

Primer on Analysis of Experimental Data and Design of Experiments

Lecture 3. Physical and Empirical Distributions

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Outline

1. Physical Vs. empirical distribution
2. Properties of classical distribution function
3. Moment-based fitting of data
4. Conclusions

Data vs. Hypothesis

Outliers identified
(box-plot, Chauvenet)

Trend identified using median
based plotting, stem-leaf
histogram

CDF plotted using
Kaplan-Meier formula

Non-parametric bootstrap to
identify parameter
uncertainty



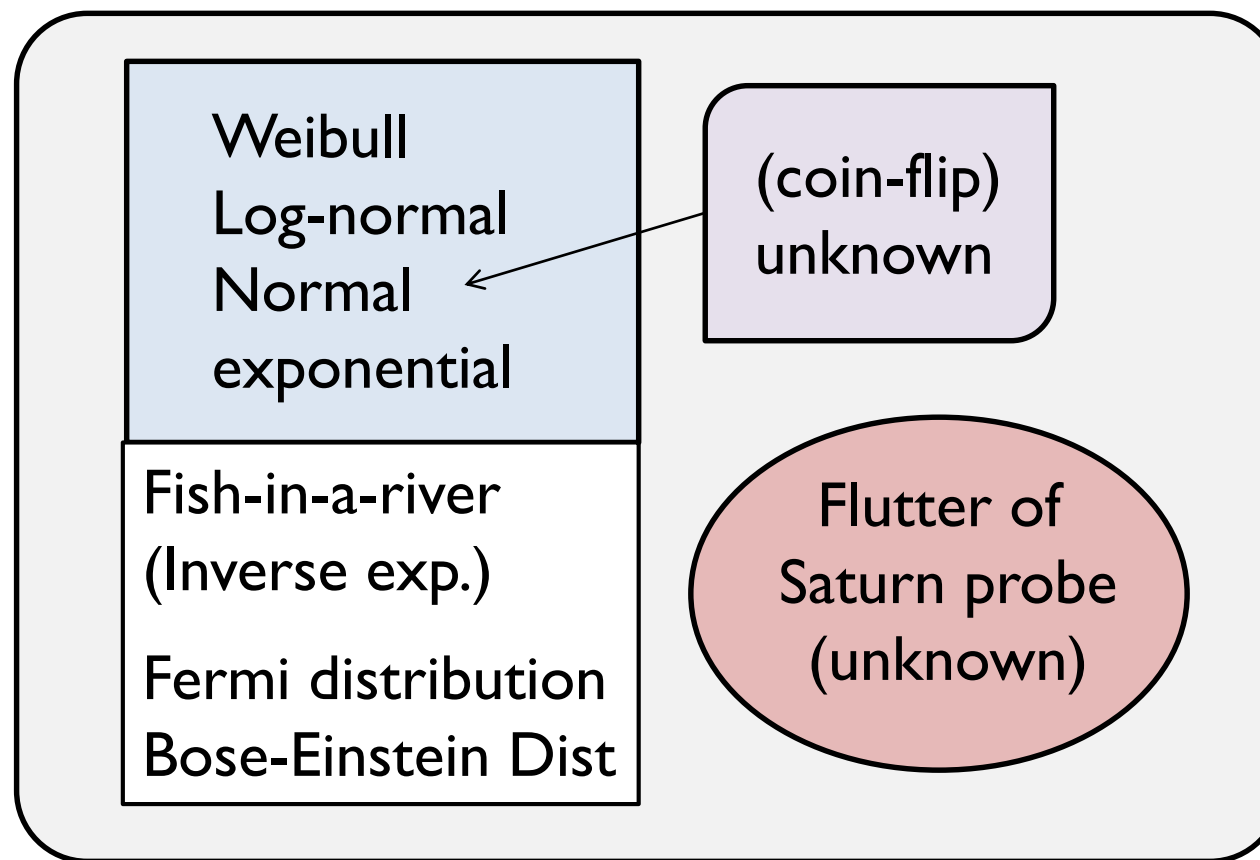
Empirical reliability
(Hypothesis testing)

Statistical reliability
(Series/parallel systems)

Physical Reliability
(Distribution function,
prediction of an analytical
model)

Statistical Distribution is Physical

Experiments



If a problem can be mapped into one of the well known family,
large number of results are available.

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1. Physical Vs. empirical distribution
2. Parametric Vs. non-parametric fits
3. Estimating various distribution functions
4. Conclusions

Choosing distribution function

People choose functions that describe wide range of phenomena

❑ **Normal**: After all, everything eventually becomes normal (not really!) Distribution of last resort.

❑ **Log-Normal**: A variant of normal distribution that seems to describe many reliability problems phenomenologically (correlated processes, such as electromigration in interconnects, shunt distribution in solar cells)

❑ **Weibull**: Many physical systems are described by it. In the limiting case, it becomes Exponential distribution (extreme value problems such as thin oxide breakdown)

Two parameter family: Normal distribution

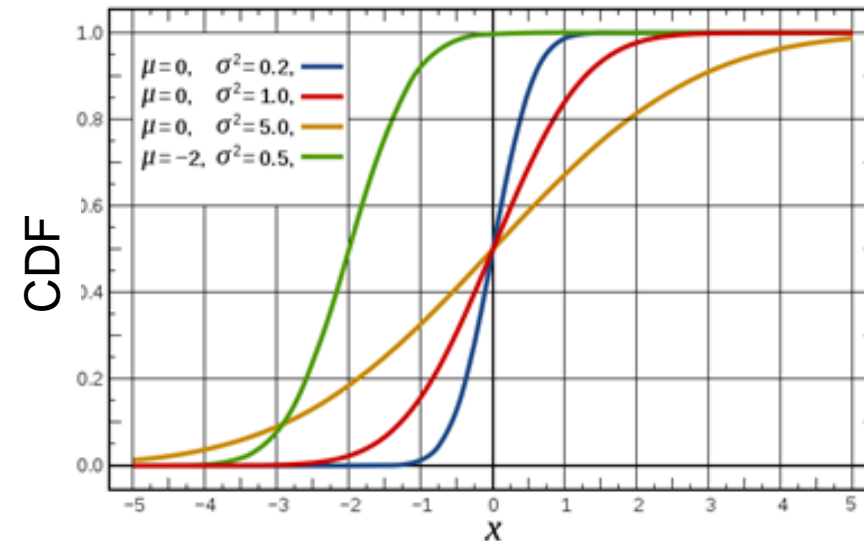
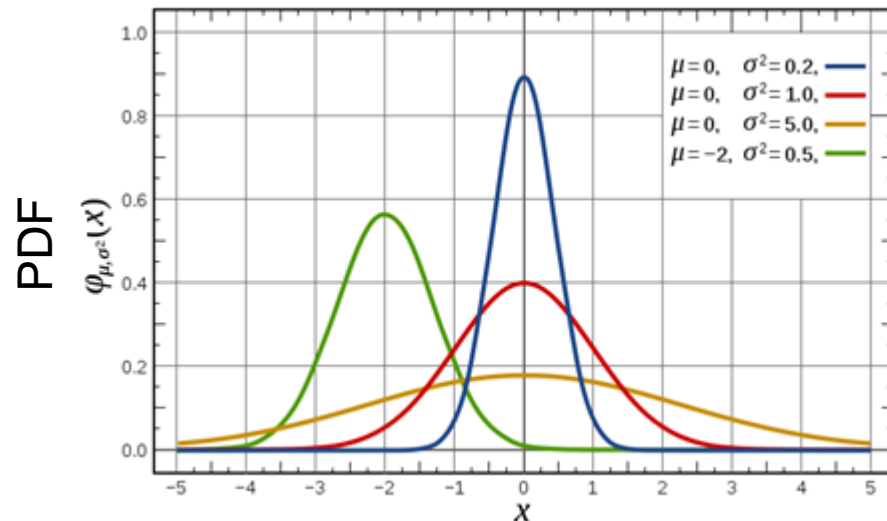
$$f(t; \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{\{t - \mu\}^2}{2\sigma^2} \right]$$

$$F(t) = \Phi(\sigma^{-1}(t - \mu)) \quad \Phi(z) = [1 + \operatorname{erf}(z/\sqrt{2})] / 2$$

μ =average, σ =standard deviation

Binomial distribution, Poisson distribution, chi-square, student-t distribution ...

`MATpd = fitdist(data, 'Normal')`



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Normal_distribution

Two parameter family: log-normal distribution

$$\text{(PDF)} \quad f(t; \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{t \times \sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{\{\ln(t) - \ln(\mu)\}^2}{2\sigma^2} \right]$$

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$$\text{(CDF)} \quad F(t) = \Phi \left(\sigma^{-1} \ln \frac{t}{\mu} \right) \quad \Phi(z) = \left[1 + \operatorname{erf}(z/\sqrt{2}) \right] / 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= \ln(t_2/t_1) / \left[\Phi^{-1}(F(t_2)) - \Phi^{-1}(F(t_1)) \right] \\ &= \ln(t_2 @ F = 0.5 / t_1 @ F = 0.159) \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{1}{t \sigma} \frac{\exp \left[-\sigma^2 \{\ln(t/\mu)\}^2 / 2 \right]}{\operatorname{erf} \left\{ \sqrt{0.5} \ln(t/\mu) / \sigma \right\}}$$

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Log-normal_distribution

Two parameter family: Weibull distribution

$$f(t; \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\beta}{\alpha^\beta} \cdot t^{\beta-1} \cdot e^{-\left(t/\alpha\right)^\beta} \quad (\alpha, \beta > 0)$$

$$F(t) = 1 - \exp\left(-\left(t/\alpha\right)^\beta\right)$$

$$\lambda(t) = \frac{\beta t^{\beta-1}}{\alpha^\beta}$$

β =shape parameter, α =scale parameter

$\beta=1$ Exponential distribution

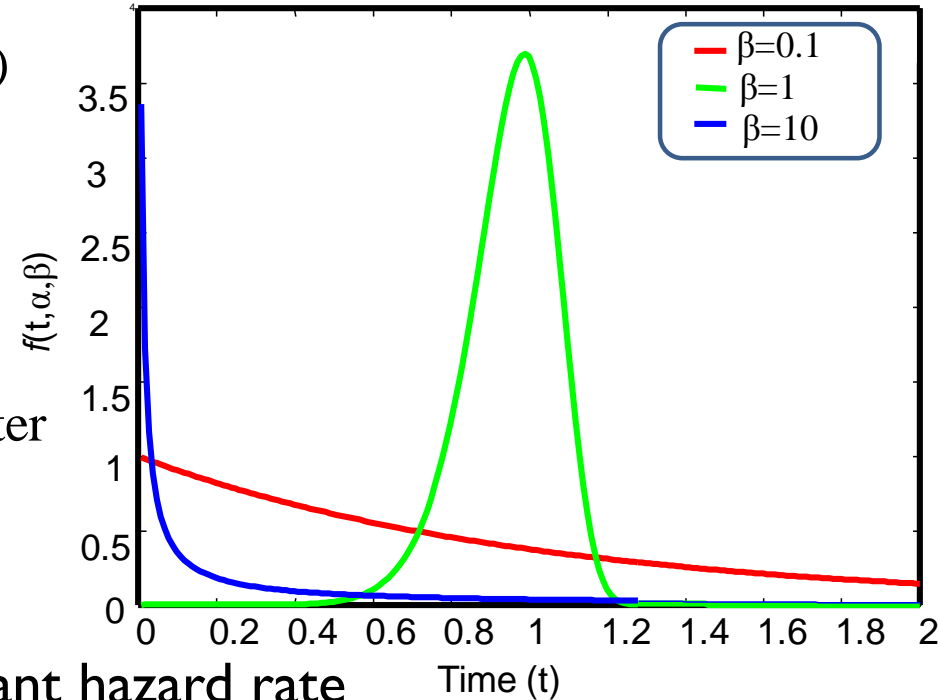
Memory-less distribution, constant hazard rate

$\beta=2$ Rayleigh distribution

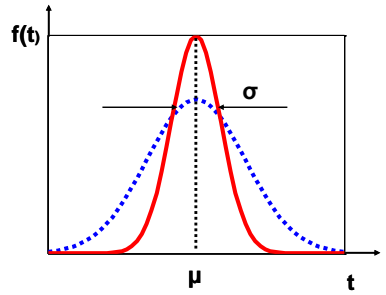
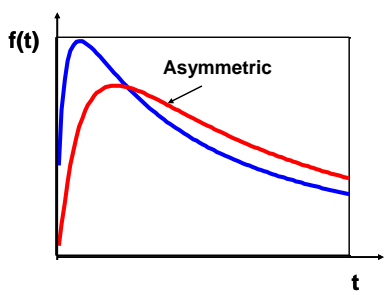
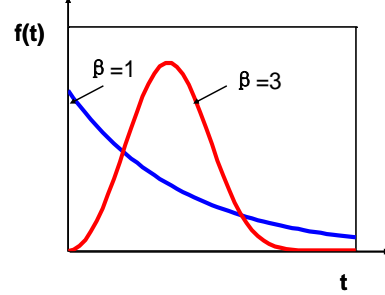
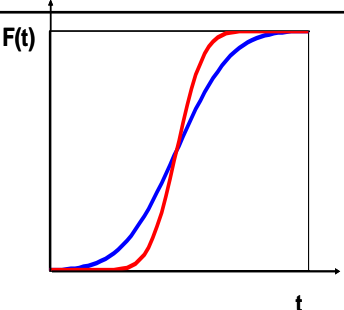
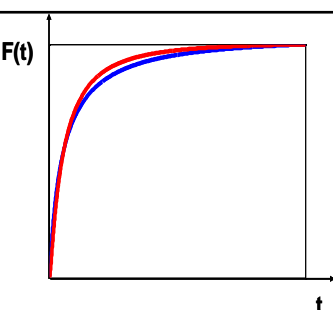
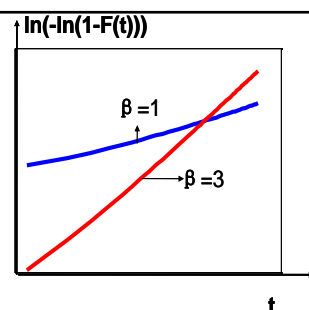
Light scattering, Corrosion in contacts, Failure rate increases with time

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Weibull_distribution

Abrahmi recrystallization (1905)



Empirical statistical distributions

	Normal	Log Normal	Weibull
PDF	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(t-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$	$\frac{1}{t\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(\ln t - \ln \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$	$\frac{\beta}{\alpha} \cdot \left(\frac{t}{\alpha}\right)^{\beta-1} \cdot e^{-\left(t/\alpha\right)^\beta}$
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Definitions of distribution functions

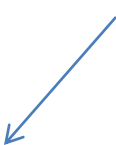
Name	Symbol	Expression
Prob. distribution	$f(t; \alpha, \beta, \dots)$	$f(t; \alpha, \beta, \dots)$
cumulative PDF	$F(t)$	$\int_{-\infty}^t f(t') dt'$
survival function	$R(t)$	$1 - F(t)$
hazard rate	$\lambda(t)$	$\frac{f(t)}{1 - F(t)}$
cum. hazard rate	$H(t)$	$\int_0^t \lambda(t') dt'$
average hazard	$\lambda_c(t)$	$1/t \int_0^t \lambda(t') dt'$

These functions are used in different fields in different ways ...

Example: Derivation of hazard function

$H(t)$... Probability that having survived till time t (event **A**), it fails within time $(t+dt)$ (event **B**)

B includes **A**(failed before)


$$P(\mathbf{B}|\mathbf{A}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{A} * \mathbf{B})}{P(\mathbf{A})} = \frac{P(\mathbf{B})}{P(\mathbf{A})} = \frac{f(t)dt}{R(t)} \Rightarrow h(t) = \frac{f(t)}{R(t)}$$

Integrated Hazard till time t

$$H(t) = \int_0^t h(u)du = -\ln R(t)$$

Discrete Transform: because data is discrete

$$F_i = \frac{i - \alpha}{n - 2\alpha + 1}$$

$$f_i = \frac{dF_i}{dt} = \frac{F_{i+1} - F_i}{t_{i+1} - t_i} = \frac{1}{(n - 2\alpha + 1)(t_{i+1} - t_i)}$$

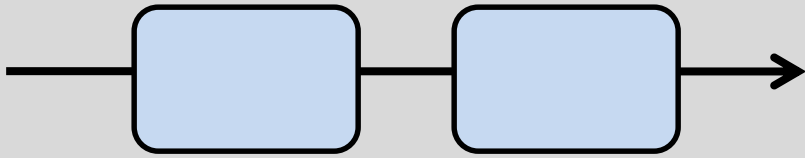
$$\lambda_i = \frac{f_i}{1 - F_i} = \frac{1}{(n - i - \alpha + 1)(t_{i+1} - t_i)}$$

Transformation among reliability functions

	$f(t)$	$F(t)$	$R(t)$	$\lambda(t)$	$H(t)$	$\lambda_c(t)$
$f(t)$	$f(t)$	$\frac{dF(t)}{dt}$	$-\frac{dR(t)}{dt}$	$\lambda(t)e^{-\int_0^t \lambda(t')dt'}$	$e^{-H(t)} \frac{dH(t)}{dt}$	$\left(\lambda_c + t \frac{d\lambda_c(t)}{dt}\right) e^{-\lambda_c(t)t}$
$F(t)$	$\int_0^t f(t')dt'$	$F(t)$	$1 - R(t)$	$1 - e^{-\int_0^t \lambda(t')dt'}$	$1 - e^{-H(t)}$	$1 - e^{-\lambda_c(t)t}$
$R(t)$	$\int_t^\infty f(t')dt'$	$1 - F(t)$	$R(t)$	$e^{-\int_0^t \lambda(t')dt'}$	$e^{-H(t)}$	$e^{-\lambda_c(t)t}$
$\lambda(t)$	$\frac{f(t)}{\int_t^\infty f(t')dt'}$	$-\frac{d \ln(1 - F(t))}{dt}$	$-\frac{d \ln R(t)}{dt}$	$\lambda(t)$	$\frac{dH(t)}{dt}$	$\lambda_c + t \frac{d\lambda_c(t)}{dt}$
$H(t)$	$-\ln\left(\int_t^\infty f(t')dt'\right)$	$-\ln(1 - F(t))$	$-\ln R(t)$	$\int_0^t \lambda(t')dt'$	$H(t)$	$t\lambda_c(t)$
$\lambda_c(t)$	$-\frac{1}{t} \ln\left(\int_t^\infty f(t')dt'\right)$	$\frac{-\ln(1 - F(t))}{t}$	$\frac{-\ln R(t)}{t}$	$1/t \int_0^t \lambda(t')dt'$	$\frac{H(t)}{t}$	$\lambda_c(t)$

HW: Derive a few reliability functions yourself ...

Series and parallel systems: how to use the distribution functions

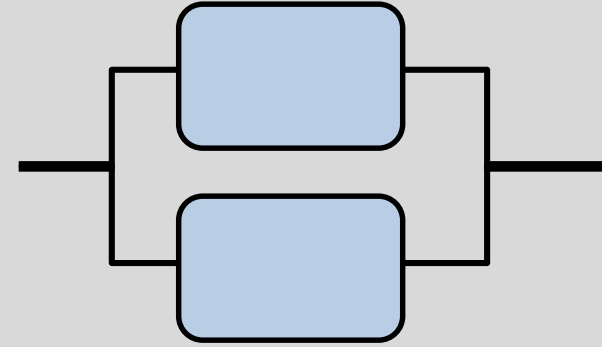


$$1 - F_s(t) = [1 - F_1(t)] \times [1 - F_2(t)] \times \dots$$

$$R_s(t) = R_1(t) \times R_2(t) \times \dots$$

$$\lambda = \frac{dF/dt}{1 - F(t)} = \frac{-dR/dt}{R(t)} = -\frac{d}{dt} \ln R$$

$$\lambda_s(t) = \lambda_1(t) + \lambda_2(t) + \dots$$



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Advantage of redundant system ..

$$\frac{\lambda_i(t)}{\lambda_s(t)} = \frac{1 + F + F^2 + \dots + F^{n-1}}{nF^{n-1}}$$

R_1, R_2, \dots may have different distributions

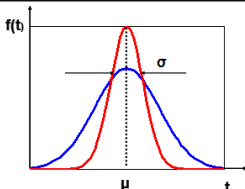
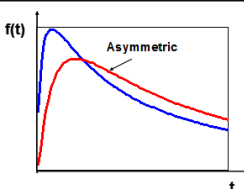
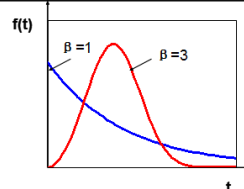
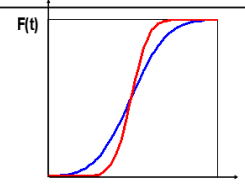
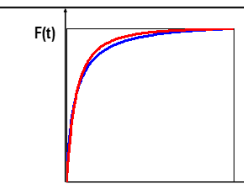
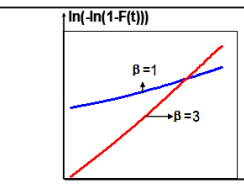
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Moment-based fitting

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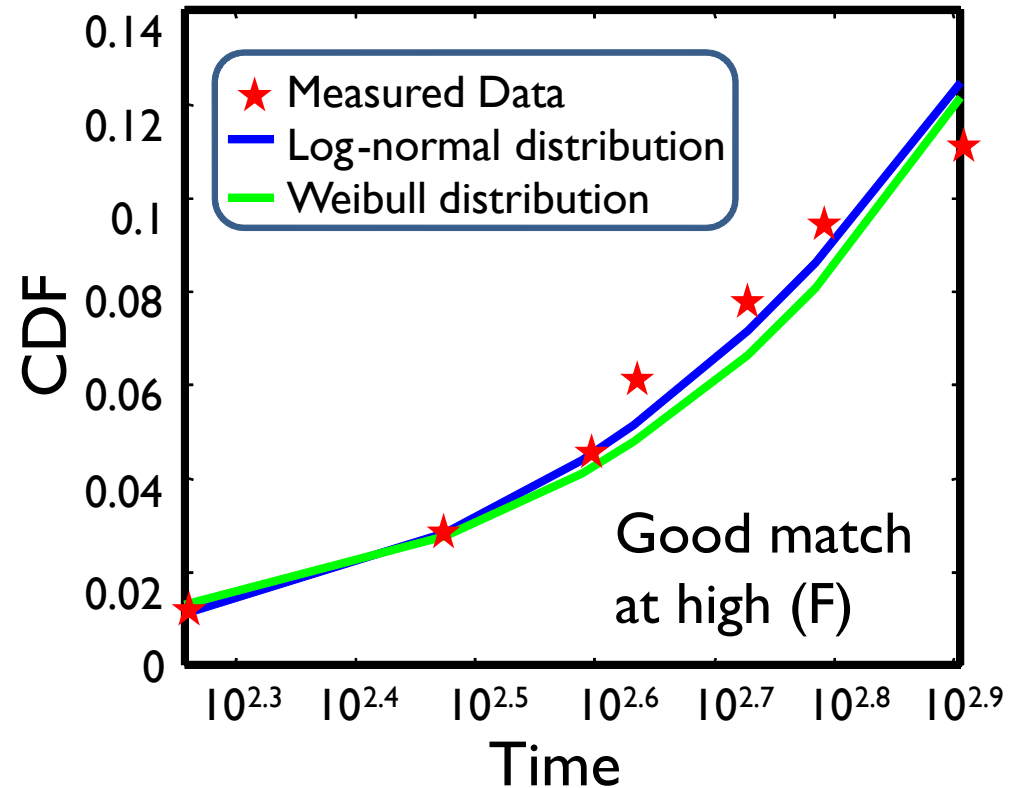
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Matching moments to distributions

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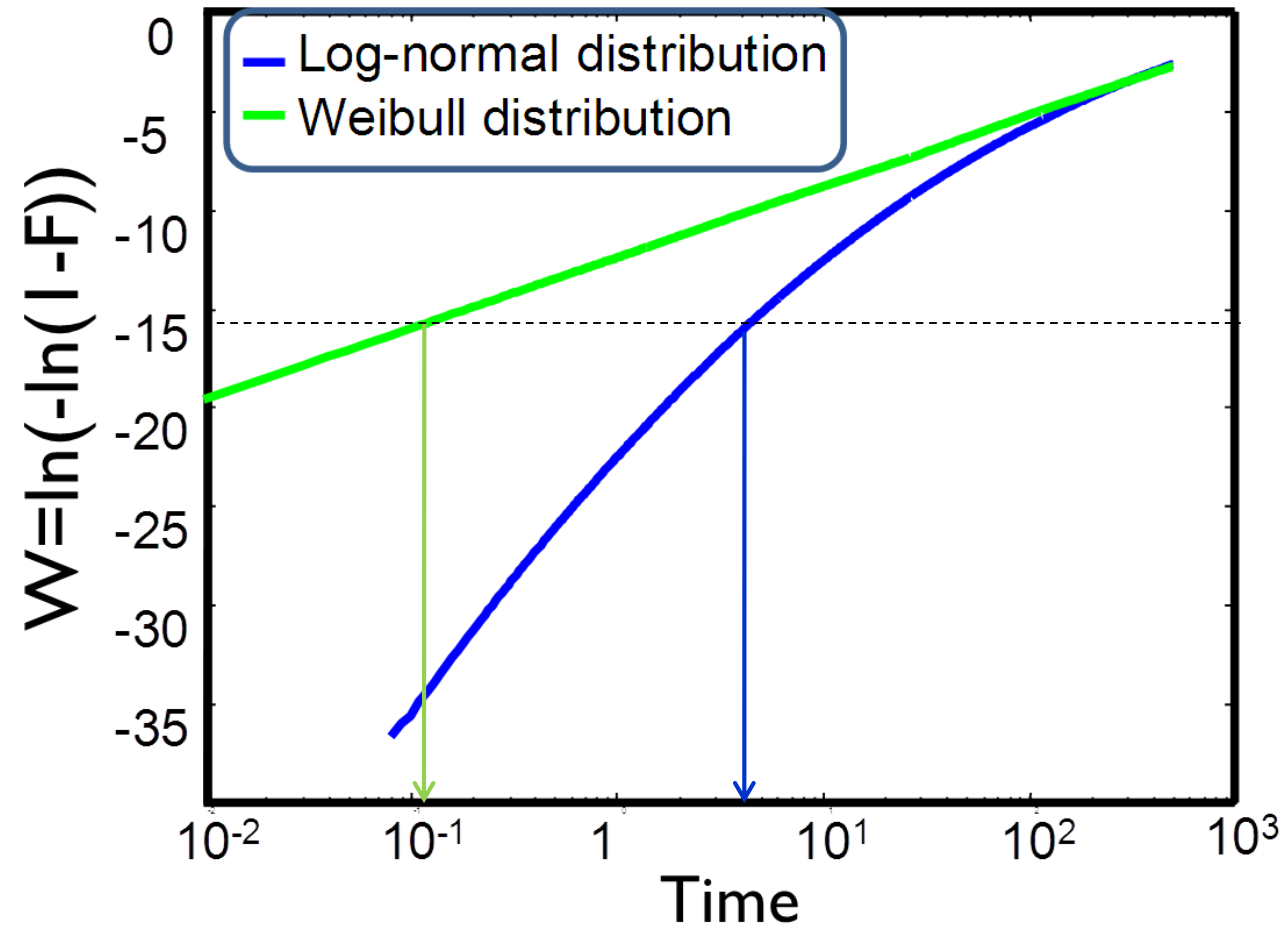
Weibull Distribution Parameters

When $t=\alpha$, $\ln(1-F(t))=-1$, $F(t)=0.632$, $a=2990$
 β estimated using parameter fitting as 1.56

Log-Normal Distribution Parameters

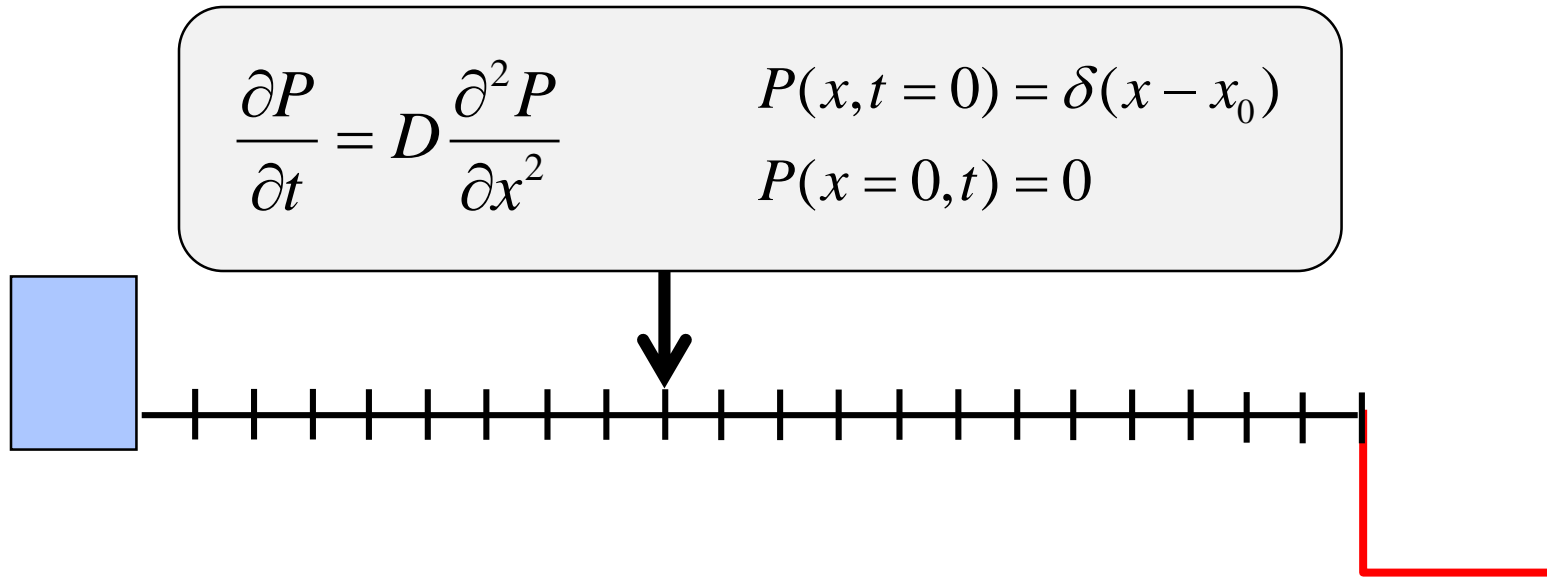
$s=\ln(T_{50\%}/T_{15.9\%})$, $\sigma=\ln(3600/980)=1.30$
 $\mu=\ln(T_{50\%})=\ln(3600)=8.19$

Problem of matching the moments



Log-normal distribution is considerably optimistic

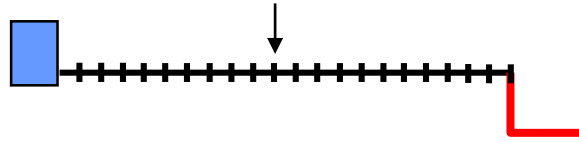
Problem of matching distribution: BFRW



$$P(x, t) = (4\pi Dt)^{-1/2} \left[e^{-(x - x_0)^2 / 4Dt} - e^{-(x + x_0)^2 / 4Dt} \right]$$

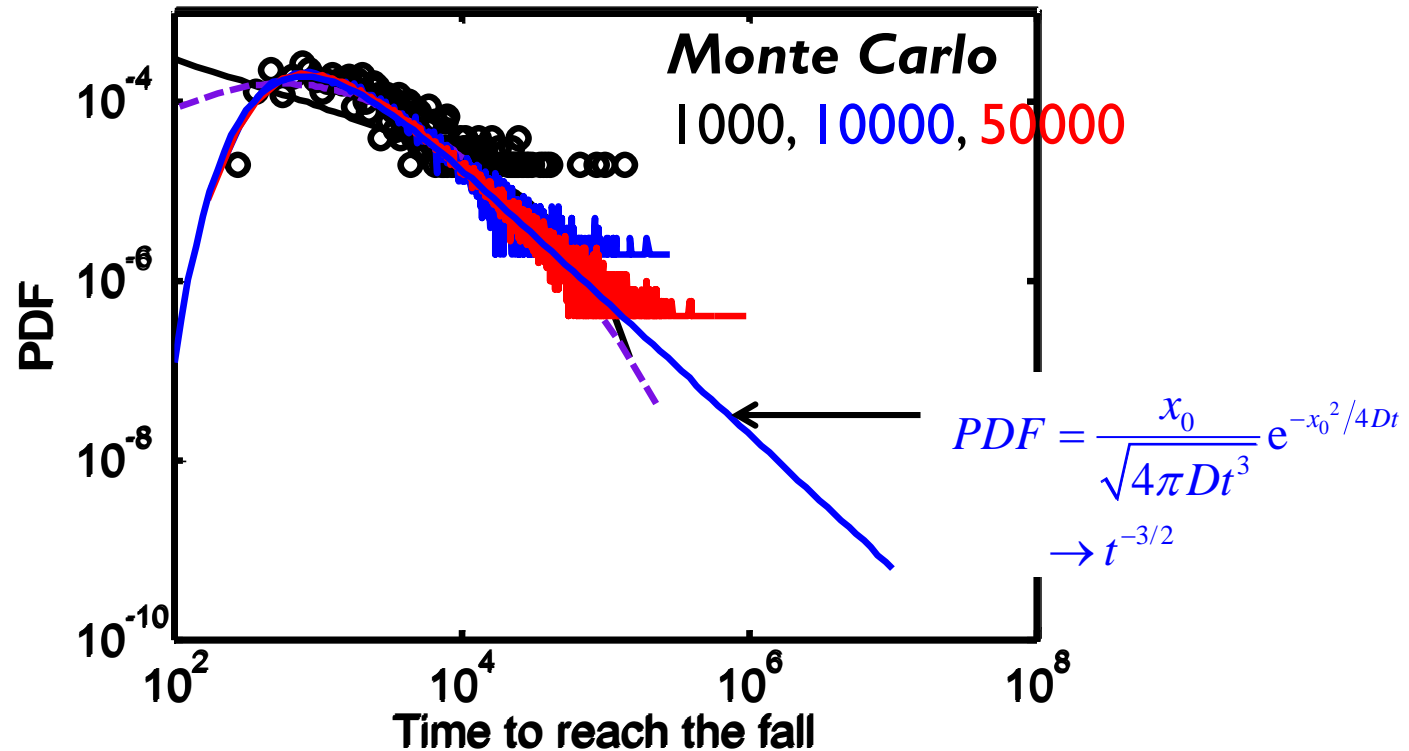
$$\int_0^t f(\tau) d\tau + \int_0^L P(x, t) dx = 1 \Rightarrow f(t) = \frac{x_0}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt^3}} e^{-x_0^2 / 4Dt}$$

Match apparently reasonable, but wrong



$$f_G(t) = \frac{t^{k-1} e^{-t/\theta}}{\Gamma(k) \theta^k}$$

$$T_{avg} = k\theta$$



Conclusions

1. Once the data is plotted using the principles discussed in the previous lectures, the phenomenon can be described by a statistical model.
2. If unsuccessful, one should choose functions with least number of variables that described the system. Many applications are described by 2-parameter distributions (e.g. log-normal, Weibull).
3. For an extreme value problem, one should pay particular attention to the tail of the distribution and choose sample size accordingly.
4. Moment-based methods are popular, but cannot distinguish between the tails of the distribution (associated with high moments)

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Review questions

- G1: Why do people use Normal, log-normal, Weibull distributions when they do not know the exact physical distribution?
- G2: What is the problem of using empirical distributions? What are the advantages?
- G3: If you must choose an empirical distribution, what should be your criteria? (Nos. of parameters, physical principles, etc.)
- G4: Why does everyone suggest the use of CDF for empirical data-fitting, rather than PDF? (Obviously one can go from one function to the other)
- G5: There are all sorts of distribution functions (e.g. survivability function) ? If everything is related to everything else, why do we need so many?
- G6: How would you determine the BFRW failure rates? Mean Hazard rate?

Excellent resource at

1. Statistics Online Computational Resource

<http://www.socr.ucla.edu/SOCR.html>

2. Excellent toolset within Excel
3. S and S-Plus software set
4. MATLAB has nearly everything!

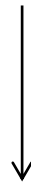
Parametric vs. non-parametric Bootstrap

0.2 -0.1 0.5 0.3 -0.6 Fit the distribution of your choice by
Maximum likelihood estimators (MLE)
(obtain parameters, i.e. η_0, β_0)

Generate synthetic samples based on the parametric distribution

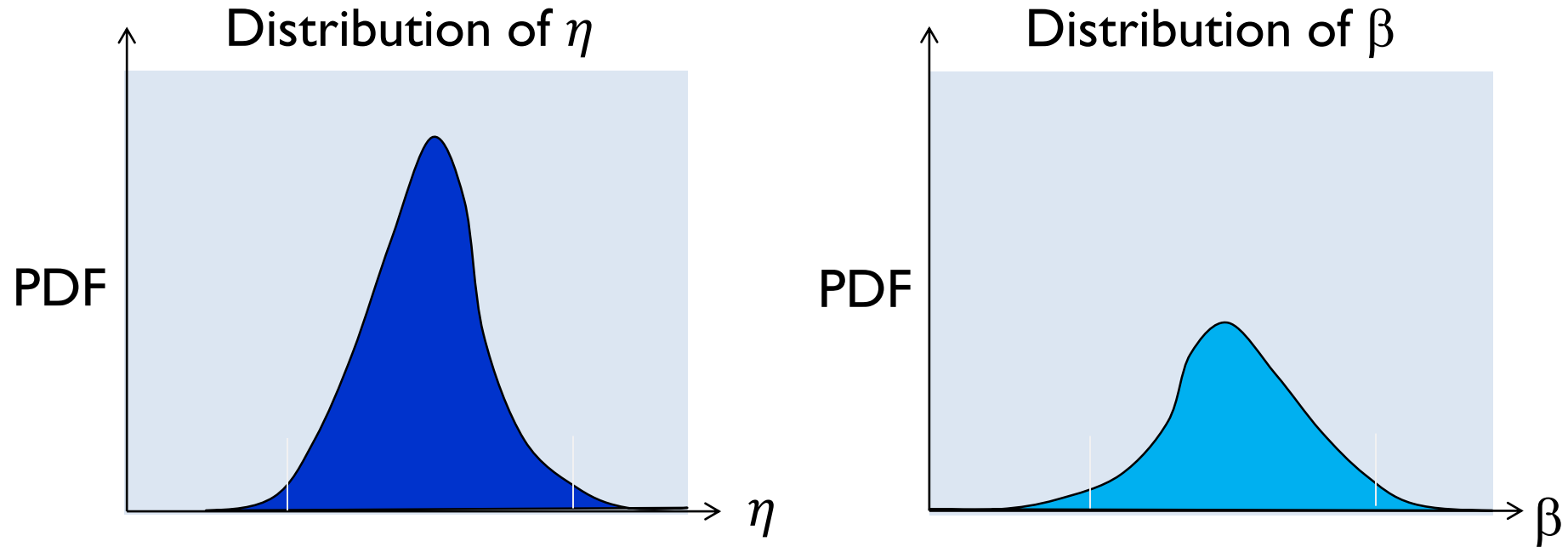
0.12 -0.17 -0.44 -0.71 0.52 Synthetic sample 1 (new η_1, β_1)

0.32 0.21 -0.69 0.23 0.58 Synthetic sample 2 (new η_2, β_2)



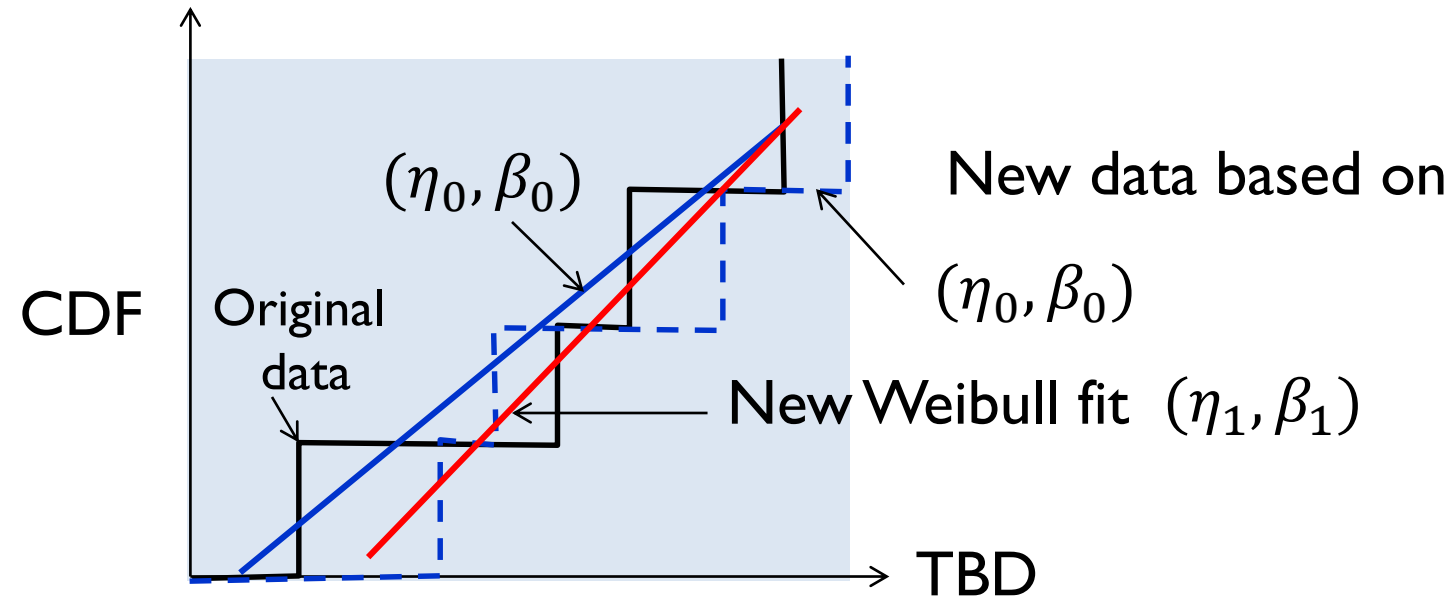
Plot distribution of statistics η_i, β_i

Distribution of α and β



Same technique for polling and tenure rate of faculty!

Why resampling from the same distribution generates new fit parameters



Samples taken from the same distribution (η_0, β_0) generates datapoints that are fitted with new (η_i, β_i)

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