On Nonparametric Maximum Likelihood Estimations of Multivariate Distribution Function Based on Interval-Censored Data

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This talk considers the nonparametric maximum likelihood estimates (NPMLE) of a joint distribution function when the multivariate failure times of interest are intervalcensored. With different types of interval censoring mechanism, the NPMLE's of the multivariate distribution function are studied and the strong consistency for the NPM-LEs is obtained in terms of a self-consistency equation. Furthermore, the convergence rate of the estimator is given, which depends on the types of interval censoring mechanism.

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