



Sec 11.4 Truncated or Censored Data

Defn 11.2: right censoring

An observation is censored from above (also called <sup>right</sup> censored) at  $u$  if when it is at or above  $u$  it is recorded as being equal to  $u$ , but when it is below  $u$  it is recorded at its observed value.

Defn 11.3: truncation

An observation is truncated from below (also called left truncated) at  $d$  if when it is at or below  $d$  it is not recorded, but when it is above  $d$  it is recorded at its observed value.

\* For truncated data, there are two ways to proceed.

shifting approach

unshifted approach

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Assume that the values in Data Set B had been truncated from below at 200. Using both methods, estimate the value of  $\alpha$  for a Pareto distribution with  $\theta = 800$  known. Then use the model to estimate the cost per payment with deductibles of 0, 200, and 400.

Ans: Data Set B	27	82	115	126	155	161	243	294	340	384
	457	680	855	877	974	1,193	1,340	1,884	2,558	15,743

(I) Shifting approach

Using the shifting approach, the values become

After truncation from below at 200

⇒	43	94	140	184	257	480	655	677		
	774	993	1140	1684	2358	15543				

Because the data have been shifted, it is not possible to estimate the cost with no deductible ( $d=0$ ).



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$$L(\alpha) = \prod_{j=1}^n f(x_j | \alpha)$$

$$\therefore L(\alpha) = \prod_{j=1}^{14} \frac{\alpha (800^\alpha)}{(800 + x_j)^{\alpha+1}}$$

$$\therefore l(\alpha) = \sum_{j=1}^{14} [\ln \alpha + \alpha \ln 800 - (\alpha+1) \ln (x_j + 800)]$$

$$\therefore l(\alpha) = 14 \ln \alpha + 93.5846\alpha - 103.969(\alpha+1)$$

where  $14 \ln 800 = 93.5846$ ,  $\sum_{j=1}^{14} \ln (x_j + 800) = 103.969$

$$\Rightarrow l(\alpha) = 14 \ln \alpha - 10.384\alpha - 103.969$$

To get  $\hat{\alpha}$ , let  $l'(\alpha) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow l'(\alpha) = \frac{14}{\alpha} - 10.384$$

$$\therefore \hat{\alpha} = \frac{14}{10.384} = 1.3482$$

\* The cost <sup>per payment</sup> with deductible  $d=200$  is the expected value of the estimated Pareto dist'n =  $E(X) = \frac{\theta}{\alpha-1}$

$$= \frac{800}{1.3482 - 1} = \frac{800}{0.3482} = 2298$$

\* The cost per payment with deductible  $d=400$ , can be calculated by the following formula

$$\frac{E(X) - E(X \wedge 200)}{1 - F(200)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{800}{0.3482} - \frac{800}{0.3482} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{800}{200+800} \right)^{0.3482} \right]}{\left( \frac{800}{200+800} \right)^{1.3482}}$$

$$= 1000 / 0.3482 = 2872$$

For Pareto  $\alpha, \theta$   
p.d.f is

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha \theta^\alpha}{(x+\theta)^{\alpha+1}}$$

See p. 494

For Pareto  $\alpha, \theta$   
c.d.f is

$$F(x) = 1 - \left( \frac{\theta}{x+\theta} \right)^\alpha$$

For Pareto  $\alpha, \theta$

$$E(X^k) = \frac{\theta^k k!}{(\alpha-1) \dots (\alpha-k)}$$

$k$  is a +ve integer  
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Review Theorem 8.3 p. 130

For Pareto  $\alpha, \theta$ , the limited expected value

$$E(X \wedge x) = \frac{\theta}{\alpha-1} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{\theta}{x+\theta} \right)^{\alpha-1} \right]$$

$\alpha \neq 1$

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(II) Unshifted approach

The probability of observing each data value knowing that values under 200 are omitted from the data set. This conditional probability leads to

$$\Rightarrow L(\alpha) = \prod_{j=1}^{14} \frac{f(z_j|\alpha)}{1 - F(200|\alpha)}$$

For Pareto dist'n

$$L(\alpha) = \prod_{j=1}^{14} \left[ \frac{\alpha (800)^\alpha}{(800 + z_j)^{\alpha+1}} / \left( \frac{800}{800 + 200} \right)^\alpha \right]$$

$$L(\alpha) = \prod_{j=1}^{14} \frac{\alpha (1000)^\alpha}{(800 + z_j)^{\alpha+1}}$$

$$\therefore l(\alpha) = \sum_{j=1}^{14} \log \left[ \frac{\alpha (1000)^\alpha}{(800 + z_j)^{\alpha+1}} \right]$$

$$\therefore l(\alpha) = 14 \ln \alpha + 14\alpha \ln(1000) - (\alpha+1) \sum_{j=1}^{14} \ln(800 + z_j)$$

$$\therefore 14 \ln 1000 = 96.709$$

$$\therefore \sum_{j=1}^{14} \ln(800 + z_j) = 105.810$$

where  $z_j$ : 243, 294, 340, ..., 15743

$$l(\alpha) = 14 \ln \alpha + 96.709\alpha - (\alpha+1) 105.810$$

$$\text{and } l'(\alpha) = \frac{14}{\alpha} - 9.101 = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\alpha} = \frac{14}{9.101} = 1.5383$$

This model is used for losses with no deductible and the expected payment without a deductible is

$$E(X) = \frac{\theta}{\alpha - 1} = \frac{800}{0.5383} = 1486$$



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The expected payment with a deductible  $d = 200$  (As before)

$$= E(X) - E(X \wedge 200)$$

$$= \frac{800}{0.5383} - \frac{800}{0.5383} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{800}{200+800} \right)^{0.5383} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1000}{0.5383} = 1,858$$

Similarly

The expected payment with a deductible  $d = 400$

$$= E(X) - E(X \wedge 400)$$

$$= \frac{1200}{0.5383} = 2,229$$

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