

Transformed Weibull Distribution in Survival Analysis



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SURVIVAL ANALYSIS

= study of data from a well-defined time origin until the occurrence of some particular event or end-point

“ Survival time $T(t)$

“ Censoring

= the end-point of the interest has not been observed

SURVIVAL ANALYSIS

“ Survival function

= probability, that an individual survives longer than t

$$S(t) = P(T > t) = 1 - F(t)$$

“ Hazard function

= probability that an individual dies at time t , conditional on he or she having survived to that time

$$h(t) = \frac{f(t)}{S(t)} = -\frac{d}{dt} [\log S(t)]$$

METHODS

“ Non-parametric

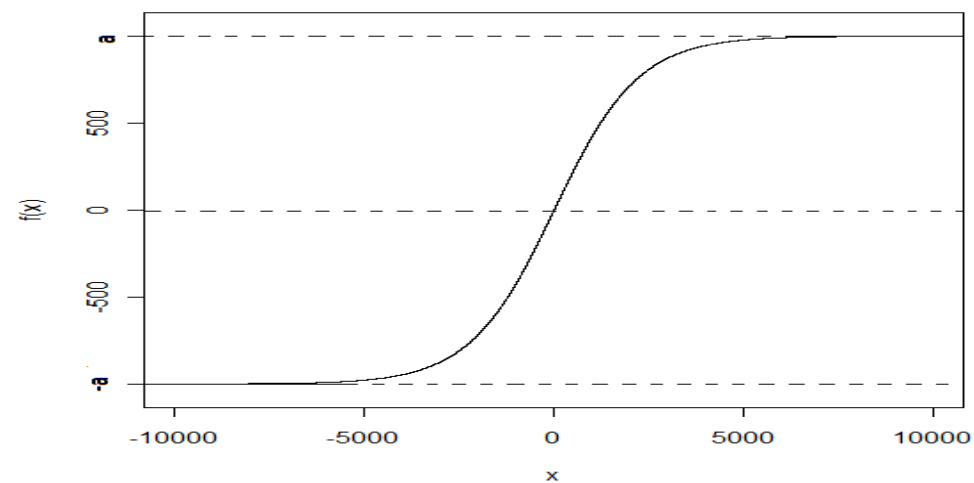
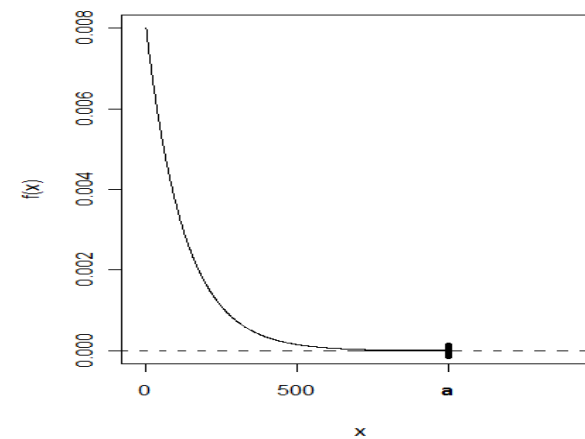
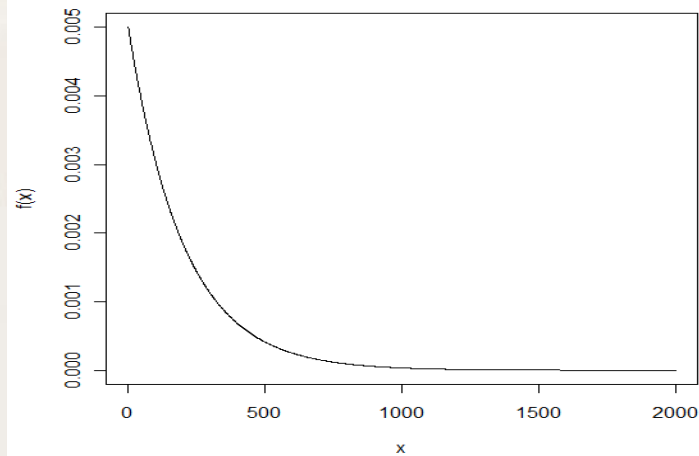
- Kaplan-Meier estimate

$$\hat{S}(t) = \prod_{j=1}^k \frac{n_j - d_j}{n_j}$$

“ Parametric

- Exponential, Weibull, Log-normal, Gamma distributions

TRANSFORMATION



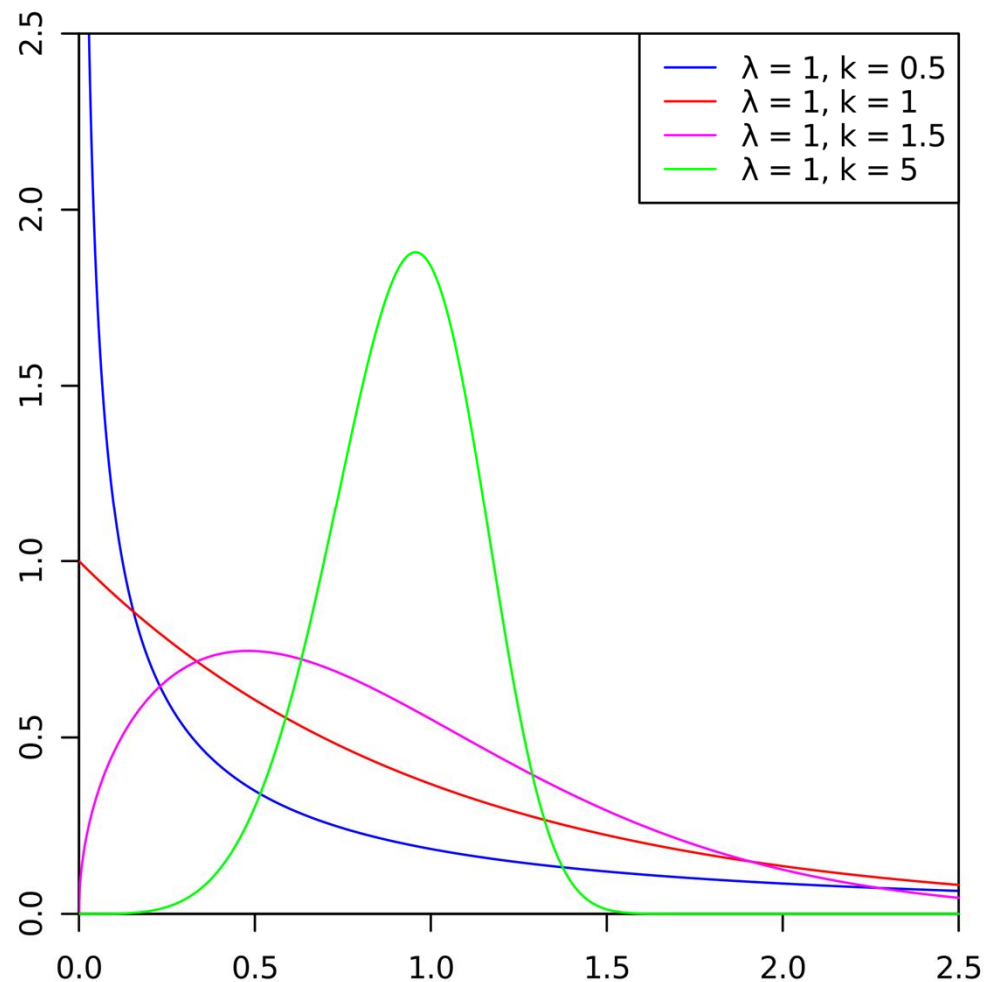
WEIBULL DISTRIBUTION

$$f(t) = \frac{b}{\lambda^b} t^{b-1} e^{-\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right)^b}$$

$$F(t) = 1 - e^{-\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right)^b}$$

$$S(t) = 1 - F(t) = e^{-\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right)^b}$$

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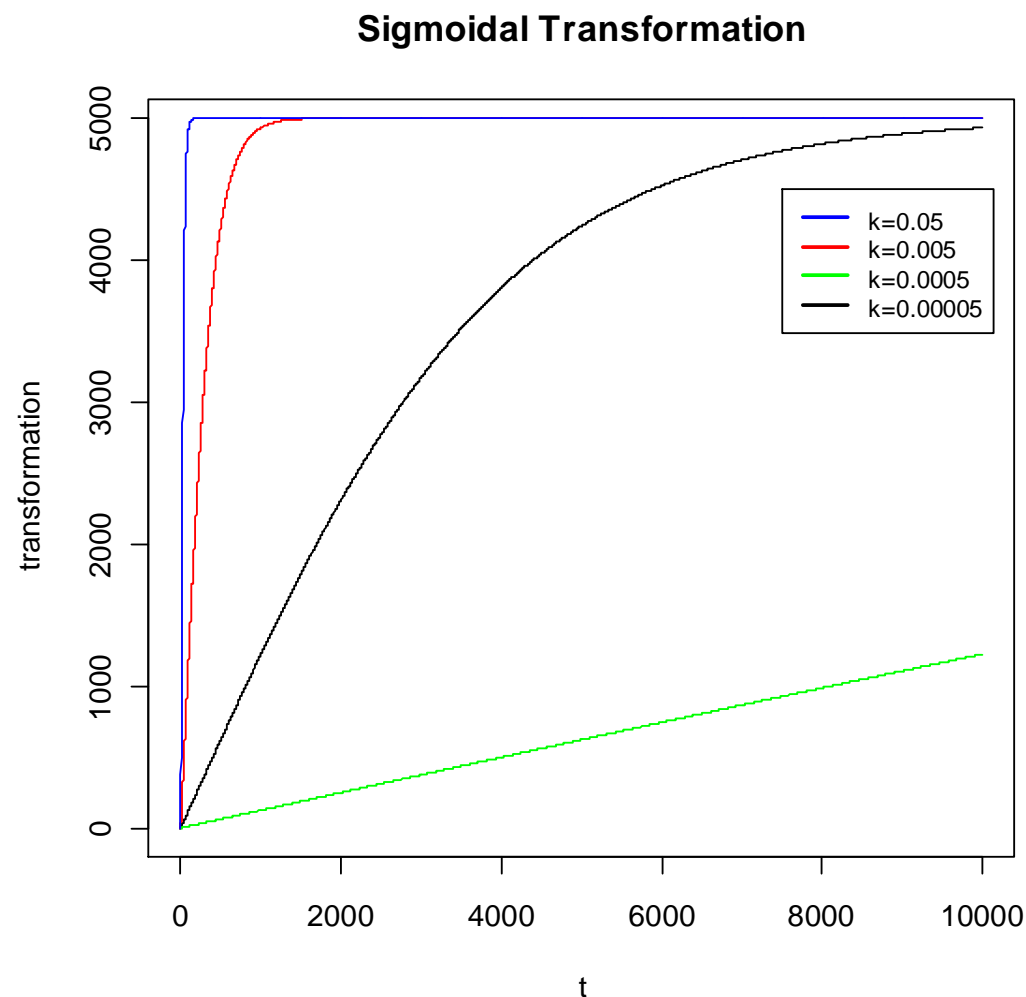


SIGMOIDAL TRANSFORMATION

$$y = \frac{a}{1 + e^{-kt}}$$

$$y = \frac{2a}{1 + e^{-kt}} - a$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{k} \ln \frac{a-t}{a+t}$$



TRANSFORMED WEIBULL DISTRIBUTION

$$f(t) = \frac{2ab}{l(a^2 - t^2)} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{l} \ln \frac{a-t}{a+t}\right)^{b-1} \cdot e^{-\left(-\frac{1}{l} \ln \frac{a-t}{a+t}\right)^b}$$

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$$h(t) = \frac{f(t)}{S(t)} = \frac{2ab}{l(a^2 - t^2)} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{l} \ln \frac{a-t}{a+t}\right)^{b-1}$$

$$l = k\lambda$$

MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD METHOD

$$l((t, c), \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \{[f(t_i, \boldsymbol{\beta})]^{c_i} [S(t_i, \boldsymbol{\beta})]^{1-c_i}\}$$

$$L((t, c), \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \{c_i \ln[f(t_i, \boldsymbol{\beta})] + (1 - c_i) \ln[S(t_i, \boldsymbol{\beta})]\}$$

$$L = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ c_i \ln \left(\frac{2ab}{l(a^2 - t_i^2)} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{l} \ln \frac{a - t_i}{a + t_i} \right)^{b-1} \cdot e^{-\left(-\frac{1}{l} \ln \frac{a - t_i}{a + t_i} \right)^b} \right) + (1 - c_i) \ln \left(e^{-\left(-\frac{1}{l} \ln \frac{a - t_i}{a + t_i} \right)^b} \right) \right\}$$

MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD METHOD

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{c_i - b \ln \left(-\frac{\ln \frac{a-t_i}{a+t_i}}{l} \right) \left(\left(-\frac{\ln \frac{a-t_i}{a+t_i}}{l} \right)^b - c_i \right)}{b} = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{b \left(\left(-\frac{\ln \frac{a-t_i}{a+t_i}}{l} \right)^b - c_i \right)}{l} = 0$$

$$-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{c_i(a^2 + t_i^2) \ln \frac{a-t_i}{a+t_i} + 2at_i \left(b \left(-\frac{\ln \frac{a-t_i}{a+t_i}}{l} \right)^b - bc_i + c_i \right)}{a(a^2 - t_i^2) \ln \frac{a-t_i}{a+t_i}} = 0$$

ESTIMATIONS

Used data - 333 women with the breast cancer in the fourth stadium
- 8 censored observations

Estimations of the parameters:

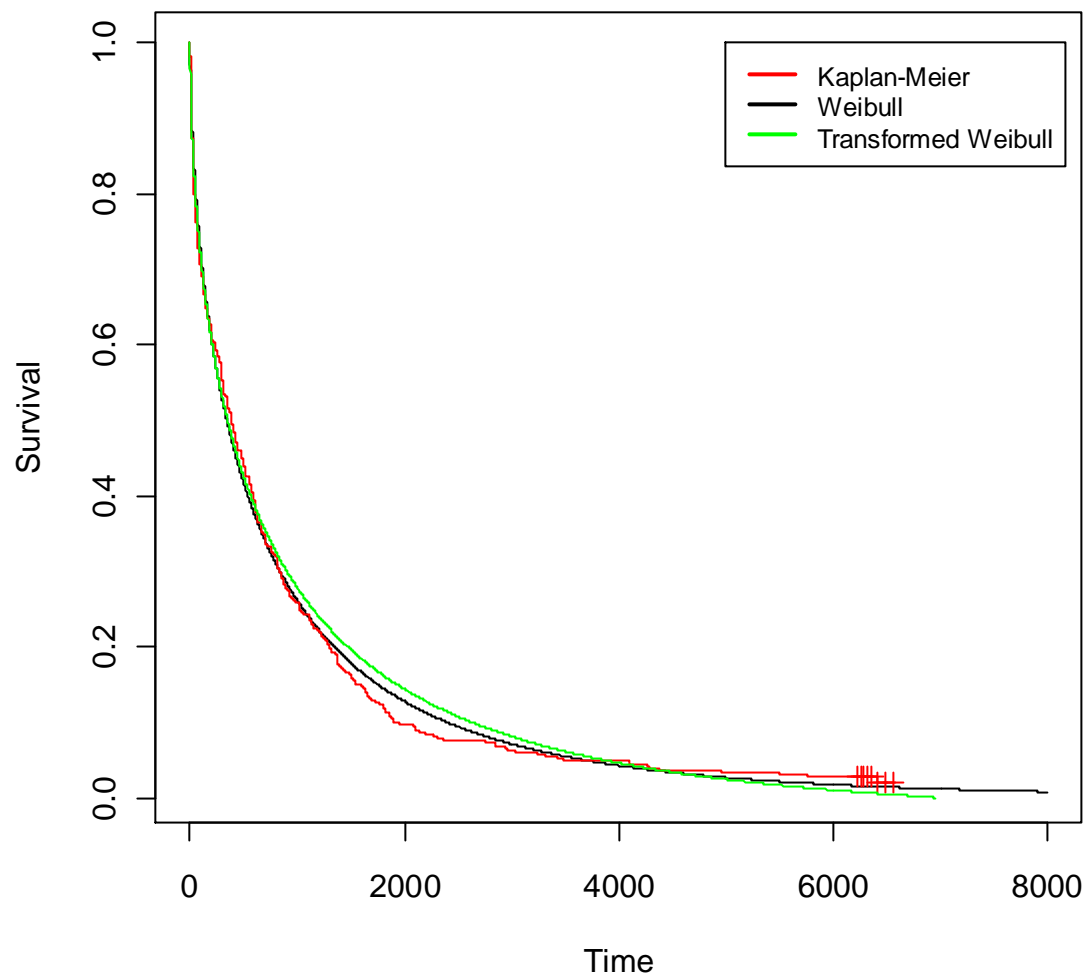
$$\hat{b} = 0,5815282$$

$$\hat{l} = 0,1894694$$

$$\hat{a} = 6951,7905143$$

SURVIVAL FUNCTION

Comparison of estimations made by Weibull
and Transformed Weibull distribution



NEXT STEPS

- ☑ Other optimalization function
- ☑ More suitable distribution
- ☑ New transformation function



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