

Accelerated Failure Time

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1 Error - Normal Distribution

Assume the data follow below model:-

$$\begin{aligned}\log y_i &= x_i' \beta + z_i \sigma \\ \log \hat{y}_i &= x_i' \hat{\beta} \\ \eta &= x_i' \hat{\beta}\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

where y_i is the uncensored response and \hat{y}_i is the predicted value for i -th observation and σ is the standard deviation of the error.

1.1 Uncensored Data

1.1.1 Loss Function

$$L_i = -\log \text{lik}_i = -\log(f_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta))\tag{2}$$

where, $f_\eta(\eta)$ is the probability density function(pdf) of η .

$$\begin{aligned}z_i &= \frac{\log y_i - \eta}{\sigma} \sim f \\ f(z) &= \frac{e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \\ f'(z) &= -zf(z) \\ f''(z) &= -f(z) - zf'(z)\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

Now using change of variable for probability density function(pdf). We can

write the below equations.

$$\begin{aligned}
f_Y(y|\eta) &= f_Z(z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \\
f_Y(y|\eta) &= \frac{\exp^{-\frac{(\log(y) - \log(\hat{y}_i))^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{y\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \\
L_i &= -\log\left(\frac{\exp^{-\frac{(\log(y_i) - \log(\hat{y}_i))^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{y_i\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\right) \\
L_i &= -\log\left(\frac{\exp^{-\frac{(\log(y_i) - \eta)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{y_i\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)
\end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

1.1.2 Negative Gradient

In Gradient Boosting and Xgboost, we need to calculate negative gradient of loss function with respect to real-value prediction which is $\hat{\eta}$. Here i am changing between $\hat{\eta}_i$ to $\hat{\eta}$ to make it general.

$$\begin{aligned}
-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \hat{\eta}} &= \frac{\partial \log(f_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta))}{\partial \eta} \\
&= \frac{1}{f_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)} * \frac{\partial f_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)}{\partial \eta}
\end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Using change of variable between z and η . We can write the below in terms of z .

$$\frac{\partial f_Y(y|\eta)}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left[f_Z(z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right] \tag{6}$$

Using product rule of differentiation, we can split $f_Z(z)$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta}$

$$= \frac{\partial f_Z(z)}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + f_Z(z) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \eta \partial y} \tag{7}$$

$$= \frac{\partial f_Z(z)}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + f_Z(z) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \eta \partial y} \tag{8}$$

As we know $\frac{\partial f_Z(z)}{\partial z} = -zf_Z(z)$

Now, we will calculate the gradient of z with respect to η as we have $\frac{\partial z^2}{\partial \eta \partial y}$ in the equation 8.

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} = \frac{-1}{\sigma} \tag{9}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{y\sigma} \tag{10}$$

We also need double differentiation of z with respect to η as we have $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \eta^2}$ in the equation 8.

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \eta \partial y} = 0 \quad (11)$$

$$= -\frac{f'_Z(z)}{y\sigma^2} \quad (12)$$

Now going back to original equation of calculating negative gradient of loss function with respect to η . In equation 9, we have calculated the second part of negative gradient of loss function with respect to η which is $\frac{\partial f_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)}{\partial \eta}$. By replacing the 12th equation in the negative gradient of loss function w.r.t. to η , we get the results as follows:-

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} &= \frac{1}{f_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)} * \frac{\partial f_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)}{\partial \eta} \\ &= \frac{1}{f_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)} * \frac{-f'_{Z_i}(z_i)}{y\sigma^2} \\ &= \frac{-f'_{Z_i}(z_i)}{\sigma f_{Z_i}(z_i|\eta)} \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

1.1.3 Hessian

Hessian is the second derivative of Loss with respect to η . As we have already calculated the negative gradient, further we need to take one more partial derivative with respect to η of negative gradient with negative sign.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 L_i}{\partial \eta^2} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \frac{f'_{Z_i}(z_i)}{\sigma f_{Z_i}(z_i|\eta)} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \frac{f'_{Z_i}(z_i)}{\sigma f_{Z_i}(z_i|\eta)} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial \eta} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \frac{f'_{Z_i}(z_i)}{\sigma f_{Z_i}(z_i|\eta)} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial \eta} \\ &= -\frac{f_{Z_i}(z_i)f''_{Z_i}(z_i) - [f'_{Z_i}(z_i)]^2}{\sigma^2 f_{Z_i}^2(z_i)} \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

1.2 Left Censored Data

1.2.1 Loss Function

$$L_i = -\log \text{lik}_i = -\log(F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)) \quad (15)$$

where, F is the cdf of $Y_i|\eta$.

Therefore, equation 15 can be written as below using property of ??

$$L_i = -\log(\phi(z)) \quad (16)$$

1.2.2 Negative Gradient

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = -\frac{\partial -\log(\phi(z))}{\partial \eta} \quad (17)$$

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\partial \log(\phi(z))}{\partial \eta} \quad (18)$$

$$= \frac{\phi'(z_i)}{\phi(z_i)} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial \eta} \quad (19)$$

Therefore, combining results of chain rule and pdf, below is the final result for negative gradient,

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = \frac{-f(z_i)}{\sigma \phi(z_i)} \quad (20)$$

1.2.3 Hessian

Hessian is the second derivative of Loss with respect to η . As we have already calculated the negative gradient, further we need to take one more partial derivative with respect to η of negative gradient with negative sign.

$$\frac{\partial^2 L_i}{\partial \eta^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} \quad (21)$$

After inputting the values of negative gradient calculated to above equation.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} * \frac{f(z_i)}{\sigma \phi(z_i)} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \frac{f(z_i)}{\sigma \phi(z_i)} * \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial \eta} \\ &= \frac{\phi(z_i)f'(z_i) - f^2(z_i)}{\sigma \phi^2(z_i)} * \frac{-1}{\sigma} \\ &= -\frac{\phi(z_i)f'(z_i) - f^2(z_i)}{\sigma^2 \phi^2(z_i)} \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

1.3 Right Censored Data

1.3.1 Loss Function

$$L_i = -\log \text{lik}_i = -\log(1 - F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)) \quad (23)$$

where, F is the cdf of $Y_i|\eta$.

Therefore, equation 15 can be written as below using property of ??

$$L_i = -\log(1 - \phi(z_i)) \quad (24)$$

1.3.2 Negative Gradient

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = -\frac{\partial -\log(1 - \phi(z_i))}{\partial \eta} \quad (25)$$

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\partial \log(1 - \phi(z_i))}{\partial \eta} \quad (26)$$

Using similar steps, we have done for left censored.

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = -\frac{\phi'(z_i)}{1 - \phi(z_i)} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial \eta} \quad (27)$$

which is nothing but negative of the negative gradient of left censored data. Therefore,

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = \frac{f(z_i)}{\sigma(1 - \phi(z_i))} \quad (28)$$

1.3.3 Hessian

$$\frac{\partial^2 L_i}{\partial \eta^2} = -\frac{(1 - \phi(z_i))f'(z_i) + f^2(z_i)}{\sigma^2(1 - \phi(z_i))^2} \quad (29)$$

1.4 Interval Censored Data

1.4.1 Loss Function

This is combination of left censored and right censored data.

$$L_i = -\log \text{lik}_i = -\log(F_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u | \eta) - F_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l | \eta)) \quad (30)$$

where, F is the cdf of $Y_i | \eta$, y_i^u is the upper limit of time and y_i^l is the lower limit of the time. Above equation is written in terms of ϕ notations as below.

$$L_i = -\log(\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)) \quad (31)$$

1.4.2 Negative Gradient

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = -\frac{\partial -\log(\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l))}{\partial \eta} \quad (32)$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} &= \frac{\phi'(z_i^u)}{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)} \frac{\partial z_i^u}{\partial \eta} - \frac{\phi'(z_i^l)}{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)} \frac{\partial z_i^l}{\partial \eta} \\ &= \frac{f(z_i^u)}{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)} \frac{-1}{\sigma} - \frac{f(z_i^l)}{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)} \frac{-1}{\sigma} \\ &= -\frac{f(z_i^u) - f(z_i^l)}{\sigma(\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l))} \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

1.4.3 Hessian

Hessian is the second derivative of Loss with respect to η . As we have already calculated the negative gradient, further we need to take one more partial derivative with respect to η of negative gradient with negative sign.

$$\frac{\partial^2 L_i}{\partial \eta^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} \quad (34)$$

After inputting the values of negative gradient calculated to above equation.

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} * \frac{-f(z_i^u) + f(z_i^l)}{\sigma\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}} \quad (35)$$

Lets consider first part,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \frac{-f(z_i^u)}{\sigma\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i^u} \frac{-f(z_i^u)}{\sigma\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}} \frac{\partial z_i^u}{\partial \eta} \\ &= - \frac{\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\} f'(z_i^u) - f^2(z_i^u) - 1}{\sigma\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}^2} \frac{1}{\sigma} \\ &= \frac{\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\} f'(z_i^u) - f^2(z_i^u)}{\sigma^2\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

Similarly, for second part -

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \frac{f(z_i^l)}{\sigma\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i^l} \frac{f(z_i^l)}{\sigma\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}} \frac{\partial z_i^l}{\partial \eta} \\ &= \frac{\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\} f'(z_i^l) + f^2(z_i^l) - 1}{\sigma\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}^2} \frac{1}{\sigma} \\ &= - \frac{\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\} f'(z_i^l) - f^2(z_i^l)}{\sigma^2\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Combining both

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \eta^2} = \frac{\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\} \{f'(z_i^u) - f'(z_i^l)\} - \{f^2(z_i^u) - f^2(z_i^l)\}}{\sigma^2\{\phi(z_i^u) - \phi(z_i^l)\}^2} \quad (38)$$

2 Error - Logistic Distribution

2.1 Uncensored Data

2.1.1 Loss Function

$$L_i = -\log \text{lik}_i = -\log(f_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)) \quad (39)$$

where, $f_\eta(\eta)$ is the probability density function(pdf) of η .

$$\begin{aligned} z_i &= \frac{\log y_i - \eta}{\sigma} \sim f \\ f(z) &= \frac{e^z}{(1 + e^z)^2} \\ F(z) &= \frac{e^z}{1 + e^z} \\ F_{Y_i}(y_i) &= F(z_i) \end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

Now using change of variable for probability density function(pdf). We can write the below equations.

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y|\eta) &= f_Z(z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \\ f_Y(y|\eta) &= \frac{\exp(\frac{(\log(y) - \eta)}{\sigma})}{\sigma * y * (1 + \exp(\frac{(\log(y) - \eta)}{\sigma}))^2} \\ L_i &= -\log\left(\frac{\exp(\frac{(\log(y) - \eta)}{\sigma})}{\sigma * y * (1 + \exp(\frac{(\log(y) - \eta)}{\sigma}))^2}\right) \\ &= -\log\left(\frac{\exp(\frac{(\log(y) - \eta)}{\sigma})}{\sigma * y * (1 + \exp(\frac{(\log(y) - \eta)}{\sigma}))^2}\right) \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

2.1.2 Negative Gradient

Key results

$$\begin{aligned} w &= e^z \\ f'(z) &= f(z) \frac{1 - w}{1 + w} \end{aligned} \tag{42}$$

$$f''(z) = f'(z) \frac{1 - w}{1 + w} - f(z) \frac{1}{1 + w} \tag{43}$$

Therefore, $f'(y|\eta)$ is calculated based on chain rule.

$$\frac{\partial f_Y(y|\eta)}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left[f_Z(z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} \right] \tag{44}$$

Using product rule of differentiation, we can split $f_Z(z)$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta}$

$$= \frac{\partial f_Z(z)}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} + f_Z(z) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \eta^2} \tag{45}$$

$$= \frac{\partial f_Z(z)}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z^2}{\partial \eta^2} + f_Z(z) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \eta^2} \tag{46}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta} = \frac{-1}{\sigma} \quad (47)$$

We also need double differentiation of z with respect to η as we have $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \eta^2}$ in the equation 47.

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \eta^2} = 0 \quad (48)$$

$$\frac{\partial z^2}{\partial \eta^2} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \quad (49)$$

Therefore,

$$-f'(y|\eta) = -\frac{f'_Z(z)}{\sigma^2} \quad (50)$$

$$-f'(y_i|\eta) = -\frac{f'_{Z_i}(z_i)}{\sigma^2} \quad (51)$$

2.1.3 Hessian

$$\begin{aligned} f''(y_i|\eta) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left\{ \frac{f'_{Z_i}(z_i)}{\sigma^2} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{f''_{Z_i}(z_i)}{\sigma^2} \right\} * \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial \eta} \\ &= -\frac{f''_{Z_i}(z_i)}{\sigma^3} \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

2.2 Left Censored Data

2.2.1 Loss Function

$$L_i = -\log \text{lik}_i = -\log(F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)) \quad (53)$$

where, F is the cdf of $Y_i|\eta$.

As we know,

$$\log(Y_i) \sim \text{Logistic}(\eta, \sigma) \quad (54)$$

$$F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta) = \frac{\exp \frac{\log(y_i) - \eta}{\sigma}}{1 + \exp \frac{\log(y_i) - \eta}{\sigma}} \quad (55)$$

2.2.2 Negative Gradient

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = -\frac{\partial -\log(F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta))}{\partial \eta} \quad (56)$$

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\partial \log(F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta))}{\partial \eta} \quad (57)$$

$$= \frac{F'_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)}{F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)} \quad (58)$$

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = \frac{-f(z_i)}{\sigma F(z_i)} \quad (59)$$

2.2.3 Hessian

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 L_i}{\partial \eta^2} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} * \frac{f(z_i)}{\sigma F(z_i)} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \frac{f(z_i)}{\sigma F(z_i)} * \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial \eta} \\ &= \frac{F(z_i)f'(z_i) - f^2(z_i)}{\sigma F^2(z_i)} * \frac{-1}{\sigma} \\ &= -\frac{F(z_i)f'(z_i) - f^2(z_i)}{\sigma^2 F^2(z_i)} \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$

2.3 Right Censored Data

2.3.1 Loss Function

$$L_i = -\log \text{lik}_i = -\log(1 - F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)) \quad (61)$$

where, F is the cdf of $Y_i|\eta$.

As we know,

$$\log(Y_i) \sim \text{Logistic}(\eta, \sigma) \quad (62)$$

$$F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta) = \frac{\exp \frac{\log(y_i) - \eta}{\sigma}}{1 + \exp \frac{\log(y_i) - \eta}{\sigma}} \quad (63)$$

2.3.2 Negative Gradient

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = -\frac{\partial -\log(1 - F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta))}{\partial \eta} \quad (64)$$

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\partial \log(1 - F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta))}{\partial \eta} \quad (65)$$

$$= -\frac{F'_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)}{1 - F_{Y_i}(y_i|\eta)} \quad (66)$$

$$= \frac{f(z_i)}{\sigma(1 - F(z_i))} \quad (67)$$

2.3.3 Hessian

$$\frac{\partial^2 L_i}{\partial \eta^2} = - \frac{(1 - F(z_i))f'(z_i) + f^2(z_i)}{\sigma^2(1 - F(z_i))^2} \quad (68)$$

2.4 Interval Censored Data

2.4.1 Loss Function

This is combination of left censored and right censored data.

$$L_i = -\log \text{lik}_i = -\log(F_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - F_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l|\eta)) \quad (69)$$

where, F is the cdf of $Y_i|\eta$, y_i^u is the upper limit of time and y_i^l is the lower limit of the time. Above equation is written in terms of ϕ notations as below.

2.4.2 Negative Gradient

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = - \frac{\partial -\log(F_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - F_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l|\eta))}{\partial \eta} \quad (70)$$

$$-\frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} = \frac{F'_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - F'_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l|\eta)}{F_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - F_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l|\eta)} = \frac{F'(z_i^u) - F'(z_i^l)}{F(z_i^u) - F(z_i^l)} \quad (71)$$

2.4.3 Hessian

Hessian is the second derivative of Loss with respect to η . As we have already calculated the negative gradient, further we need to take one more partial derivative with respect to η of negative gradient with negative sign.

$$\frac{\partial^2 L_i}{\partial \eta^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial L_i}{\partial \eta} \quad (72)$$

After inputting the values of negative gradient calculated to above equation.

$$= - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} * \frac{F'_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - F'_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l|\eta)}{F_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - F_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l|\eta)} \quad (73)$$

Using division rule using the properties of $f'(z) = -zf(z)$ and ???. Below is the new equation, we have split the above equation numerator into 2 parts.

$$= - \frac{\{F_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - F_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l|\eta)\}F''_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - \{F'_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - F'_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l|\eta)\}F'_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta)}{\{F_{Y_i^u}(y_i^u|\eta) - F_{Y_i^l}(y_i^l|\eta)\}^2} \quad (74)$$

Similarly we can do it for second part.