

Estimation of the Parameters of Mixed Frechet Distribution and Its Employment in Simple Linear Regression

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Abstract: Probability distribution is important to those who are interested in the subject of mathematical statistics, so in this research a probability function of the mixed distribution Frechet-Frechet was formed and its parameters were estimated using maximum likelihood and moment methods. These methods are applied on real data which represents the number of cancer cases in Iraq for the years (1991-2016).

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1. Introduction

A noticeable increase of cancer disease in Iraq puts people at risk of death. The main type of cancers seen are lung cancer, stomach cancers, liver cancers, breast cancers and brain tumors. The main reason of these cases being widely seen is the past wars that have affected the environment and atmosphere that the Iraqi people live in, where they experienced nuclear weapons and radiation. These are highly poisonous and can be lethal to humanity or can cause future diseases such as the one noted in this research.

The estimation of probability distribution is important to researchers whom are majoring in mathematical statistic. This is due to the development of estimation method which will play a role in getting best estimator for the parameters. The Frechet distribution is one of the most widely and differently used distributions in many fields and different data. This data could be homogenous or nonhomogenouty and have different probability or same distribution but with different parameters. This will reflect on the population and divide to subpopulations. For each subpopulation, there is a probability density function for each population. However by merging this subpopulation it will give us mixed distribution. There are many researchers who studied this mixture distribution among them; Bader^[6], Jaheen^[9], Nassar^[11], Abbas^[1], Adeoye^[2] and others.

By assuming the random variable X has Frechet distribution^[8] with the following probability density function:

$$f(x, \theta) = \theta x^{-2} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{-1}}, \quad x \geq 0, \theta > 0 \quad \dots\dots (1)$$

Where θ is a shape parameters, and the cumulative density function is:

$$F(x, \theta) = e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{-1}} \quad \dots\dots (2)$$

The importance of this research is through forming probability density for mixed distribution by merging two Frechet distributions. The estimated parameters of this mixed distribution are done by using maximum likelihood and moment methods.

2. Mixed distribution

This is a distribution that results from mixing two or more distributions based on a determined proportion from each population; however in this research just two distributions are assumed. The probability density function for mixed distribution can be found from the following forms^[7]:

$$f(x) = \zeta f_1(x) + (1 - \zeta)f_2(x) \quad \dots\dots (3)$$

Where ζ represents mixing proportion parameter and is a proportion of subpopulation from the origin population, such that $\sum_{i=1}^n \zeta_i = 1$ and $0 < \zeta < 1$, so the probability density function for mixed distribution will be as follows:

$$L(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \alpha, \theta_1, \theta_2) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \alpha, \theta_1, \theta_2) \quad \dots\dots(4)$$

The cumulative distribution function for the mixed distribution can be found by the following form:

$$F(x) = \zeta F_1(x) + (1 - \zeta)F_2(x) \quad \dots\dots (5)$$

So, the cumulative distribution function for the mixed distribution as the following forms:

$$F(x, \zeta, \theta_1, \theta_2) = \zeta e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} + (1 - \zeta)e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} \quad \dots\dots (6)$$

3. The central moment about origin point

$$E(x^r) = \int_0^\infty x^r f_1(x) d_1x + \int_0^\infty x^r f_2(x) d_2x = m_r \quad \dots\dots (7)$$

$$E(x^r) = \int_0^\infty x^r \zeta \theta_1 x^{-2} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} d_1x + \int_0^\infty x^r (1 - \zeta) \theta_2 x^{-2} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} d_2x \quad \text{Let}$$

$$y = \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{-1} \Rightarrow x = \frac{\theta}{y} \Rightarrow dx = -\frac{\theta}{y^2} dy$$

$$m_r = \zeta \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\theta_1}{y}\right)^r \theta_1 \left(\frac{\theta_1}{y}\right)^{-2} e^{-y^{-1}} \left(-\frac{\theta_1}{y^2}\right) d_1y + (1 - \zeta) \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\theta_2}{y}\right)^r \theta_2 \left(\frac{\theta_2}{y}\right)^{-2} e^{-y^{-1}} \left(-\frac{\theta_2}{y^2}\right) d_2y$$

$$m_r = -\left(\zeta \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\theta_1}{y}\right)^r e^{-y^{-1}} d_1y + (1 - \zeta) \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\theta_2}{y}\right)^r e^{-y^{-1}} d_2y\right)$$

$$m_r = -\zeta \theta_1^r \Gamma(r + 1) - (1 - \zeta) \theta_2^r \Gamma(r + 1) \quad \dots\dots (8)$$

when r = 1

$$m_1 = -\zeta \theta_1 - (1 - \zeta) \theta_2 \quad \dots\dots (9)$$

when r = 2

$$m_2 = -2\zeta \theta_1^2 - 2(1 - \zeta) \theta_2^2 \quad \dots\dots (10)$$

when r = 3

$$m_3 = -6\zeta \theta_1^3 - 6(1 - \zeta) \theta_2^3 \quad \dots\dots (11)$$

Maximum Likelihood Method (MLM):

This method is one of the well-known methods for estimating the parameters of probability distributions, these estimators have consistent and stability properties. By assuming (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) is a random sample ~ mixed Frechet distribution, the maximum likelihood is as follows

$$L(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \zeta, \theta_1, \theta_2) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \zeta, \theta_1, \theta_2) \quad \dots\dots (12)$$

$$L(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \zeta, \theta_1, \theta_2) = \prod_{i=1}^n \zeta \theta_1 x^{-2} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} + (1 - \zeta) \theta_2 x^{-2} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}}$$

$$x \geq 0, \theta_1 > 0, \theta_2 > 0$$

$$L(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \zeta, \theta_1, \theta_2) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\zeta x^{-2} \theta_1 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} + (1-\zeta)x^{-2} \theta_2 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} \right),$$

$x \geq 0, \theta_1 > 0, \theta_2 > 0$

By taking natural logarithm of both sides:

$$\text{Ln}L(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \zeta, \theta_1, \theta_2) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Ln} \left(\zeta x^{-2} \theta_1 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} + (1-\zeta)x^{-2} \theta_2 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} \right) \quad \dots\dots(13)$$

After taking partial derivatives for distribution

parameters and setting it equal to zero:

$$\frac{\partial \text{Ln}L(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \zeta, \theta_1, \theta_2)}{\partial \theta_1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\left(-\zeta x^{-3} \theta_1 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} + \zeta x^{-2} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} \right)}{\left(\zeta x^{-2} \theta_1 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} + (1-\zeta)x^{-2} \theta_2 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} \right)} \right) = 0 \quad \dots\dots (14)$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{Ln}L(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \zeta, \theta_1, \theta_2)}{\partial \theta_2} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\left(-(1-\zeta)x^{-3} \theta_2 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} + (1-\zeta)x^{-2} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} \right)}{\left(\zeta x^{-2} \theta_1 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} + (1-\zeta)x^{-2} \theta_2 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} \right)} \right) = 0 \quad \dots\dots (15)$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{Ln}L(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \zeta, \theta_1, \theta_2)}{\partial \zeta} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\left(x^{-2} \theta_1 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} - x^{-2} \theta_2 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} \right)}{\left(\zeta x^{-2} \theta_1 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1}} + (1-\zeta)x^{-2} \theta_2 e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta_2}\right)^{-1}} \right)} \right) = 0 \quad \dots\dots (16)$$

the equations (13), (14), and (15) will be solved by using (fsolve) function which exist in MATLAB software in order to obtain the parameters estimators $\hat{\theta}_{1MLM}, \hat{\theta}_{2MLM}, \hat{\zeta}_{MLM}$ respectively.

Moments Method (MOM):

This method depends on the equality of the sample size with population size to obtain the equations for the parameters to be estimated as follows:

$$m_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = -\zeta \theta_1 - (1-\zeta) \theta_2 \quad \dots\dots (17)$$

$$m_2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{n} = -2\zeta \theta_1^2 - 2(1-\zeta) \theta_2^2 \quad \dots\dots (18)$$

$$m_3 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^3}{n} = -6\zeta\theta_1^3 - 6(1-\zeta)\theta_2^3 \quad \dots\dots(19)$$

the equations (16), (17), and (18) will be solved by using (fsolve) function which exist in MATLAB software in order to obtain the parameters estimators $\hat{\theta}_{1MOM}$, $\hat{\theta}_{2MOM}$, ζ_{MOM} respectively.

4. Simple linear regression model

Suppose the simple linear regression model as follows:

$$y = b_0 + b_1w + u \quad \dots\dots (20)$$

Where y is a dependent variable distributed with mixed Frechet distribution, w is an explanatory variable, b_0, b_1 are regression parameters, so the mixed Frechet distribution can be employed in linear regression model. This can be seen in many researches when the errors are not normally distributed like Ahmed [3], Ebtisam [8], Ahmed [5], and others.

5. Applied experiment

Table (1) shows the number of cases of cancer diseases in Iraq for the years (1991-2016).Kolmogorov test is used to test the data and seems that it is distributed with Frechet distribution where the value of the test equal (D = 0.2624) less than the tabulated value (0.2667) at significant level $\alpha = 0.05$.

Table1 : Number of Cases of Cancer Diseases in Iraq (1991-2016) (1)

| years | Cancer cases | years | Cancer cases |
|-------|--------------|-------|--------------|
| 1991 | 5720 | 2004 | 14520 |
| 1992 | 8526 | 2005 | 15172 |
| 1993 | 8471 | 2006 | 15226 |
| 1994 | 7785 | 2007 | 14213 |
| 1995 | 7948 | 2008 | 14180 |
| 1996 | 8360 | 2009 | 15251 |
| 1997 | 8592 | 2010 | 18482 |
| 1998 | 9033 | 2011 | 20278 |
| 1999 | 8963 | 2012 | 21101 |
| 2000 | 10888 | 2013 | 23308 |
| 2001 | 13332 | 2014 | 25598 |
| 2002 | 13985 | 2015 | 25269 |
| 2003 | 11248 | 2016 | 25556 |

The parameters of mixed Frechet distribution are estimated by (MLM) and (MOM) methods as shown in Table 2.

Table 2: The Estimated Parameters of the Mixed Frechet Distribution

| method | ζ | θ_1 | θ_2 |
|--------|---------|------------|------------|
| MLM | 1 | 1.0149 | 1.0150 |
| MOM | 1.1835 | 0.6753 | 12.1332 |

The values of estimated parameters of simple linear regression model can be employed as initial values for the random error distribution.

6. Conclusion

Through mixing the two Frechet distributions, a new distribution is obtained, which is mixed Frechet distribution. The parameters are estimated through the estimated formulas that have been derived from the theory sections. Maximum likelihood and moments methods are used for this estimation and for the data which represents the number of cancer cases in Iraq.

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