

Lecture 22: The log rank test.

• If ~~don't~~ use censored data & we want to compare survival times of treatment A vs. those of treatment B, what would you do?

Treatment A

10
100
150
200
310
:
110+

Treatment B

20
5
50
209
110
:
90+

However, data is now censored

• The main issue is that at any given point in time, our number of subjects can change. Either due to a death or due to a loss of tracking.

Setup we have

Month	Treatment A		Treatment B	
	At risk	Died	At risk	Died
1	51	1	45	0
2	50	2	45	1
3	48	5	44	1
4	42	2	43	5
5	40	8	38	5
6	32	7	33	4

	Died	Survived		
T A	7 <u>EGM = 5.41</u>	25	$n_A = 32$	$V = \frac{n_A n_B n_{dAS}}{[n^2(n-1)]}$
T B	4	29	$n_B = 33$	
	<u>$n_d = 11$</u>	$n_s = 54$	$n = 65$	$V = \underline{2.31}$

Hyp. Test: Null hypothesis is that the hazard rate for month 6 are the same for Treat. A and Treat. B

$$H_0(6): h_{A6} = h_{B6}$$



- we got n_A members labeled "A".
- "B" n_B
- we draw n_d members

\Rightarrow what is the prob. distribution for the # of variables labeled "A"?

• It is a hypergeometric distribution!

$$P(y | n_A, n_B, n_d) = \binom{n_A}{y} \cdot \binom{n_B}{n_d - y} / \binom{n}{n_d}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(y) = \frac{n_A \cdot n_d}{n} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Just the mean of} \\ \text{a hypergeometric} \\ \text{distr.} \end{array} \right)$$

$$V(y) = \frac{n_A \cdot n_B \cdot n_d \cdot n_s}{[n^2(n-1)]}$$

Repeat this for all the $N = 47$ months,
calculate y_i, E_i, V_i for month i and compute
the log-rank statistic, which is defined as:

$$Z = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - E_i)}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^N V_i \right)^{1/2}}$$

& compare to normal critical values.

• 1st - cancer patients.

• For our dataset on _____

$$\sum_{i=1}^N y_i = 42, \quad \sum_{i=1}^N E_i = 32.9$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N V_i = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{Z = 2.27} \quad \text{"!"}$$

① Survival rates using parametric estimation

② Proportional hazards model

③ Missing Data & the EM Algorithm.

• Land used = X_1

• # of labor hours = X_2

• Amount of fertilizer by $A_2 = X_3$

• yield = y

\Rightarrow didn't know how much rainfall \checkmark

$$y_i = \underbrace{(\pi_R)}_{V_{i-1}} \cdot \overset{\checkmark}{f_R}(x_1, x_2, x_3) + \underbrace{(\pi_N)}_{V_{i-1}} \cdot \overset{\checkmark}{f_N}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$+ (\pi_D) \cdot \underline{f_D(x_1, x_2, x_3)}$$

repeat until converge.

Step 1 : Simulate Posterior β 's for each of f_R, f_W, f_D

Step 2 : Simulate belonging probabilities for each farmer to each rain condition.

Step 3: Simulate Posterior (π_R, π_W, π_D)