

Solution to exercise Day 1

1. Show that the 2-sample logrank test (i.e., $K(s) = I(Y(s) > 0)$) can be written in the form

$$Z_1(t) = \int_0^t \frac{Y_1(s)Y_2(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)} (d\hat{A}_1(s) - d\hat{A}_2(s)).$$

2. Show that, under $H_0 : \alpha_1(t) = \alpha_2(t)$, Z_1 is a martingale.
3. Find the predictable variation process $\langle Z_1 \rangle$ and the variance estimate $\hat{\sigma}_{11}(t)$.

1. The general test statistic, for $k = 2$ and $K(s) = I(Y(s) > 0)$, is

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1(t) &= \int_0^t I(Y(s) > 0) Y_1(s) \left(\frac{dN_1(s)}{Y_1(s)} - \frac{dN_1(s) + dN_2(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)} \right) \\ &= \int_0^t (dN_1(s) (1 - \frac{Y_1(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)}) - dN_2(s) \frac{Y_1(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)}) \\ &= \int_0^t \frac{Y_1(s)Y_2(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)} \left(\frac{dN_1(s)}{Y_1(s)} - \frac{dN_2(s)}{Y_2(s)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

2. Under $H_0 : \alpha_1(t) = \alpha_2(t) = \alpha(t)$:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1(t) &= \int_0^t \frac{Y_1(s)Y_2(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)} \left(\frac{\alpha(s)Y_1(s)ds + dM_1(s)}{Y_1(s)} - \frac{\alpha(s)Y_2(s)ds + dM_2(s)}{Y_2(s)} \right) \\ &= \int_0^t \frac{Y_1(s)Y_2(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)} \left(\frac{dM_1(s)}{Y_1(s)} - \frac{dM_2(s)}{Y_2(s)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

3. Using $\langle M_j \rangle(t) = \int_0^t \alpha(s)Y_j(s)ds, j = 1, 2$ we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Z_1 \rangle(t) &= \int_0^t \left(\frac{Y_1(s)Y_2(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)} \right)^2 \left(\frac{d\langle M_1 \rangle(s)}{(Y_1(s))^2} + \frac{d\langle M_2 \rangle(s)}{(Y_2(s))^2} \right) \\ &= \int_0^t \left(\frac{Y_1(s)Y_2(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\alpha(s)}{Y_1(s)} + \frac{\alpha(s)}{Y_2(s)} \right) ds \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_0^t \frac{Y_1(s)Y_2(s)}{Y_1(s) + Y_2(s)} \alpha(s) ds.$$

Estimating $\alpha(s)ds$ by $\frac{dN.(s)}{Y_1(s)+Y_2(s)}$ we get

$$\hat{\sigma}_{11}(t) = \int_0^t \frac{Y_1(s)Y_2(s)}{(Y_1(s) + Y_2(s))^2} dN.(s).$$

The same estimator is obtained by using directly the expression for $\hat{\sigma}_{11}(t)$ from the slides.