0.1 Regularized AFT models

We use the log-logistic model. The CDF is given as follows:

$$F(t;\alpha,\beta) = \frac{1}{1 + (t/\alpha)^{-\beta}} \tag{1}$$

The probability density function is given as:

$$d(t;\alpha,\beta) = \frac{((t/\alpha)^{-\beta})}{1 + (t/\alpha)^{-\beta}}$$
 (2)

Survival and hazard functions can be calulated from the above:

$$s(t;\alpha,\beta) = \frac{1}{1 + (t/\alpha)^{\beta}} \tag{3}$$

$$h(t;\alpha,\beta) = \frac{(\beta/\alpha)(t/\alpha)^{\beta-1}}{1 + (t/\alpha)^{\beta}}$$
(4)

For survival analysis, given time intervals $\{t_{l_i}, t_{r_i}\}$ and covariates x_i for i=1:n, we define two indicator variables δ_l and δ_r with the following interpretation:

$$(\delta_l, \delta_r) = \begin{cases} (0,0) & : \text{Interval censoring} \\ (0,1) & : \text{Left censoring} \\ (1,0) & : \text{Right censoring} \\ (1,1) & : \text{No censoring} \end{cases}$$
(5)

In the observations with no censoring, the pdf is used, and in censored

observations, the cdf is used. Hence the likelihood can be written as:

$$L(w) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} [d(t_{r_i})]^{\delta_{l_i}\delta_{r_i}} [F(t_{l_i})]^{(1-\delta_{l_i})\delta_{r_i}} [s(t_{r_i})]^{\delta_{l_i}(1-\delta_{r_i})} [s(t_{l_i}) - s(t_{r_i})]^{(1-\delta_{l_i})(1-\delta_{r_i})}$$
(6)

where, $\alpha_i = e^{w^T x_i}$

Substituting from the previous equations and simplyfing, we obtain the following log-likelihood:

$$l(w) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \{ \delta_{l_i} \delta_{r_i} \log(\beta/t_{l_i}) - \delta_{r_i} \log(1 + (t_{r_i}/\alpha_i)^{\beta})$$

$$-\delta_{l_i} \log((\alpha_i^{\beta} + t_{r_i}^{\beta})/t_{l_i}^{\beta}) + \log(\alpha_i^{\beta} + t_{r_i}^{\beta}) - \log(\alpha_i^{\beta} + t_{l_i}^{\beta}) \}$$

$$(7)$$

The partial derivative of the log-likelihood wrt to α_i is given as:

$$\frac{\partial l(w)_i}{\partial \alpha_i} = \delta_{r_i} \frac{\beta/\alpha_i}{1 + (t_{r_i}/\alpha_i)^{\beta}} - \delta_{l_i} \frac{\beta/\alpha_i}{1 + (t_{r_i}/\alpha_i)^{\beta}} + \frac{\beta/\alpha_i}{1 + (t_{r_i}/\alpha_i)^{\beta}} - \frac{\beta/\alpha_i}{1 + (t_{l_i}/\alpha_i)^{\beta}}$$
(8)

Hence, partial derivative wrt w is:

$$\frac{\partial l(w)}{\partial w_j} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial l_i}{\partial w_j} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial l_i}{\partial \alpha_i} x_{ij} e^{w^T x_i}$$
(9)

Adding the elastic net (L1 + L2) penalty, we get the following optimization objective:

$$f(w) = -l(w) + (\lambda_1 ||w||_1 + 1/2\lambda_2 ||w||_2^2)$$
(10)

The subderivative of the optimization objective is given as:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial w_j} = \begin{cases}
\{ -\frac{\partial l(w)}{\partial w_j} + \lambda_2 w_j - \lambda_1 \} & \text{if } w_j < 0 \\
[-\frac{\partial l(w)}{\partial w_j} - \lambda_1, -\frac{\partial l(w)}{\partial w_j} + \lambda_1] & \text{if } w_j = 0 \\
\{ -\frac{\partial l(w)}{\partial w_j} + \lambda_2 w_j + \lambda_1 \} & \text{if } w_j > 0
\end{cases}$$
(11)

Using the subderivative, upto three cases of solutions for w_j may be obtained. The coordinate descent algorithm works by cycling through each w_j in turn, keeping the others constant, and using the above estimate to calculate the optimal value w_j^* . This is repeated until convergence.

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