

Non-Life Insurance: Mathematics and Statistics

Exercise sheet 4

Exercise 4.1 Poisson Model and Negative-Binomial Model

Suppose that we are given the following claim count data of ten years:

t	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
N_t	1'000	997	985	989	1'056	1'070	994	986	1'093	1'054
v_t	10'000	10'000	10'000	10'000	10'000	10'000	10'000	10'000	10'000	10'000

Table 1: Observed claims counts N_t and corresponding volumes v_t .

- Estimate the claims frequency parameter $\lambda > 0$ of the Poisson model and calculate an estimated, roughly 70%-confidence interval for λ . What do you observe?
- Perform a χ^2 -goodness-of-fit test at the significance level of 5% to test the null hypothesis of having Poisson distributions.
- Estimate the claims frequency parameter $\lambda > 0$ and the dispersion parameter $\gamma > 0$ of the negative-binomial model and calculate an estimated, roughly 70%-confidence interval for λ . What do you observe?

Exercise 4.2 Compound Poisson Distribution

For the total claim amount S of an insurance company we assume $S \sim \text{CompPoi}(\lambda v, G)$, where $\lambda = 0.06$, $v = 10$ and for a random variable Y with distribution function G we have

k	100	300	500	6'000	100'000	500'000	2'000'000	5'000'000	10'000'000
$\mathbb{P}[Y = k]$	3/20	4/20	3/20	2/15	2/15	1/15	1/12	1/24	1/24

Table 2: Distribution of $Y \sim G$.

Suppose that the insurance company wants to distinguish between

- small claims: claim size $\leq 1'000$,
- medium claims: $1'000 < \text{claim size} \leq 1'000'000$ and
- large claims: claim size $> 1'000'000$.

Let S_{sc} , S_{mc} and S_{lc} be the total claims in the small claims layer, in the medium claims layer and in the large claims layer, respectively.

- Give definitions of S_{sc} , S_{mc} and S_{lc} in terms of mathematical formulas.
- Determine the distributions of S_{sc} , S_{mc} and S_{lc} .
- What is the dependence structure between S_{sc} , S_{mc} and S_{lc} ?
- Calculate $\mathbb{E}[S_{\text{sc}}]$, $\mathbb{E}[S_{\text{mc}}]$ and $\mathbb{E}[S_{\text{lc}}]$ as well as $\text{Var}(S_{\text{sc}})$, $\text{Var}(S_{\text{mc}})$ and $\text{Var}(S_{\text{lc}})$. Use these values to calculate $\mathbb{E}[S]$ and $\text{Var}(S)$.
- Calculate the probability that the total claim in the large claims layer exceeds 5 millions.

Exercise 4.3 Method of Moments

We assume that the independent claim sizes Y_1, \dots, Y_8 all follow a Gamma distribution with the same unknown shape parameter $\gamma > 0$ and the same unknown scale parameter $c > 0$ and that we have the following observations for Y_1, \dots, Y_8 :

$$x_1 = 7, \quad x_2 = 8, \quad x_3 = 10, \quad x_4 = 9, \quad x_5 = 5, \quad x_6 = 11, \quad x_7 = 6, \quad x_8 = 8.$$

Calculate the method of moments estimates of γ and c .