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Abstract

This research is to produce a modified Anderson-Darling goodness-of-fit test for the Weibull distribution when the location parameter is found by minimum distance estimation, the shape parameter is assumed known, and the MLE is used for the scale parameter. The critical values for the Anderson-Darling test are generated via Monte Carlo simulation when both the Anderson-Darling and Cramer-Von Mises distance statistics are minimized. These critical values are then used for a power study in testing whether a set of observations follows a Weibull distribution when the scale and location parameters are unspecified and are estimated from the sample while the shape is assumed known. The Monte Carlo simulation used 5000 repetitions for sample sizes of 5, 8, 12, 15, 16, 20 and 25 with the Weibull shape parameter of .5(5)4.0. The power study is made for the same sample sizes as above with the hypothesized Weibull shape parameter of 1.0 and 3.5 against ten alternate hypothesized distributions. For small sample sizes, improvement can be seen over tests which use MLEs for the location and scale parameters. However, for larger sample sizes, more than 20, the power is similar to other goodness-of-fit tests for the Weibull. In most cases, minimizing the Anderson-Darling distance statistic to estimate the Weibull location parameter had more power than minimizing the Cramer-Von Mises distance statistic.
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I. Introduction

1.1 Background

The Air Force depends on technology to support its mission. Considering the increasing cost of today's technology, it is imperative to purchase the best weapon system available. Part of the decision between alternative weapon systems includes system reliability (the probability the system will work, as expected, for a specified duration of time). Computing system reliability is usually achieved through statistical analysis of test data where items have been placed on test and failure times are recorded. With the price of new weapon systems restricting the number of test items, it is becoming more important to be able to make decisions based on a small number of data points.

To make decisions about a set of failure data, statisticians try to estimate the probability density function (pdf) which the data most closely matches. The data is ordinarily hypothesized to come from a classical distribution, such as the exponential, normal, or beta, and the parameters of this distribution are estimated. Through the use of a goodness-of-fit test this hypothesis can be rejected or hopefully accepted. The "goodness" refers to how well the distribution corresponds to the sample data.

For a hypothesized distribution, there are many goodness of fit tests to choose from. When deciding which test to use, the statistician will pick the test with the
highest power. Power is the probability of rejecting the null hypothesis when in fact this hypothesis is false (10:472). The higher the power of a test, the lower the chance of accepting a distribution when it is false. If the test allows the acceptance of the hypothesized distribution, reliability characteristics, such as expected time to failure and shelf life, can be computed from the distribution and its parameters. These characteristics can be used in the overall decision to purchase and build the weapon system.

The Weibull distribution, developed by W. Weibull in 1939, is used extensively in reliability models of mechanical and electrical components. It is also useful in the goodness-of-fit arena since it can represent an infinite number of shapes, including the exponential. Thus, improved tests for the Weibull distribution can prove useful in many ways.

1.2 Objective

The proposed research will be to develop a new goodness-of-fit test for the Weibull distribution where the location parameter is obtained by minimum distance estimation. Maximum likelihood estimation of the scale parameter will be based on this improved estimate of location and the assumed known shape parameter.

1.3 Sub-objectives

1) Generate random numbers from different classical distribution functions. This will be necessary in generating data to develop the new test.

2) Find the minimum distance estimator for parameters.

3) Generate tables of critical values of the new test statistic.

4) Perform a power study for the new test against many other classical distributions.
1.4 Support Requirements

This research will require a large amount of AFIT computer resources. Most of the computer routines will be in PASCAL.
II. Literature Review

2.1 Introduction

This research project hinges on whether a goodness-of-fit test using minimum distance estimation for the location parameter of the Weibull distribution will be of use. Thus, it is important to locate evidence to determine if minimum distance has advantages over other estimation techniques. To complete this task it will be necessary to review the literature in the areas of parameter estimation and goodness-of-fit test statistics.

2.2 Parameter Estimation

In the statistical area of hypothesis testing it is rare to know anything about the parameters of a distribution being tested. The parameters must be estimated from observed data before proceeding with any test. Two methods of parameter estimation will be discussed here.

2.2.1 Maximum Likelihood. Many studies on estimating parameters of a statistical distribution can be found in the literature. The most common and accepted method of parameter estimation is the maximum likelihood method. This method selects values as estimates that maximize the likelihood of the observed sample, where the likelihood function is the joint density function (10:419). An iterative algorithm to compute the maximum likelihood estimates (MLEs) for the Weibull distribution is presented by Harter and Moore (7:639-643). A modification to Harter and Moore’s method described by Gallagher (6:575-580) converges on the MLE in less iterations, thus less computer time. The existence and uniqueness of the scale and location parameter MLEs are proven by Rockette et al. (13:246-249) whenever the shape parameter is known and is greater than or equal to one.
An important property of the MLEs for the location and scale parameters is that they are invariant (2:251-253). An estimator is invariant if, when the sample data is transformed by $aX_i + b$, then the estimator computed from this new transformed data is equal to $a\theta + b$, where $\theta$ is the original estimate value. For example, suppose the MLE for the location parameter is 10, and when each sample data element is multiplied by 15 the new MLE for location is 150, the MLE is said to be invariant. This property allows the estimation of one set of location and scale parameters to be generalized to any location and scale. This research will use a location parameter of 10 and a scale parameter of 1. The shape parameter and sample sizes will be varied in the Monte Carlo simulations.

The MLEs are the standard to which other estimation techniques are compared. Sinha and Sloan (15:364-369) compare maximum likelihood estimators (MLEs) to Bayes estimators of the parameters of the three-parameter Weibull distribution. According to Sinha and Sloan, "The Bayes technique is based on asymptotic theory and hence, performs best with larger sample sizes" (15:364-369). Indeed, for small sample sizes, it is possible to produce negative variance estimates for the Bayes estimators. These negative variance estimates were shown in a table to turn positive somewhere between the sample sizes of 40 and 100. This result would deter the use of Bayes estimates for small sample sizes. For larger sample sizes, greater than 100, Sinha and Sloan show the Bayes estimators to have smaller variances than the MLEs. Small variance is a favorable quality in estimators.

A similar comparison of Bayes estimators and MLEs is given by Smith and Naylor (16:358-369). This study uses two sets of data to show the Bayes estimators are superior to the MLEs. The data sets used in the study have sample sizes of 63 and 46 elements. Smith and Naylor also show the Bayes estimators have smaller variances than the MLEs.
2.2.2 Minimum Distance. Another parameter estimation procedure is minimum distance. Wolfowitz published two papers in the 1950's to introduce this method and showed minimum distance (MD) estimators to be consistent (18:75). A consistent estimator converges stochastically to its parameter value with probability one. Sahler outlined conditions for the existence and consistency of MD estimates (14:85). Knusel examined the robustness of the MD method in 1969 and showed that MD estimators have similar robust properties as the maximum likelihood estimators. Robustness refers to an estimating procedure that is good for a broad class of underlying models but which is not necessarily the best estimating procedure for any one of the models. Woodward et al. show MD estimators to be more robust than the MLE in a study of the mixture of two normal components (20:598). The term robust is used here in the sense that the MD estimator is less sensitive to symmetric departures from the underlying assumption of normality of component distributions. Parr and Schucany performed more studies in robustness of the MD method and used MD estimators for the location parameter of symmetric distributions (12:616). Parr and Schucany also noted that MD estimates were invariant, another property in common with maximum likelihood estimators.

The minimum distance estimation method involves minimizing the distance between the cumulative distribution function (CDF) values of the sample data and the empirical distribution function (ELF). The CDF values come from a parameterized family of theoretical distribution functions. In this thesis, the CDF will be the Weibull distribution with estimated location and scale parameters, but known shape parameter. The ELF for $n$ ordered data points $x_{(1)}, x_{(2)}, \ldots, x_{(n)}$ is a step function given by:

$$
EDF(x) = \begin{cases} 
0, & x < x_{(1)} \\
\frac{i}{n}, & x_{(i)} \leq x < x_{(i+1)}, \\
1, & x \geq x_{(n)}
\end{cases} \quad i = 1, \ldots, (n - 1)
$$

(2.1)
Distance is measured by a goodness-of-fit statistic, which quantifies the difference between the CDF and the EDF. Adjustments are made to the parameter being estimated until the distance is minimized, resulting in a final estimate of the parameter. The proposed new goodness-of-fit test will use a minimum distance estimator for the location parameter and an MLE for the scale parameter.

Gallagher and Moore have recently shown that minimum distance estimation on the location parameter and maximum likelihood on the shape and scale parameters of the Weibull distribution is preferred over MLE of all three parameters (6:575-580). Some criteria that lead to this preference were normalized mean square error of estimators, goodness-of-fit statistics, integrated absolute difference between CDFs, integrated squared difference between CDFs, percentage of times better than MLE, and robustness of estimators. Several estimators were compared and the one selected to be used in this thesis outperformed the rest in most cases.

2.3 Goodness-of-Fit Statistics

A goodness-of-fit test uses a test statistic to measure how closely data “fits” a hypothesized distribution. The first step of a test is to make a hypothesis (guess) of the distribution the data resembles. Next, the parameters of the distribution must be estimated from the data, unless they are known a priori. Once the parameters are estimated, the CDF and EDF values can be computed for each of the ordered data points in the sample. The goodness-of-fit statistic is then computed. The goodness-of-fit statistic is a measure of the distance between the CDF and the EDF. The statistic is compared to tables constructed specifically for that statistic to make a decision about the hypothesized distribution. If the statistic’s value is too large, the two distributions are too far apart; hence, the distribution being tested is rejected. Woodruff and Moore specify that modified goodness-of-fit tests, where the parameters have been estimated, must not use tables built based on known parameters (19:115).
Although there are many goodness-of-fit statistics available, this research will only consider two: the Cramer-von Mises and the Anderson-Darling. Pan and Schucany define the weighted Cramer-von Mises distance as follows:

\[ W^2(K, F) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (K(x) - F(x))^2 \psi(F(x)) dF(x) \]  

(2.2)

where \( K(x) \) is the EDF, \( F(x) \) is the CDF, and \( \psi(F(x)) \) is a weighting function (12:616).

This distance represents the area discrepancy between the EDF and the CDF. When the weighting function is a constant one, \( \psi(F(x)) = 1 \), the equation above becomes the Cramer-von Mises statistic. The computational formula for this statistic was presented by Stephens (17:731).

\[ CVM = W^2 = \frac{1}{12n} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( z_i - \frac{2i - 1}{2n} \right)^2 \]  

(2.3)

where \( z_i = F(x_i) \) for \( i = 1, 2, \ldots, n \).

Clarke gives a comparison of a minimum distance estimator and the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) of the proportion parameter in a mixture of two normal distributions (5:275-281). By minimizing a Cramer-von Mises type distance with an empirical weight function, Clarke devises a parameter estimate which is shown to be superior to the MLE.

The Anderson-Darling statistic is a special case of the Cramer-von Mises distance when the weight function is given as follows:

\[ \frac{1}{F(x)(1 - F(x))} \]  

(2.4)

where \( 0 \leq F(x) \leq 1 \).
This causes more emphasis to be placed on the tail discrepancy of the distributions. The equation for the Anderson-Darling statistic is as follows: (1:765)

\[
AD = A^2 = -n - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (2i - 1) \left[ \ln(z_i) + \frac{1}{2} z_i - 1 + i \right]
\]  
(2.5)

where \( z_i = F(x_i) \) for \( i = 1, 2, \ldots, n \).

Minimum distance estimation of the location parameter for the Weibull distribution, using the Anderson-Darling statistic, has been shown to outperform maximum likelihood estimation by Miller (11:495).

Other uses of the goodness-of-fit statistic and minimum distance estimation are presented by Hobbs, Moore, and James. In their study, several new estimators were developed for the three-parameter gamma distribution using minimum distance estimators for the location parameter with the remaining parameters determined by MLEs. All these new estimators were compared to the MLEs. The three distance statistics used were Kolmogorov-Smirnov, Cramer-von Mises, and Anderson-Darling. First the three parameters were estimated by the MLEs, then the location parameter was estimated again by minimizing these three distance statistics. Finally, using the new location parameter, new estimates of the other two parameters were made using the MLEs. The results show the Anderson-Darling statistic was the best choice of minimum distance statistics to estimate the location parameter in all sample sizes. Hobbs', Moore and James results also show that the minimum distance estimation gave better estimates than the maximum likelihood estimation (8:237-240).

Woodruff and Moore developed a modified goodness-of-fit test for the Weibull distribution with unknown location and scale and known shape parameters (19:2465). Maximum likelihood estimation was used for the location and scale parameter estimates. Depending on the value of the shape parameter, the most powerful tests were obtained by using either the Anderson-Darling or Cramer-von Mises statistic. This test can be used for comparison of the power of the new test.
To conclude, there has been much literature compiled in the areas of minimum distance estimation and goodness-of-fit test statistics. There is much evidence that a new goodness-of-fit test using the improved technique of minimum distance estimation will be more powerful than existing tests. Minimum distance estimators have many properties of the maximum likelihood estimators and seem to outperform them in most cases. The Cramer-von Mises and Anderson-Darling test statistics have been shown to be most powerful, so these two statistics will be used as the distance measures to minimize. To reiterate, the proposed research will develop a new goodness-of-fit test for the Weibull distribution using minimum distance estimation techniques to determine the location parameter, and maximum likelihood techniques to estimate the scale parameter.
III. Methodology

3.1 Introduction

The Weibull distribution function is the basis for this research effort. The cumulative distribution function and the probability density function are below.

3.1.1 Weibull Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

\[ W(x; \beta, \delta, \theta) = 1 - \exp \left( - \left( \frac{x - \delta}{\theta} \right)^\beta \right), \quad \delta \leq x \]  

(3.1)

where \( \theta > 0 \) is the scale parameter,

\( \beta > 0 \) is the shape parameter,

\( \delta \) is the location parameter.

3.1.2 Weibull Probability Density Function (PDF)

\[ w(x; \beta, \delta, \ell) = \frac{\beta}{\theta} \left( \frac{x - \delta}{\theta} \right)^{\beta-1} \exp \left( - \left( \frac{x - \delta}{\theta} \right)^\beta \right), \quad \delta \leq x \]  

(3.2)

The Weibull function can take on many looks based on a variety of shape values, including the exponential. This is shown in figure 3.1 on page 3-2. The shape value of 1.0 is an exponential distribution. A shape value of 2.0 looks like an F distribution, while a shape value of 3.0 to 4.0 looks like a normal distribution.

This thesis presents a Monte Carlo method of generating the critical values for the new goodness-of-fit test. A flow diagram of this procedure will be presented on page 3-6.
3.2 Random Deviate Generation

The first step in generating the critical values for the goodness-of-fit test is to generate random samples from the Weibull distribution with $\theta = 1$, $\delta = 10$, and the shape parameter ($\beta$) varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 by an increment of .5. That large value of the location parameter keeps the random samples far enough away from zero to ensure the location parameter estimates are always positive. This would provide a goodness-of-fit test which will be invariant. Sample sizes of 5, 8, 12, 15, 16, 20 and 25 are drawn 5000 times from each of the above distributions. To provide these samples, a computer program was written using the cumulative distribution function method to generate random variates from the Weibull distribution.

3.3 Parameter Estimation

For each sample, the location and scale parameters are initially estimated using the maximum likelihood estimators (MLEs). The shape parameter is assumed to be known throughout the procedure. The minimum distance procedure introduced by
Wolfowitz is used to improve the initial location estimate. This is achieved by shifting the location estimate in a linear fashion until the goodness-of-fit distance statistics, Anderson-Darling (A-D) and Cramer-Von Mises (C-VM), are minimized. The value of the location estimate which minimizes this search produces the closest fit of the sample data to the Weibull distribution. This new location estimate, along with the known shape parameter value, is used in the MLE formula to compute the new scale parameter estimate. The linear search is accomplished with modifications to an existing program from similar research (6:575-580) using a golden-section search routine. Caution should be shown in using the existing program since it does not allow negative values for the location estimate.

3.3.1 Golden-Section Search. The golden-section search routine is an iterative linear search method that will find the minimum of a unimodal function over a given interval. The basis of this procedure is to hook the function minimum in some interval, then to collapse the interval around this minimum until the length of the interval is within a small error tolerance level. What makes the golden-section search more efficient than other similar search routines is the way the interval is reduced. Suppose $l_k$ and $r_k$ are the left and right endpoints, respectively, of the kth iteration. Then two more points $x^1_k$ and $x^2_k$, where $x^1_k < x^2_k$, are placed symmetrically inside the interval $[l_k, r_k]$ by the equations:

\begin{align*}
  x^1_k &= l_k + (1 - \alpha)(r_k - l_k) \\  x^2_k &= l_k + \alpha(r_k - l_k)
\end{align*}

where $\alpha = 0.618$, $\frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{5}}$ is the golden ratio

Once the initial interval is broken into three sections by these points, the unimodal function values at the interior two points are used to reduce the interval. The section of the interval outside the interior point with the higher function value will be
removed leaving the function minimum inside the other two sections. This interior point, with the higher function value, will become the endpoint of the interval, while the other interior point remains an interior point for the next iteration. This means that only one new interior point must be computed along with its function value, resulting in an efficient algorithm. The steps of the procedure once the initial four points are computed are as follows:

3.3.1.1 Step 1: If $r_k - l_k < \epsilon$ stop; the optimal point is in $[l_k, r_k]$. If $f(x_k^1) > f(x_k^2)$, go to step 2. If $f(x_k^1) \leq f(x_k^2)$, go to step 3.

3.3.1.2 Step 2: $l_{k+1} = x_k^1$ and $r_{k+1} = r_k$; $x_{k+1}^1 = x_k^2$ and $x_{k+1}^2 = l_{k+1} + \alpha(r_k + 1 - l_{k+1})$; evaluate $f(x_{k+1}^2)$ and go to step 4.

3.3.1.3 Step 3: $l_{k+1} = l_k$ and $r_{k+1} = x_k^2$; $x_{k+1}^1 = x_k^1$ and $x_{k+1}^2 = (1 - \alpha)(r_k + 1 - l_{k+1})$; evaluate $f(x_{k+1}^1)$ and go to step 4.

3.3.1.4 Step 4: $k = k + 1$; go to step 1.

3.4 Critical Values

Once the parameters have been estimated, the critical values of the new test statistic are found. Using the parameter estimates in the Weibull CDF with the sample data, the A-D test statistic is computed for each of the 5000 samples. These 5000 values are ranked and tables are made of the .01, .05, .10, .15, and .20 testing level critical values for all sample sizes. The A-D test statistic is found for both of the MD estimators, the A-D and the C-VM, to determine which has the most power.

One method of computing the critical values is to simply pull off the ranked number corresponding to the percentile wanted. For example, out of 5000 ranked values, the 4950th would correspond to the 99th percentile. This procedure infers
that the range of the statistic is fixed between the 1st and 5000th ranked values, which is a false representation.

This thesis uses a slightly more complicated method of computing the critical values involving linear interpolation. This method plots the 5000 test statistics on the horizontal axis versus some plotting position on the vertical axis. For the plotting position used in this thesis, the median rank approximation shown in Kapur and Lamberson (9:300) is as follows:

\[ y_i = \frac{i - 0.3}{n + 0.4} \quad (3.5) \]

The plotting position values on the vertical axis create a scale between zero and one which represent percentiles. The 80th, 85th, 90th, 95th, and 99th percentiles are calculated by linear interpolation between the two plotted points whose vertical axis values surround the respective percentile value. For example, the 85th percentile is calculated by finding the median rank value on the vertical axis just below .85, say \( i \), and the value just above .85, given by \( i+1 \). Thus the 85th percentile is found by interpolating between the \( i \)th and the \( (i+1) \)st entry in the horizontal axis. This percentile will represent the .15 level of significance for hypothesis testing.

The 5000 values of the plotting position with \( n=5000 \) and \( i=1,2,\ldots,5000 \) are entered in the vertical array in position 2 to 5001. The interval [0,1] is completed by entering zero and one into position 1 and 5002, respectively. The 5000 ranked test statistics are placed into the horizontal array into positions 2 and 5001. The first and last elements of the horizontal array are found by linear extrapolation. The first is found using the second and third elements (first and second order statistics) with a minimum value of zero (non-negative restriction). The last is found using the 5000th and 5001st element with no maximum restriction. Once the arrays are complete the [0,1] interval is piecewise continuous and the desired percentiles are computed.
Figure 3.2. Generation of Critical Values
3.5 Power Study

Once the tables of critical values have been made, a power study is completed by using a random number generating program to produce random samples from the following distributions:

1. Weibull with shape $= 1.0$, location $= 10.0$ and scale $= 1.0$
2. Weibull with shape $= 2.0$, location $= 10.0$ and scale $= 1.0$
3. Weibull with shape $= 3.5$, location $= 10.0$ and scale $= 1.0$
4. Gamma with shape $= 1.0$, location $= 10.0$ and scale $= 0.2$
5. Gamma with shape $= 2.0$, location $= 10.0$ and scale $= 0.2$
6. Gamma with shape $= 3.0$, location $= 10.0$ and scale $= 0.2$
7. Normal with mean $= 15.0$ and variance $= 2.0$
8. Uniform on interval [10,15]
9. Beta with $p = 2$ and $q = 2$ on [10,11]
10. Beta with $p = 2$ and $q = 3$ on [10,11]

Graphs of the gamma distributions and the beta distributions appear in figures 3.3 and 3.4, respectively. A random sample is generated from one of the above distributions and is then tested with the null hypothesis that the data is from a Weibull distribution with known shape and estimated location and scale parameters. The alternative hypothesis is that the data is in fact from the distribution used in generating the sample. The A-D test statistic is obtained using distance estimation for the location parameter and MLE for the scale parameter, and this statistic is compared to the critical values from the new tables. If the test statistic is larger than the critical value, the data is determined to be too far from the hypothesized Weibull distribution, and the null hypothesis is rejected.
Figure 3.3. Gamma PDF for Different Shape Values

Figure 3.4. Beta PDF for Different Parameter Values
This test is done for sample sizes of 5, 8, 12, 15, 16, 20 and 25 with 5000 of each case. The power of the test for a distribution is then computed by dividing the number of rejections by the total number of trials (5000). This power can be compared to the power of other known goodness-of-fit tests and should show an improvement. This method is shown graphically on the following page and the results of the power study are shown in the next chapter.
Repeat 5000 times

Generate N Random Deviates from Alternate Distributions

Calculate the A-D Statistic using the MD Estimate of Location, MLE of Scale

Compare the Test Statistic Calculated to the Critical Values

Determine the Rejection Number

Print the Hypothesis Rejection Percentage

Stop

Figure 3.5. Power Study
IV. Results

4.1 Introduction

This chapter presents the results of the research including the tables of critical values of the new test and the power studies.

4.2 Critical Values

Both the Anderson-Darling and Cramer-Von Mises distance statistics were used as the minimum distance estimator of the location parameter, and the resulting critical values of an Anderson-Darling test statistic were obtained using the linear interpolation method discussed in the previous chapter. The critical values for sample sizes of 5, 8, 12, 15, 16, 20 and 25 and shape parameter of \(0.5(5)4.0\) are shown for both distance estimators. In the first set of tables, the Anderson-Darling distance was minimized. The trend for these critical values is interesting. With shape parameter equal to 0.5, 1.0 and 1.5, the critical values are monotonically increasing for almost every level of significance as the sample size increases from 5 to 25. When the shape parameter equals 2.5, the critical values are relatively constant for each significance level as the sample size increases. Once the shape parameter equals 2.5 or better, the critical values are monotonically decreasing as the sample size increases.
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Both distances produce A-D critical values that are generally smaller than those found when MLEs are used for the location and scale parameters of the Weibull (4:2470). This would suggest that the minimum distance estimator produces a better fit to the data.
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Table 4.16. Critical values for shape = 4.0 for C-VM distance
4.3 Power Study

In this section the results of the power study are shown. For example, in a given power test, the data was randomly drawn from a distribution, say normal(15,2), and was tested to be Weibull with shape equal to 3.5. The location and scale parameters were estimated, the Anderson-Darling test statistic was computed and compared to the critical value of this new test. If the test statistic was greater than the critical value, the hypothesized Weibull distribution was rejected and the alternate hypothesized normal distribution was accepted. The number of rejections divided by the total number of test repetitions is the power of the test.

The tables show the hypothesized Weibull distribution with shape equal to either 1.0 or 3.5 and level of significance of 0.05 and 0.01. First the tables computed by minimizing the Anderson-Darling distance statistic are presented. Following these tables are the tables computed by minimizing the Cramer-Von Mises test statistic. After these tables are shown, a table is presented with the Weibull shape of 2.0 and level of significance of 0.05 minimizing only the Anderson-Darling distance. A listing, with several graphs, of the alternate distributions used in the power study was presented in the previous chapter. Based on the shapes of the chosen alternate distribution, we would expect the following observed results. A Weibull with shape of 1.0 is an exponential, as is the gamma distribution with shape of 1.0. With this in mind, the power against the Weibull with shape of 1.0 should be close to the power against the gamma with shape of 1.0. Likewise, the Weibull with shape of 3.5 is similar to the normal distribution, with the exception that the normal is not anchored on the left side like the Weibull which might result in slight differences in power. Also, if the power of this test against an alternate distribution is small, it is important to realize that both the hypothesized distribution and the alternate distribution would do a good job of fitting the data. Thus, either distribution can be used to represent the population from which the data was obtained. Of course, when the hypothesized distribution and the alternate distribution are both Weibull
with the same shape value, the power should be the same as the level of significance. This prior intuition of the similarities in the alternate distributions was verified by the results in this thesis effort.

When these power quantities are compared to power quantities using MLEs, there is a mixture of results depending on the value of shape and sample size. It is known that as the sample size increases, both the MD estimator and the MLE approach the true value of the parameter (consistent). For many small sample sizes the power is increased by the MD estimator over the MLE power study presented by Bush, Woodruff and Moore for shape values of 1.0 (4:2471-2472). But for shape equal to 3.5 the MLE has higher power at small sample sizes against most of the alternate distributions tested. It appears that as the Weibull shape parameter increases the density becomes more peaked. This spike in the distribution might enable the MLE estimator to become more effective. This would increase the power of the MLE based goodness-of-fit test. The test developed in this research has good power at low sample size, and lower values of the shape parameter. Generally, the power is better when the Anderson-Darling distance is minimized. The power tables are as follows.
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Cramer-Von Mises Distance Minimized

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### Anderson-Darling Distance Minimized

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Table 4.33. Power Study for $\alpha = .05$, $H_0$: shape = 2.0 for A-D

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Table 4.34. Power Study for $\alpha = .05$, $H_0$: shape = 2.0 for A-D (Cont.)
The following figure illustrates the greatest power difference obtained with the selected alternative distributions between the MD estimator and the MLE. The test was a null hypothesized Weibull distribution with shape of 1.0 versus the alternative uniform on [10.15] at a significance level of 0.01.

![Power Comparison of MD to MLE for Uniform Distribution](image)

**Figure 4.1.** Power Comparison of MD to MLE for Uniform

### 4.4 Verification and Validation

Verification of the computer code was accomplished by an extensive line by line check to compare the code to the actual routines, such as the routines for generating random deviates from the different distributions found in Banks and Carson (3:294-300). The random number generator used was the linear congruential method from the IMSL routines. The seed was the tested and recommended seed used in the same IMSL generator.

Validation of the computer code was accomplished by matching the output to hand calculations of the data involving 10 repetitions instead of the 5000 used in...
the Monte Carlo simulation. The computer calculations of the linear interpolation method to compute the critical values were confirmed in this manner.
V. Conclusions and Recommendations

5.1 Conclusions

The Anderson-Darling critical values for the Weibull distribution presented in this thesis are valid. In the power study, a true null hypothesis achieved the expected level of significance.

The conclusions based on the power study presented in chapter IV are applicable to the ten alternate distributions. Good power is achieved for small sample sizes and some shape values for certain alternate distributions. Improvement over MLE based goodness-of-fit tests for the Weibull is seen for almost all cases of the uniform distribution. Also for small values of the shape parameter and small sample sizes, the new test performs well compared to the MLE based test for most of the alternate distributions tested. However, for sample sizes of 20 or more, the new test shows similar results to the MLE based test. In general, the Anderson-Darling distance statistic is more powerful than the Cramer-Von Mises distance statistic for estimating the location parameter.

5.2 Recommendations for Further Research

With all Monte Carlo studies, there can be increased accuracy if the number of repetitions is increased. This thesis used 5000 repetitions and might show more consistent results if 10,000 repetitions were used. Possibly a more powerful goodness-of-fit test would result where both the location and scale parameters are found by minimum distance estimation by some iterative technique. Finally, since the minimum distance goodness-of-fit test performs well at small sample sizes, further computer runs could be made for the sample sizes less than 12 that were not included in this research to complete the tables of critical values.
Appendix A. Computer Code

program thesis(input, output, out);
const
  error   = 0.0001;
tolerance = 0.0001;
repetitions = 5000;

type
data = array[0..30] of real; (* generated random variables *)
     (* position 0 is the number of rvs. *)
para = array[1..3] of real; (* array of the Weibull parameters *)
     (* in order location, scale, shape *)
gofstat = (AD, CVM); (* Anderson-Darling or Cramer VonMises *)

teststat = array[0..500] of real; (* Array of GOF Statistics used *)
     (* to pick off critical values *)
critv = array[0..5] of real; (* array of critical values *)

var
  out :text; (* out is the output file *)
  dataset :data; (* generated random numbers *)
  TRU, (* True parameters used to generate the data *)
  MLE, (* Maximum Likelihood Estimates *)
  FOSL, (* First Order Stat for Location MLE for others *)
  MDLAD, (* Min Dist on Location using Anderson-Darling *)
  MDLCVM :para; (* Min Dist on Location using Cramer-Von Mises *)

  which : gofstat; (* Which goodness of fit statistic AD or CVM *)
  power,
  mlegof, (* mle goodness of fit statistic *)
  gofvalue: real; (* each estimates goodness of fit statistic *)
  seed, (* seed for uniform random number generator *)
  i,j,k : integer;
  trueloc : boolean; (* true if location is assumed known for MLE *)
  ADCRIT,
  CVMCRIT : teststat; (* Sorted GOF statistics for crit values *)
  NRrejAD, (* Number of rejections in power study *)
  NRrejCVM,
function uniform(var seed:integer): real;
(* Generates a uniform random number *)
(* Introduction to Simulation by Payne(1982) page 310 *)
const
a = 62605; (* multiplier *)
c = 113218009; (* increment *)
m = 536870912; (* modulus *)
begin
  seed := (a * seed + c) mod m;
  if seed = 0 then
    seed := 1;
  uniform := seed / m;
end; (* function uniform *)

function gamma(m:integer): real;
(* This function generates a gamma random variate *)
(* using the method described in Law and Kelton (1991) *)
(* shape = m *)
var
  i : integer;
  temp, temp2 : real;
begin
  temp2 := 1.0;
  for i := 1 to m do
    begin
      temp := uniform(seed);
      temp2 := temp2 * temp;
    end;
  gamma := (-1/m)*ln(temp2);
end; (* gamma *)

function cvmgof(x:data;param:para): real;
(* This function returns the Cramer Von-Mises Goodness of Fit *)
(* Statistic for the three parameter Weibull. *)
(* Formulas published in Woodruff, Moore, and Dunne (1983) *)
(* Data must be ORDERED ! *)
var

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cum : data;  (* cumulative distribution *)
i,num : integer;
sum,
temp : real;
begin
  num := trunc(x[0]);
  for i := 1 to num do
    begin
      if x[i] <= param[1] then
        cum[i] := 0
      else
        begin
          temp := -1*exp(param[3] * ln((x[i]-param[1])/param[2]));
          cum[i] := 1 - exp(temp);
        end;
    end; (* for *)

  sum := 0;
  for i := 1 to num do
    begin
      temp := cum[i] - (2*i - 1)/(2*num);
      sum := sum + temp*temp;
    end; (* for *)
  cvmgof := (1/(12*num)) + sum;
end; (* function cvmgof *)

function adgof(x:data:param:para): real;
(* This function returns the Anderson-Darling Goodness of Fit *)
(* Statistic for the three parameter Weibull. *)
(* Formulas published in Woodruff, Moore, and Dunne (1983) *)
(* Data must be ordered! *)
var
  cum : data;  (* cumulative distribution *)
i,num : integer;  (* num is number of data values *)
sum,
temp : real;
begin
  num := trunc(x[0]);

  for i := 1 to num do

begin
  if x[i] <= param[1] then
    cum[i] := 0.001
  else
    begin
      temp := -1*exp(param[3] * ln((x[i]-param[1])/param[2]));
      cum[i] := 1 - exp(temp);
      if cum[i] < 0.001 then
        cum[i] := 0.001;
      if cum[i] > 0.99999 then
        cum[i] := 0.99999;
    end;
  end; (* for *)

sum := 0;
for i := 1 to num do
  begin
    temp := (2*i -1)*(ln(cum[i]) + ln(1-cum[num+1-i]));
    sum := sum + temp;
  end; (* for *)

adgof := -1*num - (sum/num);
end; (* function adgof *)

function gof(x:data; pars:para; which:gofstat):real;
begin
  if which = AD then (* Anderson-Darling Goodness of Fit Statistic *)
    gof := adgof(x, pars)
  else if which = CVM then
    gof := cvmgof(x, pars);
end;

procedure MLEest(x:data; ctrue:boolean; var location, scale, shape:real);
(* Maximum-Likelihood estimation of three parameters weibull *)
(* Iterative technique developed by H. Leon Harter and Albert *)
(* H. Moore and published in Technometrics (Nov 1965). *)
(* Formulas (for two parameter) from ATC Notes page 235 were *)
(* adjusted. Also see Miller's 1980 thesis. Shape Known! *)

```
var
  r, (* number of data points less than location *)
  num : integer; (* number of data points *)
  lastlocation : real;

function scaleest:real; (* part of MLE procedure *)
(* scaleest estimate the scale parameter. The scale is determined by *)
(* the location and shape parameters. Formula in Miller's thesis. (1980) *)
var
  temp : real;
  i : integer;
begin
  temp := 0;
  for i := (r+1) to num do
    temp := temp + exp(ln(x[i]-location)*shape);
  scaleest := exp(ln(temp/(num-r))/shape);
end; (* function scaleest *)
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function locationest(c:real):real; (* part of MLE procedure *)
(* locationest estimates the location. The iterative technique was used *)
(* by Harter and Moore (1965). Their equation 3.5 is simplified in that *)
(* only complete samples are allowed. Values for location are tried and *)
(* then adjusted to until the equation is equal to zero. *)
var
  upper, (* upper limit on c *)
  lower, (* lower limit on c *)
  value, (* value of partial derivative of L *)
  lowerval, (* value at lower limit *)
  upperval, (* value at upper limit *)
  k : real; (* shape parameter *)
  i : integer; (* c is estimate of location *)

function partial(c:real):real;(* part of locationest under MLE proc. *)
(* returns the derivative by c of ln(max likelihood function) *)
(* With the correct estimate of c the equation will be zero. *)
(* Harter and Moore (1965) found that with shape <= 1 the partial *)
(* is monotone. The resulting estimate is either 0 or the first *)
(* order statistic. The function is positive with too low a c *)
(* and negative with too high a c. *)
var
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sumx, (* sum of 1/(x[i]-c) (k is shape *)
sumxck, (* sum of (x[i]-c) to the kth power *)
sumxck1:real; (* sum of (x[i]-c) to the k-1 power *)

begin
  sumx := 0;
  sumxck := 0;
  sumxck1 := 0;
  i := 1;
r := 0;
  while x[i] - c <= 0.0001 do (* censors data from below *)
    begin
      r := r + 1;
i := i + 1;
    end;
  for i := (r+1) to num do
    begin
      sumx := sumx + 1/(x[i]-c):
      sumxck := sumxck + exp(k*ln(x[i]-c));
      sumxck1 := sumxck1 + exp((l-1)*ln(x[i]-c));
    end;
  partial := (1-k)*sumx+(num*k*sumxck1/sumxck);
end; (* function partial *)

begin (* function locationest *)
k := shape;
value := partial(c); (* c is last estimate of location *)
if value > 0 then (* bound c between a lower and higher value *)
  begin
    lower := c;
    lowerval := value;
    if (c + 1.0) < x[1] then (* try to get a small interval *)
      begin
        upper := c + 1.0;
        upperval := partial(upper);
        if upperval > 0 then
          begin
            upper := x[1];
            upperval := partial(upper);
          end;
      end;
  end;
else if value < 0 then
begin
  upper := c;
  upperval := value;
  if (c - 1.0) < x[1] then (* try to get a small interval *)
    begin
      lower := c - 1.0;
      lowerval := partial(lower);
      if lowerval < 0 then
        begin
          lower := 0;
          lowerval := partial(lower);
        end;
    end;
end;

else if value = 0 then (* if is zero then quit *)
begin
  upper := c;
  lower := upper; (* prevents entering loop below *)
end;

if upperval = 0 then
begin
  c := upper;
  lower := upper;
end;

if lowerval = 0 then
begin
  c := lower;
  upper := lower;
end;

if (upperval*lowerval) > 0 then (* the function is monotone *)
begin (* and c is an end point *)
  upper := x[1];
  upperval := partial(upper); (* check entire interval *)
  lower := 0; (* to see if its monotone *)
end;
lowerval := partial(lower);

if (lowerval > 0) and (upperval > 0) then
begin
  lower := x[1];
  c := x[1];
  upper := x[1];
end;

if (lowerval < 0) and (upperval < 0) then
begin
  c := 0;
  lower := 0;
  upper := 0;
end;
end; (* if monotone function *)

while ((upper-lower)>tolerance) and (abs(value) > tolerance) do
begin
  c := (upper + lower)/2;  (* binary search for zero *)
  value := partial(c);

  if value > 0 then
  begin
    lower := c;
    lowerval := value;
  end;
  if value < 0 then
  begin
    upper := c;
    upperval := value;
  end;
end; (* while *)

i := 1;
r := 0;
while x[i] <= c do  (* censors data from below *)
begin  (* r is used in shapeest *)
  r := r + 1;
  i := i + 1;
end;

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locationest := c;
end; (* function locationest *)

begin (* procedure MLEest *)
num := trunc(x[0]); (* the number of data points *)

if ctrue then (* location is known -- from GoldenSearch routine *)
begin
  i := 1;
  r := 0;
  while x[i] <= location do (* censors data from below *)
  begin
    r := r + 1;
    i := i + 1;
  end;
end
else (* location is unknown *)
begin
  location := x[1]/2; (* forces location below first data point *)
  r := 0;
  location := locationest(location);
end;
scale := scaleest;
end; (* of procedure MLEest *)

procedure GoldenSearch(x: data; which: gofstat; var pars: para);
(* starting at "a" searches in "direction" until the function stops *)
(* decreasing. Then begins a golden search on the last two *)
(* intervals just prior to the function increasing. *)

var
  a, b, (* current right and left endpoints *)
  ab, (* midpoint between a and b *)
  left, right, (* golden search midpoints *)
  fa, fab, fb, (* function value at current points *)
  fleft, fright, (* line search interval length *)
  r, (* sets golden search interval width *)
  bound: real; (* golden search iteration error bound *)

begin
step := pars[1]/20; (* line interval step size *)
if step = 0 then
    step := .1;

r := 0.618034; (* golden search multiplier *)

a := pars[1];
fa := gof(x,pars,which); (* current objective value *)
fb := fa + 1; (* initiate loop *)

while (fb - fa) > error do (* loop determines direction to *)
    begin (* decrease the function or if *)
        b := a + step; (* current point is the minimum *)
        pars[1] := b;
        fb := gof(x,pars,which);
    end;
    step := step/4;
end;

if fb > fa then (* try the other direction *)
    begin
        step := -1 * step;
        b := a + step;
        pars[1] := b;
        fb := gof(x,pars,which);
    end;

if fb > fa then (* the original point was the minimum *)
    pars[1] := a
else
    begin (* line search to find interval with minimum *)
        ab := a; (* initialize search *)
        fab := fa;

        repeat (* line search checks every step to find *)
            a := ab;
            fa := fab;
            ab := b;
            fab := fb;
            b := b + step;
            pars[1] := b;
            fb := gof(x,pars,which);
        until (fb >= fab);

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left := b - r*(b-a);  (** GOLDEN SEARCH begins ***)
right := a + r*(b-a);
bound := 2 * abs(step);

pars[1] := left;
fleft := gof(x,pars,which);
pars[1] := right;
fright := gof(x,pars,which);

while abs(fb-fa) > error do
begin
  if fleft < fright then (* delete right interval *)
  begin
    b := right;
    fb := fright;
    right := left;
    fright := fleft;
    left := b - r*(b-a);
    pars[1] := left;
    fleft := gof(x,pars,which);
  end; (* if *)

  if fright <= fleft then (* delete left interval *)
  begin
    a := left;
    fa := fleft;
    left := right;
    fleft := fright;
    right := a + r*(b-a);
    pars[1] := right;
    fright := gof(x,pars,which);
  end; (* if *)
  bound := r*bound;
end; (* of whil. *)

if fleft < fright then
begin
  if fa < fleft then
    pars[1] := a
  else
    pars[1] := left
end
else
   begin:
     if \( fb < fright \) then
       pars[1] := b
     else
       pars[1] := right;
   end;
end; (* of else (from long time ago) *)

trueloc := true;
MLEest(x, trueloc, pars[1], pars[2], pars[3]);
(* re estimate scale using min dist estimate of location *)
end; (* of procedure goldensearch *)

procedure findcrit(x: teststat; var cvpass: critv);
var
  mr : teststat; (* Median Rank plotting position *)

  (* used in bootstrap technique. *)
  m, b, (* slope, intercept, *)
  alpha : real; (* 1-alpha for critical value *)
  i, num : integer;

function cv(x, mr: teststat; alpha: real): real;
var
  m,
  b : real;
  i : integer;

begin (* function cv *)
  for i := 0 to num do
    begin
      if (mr[i] < alpha) and (mr[i+1] > alpha) then
        begin
          m := (mr[i+1] - mr[i])/(x[i+1] - x[i]);
          b := mr[i] - m*x[i];
          cv := (alpha - b)/m;
        end
      else if mr[i] = alpha then
        cv := x[i];
      end;
end; (* function cv *)

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begin (* procedure findcrit *)
num := repetitions;
for i := 1 to num do
begin
mr[i] := (i - 0.3)/(num + 0.4);
end;

mr[0] := 0;
mr[num + 1] := 1;
b := mr[1] - m*x[1];
x[0] := -b/m;

if x[0] < 0 then
x[0] := 0;

m := (mr[num] - mr[num-1])/(x[num] - x[num-1]);
b := mr[num] - m*x[num];
x[num + 1] := (1.0 - b)/m;

writeln(out,' alpha critical value');

for i := 1 to 5 do
begin
alpha := 0.75 + 0.05*i;
if alpha < 0.96 then
alpha := 0.96;
cvpass[i] := cv(x,mr,alpha);
writeln(out, alpha:8:4,cvpass[i]:10:6);end;
end; (* procedure findcrit *)

procedure bubble(var critsort: teststat);

var
number,
i,j : integer;
temp : real;
begin
number := repetitions; (* number of elements to sort *)
for j := (number-1) downto 1 do (* bubble sort of data values *)
for i. = 1 to j do (* Wirth (1976) pages 65-66 *)
begin
  if critsort[i] > critsort[i+1] then
    begin
      temp := critsort[i];
      critsort[i] := critsort[i+1];
      critsort[i+1] := temp;
    end;
  end; (* for i *)
end; (* bubble *)

procedure datasort(var dataset: data);

var
  number,
  i, j: integer;
  temp: real;
begin
  number := trunc(dataset[0]); (* number of elements to sort *)
  for j := (number-1) downto 1 do (* bubble sort of data values *)
    for i := 1 to j do (* Wirth (1976) pages 65-66 *)
      begin
        if dataset[i] > dataset[i+1] then
          begin
            temp := dataset[i];
            dataset[i] := dataset[i+1];
            dataset[i+1] := temp;
          end;
        end; (* for i *)
  end; (* datasort *)

procedure Weibull(TR: para; var dataset: data);
(* Weibull generates a data set of Weibull random variables *)
(* Uses the inverse transform technique. Banks and Carson *)
(* (1984) pages 294-300. *)
(* DATA MUST BE ORDERED FOR OTHER PROCEDURES *)
var
  number,
  i: integer;
  temp: real;
begin
  number := trunc(dataset[0]); (* number of random variables (<30) *)
(* writeln(out, ' SEED = ', seed:10); *)

for i := 1 to number do
begin
  temp := uniform(seed);
  dataset[i] := TR[2] \* exp((1/TR[3]) \* ln(-ln(temp))) + TR[1];
end;

datasort(dataset);

end; (* Weibull *)

procedure Normal(var dataset: data);

(* Normal generates a data set of Normal random variables *)
(* with mean = 15 and std dev = 2. Uses the Box Muller *)
(* DATA MUST BE ORDERED FOR OTHER PROCEDURES *)

var
  number, i, j: integer;
  temp2, temp: real;
begin
  number := trunc(dataset[0]); (* number of random variables (<30) *)
  (* writeln(out, ' SEED = ', seed:10); *)
  j := trunc((number+1)/2);
  for i := 1 to j do
  begin
    temp := uniform(seed);
    temp2 := uniform(seed);
    temp := sqrt(-2*ln(temp));
    temp2 := temp2 \* 6.2831853;
    dataset[i] := 15 + 2*temp*cos(temp2);
    dataset[i+j] := 15 + 2*temp*sin(temp2);
  end;

datasort(dataset);

end; (* Normal *)

procedure Erlang(m: integer; var dataset: data);

(* Erlang generates a data set of Gamma random variables *)
(* Uses the inverse transform technique. *)
(* Banks and Carson (1984) page 317 and 295. m = shape *)
(* DATA MUST BE ORDERED FOR OTHER PROCEDURES *)

var
  number,
  i, j : integer;
  temp2,
  temp : real;

begin
  number := trunc(dataset[0]); (* number of random variables (<30) *)
  (* writeln(out, ' SEED = ', seed:10); *)
  for i := 1 to number do
    begin
      temp2 := 1.0;
      for j := 1 to m do
        begin
          temp := uniform(seed);
          temp2 := temp2 * temp;
        end;
        (* k = m and theta = 1/5 Banks and Carson pg 146 and 317 *)
        (* location = 10.0 *)
        dataset[i] := (-5/m) * ln(temp2) + 10.0;
    end;
  datasort(dataset);
end; (* Erlang *)

procedure Beta(p, q: integer; var dataset: data);
var
  i, number : integer;
  x1, x2 : real;

begin
  number := trunc(dataset[0]);
  for i := 1 to number do
    begin
      x1 := (p);
      x2 := x1 * x2(q);
      dataset[i] := x1/(x1 + x2) + 10.0;
    end;
  datasort(dataset);
procedure Unif(var dataset: data);
(* method to generate uniform numbers between 10 and 15 *)
var
  number,
  i : integer;
  temp : real;
begin
  number := trunc(dataset[0]);
  for i := 1 to number do
    begin
      temp := uniform(seed);
      dataset[i] := 5.0 * temp + 10.0;
    end;
  datasort(dataset);
end; (* Unif *)

procedure Getdata(k: integer; var dataset: data);
var
  TR : para; (* Array of true parameter values *)
begin
  if k = 1 then
    begin
      TR[1] := 10.0;
      TR[2] := 1.0;
      TR[3] := 1.0;
      Weibull(TR, dataset);
    end
  else if k = 2 then
    begin
      TR[1] := 10.0;
      TR[2] := 1.0;
      TR[3] := 2.0;
      Weibull(TR, dataset);
    end
  else if k = 3 then
    begin
      TR[1] := 10.0;
      TR[2] := 1.0;
TR[3] := 3.5;
Weibull(TR, dataset);
end
else if k = 4 then
begin
Erlang(1, dataset);
end
else if k = 5 then
begin
Erlang(2, dataset);
end
else if k = 6 then
begin
Erlang(3, dataset);
end
else if k = 7 then
begin
Normal(dataset);
end
else if k = 8 then
begin
Unif(dataset);
end
else if k = 9 then
begin
Beta(2, 2, dataset);
end
else if k = 10 then
begin
Beta(2, 3, dataset);
end
end; (* procedure Getdata *)

begin (* thesis *)
rewrite(out);
seed := 7774755;

TRU[1] := 10.0;  (* location *)
TRU[2] := 1.0;  (* scale *)
TRU[3] := 1.0;  (* shape *)
dataset[0] := 25; (* sample size *)

writeln(out,'NUMBER OF REPETITIONS IS ',repetitions:6);
writeln(out,'TRUE PARAMETERS ARE ');
writeln(out,' Location = ',TRU[1]:6:3);
writeln(out,' Scale = ',TRU[2]:6:3);
writeln(out,' Shape = ',TRU[3]:6:3);
writeln(out,'SAMPLE SIZE = ',dataset[0]);
writeln(out,'');

for j := 1 to repetitions do (* Loop for Monte Carlo Simulations *)
  begin
    Weibull(TRU,dataset); (* generate data set *)

    if j <= 3 then (* writes first three data sets *)
      begin
        writeln(out,'');
        for i := 1 to trunc(dataset[0]) do
          writeln(out,'data ',dataset[i]:10:4);
      end;

    trueloc := false; (* calculates MLE estimates of parameters *)
    MLEest(dataset,trueloc,MLE[1],MLE[2],MLE[3]);

    (**********************************************************************************)
    (*** CALCULATE MINIMUM DISTANCE ESTIMATES ***)
    (**********************************************************************************)
    for i := 1 to 3 do
      begin
        MDLAD[i] := MLE[i]; (* Starting points are MLE values *)
        MDLCVM[i] := MLE[i];
      end;

    which := AD;
    GoldenSearch(dataset,which,MDLAD);

    which := CVM;
    GoldenSearch(dataset,which,MDLCVM);

    (**********************************************************************************)
    (*** ANDERSON-DARLING EVALUATION ***)
    (**********************************************************************************)

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gofvalue := adgof(dataset,MDLAD);
ADCRIT[j] := gofvalue;

gofvalue := adgof(dataset,MDLCVM);
CVMCRIT[j] := gofvalue;

end; (* loop for monte carlo repetitions *)

bubble(ADCRIT);
bubble(CVMCRIT);

writeln(out,'Anderson-Darling:');
findcrit(ADCRIT,cvad);

writeln(out,'Cramer-Von Mises:');
findcrit(CVMCRIT,cvcvm);

(******************************************************************************)
(***                        POWER STUDY                                       ***)
(******************************************************************************)

for k := 1 to 10 do       (* main loop for 10 power studies *)
begin
  for i := 1 to 5 do
  begin
    NRrejAD[i] := 0;
    NRrejCVM[i] := 0;
  end;
  for j := 1 to repetitions do
  begin
    Getdata(k,dataset);
    trueloc := false;
    MLEest(dataset,trueloc,MLE[1],MLE[2],MLE[3]);
    for i := 1 to 3 do
    begin
      MDLAD[i] := MLE[i]; (* Starting points *)
      MDLCVM[i] := MLE[i];
    end;
    which := AD;
  end;

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GoldenSearch(dataset,which,MDLAD);
which := CVM;
GoldenSearch(dataset,which,MDLCVM);
gofvalue := adgof(dataset,MDLAD);
for i := 1 to 5 do
  begin
    if gofvalue > cvad[i] then
      NRrejAD[i] := NRrejAD[i] + 1;
  end;

gofvalue := adgof(dataset,MDLCVM);
for i := 1 to 5 do
  begin
    if gofvalue > cvcvm[i] then
      NRrejCVM[i] := NRrejCVM[i] + 1;
  end;

end; (* for j loop *)
writeln(out, 'Anderson-Darling Distance');
for i := 1 to 5 do
  begin
    power := NRrejAD[i]/repetitions;
    writeln(out,'i = ',i,' power = ',power:8:6);
  end;
writeln(out, 'Cramer-Von Mises Distance');
for i := 1 to 5 do
  begin
    power := NRrejCVM[i]/repetitions;
    writeln(out,'i = ',i,' power = ',power:8:6);
  end;

end; (* for k loop *)
close(out);
end. (* thesis *)
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This research is to produce a modified Anderson-Darling goodness-of-fit test for the Weibull distribution when the location parameter is found by minimum distance estimation, the shape parameter is assumed known, and the MLE is used for the scale parameter. The critical values for the Anderson-Darling test are generated via Monte Carlo simulation when both the Anderson-Darling and Cramer-Von Mises distance statistics are minimized. These critical values are then used for a power study. The Monte Carlo simulation used 5000 repetitions for sample sizes of 5, 8, 12, 15, 16, 20 and 25 with the Weibull shape parameter of 5(5)4.0. The power study is made for the same sample sizes as above with the hypothesized Weibull shape parameter of 1.0 and 3.5 against ten alternate hypothesized distributions. For small sample sizes, improvement can be seen over tests which use MLEs for the location and scale parameters. However, for larger sample sizes, more than 20, the power is similar to other goodness-of-fit tests for the Weibull. In most cases, minimizing the Anderson-Darling distance statistic to estimate the Weibull location parameter had more power than minimizing the Cramer-Von Mises distance statistic.