifetime of regression model is:

$$\text{med} = e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{Treat} + \dots + \beta_5 \cdot \text{Index}} \cdot (\ln 2)^{1/2}$$

Estimates  $\hat{\beta}_i$ :

Treatment: median lifetime increased by  $\text{Treat} = 1$ .  
Age, S/b, Size, Index: median lifetime is reduced when these covariates are increased.

$$\frac{\text{Med (DES)}}{\text{Med (placebo)}} = e^{\beta_1} ; \text{estimated to } e^{0.425215} = \underline{1.53}$$

so increases by 53% compared to placebo.

Significant effect: Size, Index, but not Treat.

c)  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  vs.  $H_1: \beta_1 \neq 0$ .

"Coef": Test statistic  $Z_1 = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{SD(\hat{\beta}_1)} = \frac{0.434133}{0.463267} = 0.94$

P-value:  $2 \cdot P(Z > 0.94)$  when  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ .  
 $= 2 \cdot 0.1745 = \underline{0.349}$

"Log-Likelihood":  $2(\text{loglik}(\text{full model}) - \text{loglik}(\text{reduced model}))$   
is  $\approx \chi^2$ , when reduced model holds.

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$$\text{Here: } 2(-31.434 - (-32.015)) = 1.162$$

$$\text{so p-value is } P(\chi_1^2 > 1.162) \approx \begin{cases} 1.1 & 0.2943 \\ 1.2 & 0.2733 \end{cases} \quad \text{table in the exercise}$$
$$\approx \underline{\underline{0.280}}$$

The p-values are too large for declaring  $\beta_1$  significantly different from 0.

### Problem 2:

a) NHP Poisson ( $\lambda t$ )

$$\Rightarrow E(N_t) = \lambda t$$

$$\underline{\underline{P(N_t=1) = \frac{(\lambda t)^1}{1!} e^{-\lambda t} = \lambda t e^{-\lambda t}}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{P(S_1 > t) = P(\text{no replac. in } (0, t)) = \frac{(\lambda t)^0}{0!} e^{-\lambda t} = e^{-\lambda t}}}$$

So  $S_1$  is exponentially distributed with rate  $\lambda$ .

b.) General likelihood, NHP( $w(t; \theta)$ ):

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{j=1}^m \left( \prod_{i=1}^{N_j} w(t_{ij}; \theta) \right) \cdot e^{-\lambda \sum_{j=1}^m t_j}$$

$$\prod_{j=1}^m \left[ \left( \prod_{i=1}^{N_j} w(t_{ij}; \theta) \right) \cdot e^{-W(\tau_j; \theta)} \right]$$

$$= \left( \prod_{j=1}^m \prod_{i=1}^{N_j} w(t_{ij}; \theta) \right) \cdot e^{-\sum_{j=1}^m W(\tau_j; \theta)}$$

Here:  $w(t; \theta) = \lambda$ ;  $W(\tau; \theta) = \lambda \tau$ , so

$$L(\lambda) = \lambda^{\sum_{j=1}^m N_j} \cdot e^{-\lambda \sum_{j=1}^m \tau_j}$$

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c)  $l(\lambda) = (\sum N_j) \ln \lambda - \lambda \sum \tau_j$

$$l'(\lambda) = \frac{\sum N_j}{\lambda} - \sum \tau_j$$

$$l'(\lambda) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda = \frac{\sum N_j}{\sum \tau_j}$$

$$\text{so } \lambda = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m N_j}{\sum_{j=1}^m \tau_j} = \frac{\text{\# replacements}}{\text{total time}}$$

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$$l''(\lambda) = -\frac{\sum N_j}{\lambda^2}$$

so observed information is  $-l''(\hat{\lambda}) = \frac{\sum N_j}{\hat{\lambda}^2}$   
 $= \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \tau_j)^2}{\sum_{j=1}^m N_j}$  and

$$\text{Var } \hat{\lambda} = \frac{\hat{\lambda}^2}{\sum_{j=1}^m N_j} \quad \text{or} \quad \text{SD } \hat{\lambda} = \frac{\hat{\lambda}}{\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^m N_j}} = \frac{\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^m N_j}}{\sum_{j=1}^m \tau_j}$$

With data:

$$\hat{\lambda} = \frac{\sum N_j}{\sum \tau_j} = \frac{6}{990} = \frac{1}{165} = \underline{0.00606}$$

$$\text{SD}(\hat{\lambda}) = \frac{1}{165} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} = \underline{0.00247}$$

Conf. int.:

Use standard interval for positive parameters:

$$\text{General: } \theta \cdot e^{\pm 1.96 \cdot \frac{\text{SD}(\theta)}{\theta}}$$

$$\text{Here: } \hat{\lambda} \cdot e^{\pm 1.96 \cdot \frac{1}{\sum N_j}} = \underline{\pm 1.96 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}}$$

$$\text{Here: } 0.00606 \cdot e$$

$$\underline{\underline{(0.00272, 0.01349)}}$$

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Problem 3:

$$\begin{aligned} a) F(t) &= P(T \leq t) = P(\ln T \leq \ln t) \\ &= P(\mu + \sigma W \leq \ln t) \\ &= P\left(W \leq \frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= \frac{e}{1 + e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$F(t_p) = p$$

~~$$R(t_p) = 1 - p$$~~

~~$$\frac{e}{1 + e^{\frac{\ln t_p - \mu}{\sigma}}} = 1 - p$$~~

$$e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}} = p + p e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}}$$

$$(1-p) e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}} = p$$

$$e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}} = \frac{p}{1-p}$$

$$\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{p}{1-p}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \ln t_p = \mu + \sigma \ln \frac{p}{1-p}$$

$$\text{so } t_p = e^{\mu + \sigma \ln \frac{p}{1-p}} = e^{\mu} \cdot \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^{\sigma}$$

Median:

$$\underline{t_{0.5} = e^{\mu}}$$

Interquartile range:

$$t_{0.75} - t_{0.25} = \cancel{e^{\mu} \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^{\sigma}}$$

$$= e^{\mu} \left[ \left(\frac{\frac{3}{4}}{1-\frac{3}{4}}\right)^{\sigma} - \left(\frac{\frac{1}{4}}{1-\frac{1}{4}}\right)^{\sigma} \right]$$

$$= \underline{e^{\mu} \left[ 3^{\sigma} - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\sigma} \right]}$$

$$b) R(t) = \frac{e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}}}{1 + e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}}}$$

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$$R(t) + R(t) e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}} = e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}}$$

$$F(t) = (1 - F(t)) e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}}$$



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$$e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}} = \frac{F(t)}{1 - F(t)}$$

$$\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma} = \ln \frac{F(t)}{1 - F(t)} = \ln \frac{1 - R(t)}{R(t)}$$

$$\text{so } \ln \frac{1 - R(t)}{R(t)} = \frac{1}{\sigma} \ln t - \frac{\mu}{\sigma}$$

Let  $\hat{R}(t)$  be a KM-estimate (or modified KM estimate) based on the censored data.

Then the points

$$\left( \ln \frac{1 - \hat{R}(t_{(i)})}{\hat{R}(t_{(i)})}, \ln t_{(i)} \right)$$

will be close to a straight line if the model is correct.

The slope of the line then estimates  $1/\sigma$ ,

while the intercept estimates  $-\frac{\mu}{\sigma}$

Thus estimates of  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  can be obtained.

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$$\begin{aligned} c) \quad Z(t) &= -\ln R(t) = -\ln\left(\frac{1}{1+e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}}}\right) \\ &= \ln\left(1+e^{\frac{\ln t - \mu}{\sigma}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Known that  $Z(T) \sim \text{expon}(1)$ .

Cox-Snell residuals: For censored data  $(Y_i, \delta_i); i=1, \dots, n$ , the Cox-Snell residuals are

$$(Z(Y_i), \delta_i); i=1, \dots, n$$

which if the model is correct are a censored sample from the standard exponential distribution.