

**A MATHEMATICAL MODEL FOR HYPOTHALAMIC -
PITUITARY - ADRENAL AXIS RESPONDS DIFFERENTLY TO
MORNING AND EVENING PSYCHOLOGICAL STRESS IN
HEALTHY PEOPLE USING GENERALIZED CAUCHY FAMILY
OF DISTRIBUTIONS**

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ABSTRACT. The study's goal is to see if the timing of day has an influence on the acute response of the HPA axis activity to acute stressors using a Cauchy distribution. The hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis reacts to environmental factors, particularly psychological stresses. The TSST measures the daytime cycle of salivary cortisol as well as the stress reaction of salivary cortisol and heart rate. Finally, we determine that the implementation portion corresponds to a mathematical model, and the outcome is connected to the medical report. This study will be very useful in the medical career in the future.

1. Introduction

The Cauchy distribution, named after Augustin Cauchy, is a simple family of distributions for which there is no estimated value. Furthermore, the family is closed under the construction of sums of random variables, indicating that it is an endlessly divisible family of distributions. [19, 21, 27] utilized the Cauchy distribution to produce an explicit equation for $P(Z_1 \leq 0, Z_2 \leq 0)$, where $(Z_1, Z_2)^T$ follows the typical bivariate normal distribution. The Cauchy distribution has been employed in a variety of applications, including electrical and mechanical theory, physical anthropology, assessment difficulties, activities and financial research.

It was used to simulate the impact sites of a fixed single direction of particles released from a measurement device [5, 10, 11]. It is known as a Lorenzian distribution in physics, and that is the distribution [15, 16, 17, 18] of the power of an unstable state in quantum theory.

2. Mathematical model and Assumptions

The random variable X in $T - R\{Y\}$ family of distributions is defined as

$$F_X(x) = \int_a^{Q_Y(F_R(x))} f_T(t) dt = F_T(Q_Y(F_R(x))) \quad (2.1)$$

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The corresponding PDF associated with (2.1) is

$$f_X(x) = f_T(Q_Y(F_R(x))) \times Q^1_Y(F_R(x)) \times f_R(x) \quad (2.2)$$

Alternatively, (2.2) can be written as

$$f_X(x) = f_R(x) \times \frac{f_T(Q_Y(F_R(x)))}{f_Y(Q_Y(F_R(x)))} \quad (2.3)$$

The hazard function of the random variable X can be written as

$$h_X(x) = h_R(x) \times \frac{h_T(Q_Y(F_R(x)))}{h_Y(Q_Y(F_R(x)))} \quad (2.4)$$

[2, 3, 4] studied, respectively, the T-R{exponential}, T-normal{Y} and T-gamma{Y} families of distributions. [1, 20, 22, 23] studied some general properties of the T-R{Y} family. Now, we define the T-Cauchy{Y} family.

Let R be a random variable that follows the Cauchy distribution with PDF

$$F_R(x) = F_C(x) = \pi^{-1}\theta^{-1}(1 + x/\theta^2)^{-1} \text{ and CDF}$$

$$f_R(x) = f_C(x) = 0.5 + \pi^{-1}\tan^{-1}(x/\theta), x \in R, \theta > 0,$$

then (2.3) reduces to

$$f_X(x) = f_C(x) \times \frac{f_T(Q_Y(F_C(x)))}{f_Y(Q_Y(F_C(x)))} \quad (2.5)$$

Hereafter, the family of distributions in (2.5) will be called the T-Cauchy{Y} family. It is clear that the PDF in (2.5) is a generalization of Cauchy distribution.

3. Applications

The hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis and sympatho adrenal medullary (SAM) system are important in response to stress. To begin with, the SAM system responds swiftly to stress, causing an elevated heart rate. Secondary, the HPA axis responds more slowly by secreting glucocorticoid hormones such as corticosterone in rats and cortisol in humans. Cortisol is the major stress response in humans, acting as an indicator of HPA axis function in response to stress. The cortisol reaction to intense stressors is regulated by the participants age [9, 14] gender [6, ?] and mood conditions [8, 25]. In terms of the influence of rest on cortisol levels, both full and partial sleep loss raise the basal level of HAP axis activity [15, ?]. Shorter sleep duration and poor sleep efficiency have also been linked to a greater response to acute mental stress [26].

In this work, we looked at how the HPA axis responds to stressful events in the morning and evening using TSST in healthy people. The TSST timings were chosen based on personal variations in the circadian rhythms of cortisol levels and the sleep wake cycle. Because recurrent TSST causes a significant degree of conditioning of the HPA axis reaction, the participants only conducted TSST once, whether in the morning or in the evening [7, 13].

Figure 1 depicts the average diurnal rhythm of salivary cortisol in the baseline condition. Panelists A diurnal cycle of salivary cortisol level assessed on the last day of baseline condition was shown.

Figure 2 Salivary cortisol responses in the morning and evening before and after the Trier Social Stress Test (TSST). Panel A depicts the average salivary insulin levels pre and post TSST in the morning and evening. Horizontal bars with open and closed ends represent 5 minute anticipation and 10 minute TSST intervals, respectively. In normal young volunteers, we were able to establish that the transient stress reaction to the HPA axis elicited by the TSST had a substantial time of day variation (morning vs evening).

The HPA axis activity shows a stronger reaction to acute mental stress in the morning rather than the evening (Figure 2), although the sympathoadrenal medulla system did not exhibit a substantial time of day difference was observed in terms of rise in HR (Figure 3). Pulse rate reactions in the morning and evening during the Trier Social Stress Test (TSST).

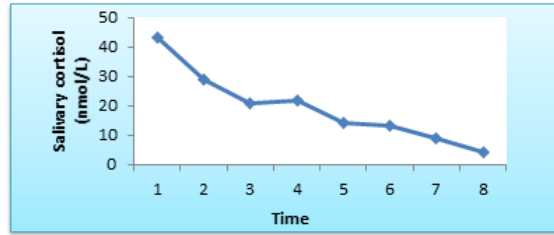


FIGURE 1.

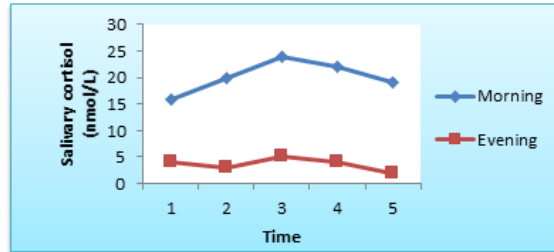


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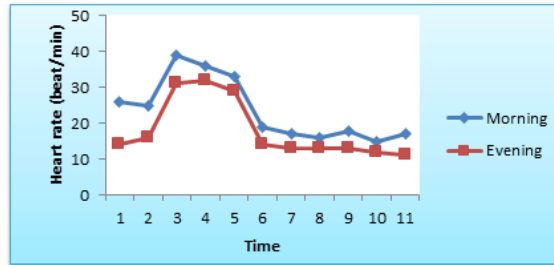


FIGURE 3.

In conclusion, we were able to show that the HPA axis activity reaction to severe stressors is greater in the morning than in the evening, which correlates with the circadian rhythm of cortisol concentration. When assessing individual HPA axis activity reactions to diverse stresses, it is critical to take into account the patient's circadian rhythm and period of day.

4. Mathematical Results

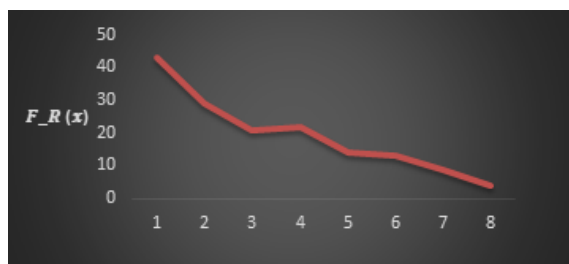


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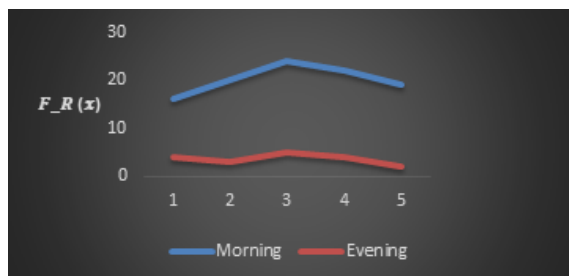


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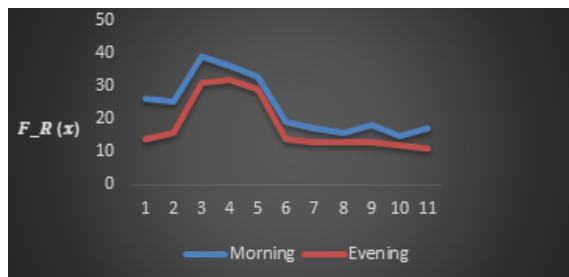


FIGURE 6.

5. Conclusion

The HPA reaction to chronic mental stress was stronger in the morning than in the evening, consistent with the diurnal control of cortisol production. We displayed probability density function, cumulative function, and hazard function for collected health data. It is thought that the extension of the Cauchy distribution model is well suited for mathematical analysis of health records. It is beneficial to healthcare workers.

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