

## New Estimator Of The Parameter Of Negative Exponential Failure Model

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### Abstract :

The main aim of this paper is to give a comprehensive presentation of estimating methods namely Maximum likelihood , Bayes and proposed methods for the parameter of exponential failure model (using simulation).

Some new results are obtained and the new estimator was the best .

### 1-Introduction

The exponential distribution with mean  $\theta$  provided a population model which is useful in many areas of statistics. The probability density function of random variable is given by

$$f(t; \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\theta}\right)$$

The only statistical theory that combines modeling inherent uncertainty and statistical uncertainty is Bayesian statistics . The theorem of Bayes provides a solution to how to learn from data . In the framework of estimating the parameters  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d)$  of a probability distribution  $L(t_1, \dots, t_n | \theta)$ , Bayes'

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(\theta | t_1, \dots, t_n) &= \frac{L(t_1, \dots, t_n | \theta)g(\theta)}{p(t_1, \dots, t_n)} \\ &= \frac{H(t_1, \dots, t_n, \theta)}{p(t_1, \dots, t_n)} \\ &= \frac{H(t_1, \dots, t_n, \theta)}{\int H(t_1, \dots, t_n, \theta) d\theta} \end{aligned}$$

Where  $L(t_1, \dots, t_n | \theta)$  = the likelihood function of the observations  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  when the parametric vector  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d)$  is given,

$g(\theta)$  is the prior density of  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d)$  before observing data  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ ,

$\Pi(\theta | t_1, \dots, t_n)$  is the posterior density of  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d)$  after observing data

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$(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ ,

$p(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  = the marginal density of the observations  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ .

**2- Maximum Likelihood Estimation**

Let  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  be set of random variables and a vector of unknown parameters  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n)$ , then  $L(t, \theta)$  is the likelihood function such that

$$L(t, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(t_i, \theta)$$

$$\ln L(t, \theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln f(t_i, \theta)$$

The  $i$ th element of the score vector is

$$U_i(\theta) = \frac{\partial \ln L(t, \theta)}{\partial \theta_i}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, p$$

Now we can find the maximum likelihood estimator. Let  $(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$  be the set of random variable from exponential population with parameter  $\theta$ . The probability density function of exponential distribution is given by :

$$f(t; \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\theta}\right), \quad \theta > 0$$

The likelihood function is

$$L(t, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(t_i, \theta)$$

$$----- = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} \exp\left(-\frac{t_i}{\theta}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right)$$

$$= \theta^{-n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right)$$

$$\ln L(t, \theta) = -n \ln \theta - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}$$

The score vector is

$$U(\theta) = \frac{\partial \ln L(t, \theta)}{\partial \theta}$$

$$= \frac{-n}{\hat{\theta}} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\hat{\theta}^2}$$

Let  $U(\theta) = 0$ , then the maximum likelihood estimator is

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{n} = \bar{t}$$

Where,

$$E(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E t_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \theta = \theta$$

$\hat{\theta} = \bar{t}$  is unbiased for  $\theta$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var} t_i = \frac{1}{n^2} n \theta^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{n} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$MSE(\hat{\theta}) = Var(\hat{\theta}) + [E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta]^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{n} = \frac{n}{\theta^2}$$

### 3- Bayes Estimation

Consider the one parameter exponential distribution

$$f(t; \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\theta}\right)$$

We find Jeffery prior by :

$$g(\theta) \propto \sqrt{I(\theta)}, \text{ where}$$

$$\sqrt{I(\theta)}$$

=  $\sqrt{\text{Fisher ... information}}$  ,  
and

$$I(\theta) = -nE\left(\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(t, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2}\right)$$

$$f(t; \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\theta}\right)$$

$$\ln f(t, \theta) = -\ln \theta - \frac{t}{\theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln f(t, \theta)}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{1}{\theta} + \frac{t}{\theta^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(t, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{1}{\theta^2} - \frac{2t}{\theta^3}$$

$$E\left(\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(t, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2}\right) = \frac{1}{\theta^2} - \frac{2}{\theta^2} = \frac{-1}{\theta^2}$$

$$I(\theta) = -n E\left(\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(t, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2}\right)$$

Using Jeffery proposal that

$$g(\theta) \propto \sqrt{I(\theta)},$$

$$\text{Implies } g(\theta) \propto \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\theta}$$

$$g(\theta) = k \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\theta}$$

$$L(t_1, \dots, t_n | \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(t_i | \theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right)$$

The joint probability density function  $f(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n, \theta)$  is given by

$$H(t_1, \dots, t_n, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(t_i, \theta) g(\theta)$$

$$= L(t_1, \dots, t_n | \theta) g(\theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right) \frac{k \sqrt{n}}{\theta}$$

$$= \frac{k \sqrt{n}}{\theta^{n+1}} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right)$$

The marginal probability density function of  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(t_1, \dots, t_n) &= \int H(t_1, \dots, t_n, \theta) d\theta \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \frac{k \sqrt{n}}{\theta^{n+1}} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right) d\theta \\
 &= (k \sqrt{n}) \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{y}\right)^{-n-1} \\
 &\quad \exp(-y) \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{y^2}\right) dy \\
 &= (k \sqrt{n}) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^{-n} \int_0^\infty y^{n-1} \\
 &\quad \exp(-y) dy \\
 &= \frac{(k \sqrt{n})(n-1)!}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n}
 \end{aligned}$$

And the conditional probability density function of  $\theta$  given the data  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  is given by

$$\Pi(\theta | t_1, \dots, t_n) = \frac{H(t_1, \dots, t_n, \theta)}{p(t_1, \dots, t_n)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\frac{k \sqrt{n}}{\theta^{n+1}} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right)}{\frac{(k \sqrt{n})}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n} (n-1)!} \\
 &= \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n}{\theta^{n+1} (n-1)!}
 \end{aligned}$$

using squared error loss function

$$\ell(\hat{\theta}, \theta) = c(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2$$

Leads to the Risk function,  $R(\hat{\theta}, \theta)$

$$= R(\hat{\theta}, \theta) = E\ell(\hat{\theta}, \theta)$$

$$\int_0^\infty \ell(\hat{\theta}, \theta) \Pi(\theta | t_1, \dots, t_n) d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^\infty c(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2 \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n}{\theta^{n+1} (n-1)!} d\theta$$

$$= c\hat{\theta}^2 - 2c\hat{\theta} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n}{(n-1)!} \theta^{-n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right) d\theta + \psi(\theta)$$

$$= \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n}{(n-1)!} \int_0^{\infty} y^{n-2} \exp(-y) dy = \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n (n-2)!}{(n-1)!}$$

$$\frac{\partial R(\hat{\theta}, \theta)}{\partial \hat{\theta}} = 2c\hat{\theta} - 2c \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n}{(n-1)!} \int_0^{\infty} \theta^{-n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right) d\theta + \text{zero}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_B = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{n-1}$$

Where,

$$E(\hat{\theta}_B) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E t_i = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \theta = \frac{n}{n-1} \theta$$

Let  $\frac{\partial R(\hat{\theta}, \theta)}{\partial \hat{\theta}} = 0$  , then

$\hat{\theta}_B$  is a biased estimator for  $\theta$  , and

$$\hat{\theta}_B = \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n}{(n-1)!} \int_0^{\infty} \theta^{-n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{\theta}\right) d\theta$$

$$\text{biased} = E(\hat{\theta}_B) - \theta = \frac{n}{n-1} \theta - \theta = \frac{1}{n-1} \theta$$

Similarly ,

$$= \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right)^n}{(n-1)!} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{y}\right)^{-n} \exp(-y) \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}{y^2}\right) dy$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}_B) = \frac{1}{(n-1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(t_i) = \frac{1}{(n-1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \theta^2 = \frac{n}{(n-1)^2} \theta^2$$

and

$$\text{MSB}(\hat{\theta}_B) = \frac{n}{(n-1)^2} \theta^2 + \frac{1}{(n-1)^2} \theta^2 = \frac{n+1}{(n-1)^2} \theta^2$$

**4- Proposed Estimator**

Using both the M.L.E. and Bayesian estimator for the mean  $\theta$ , we propose the following new estimator :

$$\tilde{\theta} = p\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E} + (1-p)\hat{\theta}_B$$

And we try to find the value of  $p$  which minimizes  $MSE(\tilde{\theta})$ , where

$$\tilde{\theta} - \theta = p\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E} + (1-p)\hat{\theta}_B - \theta$$

$$\tilde{\theta} - \theta = p[\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E} - \theta]$$

$$+ (1-p)[\hat{\theta}_B - \theta]$$

$$E(\tilde{\theta} - \theta)^2 = p^2 E[\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E} - \theta]^2 +$$

$$(1-p)^2 E[\hat{\theta}_B - \theta]^2 +$$

$$-2p(1-p)E[\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E} - \theta][\hat{\theta}_B - \theta]$$

$$MSE(\tilde{\theta}) = p^2 MSE(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}) +$$

$$(1-p)^2 MSE(\hat{\theta}_B) +$$

$$-2p(1-p)E[\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E} - \theta][\hat{\theta}_B - \theta]$$

$$MSE(\tilde{\theta}) = p^2 MSE(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}) +$$

$$(1-p)^2 MSE(\hat{\theta}_B) +$$

$$-2p(1-p)[E(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}\hat{\theta}_B) - E(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}\theta) - E(\hat{\theta}_B\theta) + E\theta^2]$$

$$\frac{\partial MSE(\tilde{\theta})}{\partial p} = 2pMSE(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}) -$$

$$2(1-p)MSE(\hat{\theta}_B) +$$

$$-2(2-4p)[E(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}\hat{\theta}_B) - E(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}\theta) - E(\hat{\theta}_B\theta) + E\theta^2]$$

$$\text{let } \frac{\partial MSE(\tilde{\theta})}{\partial p} = 0, \text{ Implies}$$

$$p = \frac{MSE(\hat{\theta}_B) - E(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}\hat{\theta}_B) + E(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}\theta) + E(\hat{\theta}_B\theta) - E\theta^2}{MSE(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}) + MSE(\hat{\theta}_B) - 2E(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}\hat{\theta}_B) + 2E(\hat{\theta}_{M.L.E}\theta) + 2E(\hat{\theta}_B\theta) - 2E(\theta^2)}$$

$$p = \frac{\frac{n+1}{(n-1)^2}\theta^2 - E\left(\frac{\sum t_i}{n} \frac{\sum t_i}{n-1}\right) + E\left(\frac{\sum t_i}{n}\theta\right) + E\left(\frac{\sum t_i}{n-1}\theta\right) - E(\theta^2)}{\frac{\theta^2}{n} + \frac{n+1}{(n-1)^2}\theta^2 - 2E\left(\frac{(\sum t_i)^2}{n(n-1)}\right) + 2E\left(\frac{\sum t_i}{n}\theta\right) + 2E\left(\frac{\sum t_i}{n-1}\theta\right) - 2E(\theta^2)}$$

$$P = \frac{\frac{n+1}{(n-1)^2} \theta^2 - \frac{n}{n-1} \theta^2 + \theta^2 + \frac{n}{n-1} \theta^2 - \theta^2}{\frac{\theta^2}{n} + \frac{n+1}{(n-1)^2} \theta^2 - \frac{2n\theta^2}{n-1} + 2\theta^2 + \frac{2n}{n-1} \theta^2 - 2\theta^2}$$

$$P = \frac{n^2 + n}{2n^2 - n + 1}$$

$$\tilde{\theta} = \frac{n^2 + n}{2n^2 - n + 1} \hat{\theta}_{M.L.E} + \left( 1 - \frac{n^2 + n}{2n^2 - n + 1} \right) \hat{\theta}_B$$

**5- Simulation**

In this experiment ,we choose the samples sizes as n=15,25,50,70,100 ,

with varieties of parameter value namely  $\theta = 0.5 , 1, 2, 4, 8, 15, 30$  .With 1000 of replication .

To compare between the methods of estimator , use the MSE and  $|MPE|$  , where

$$MSE (\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^R (\hat{\theta}_i - \theta)^2}{R}$$

$$\text{and } |MPE| (\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\left[ \sum_{i=1}^R \frac{|\hat{\theta}_i - \theta|}{\theta} \right]}{R}$$

The simulation program is written by using Matlab program . And the results are written in table (1).

**Table(1): MSE and MPE of estimated parameter of exponential distribution**

| Sample sizes<br>(n) | Values of the<br>parameter<br>$\theta$ | MSE     |          |          | MPE    |          |          |
|---------------------|--|---------|----------|----------|--------|----------|----------|
|                     |  | Bayes   | Proposed | Best     | Bayes  | Proposed | Best     |
| 15                  | 0.5                                    | 0.0227  | 0.0202   | Proposed | 0.2345 | 0.2226   | Proposed |
|                     | 1                                      | 0.0766  | 0.0679   | Proposed | 0.2172 | 0.2057   | Proposed |
|                     | 2                                      | 0.3373  | 0.3016   | Proposed | 0.2209 | 0.2126   | Proposed |
|                     | 4                                      | 1.2846  | 1.1374   | Proposed | 0.2194 | 0.2087   | Proposed |
|                     | 8                                      | 4.9084  | 4.3530   | Proposed | 0.2158 | 0.2055   | Proposed |
|                     | 15                                     | 17.1028 | 15.2151  | Proposed | 0.2193 | 0.2089   | Proposed |
|                     | 30                                     | 74.7319 | 65.5735  | Proposed | 0.2261 | 0.2144   | Proposed |
| 25                  | 0.5                                    | 0.0112  | 0.0104   | Proposed | 0.1682 | 0.1633   | Proposed |
|                     | 1                                      | 0.0426  | 0.0398   | Proposed | 0.1625 | 0.1582   | Proposed |
|                     | 2                                      | 0.1798  | 0.1668   | Proposed | 0.1650 | 0.1602   | Proposed |
|                     | 4                                      | 0.6936  | 0.6469   | Proposed | 0.1636 | 0.1594   | Proposed |
|                     | 8                                      | 2.8374  | 2.6396   | Proposed | 0.1683 | 0.1634   | Proposed |
|                     | 15                                     | 9.9978  | 9.2820   | Proposed | 0.1657 | 0.1607   | Proposed |
|                     | 30                                     | 38.4331 | 35.5157  | Proposed | 0.1616 | 0.1559   | Proposed |
| 50                  | 0.5                                    | 0.0055  | 0.0053   | Proposed | 0.1167 | 0.1150   | Proposed |
|                     | 1                                      | 0.0208  | 0.0202   | Proposed | 0.1149 | 0.1133   | Proposed |
|                     | 2                                      | 0.0890  | 0.0857   | Proposed | 0.1170 | 0.1152   | Proposed |
|                     | 4                                      | 0.3544  | 0.3430   | Proposed | 0.1167 | 0.1156   | Proposed |
|                     | 8                                      | 1.2572  | 1.2176   | Proposed | 0.1102 | 0.1089   | Proposed |
|                     | 15                                     | 4.8098  | 4.6292   | Proposed | 0.1130 | 0.1114   | Proposed |
|                     | 30                                     | 13.8710 | 13.5366  | Proposed | 0.0969 | 0.0961   | Proposed |
| 70                  | 0.5                                    | 0.0035  | 0.0034   | Proposed | 0.0920 | 0.0914   | Proposed |
|                     | 1                                      | 0.0140  | 0.0135   | Proposed | 0.0936 | 0.0922   | Proposed |
|                     | 2                                      | 0.0626  | 0.0609   | Proposed | 0.0981 | 0.0972   | Proposed |
|                     | 4                                      | 0.2357  | 0.2298   | Proposed | 0.0961 | 0.0952   | Proposed |
|                     | 8                                      | 0.8642  | 0.8423   | Proposed | 0.0931 | 0.0922   | Proposed |
|                     | 15                                     | 3.4595  | 3.3899   | Proposed | 0.0969 | 0.0963   | Proposed |
|                     | 30                                     | 13.8710 | 13.5366  | Proposed | 0.0969 | 0.0961   | Proposed |
| 100                 | 0.5                                    | 0.0025  | 0.0025   | Proposed | 0.798  | 0.0791   | Proposed |
|                     | 1                                      | 0.0102  | 0.0100   | Proposed | 0.0801 | 0.0797   | Proposed |
|                     | 2                                      | 0.0408  | 0.0403   | Proposed | 0.794  | 0.0792   | Proposed |
|                     | 4                                      | 0.1702  | 0.1681   | Proposed | 0.0815 | 0.0812   | Proposed |
|                     | 8                                      | 0.6413  | 0.6318   | Proposed | 0.0782 | 0.0778   | Proposed |
|                     | 15                                     | 2.3619  | 2.3214   | Proposed | 0.0809 | 0.0803   | Proposed |
|                     | 30                                     | 8.8720  | 8.7077   | Proposed | 0.0784 | 0.0779   | Proposed |

**6- Conclusion**

This paper presented Bayes method and a new method (combining Bayes and Maximum likelihood estimators ) for estimating the mean of exponential failure model . It has been shown from the computational results the proposed method is the best .



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