

Predicting system failures

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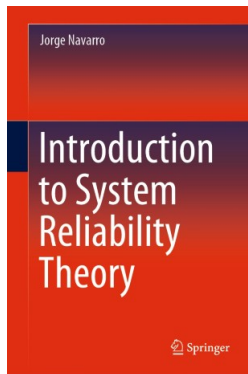
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Definition (Navarro, Calì, Longobardi and Durante (2022))

A multivariate distribution function \mathbf{F} is said to be a *multivariate distorted distribution* (MDD) of the univariate distribution functions G_1, \dots, G_n if there exists a **multivariate distortion function** D such that

$$\mathbf{F}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = D(G_1(x_1), \dots, G_n(x_n)), \quad \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (1.3)$$

D is a continuous multivariate distribution function with support contained in $[0, 1]^n$.

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where

$$D_{2|1}(v|u) = \frac{\partial_1 D(u, v) - \partial_1 D(u, 0^+)}{\partial_1 D(u, 1)}$$

is a distortion function for all $0 < u < 1$ such that $\partial_1 D(u, 1) > 0$.

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- ▶ **Case III:** We can predict the system lifetime T from two preceding system lifetimes $T_1 < T_2 < T$.

Case I: $T_1 < T$

Theorem

If T_1 and T are the lifetimes of two coherent systems satisfying $T_1 < T$ based on the same ID component lifetimes and (T_1, T) has a joint absolutely continuous distribution, then there exists a bivariate distortion function $\hat{D} : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that

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for all x, y . Moreover, the reliability function of $(T | T_1 = t)$ is

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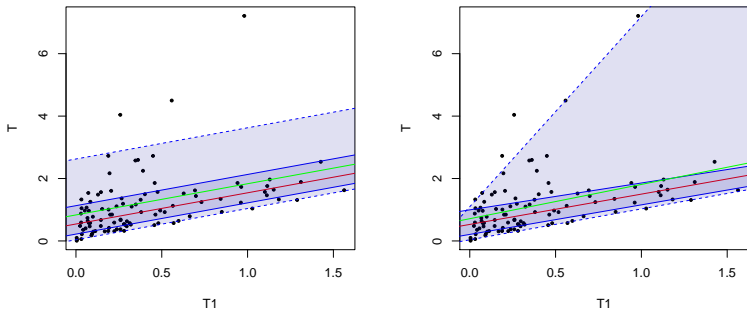


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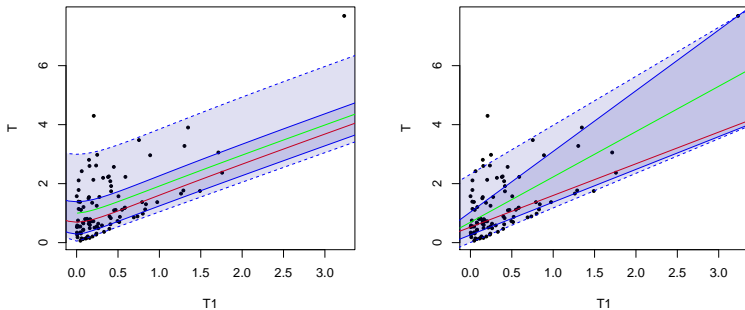


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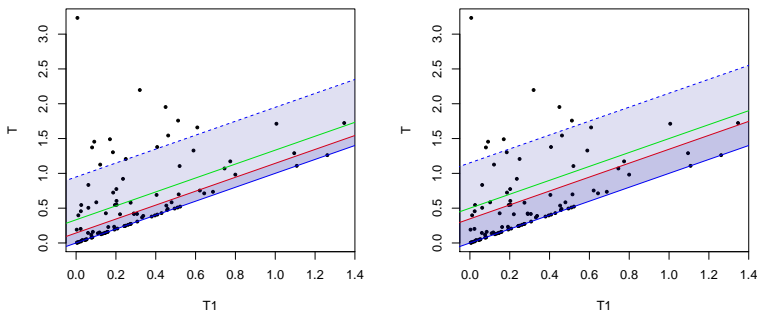


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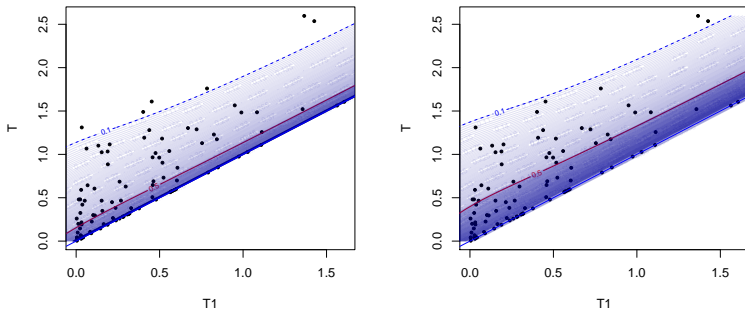


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where $a(t_1, t_2) = (1 - 2\bar{F}(t_1))(1 - 2\bar{F}(t_2)) \in [-1, 1]$ and

$c(t_1, t_2) = \bar{F}(t_2) + \theta \bar{F}(t_2) F(t_2) (1 - 2\bar{F}(t_1))(1 - 2\bar{F}(t_2)) \in [0, 1]$.

- ▶ This equation has a unique solution in $[0, 1]$ given by

$$\bar{F}(t) = \frac{1 + \theta a(t_1, t_2) - \sqrt{(1 + \theta a(t_1, t_2))^2 - 4\theta w a(t_1, t_2) c(t_1, t_2)}}{2\theta a(t_1, t_2)}$$

for $\theta a(t_1, t_2) \neq 0$.

Example 5, case III

- ▶ For $\theta = 0$, it coincides with the expression for the IID case.
- ▶ For $\theta \neq 0$, it depends on t_1 .
- ▶ To get its inverse function, we need to solve

$$\theta a(t_1, t_2) \bar{F}^2(t) - (1 + \theta a(t_1, t_2)) \bar{F}(t) + wc(t_1, t_2) = 0,$$

where $a(t_1, t_2) = (1 - 2\bar{F}(t_1))(1 - 2\bar{F}(t_2)) \in [-1, 1]$ and

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- ▶ From this expression we can compute $\bar{G}_{3|1,2}^{-1}(w|t_1, t_2)$ for $0 < w < 1$, $0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2$ and $\theta \in [-1, 1]$.

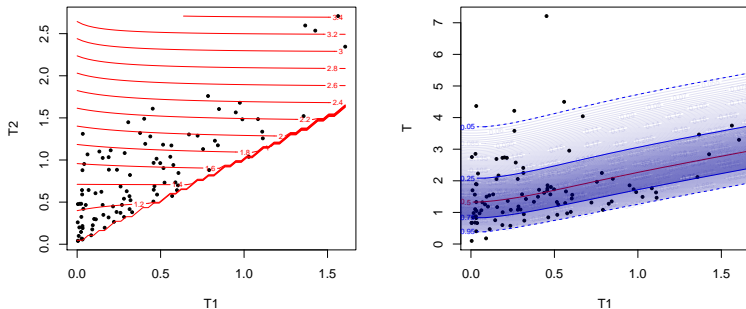


Figure: Scatterplots of a sample from (T_1, T_2) (left) and (T_1, T) (right) for the systems in Example 5 jointly with the theoretical median regression curve (red) and the centered prediction bands (right plot) with levels 50% (dark grey) and 90% (light grey). In the left plot, we only give the level curves (predictions) of the median regression map $m(t_1, t_2)$.

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