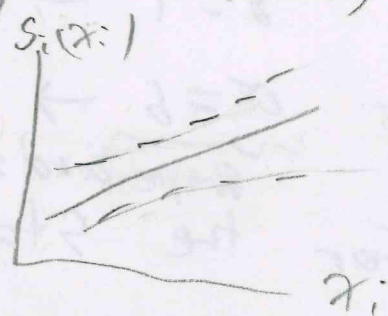


4) Plot  $x_i$  vs  $\hat{S}_i(x_i)$ . If the plot is linear, 473 63

use  $x_i$  in the PH model.

If the plot is quadratic, add  $x_i^2$  to the PH model,



If the plot is cubic, add  $x_i^2$  and  $x_i^3$  to the model.

Let  $w_1, \dots, w_k$  be the final set of predictors

in the PH model eg  $x_1, x_1^2, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_4^2, x_4^3$   
 $w_1 \quad w_2 \quad w_3 \quad w_4 \quad w_5 \quad w_6 \quad w_7$

Fit the GAM to this model and check that all  $w_i$  vs  $\hat{S}_i(w_i)$  plots are linear.

(from Wood P 116-119, 283-287)

Another AFT

Another AFT is the generalized gamma model. Then there are intercept  $\alpha$ , scale  $\sigma$ , and shape  $b$  parameters.

intercept  
 $\alpha$   
scale  
 $\sigma$   
shape  
 $b$

$\sigma = 0 \rightarrow$  lognormal

$\delta = 1 \rightarrow$  Weibull  $\rightarrow (\sigma = 1, \delta = 1 \rightarrow \text{EXP})$

$\sigma = \delta \rightarrow$  standard Gamma model (2 parameter)  
shape and scale parameters are equal.

For the standard Gamma model, the pdf of  $x$

$$f(x) = \frac{\lambda (\lambda x)^{k-1} e^{-\lambda x}}{\Gamma(k)}, \quad k = \frac{1}{\delta^2} > 0$$

$$\text{and } \lambda = \exp[-(\alpha + \text{SP})] > 0.$$

$$\text{Note that } f(x) = \frac{x^{k-1} e^{-\lambda x}}{\lambda^{-k} \Gamma(k)}$$

Some texts take  $\lambda = \frac{1}{\beta}$ .

$$E[X] = \frac{k}{\lambda}, \quad V[X] = \frac{k}{\lambda^2}.$$

could make EE plots to test (lognormal, Weibull, EXP, or standard Gamma vs generalized Gamma.

### Competing Risks

1) The event could be due to  $J$  causes of interest.

ex) death: heart disease, cancer, stroke, accident, other

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2) Let  $h_i(t)$  be the hazard function for the  $i$ th person with  $\underline{x}_i$ . Let  $h_{ij}(t)$  be the hazard function for death type  $j$  for the  $i$ th person.

$$\text{Then } h_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^J h_{ij}(t).$$

3) PH:  $\log h_{ij}(t) = \underbrace{d_j(t)}_{\log h_0(t)} + \beta_j' \underline{x}_j, \quad j=1, \dots, J$

4) Can fit all different models

eg PH for  $j=1$ , GCR,  $j=2$ , WAFT  $j=3$

5) Can focus on type  $j$  by considering deaths by causes  $i=1, \dots, j-1, j+1, \dots, J$  to be censored for type  $j$ .

ex) 472 leaders from countries outside of North America, Europe and Australia

$T = \#$  years in power and the

competing risks are the mode of exit from power  
death from natural causes  
constitutional means

non constitutional means such as assassination, overthrow

426 cases: 179 still leaders in 1987 0

(rise to power 1960-1987)

27 died of natural causes 2

115 constitutional 1

115 unconstitutional 3

lost = competing risks variable → LVD

variables manner (leader reached power)

0 constitutional

1 unconstitutional

start = year of entry into power

military 1 if military 0 if civilian

age (at start)

conflict = level of ethnic conflict 0 low 1 med or high

log inc log (GNP)

growth annual ave rate of per capita GNP growth between 1965 and 1983

pop

land (area)

literacy (rate)

region 0 - middle east 1 Africa 2 Asia 3 Latin America

model years \* lost(0,1,2) = ... focuses on type 3

model years \* lost(0,1,3) = ... 2 SAS

model years \* lost(0,2,3) = ... 1

treated as censored

The output for the 3 types of competing risks is analysis like 1 output for PH data

$\hat{\beta}_1$       type 1      usual      p > ch:98  
 SE      ch:98

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$x_1$   
 $\vdots$   
 $x_p$

$\hat{\beta}_2$       type 2

$x_1$   
 $\vdots$   
 $x_p$

$\hat{\beta}_3$       type 3 = 3

$x_1$   
 $\vdots$   
 $x_p$

6) If  $\beta_1 = \dots = \beta_j$  and PH was used,

just use the PH model based on all of the data (competing risks model is not useful) and  $h_0(t) = \sum_j h_{0j}(t)$

7) Problem: a) times for different event types need to be independent, or at least each type is noninformative for the others.

b) Often death is of much more interest than the competing types of death. Then just use a usual model such as PH.

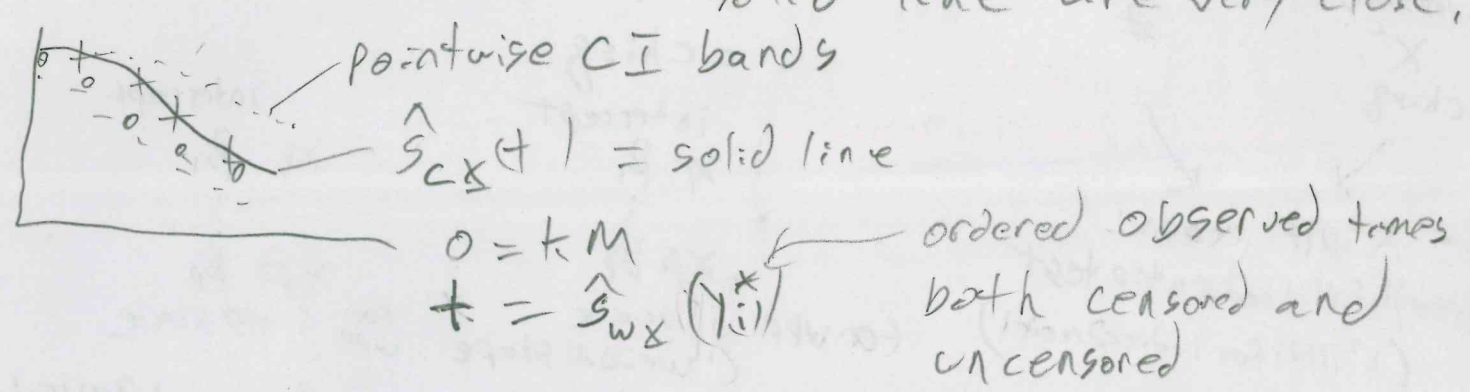
Weibull PH regression survival function is

$$\hat{S}_{WX}(t) = \exp\left(-e^{ESP} \left(\frac{t}{\hat{\lambda}_0}\right)^{\hat{\gamma}}\right) \text{ where}$$

$$ESP = \frac{-\hat{\beta}'A'x}{\hat{\sigma}}, \quad \hat{\lambda}_0 = e^{-\hat{\gamma}\hat{\alpha}}, \quad \hat{\gamma} = \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}}$$

$$\log Y_i = \alpha + \beta A'x + \sigma \epsilon_i \quad (\text{weibull AFT}).$$

Since the Weibull regression model is a PH model, make the EE plot. If the EE plot is good, modify the slice survival plot by adding the weibull  $\hat{S}_{WX}(t)$  as crosses at  $Y_{ij}^*$ . Typically the crosses and solid line are very close.



See "Plots for Survival Regression" on my preprints page

Final is cumulative

1) A] F(t) f(t) S(t) h(t) H(t): Usually 2 are easy 2 are harder. Do the harder ones in 2 ways as a check.

-12) B) KM estimator  $n_i = \sum_{j=1}^n I(t_{(j)} \geq t_i)$

$d_i = \#$  deaths at  $t_i$ ,  $t_i$  is a death time

$t_{(j)}$  is a death or censoring time and contributes to  $n_i$  but <sup>censored</sup> not to  $d_i$ .  $\hat{S}_{KM}(t_i) = \hat{S}_{KM}(t_{i-1}) \left(1 - \frac{d_i}{n_i}\right)$   
 $\hat{S}_{KM}(0) = 1$ .

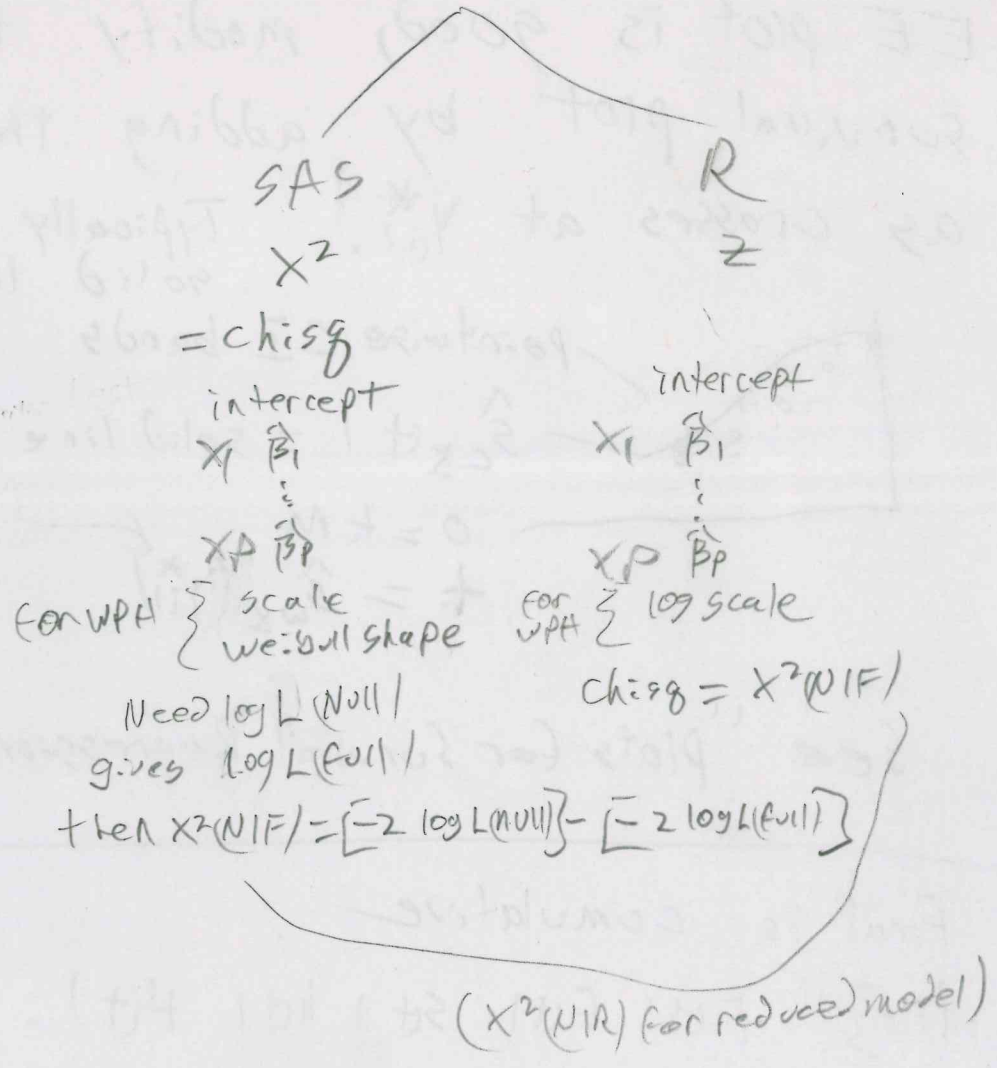
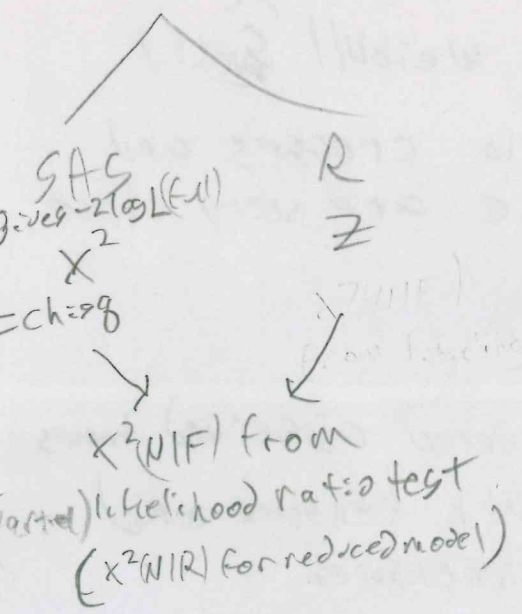
If  $t_m = t_n$  then  $\hat{S}_{KM}(t) = 0$  for  $t > t_m$

If  $t_n > t_m$ , then  $\hat{S}_{KM}(t) = \hat{S}_{KM}(t_m)$  for  $t_m \leq t < t_n$  but  $\hat{S}_{KM}(t)$  is undefined for  $t > t_n$ .

iff  $\log Y$  has WPH  $\nabla$  Weibull AFT

c) PH  
SPH  
GCR

Other AFT models



D) plots

i) Slice Survival plot for goodness of fit

$$\hat{S}_{G(x_j)}(t) \text{ vs } \hat{S}_{KM_j}(t) \text{ for } j\text{th group found}$$

by dividing ESP into  $J$  groups. Add  $\hat{S}_{W(x_j)}(t)$  if WPH is used.

ii) ET plot of ESP vs  $T$  for PH

iii) EE plot of parametric ESP vs Cox ESP especially for WPH: looks like identity line

iv) LRL plot of ESP vs  $\log T$  should be linear for AFT models: identity line in upper left corner, left skewed data

v) H plots of  $X_i$  vs Schoenfeld residuals loess should be horizontal if PH assumptions are reasonable GLOBAL  $p_{val} > 0.05 \Rightarrow$

vi) L plots of  $X_i$  vs martingale residuals if loess <sup>curve</sup>  $g(x_i)$  is linear, use  $X_i$

if loess  $g(x_i)$  is nonlinear, replace  $X_i$  by  $g(X_i)$  Here  $g(x_i)$  should be a simple function like  $h(x_i) = x_i^2$ .

E other problems from Exams 1-3, GGR Q10 like the life table estimator are possible



E) Shorth

F) Bootstrap

$$G) \hat{\beta}_{LS} = \hat{\beta}_{JMP}$$

Quiz 10