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NON-PARAMETRIC METHOD OF STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF RELIABILITY INDICATORS OF AVIATION PRODUCTS

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Introduction. Reliability of aviation equipment is the most important element of its quality. Therefore, the task of assessing the reliability indicators of component products is relevant for aviation engineering.[1]

Let them examine N products of the same type with an unknown but equal probability of failure q(t). During the operation time T, the number of failed elements is a random variable with a binomial distribution law.

1. Let's find a point estimate of the probability of failure-free operation P = 1 - q using the maximum likelihood method. [2] The likelihood function has the form:

$$L(q) = \binom{N}{n} q^n (1 - q)^{N - n}.$$
 (1)

The point unbiased effective estimate q^* for the probability of failure during operation T is

$$q^* = \frac{n}{N},\tag{2}$$

The point unbiased effective estimate for the probability of failure-free operation:

$$P^* = 1 - \frac{n}{N}.\tag{3}$$

Based on the sample characteristics of the quantity q^* , determine the lower q_1 and upper q_2 confidence limits of the general characteristic q and the confidence interval $(q_1; q_2)$, which covers q with a two-sided confidence probability \propto^* .

$$\alpha^* = P(q_1 \le q \le q_2),\tag{4}$$

One-sided confidence probabilities satisfy the following conditions:

$$\alpha_1 = P(q \ge q_1), \alpha_2 = P(q \le q_2).$$

 $\alpha^* = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 1.$

Hence

$$R_0 = N(1 - \sqrt[N]{1 - \alpha}),$$

$$R_1 = \frac{n(2N - n + \frac{1}{2}\chi_{1-\infty})}{N\chi_{1-\infty}}, \quad R_2 = \frac{n(2N - n + \frac{1}{2}\chi_{\infty})}{\chi_{\infty}},$$

 $\chi_{1-\alpha}$ -quantile distribution χ^2 with k=2n degrees of freedom,

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$$q_1 = 0; q_2 = \frac{R_0}{N}, (n = 0); \quad q_1 = \frac{n}{NR_1}; q_2 = \frac{n}{NR_2}, (n \neq 0). (5)$$

The confidence limits of the probability of failure-free operation are estimated according to the following formulas:

$$P_1 = 1 - q_2, \ P_2 = 1 - q_1.$$
 (6)

Results

When examining N = 200 products with n = 20 failures and n = 0 without failures estimates of the confidence limits of the probability of failure-free operation of products P were found at the given confidence probability $\propto = 0.95$.

1)
$$N = 200$$
, $n = 20$, $q = \frac{n}{N} = 0.1$, $R_1 = 1.49$, $R_2 = 0.7$

$$q_1 = \frac{n}{NR_1} = \frac{20}{200 \cdot 1.49} \approx 0.0671, \qquad q_2 = \frac{n}{NR_2} = \frac{20}{200 \cdot 0.7} \approx 0.1429, \quad P = 1 - q = 0.9$$

$$P_1 = 1 - q_2 = 1 - 0.1429 = 0.8571, \ P_2 = 1 - q_1 = 1 - 0.0671 = 0.9329$$
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2)
$$N = 200, n = 0, q = 0, R_0 = 2.29, q_1 = 0, q_2 = \frac{R_0}{N} = \frac{2.29}{200} \approx 0.0115,$$

$$P=1-q=1-0=1, \qquad P_1=1-q_2=1-0.0115=0.9885, \ P_2=1-q_1=1-0=1.$$

Conclusion

The described approach can be effectively used to analyze product reliability indicators at the stages of aircraft design, production and operation.

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