

In [39]:

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import matlab.engine
eng = matlab.engine.start_matlab()
para= eng.get_log_para(narout = 1)
para_se = eng.get_log_se(narout = 1)
print(para)
print(para_se)
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[[0.0568237067543],[2.90254313798],[-12.6051326697],[-2.09924064092]]
[[0.00182053598234],[0.0749653577461],[1.9997620191],[0.0494761934928]]
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Question(a)

Given the matlab code (prop_haz.m) we can know that estimating hazard function follows the following formula:

$$\lambda(t) = Pr(\tau = t | \tau > t - 1, v) \\ = \frac{\gamma p (\gamma t)^{p-1}}{1 + (\gamma t)^p} e^{\beta v}$$

where the covariates v are:

1. Indicator for summer months.
2. Difference between "contract mortgage rate" and "the 3 month lag of the 10 year LIBOR rate".

From the formula, we know γ is the magnitude of the baseline hazard, and p is the shape parameter for the baseline hazard. The last two parameters are coefficients for covariates, which are β_1 and β_2 . β_1 measures how borrowers react to coupon gaps and β_2 measures the sensitivity to the summer months.

In [43]:

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para_non= eng.get_log_para_non(narout = 1)
para_se_non = eng.get_log_se_non(narout = 1)
print(para_non)
print(para_se_non)
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[[0.0048375447524],[1.31377206773],[69.752653213],[-0.408218169874]]
[[0.000447252684004],[0.0293563569075],[3.00396507062],[0.045844247549]]
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Question(d)

The economics ideas are quite similar after considering the time-varying feature of the hazard model.

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β_1 measures how borrowers react to coupon gaps and β_2 measures the sensitivity to the summer months.

Now, we use time-varying data to estimate the time-varying hazard model using log-logistic baseline hazard method. Compared to the result in question a, the magnitude of hazard function is 0.0048 which is slightly smaller than the non-varying model. The shape parameter (p) is 1.31 which is much smaller than the shape coefficient in question a.

The β parameters behave quite different from question a, within time-varying model, the reaction to coupon gaps (β_1) is strongly positive while in non-time varying model, there is a negative relation. For β_2 , summer indicator used to have a negative impact on hazard rate, however, the effect diminish to zero when we use time-varying model.