Review Chap 2: Loss Distributions

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- Structure of the Chapter
- Classical Loss Distributions
- Fitting loss distributions
- Mixture Distributions
- Loss Distributions and Reinsurance

Distribution in Actuarial Modelling

- Fit a probability distribution with reasonably tractable mathematical properties
- Concern about the chances and sizes of large claims

What's each section about?

- Section 2.2: What are the basic properties of some commonly used and classic loss distributions? How to fit data to a loss distribution? (Classical loss distributions)
- Section 2.3: How well does our selected distribution fit the data? (Analyzing fit)
- **Section 2.4**: Well, what's going on if the parameter is not a constant, but follows a certain distribution? (**Mixture distribution**)
- Section 2.5: What will change under reinsurance contract? (Loss distributions and reinsurance)

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Exponential Distribution (Page 36 - 39)

- PDF, CDF, MGF, Mean, Variance (Have a look at the form of CDF!)
- Memoryless property
- Failure (or hazard) rate function

$$r_X(x) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{F_X(x+h) - F_X(x)}{h} \frac{1}{\bar{F}_X(x)} = \frac{f_X(x)}{\bar{F}_X(x)} = \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda x}}{e^{-\lambda x}} = \lambda.$$

- · Method of moments and maximum likelihood
- $\bar{F}_X(x) = e^{-\lambda x}$ converges to 0 really fast

Pareto Distribution (Page 39 - 42)

PDF, CDF, Mean, Variance

$$\bar{F}_X(x) = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda + x}\right)^{\alpha}$$

- Dealing with inflation in claims and deductibles
- Method of moments and maximum likelihood (numerical methods needed)
- Much closer to observed relative frequencies of these events for the Theft claim data than the ML fitted exponential distribution

Gamma Distribution (Page 43 - 44)

- Shape and scale parameter
- Method of moments and maximum likelihood (Reparametrization needed)

Weibull Distribution (Page 45 - 46)

- Shape and scale parameter c and γ
 - $-\gamma = 1$, exponential
 - $-\gamma < 1$, tail is fatter (heavier) than that of any exponential distribution, but not as heavy as that of a Pareto

$$r_X(x) = \frac{f_X(x)}{\bar{F}_X(x)} = \frac{c\gamma x^{\gamma - 1} e^{-cx^{\gamma}}}{e^{-cx^{\gamma}}} = c\gamma x^{\gamma - 1}$$

- Moments (Gamma function needed)
- Maximum Likelihood and method of percentiles

Lognormal Distribution (Page 47 - 51)

- Normal after Logged
- PDF, Mean, Variance
- Method of moments or Maximum likelihood

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Tests on Goodness of Fit

- Kolmogorov–Smirnoff test
- Anderson–Darling test
- Chi-square goodness-of-fit tests (*Important)

Chi-square goodness-of-fit tests (Page 54 - 56)

Maximum likelihood on the grouped data

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$$\chi_{GF}^2 = \sum_{1}^{k} \left(O_i - E_i \right)^2 / E_i$$

- Degrees of Freedom: d = k 1 r
 - − k: Number of groups
 - r: Number of parameters to be estimated

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Mixture Distributions (Page 58 - 60)

Simple Case

$$F(x) = pF_1(x) + qF_2(x)$$

General Case

$$F(x) = \int_{\Theta} F_{\theta}(x) dG(\theta) = \int_{\Theta} F_{\theta}(x) g(\theta) d\theta$$

Focus on Example 2.5

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Types of Reinsurance (Page 61)

- Proportional reinsurance (比例再保险)
 - Quota reinsurance (成数再保险)
 - Surplus reinsurance (溢额再保险)
- Excess of loss reinsurance (超额损失再保险)
- Stop-loss reinsurance (止损再保险,与《非寿险精算》中的止损再保险不同)

Assumptions (Page 61)

• Claim-by-claim Based

$$X = Y + Z = h_I(X) + h_R(X)$$

Proportional reinsurance (Page 62)

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$$h_I(X) = Y = \alpha X, \ h_R(X) = Z = (1 - \alpha)X$$

• Closed under multiplication by a positive scalar (exponential, Pareto, gamma, Weibull and lognormal)

Excess of Loss Reinsurance (Page 62 - 63)

$$Y = \begin{cases} X & \text{if } X \le M \\ M & \text{if } X > M \end{cases}$$

$$E(Y) = \int_0^M x f_X(x) dx + M \bar{F}_X(M) = E(X) - \int_0^\infty y f_X(y + M) dy$$

• Maximum Likelihood:

$$\mathbf{x} = x_1, x_2, M, x_4, M, x_6, x_7, M, \dots$$

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{1}^{n} f_{X}\left(x_{i}, \theta\right) \prod_{1}^{m} \bar{F}_{X}(M, \theta)$$

• Chap 2 Question 18 (作业当中有)