

STAT611 Homework 03

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Question 1: Ex 7.10 in C&B

- (a) Find a two-dimensional sufficient statistic for (α, β)
- (b) Find the MLEs of α, β
- (c) Given the data, find the MLEs of α, β

(a) Find a two-dimensional sufficient statistic for (α, β)

Answer:

$$f(x; \alpha, \beta) = 1_{\{0 \leq x \leq \beta\}} \frac{\partial(x/\beta)^\alpha}{\partial x} = \alpha \beta^{-\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} 1_{\{0 \leq x \leq \beta\}}$$

$$\text{Assume } X = (x_1, \dots, x_n), x_{(1)} = \min_{i=1}^n \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}, x_{(n)} = \max_{i=1}^n \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}:$$

$$f(X; \alpha, \beta) \stackrel{iid}{=} \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \alpha, \beta) = \alpha^n \beta^{-n\alpha} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{\alpha-1} 1_{\{x_{(n)} \leq \beta\}} 1_{\{x_{(1)} \geq 0\}}$$

Suppose $T(X) := (\prod_{i=1}^n x_i, x_{(n)})$, $g(T(X); \alpha, \beta) := \alpha^n \beta^{-n\alpha} (\prod_{i=1}^n x_i)^{\alpha-1} 1_{\{x_{(n)} \leq \beta\}}$, $h(X) := 1_{\{x_{(1)} \geq 0\}}$, then by Factorization Theorem,

$$T(X) := (\prod_{i=1}^n x_i, x_{(n)}) \text{ is the 2-dimensional sufficient statistic for } (\alpha, \beta)$$

(b) Find the MLEs of α, β

Answer:

$$L(\alpha, \beta; X) := f(X; \alpha, \beta)$$

- (1) $x_{(1)} < 0$ or $x_{(n)} > \beta$:

$$L(\alpha, \beta; X) = 0.$$

- (2) $0 \leq x_{(1)}, x_{(n)} \leq \beta$, fix α :

$$L(\alpha, \beta|X) > 0 \text{ decreases with } \beta. \text{ Thus, } \hat{\beta}_{MLE} = x_{(n)}.$$

- (3) $0 \leq x_{(1)}, x_{(n)} \leq \beta$, fix $\hat{\beta}_{MLE} = x_{(n)}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial \ln L(\alpha, \beta | X)}{\partial \alpha} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \left[n \ln \alpha - n \alpha \ln \beta + (\alpha - 1) \ln \prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right] \\
&= \frac{n}{\alpha} - n \ln \beta + \ln \prod_{i=1}^n x_i = 0 \\
\Rightarrow \hat{\alpha} &= \frac{n}{n \ln \beta - \ln \prod_{i=1}^n x_i} \stackrel{\hat{\beta}_{MLE} = x_{(n)}}{=} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_{(n)} - \ln x_i) \right]^{-1} \\
\text{Moreover, } \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \alpha^2} &= -n/\alpha^2 < 0, \text{ so } \hat{\alpha}_{MLE} = \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_{(n)} - \ln x_i) \right]^{-1} \\
\text{By (1)(2)(3), } \hat{\beta}_{MLE} &= x_{(n)}, \hat{\alpha}_{MLE} = \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_{(n)} - \ln x_i) \right]^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

(c) Given the data, find the MLEs of α, β

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\beta}_{MLE} &= x_{(n)} = 25.0 \\
\ln \prod_{i=1}^{14} x_i &= \sum_{i=1}^{14} \ln x_i = 43.9526978 \\
\hat{\alpha}_{MLE} &= \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_{(n)} - \ln x_i) \right]^{-1} = 1/(\ln 25 - 43.9526978/14) = 12.5948692
\end{aligned}$$

Question 2: Ex 7.11 in C&B

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 (b) Find the method of moments estimator of θ

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Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta|X) &= f(X|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \theta x_i^{\theta-1} = \theta^n \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{\theta-1} \\ \frac{\partial \ln L}{\partial \theta} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left[n \ln \theta + (\theta - 1) \ln \prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right] = \frac{n}{\theta} + \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i = 0, \hat{\theta} = \left(-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i \right)^{-1} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \theta^2} &= -\frac{n}{\theta^2} < 0 \\ \implies \hat{\theta}_{MLE} &= \left(-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i \right)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

According to $\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \left(-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i \right)^{-1}$, the distribution of $\left(-\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i \right)^{-1}$ is needed. Namely, $-\ln x_i$ distribution is needed. Since $f(x_i|\theta) = \theta x_i^{\theta-1}$, $X_i \sim \text{Beta}(\theta, 1)$. $Y_i := -\ln X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$, with $P(Y_i \leq y_i) = P(-\ln X_i \leq y_i) = P(X_i \geq \exp(-y_i)) = \int_{x=\exp(-y_i)}^1 f(x|\theta) dx = 1 - \exp(-\theta y_i)$.

Suppose $T := \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln X_i$. Since $Y_i \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$, then $T \sim \text{Gamma}(n, \theta)$, $1/T \sim \text{Inverse-Gamma}(n, \theta)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}_{MLE}) &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{n}{-\sum_{i=1}^n \ln X_i}\right) = n^2 \text{Var}(1/T) \stackrel{\text{InverseGamma}}{=} n^2 \frac{\theta^2}{(n-1)^2(n-2)} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}_{MLE}) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{(n-1)^2(n-1)} \theta^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Find the method of moments estimator of θ

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} X &\sim \text{Beta}(\theta, 1), E(X) = \frac{\theta}{\theta+1} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ \implies \theta &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \end{aligned}$$

Question 3:

- (a) Construct a normal probability plot. Is normality plausible?
- (b) Construct a Weibull probability plot. Is the Weibull distribution family plausible?
 - i. Find the quartile of order p , $F^{\leftarrow}(p; a, b)$
 - ii. Find the sample median and 3rd quartile of the data set
 - iii. Equate
$$F^{\leftarrow}(1/2; a, b) = \text{Data Median}$$
$$F^{\leftarrow}(3/4; a, b) = \text{Data 3rdQuartile}$$
 - iv. Solver for a,b
 - v. Make a Weibull QQ plot using (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) . Dose it look worse than the normal QQ plot?

(a) Construct a normal probability plot. Is normality plausible?

Answer:

The R code for generate the normal probability plot is shown as follow:

```
1 library(fitdistrplus)
2 serving = read.csv("LoadLife.csv", header=F)
3 serving = serving[, ]
4
5 fit.n <- fitdist(serving, "norm")
6 rbind(fit.n$estimate)
7 png('norm.png')
8 plot.legend <- c("norm")
9 opar <- par(no.readonly=TRUE)
10 par(mfrow=c(2,2))
11 denscomp(list(fit.n), legendtext = plot.legend)
12 cdfcomp (list(fit.n), legendtext = plot.legend)
13 qqcomp (list(fit.n), legendtext = plot.legend)
14 ppcomp (list(fit.n), legendtext = plot.legend)
15 dev.off()
```

The plot is shown as follow:

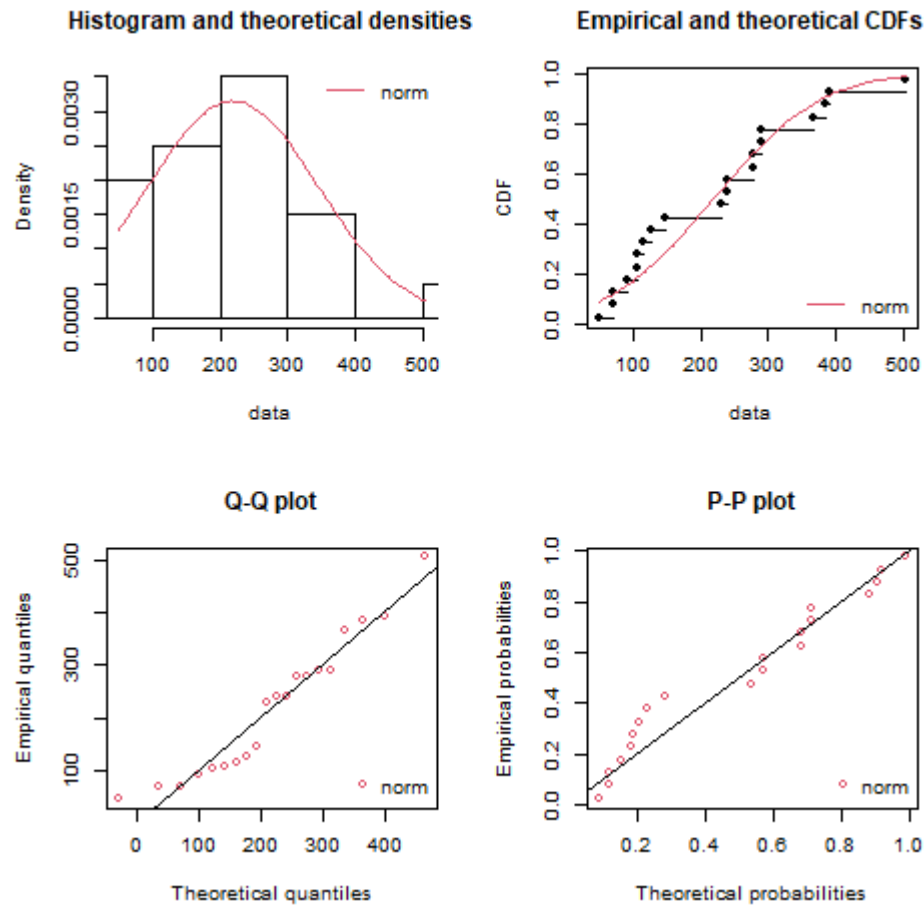


Figure 1: Normal probability plot

From the above plot, normality is plausible.

(b) Construct a Weibull probability plot. Is the Weibull distribution family plausible?

Answer:

The R code for generate the Weibull probability plot is shown as follow:

```
1 fit_w <- fitdist(serving, "weibull")
2 rbind(fit_w$estimate)
3 png('weibull.png')
4 plot.legend <- c("weibull")
5 opar <- par(no.readonly=TRUE)
```

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6 par(mfrow=c(2,2))
7 denscomp(list(fit.w), legendtext = plot.legend)
8 cdfcomp (list(fit.w), legendtext = plot.legend)
9 qqcomp (list(fit.w), legendtext = plot.legend)
10 ppcomp (list(fit.w), legendtext = plot.legend)
11 dev.off()

```

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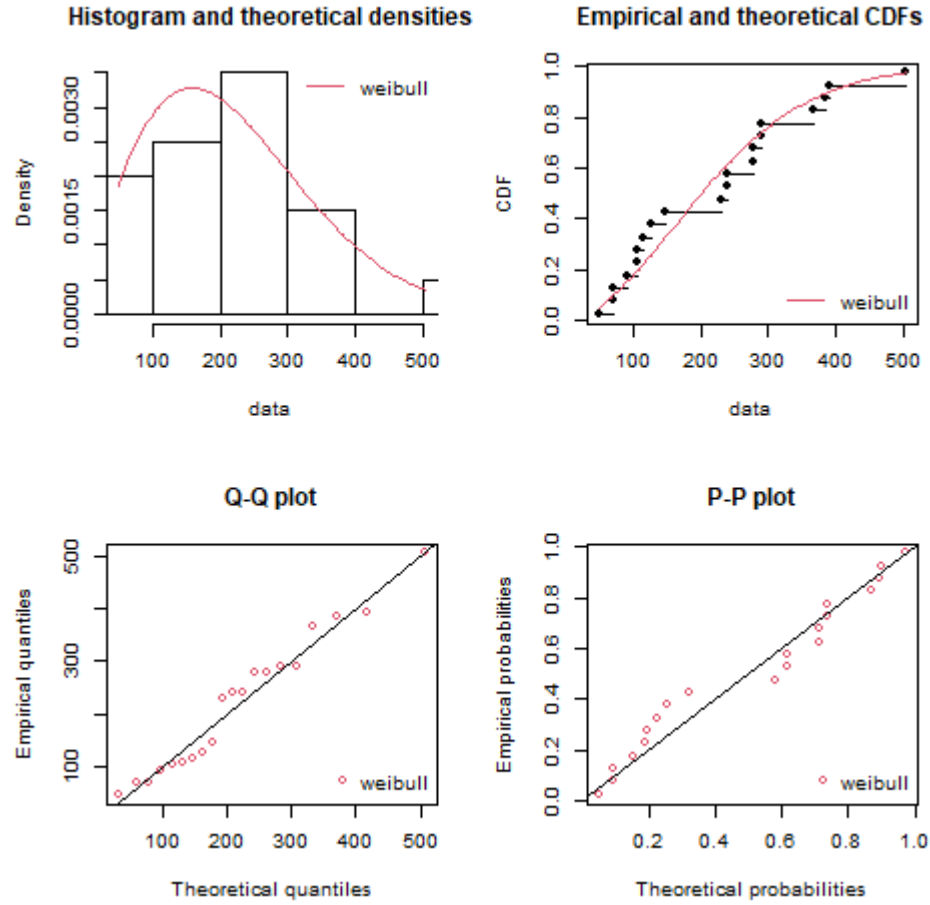


Figure 2: Weibull probability plot

From the above plot, the Weibull distribution family is plausible.

(i) Find the quartile of order $p, F^{\leftarrow}(p; a, b)$

Suppose $x_p = F^{\leftarrow}(p; a, b)$. Then by the definition of quartile, the following equations are obtained.

$$\begin{aligned}
p = P(X \leq x_p) &= \int_0^{x_p} f(x; a, b) dx = \int_0^{x_p} \frac{a}{b} \left(\frac{x}{b}\right)^{(a-1)} \exp[-(x/b)^a] dx \\
\implies p &= \int_0^{x_p} d(-\exp[-(x/b)^a]) = 1 - \exp[-(x_p/b)^a] \\
\implies x_p &= b[-\ln(1-p)]^{1/a}
\end{aligned}$$

Namely,

$$F^{\leftarrow}(p; a, b) = b[-\ln(1-p)]^{1/a}$$

(ii) Find the sample median and 3rd quartile of the data set

By the following R code, the median and 3rd quartile are shown in the Table 1.

```
1 summary(serving)
```

| median | 3rd quartile |
|--------|--------------|
| 234.5 | 289.0 |

Table 1: Median and 3rd quartile

(iii) Equate

$$F^{\leftarrow}(1/2; a, b) = \text{Data Media}$$

$$F^{\leftarrow}(3/4; a, b) = \text{Data 3rdQuartile}$$

Suppose $x_{1/2} = F^{\leftarrow}(1/2; a, b)$, $x_{3/4} = F^{\leftarrow}(3/4; a, b)$, $\hat{X} := (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ the data set, x_{12} Data Media, x_{34} Data 3rd Quartile. By the definition of $x_{1/2}, x_{3/4}$ in (i), the following formula can be obtained:

$$P(X \leq x_{1/2}) = 1/2 \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{x_i \in \hat{X}} I_{\{x_i \leq x_{12}\}} = P(\hat{X} \leq x_{12})$$

$$P(X \leq x_{3/4}) = 3/4 \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{x_i \in \hat{X}} I_{\{x_i \leq x_{34}\}} = P(\hat{X} \leq x_{34})$$

$$\implies x_{1/2} = F^{\leftarrow}(1/2; a, b) \approx \text{Data Media} = x_{12},$$

$$x_{3/4} = F^{\leftarrow}(3/4; a, b) \approx \text{Data 3rd Quartile} = x_{34}$$

(iv) Solver for a,b

By the equation in (i) and (iii),

$$\begin{aligned}x_{12} &= b[-\ln(1 - 1/2)]^{1/a}, x_{34} = b[-\ln(1 - 3/4)]^{1/a} \\ \implies x_{12} &= b(\ln 2)^{1/a}, x_{34} = b(2 \ln 2)^{1/a} \\ \implies \hat{a} &= \frac{\ln 2}{\ln x_{34} - \ln x_{12}}, \hat{b} = \frac{x_{12}}{(\ln 2)^{1/\hat{a}}} = \frac{x_{12}}{(\ln 2)^{(\ln x_{34} - \ln x_{12})/\ln 2}}\end{aligned}$$

(v) Make a Weibull QQ plot using (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) . Dose it look worse than the normal QQ plot?

First, (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) is computed according to formula in (iv) and value in (ii). The value is shown as follow:

| a (shape) | b(scale) |
|-----------|----------|
| 3.316952 | 261.8973 |

Table 2: value of \hat{a}, \hat{b}

Then according to the empirical quantiles in the data set, the theoretical quantiles of Weibull distribution (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) and norm distribution (mean and std in Question 3(a)) are generated with the following code.

```
1 rk = (rank(serving,ties.method = "first")-0.5)/length(serving)
2 theo_norm = qnorm(rk, mean = fit_n$estimate[1],
3                   sd = fit_n$estimate[2],
4                   lower.tail = TRUE, log.p = FALSE)
5 x_12 = summary(serving)[3]
6 x_34 = summary(serving)[5]
7 a = log(2)/(log(x_34)-log(x_12))
8 b = x_12/((log(2))^(1/a))
9 theo_weibull = qweibull(rk, shape = a, scale = b,
10                        lower.tail = TRUE, log.p = FALSE)
```

The code for plot is show as follow:

```
1 png('compare.png')
2 par(pin = c(4,2.75))
3 plot(theo_norm,serving,xlab = "Theoretical quantiles",
4      ylab="Empirical quantiles", col="red",
5      main = "Q-Q plot",xlim = c(-20,500),ylim = c(20,500))
6 lines(0:500, 0:500, col="black")
7 par(new=TRUE)
8 plot(theo_weibull,serving,col="green",new= TRUE,
9      axes = FALSE, xlab = "Theoretical quantiles",
10     ylab="Empirical quantiles",xlim = c(-20,500),
11     ylim = c(20,500),pch=c(3))
12 legend("bottomright", inset=.05, title="Distribution Type",
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13     c("Norm", "Weibull"), pch=c(1, 3), col=c("red", "green"))
14 dev.off()

```

The Weibull QQ plot is shown as follow: From the above plot, it looks worse

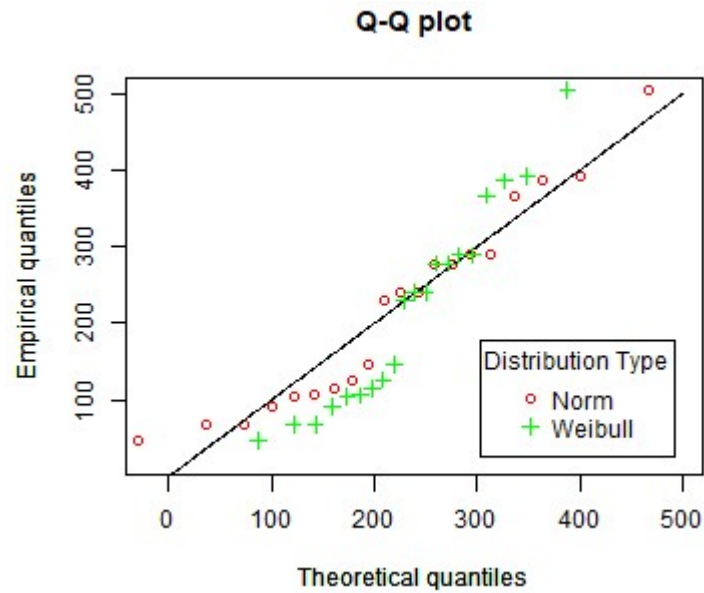


Figure 3: QQ plot

than the normal QQ plot, whose distance with $y = x$ is bigger than that of normal distribution.