STAT 280

Today: Sections (Apparently unrelated topics) 9.1 Distribution of Extremes 10.1 The Reliability Function 10.2 The Hazard Rate

9.1 Distribution of Extremes

Consider a random sample of n observations:

 $X_1, X_2, X_3, \ldots, X_n$

We model this observation as the realization of an IID sequence of random variables $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$

The sampled population may be described by its associated CDF $F_X(x) = P(X | x)$



e.g. $X \sim N(0,1)$

Look at the distrib'n of the minimums

We can do this for 500 samples of size 10:





How can this distribution of the MINIMUM be computed analytically?

Let X_{MIN} = minimum of { $X_1, X_2, X_3, ..., X_n$ } $P(X_{MIN} > x) = P(all X_i > x) = (1-F_X(x))^n$ because of independence

So, $F_{MIN}(x) = P(X_{MIN} \quad x) = 1 - (1 - F_X(x))^n$ and $f_{MIN}(x) = n(1 - F_X(x))^{n-1} f_X(x)$

Example: Suppose X is Normal(0,1). Can't write down $F_X(x)$ but can compute it (with MINITAB), and similarly $n(1-F_X(x))^{n-1} f_X(x)$ So for n=10, and $F_X()$ cdf of N(0,1), the density of X_{MIN} is:



This is an example where we did not need to simulate the result since it was tractable.

There is a similar result for X_{MAX} .

Important special case: X exponential rate

What is
$$n(1-F_X(x))^{n-1} f_X(x)$$
 when
 $f_X(x) = (\)e^{-x}$ and $F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-x}$
 $n(1-F_X(x))^{n-1} f_X(x) = n (e^{-x})^{n-1} (\)e^{-x}$
 $= (n \) e^{-(n \)x}$

So conclude X_{MIN} is Exponential with rate n

Application to Poisson processes.

Suppose Poisson Process 1 has expo interarrivals with rate $_1$ and

Poisson Process 2 has expo interarrivals with rate 2

Then the combined processes have interarrivals that are exporte (1 + 2), and combined process is Poisson.

For example: Cars pass with rate 10/ minute, Trucks pass with rate 2/minute, so number of vehicles (cars or trucks) that pass is Poisson with rate 12/minute. In 5 minutes, use Poisson with mean 60. 10.1 The Reliability Function

Let T denote time to failure

R(t) = P(T > t) is the reliability function of T = 1-F_T(t)

Redundant components can increase reliability.

See series and parallel redundancy p 375.

Reliability of series connection is product of reliabilities Reliability of parallel connection - see Thm p 375

Example:

Two components in series both have reliability $R(t) = e^{-t}$

What is reliability of circuit? e^{-2t} which is smaller.

Series circuit will tend to fail sooner than single component.

Two components in parallel: each with $R(t)=e^{-t}$

What is reliability of two-component circuit?

 $1 - (1 - e^{-t})^2 = 2e^{-t} - e^{-2t} = e^{-t} (2 - e^{-t}) > e^{-t}$ when t>0

Parallel redundancy is effective in improving reliability.

For example: lifetime is exponential with mean 1 R(3)=P(lifetime of circuit > 3) = 0.14 for single component 0.018 for two components in series 0.25 for two components in parallel

The 1,2,3,4 are rate constants for the component's lives. Reliability of 1,2 is $e^{-(1+2)t}$ and of 3,4 is $e^{-(3+4)t}$ So, reliability of circuit is $1-(1-e^{-(1+2)t})(1-e^{-(3+4)t})$

And for any t you can work out the P(circuit lives to age t).

10.2 Hazard Rate

Exponential duration is one ended by constant "force of mortality", ie. Each t has approx prob t of being death interval (which is why the Bernoulli frames approach worked).

This "force of mortality" idea is defined by the hazard function: $h(t) = f_T(t)/(1-F_T(t))$

Can show this is limit as $t \rightarrow 0$ of P(t <T<t+ t | T>t) which is the probability that the item dies in (t, t+ t) given that it has survived to age t. (See p 381)

Hazard rate for an exponential lifetime = $e^{-t} / (1 - (1 - e^{-t})) =$ and does not depend on t!

Hazard rate and pdf can be computed from each other (See Thm 10.2-1).

Example of increasing hazard rate. Example 10.2-4.



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THE END of New Material!

Next Week – Review of Whole Course.