

MATH4/68181: Extreme values and financial risk
Semester 1
Problem sheet for Week 5

Suppose a portfolio is made up of two assets with X and Y denoting the corresponding prices. Suppose also that the joint distribution of X and Y is specified by the survival function

$$\bar{F}(x, y) = \left[1 + \frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b}\right]^{-c}$$

for $x > 0$, $y > 0$, $a > 0$, $b > 0$ and $c > 0$. Find the following:

1. the cdf of $M = \max(X, Y)$;
2. the pdf of M ;
3. the n th moment of M ;
4. the mean of M ;
5. the variance of M ;
6. the cdf of $L = \min(X, Y)$;
7. the pdf of L ;
8. the n th moment of L ;
9. the mean of L ;
10. the variance of L .

$$\bar{F}(x, y) = \left[1 + \frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} \right]^{-c}$$

where $x > 0$ & $y > 0$.

1. The CDF of $M = \max(X, Y)$ is

$$\begin{aligned} F_M(m) &= P(M \leq m) \\ &= P(\max(X, Y) \leq m) \\ &= P(X \leq m, Y \leq m) \\ &= F_{X, Y}(m, m) \\ &= 1 - \bar{F}_{X, Y}(m, 0) - \bar{F}_{X, Y}(0, m) \\ &\quad + \bar{F}_{X, Y}(m, m) \\ &= 1 - \left(1 + \frac{m}{a} \right)^{-c} - \left(1 + \frac{m}{b} \right)^{-c} \\ &\quad + \left(1 + \frac{m}{a} + \frac{m}{b} \right)^{-c}. \end{aligned}$$

2. The PDF of M is

$$\begin{aligned} f_M(m) &= \frac{d}{dm} F_M(m) \\ &= \frac{c}{a} \left(1 + \frac{m}{a} \right)^{-c-1} + \frac{c}{b} \left(1 + \frac{m}{b} \right)^{-c-1} \\ &\quad - c \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \right) \left(1 + \frac{m}{a} + \frac{m}{b} \right)^{-c-1} \end{aligned}$$

3) The n^{th} moment of M is

$$\begin{aligned} E(M^n) &= \int_0^{\infty} m^n f_M(m) dm \\ &= \frac{c}{a} \int_0^{\infty} m^n \left(1 + \frac{m}{a}\right)^{-c-1} dm \\ &\quad + \frac{c}{b} \int_0^{\infty} m^n \left(1 + \frac{m}{b}\right)^{-c-1} dm \\ &\quad - c \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}\right) \int_0^{\infty} m^n \left(1 + \frac{m}{a} + \frac{m}{b}\right)^{-c-1} dm \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Set } x = \left(1 + \frac{m}{a}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = a \cdot \frac{1-x}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dm}{dx} = -\frac{a}{x^2}$$

$$\text{Set } x = \left(1 + \frac{m}{b}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = b \cdot \frac{1-x}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dm}{dx} = -\frac{b}{x^2}$$

$$\text{Set } x = \left(1 + \frac{m}{a} + \frac{m}{b}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{ab}{a+b} \frac{1-x}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dm}{dx} = -\frac{ab}{(a+b)x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= ca^n \int_0^1 x^{c-n-1} (1-x)^n dx \\
&\quad + cb^n \int_0^1 x^{c-n-1} (1-x)^n dx \\
&\quad - c \left(\frac{ab}{a+b} \right)^n \int_0^1 x^{c-n-1} (1-x)^n dx \\
&= c \left[a^n + b^n - \left(\frac{ab}{a+b} \right)^n \right] \int_0^1 x^{c-n-1} (1-x)^n dx
\end{aligned}$$

Beta function is defined by

$$B(\alpha, \beta) = \int_0^1 t^{\alpha-1} (1-t)^{\beta-1} dt$$

$$= c \left[a^n + b^n - \left(\frac{ab}{a+b} \right)^n \right] B(c-n, n+1).$$

$$4) E(M) = c \left[a+b - \frac{ab}{a+b} \right] B(c-1, 2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
5) \text{Var}(M) &= E(M^2) - [E(M)]^2 \\
&= c \left[a^2 + b^2 - \left(\frac{ab}{a+b} \right)^2 \right] B(c-2, 3) \\
&\quad - c^2 \left[a+b - \frac{ab}{a+b} \right]^2 [B(c-1, 2)]^2.
\end{aligned}$$

6) The CDF of L is

$$\begin{aligned}F_L(l) &= P(L \leq l) \\&= 1 - P(L > l) \\&= 1 - P(\min(X, Y) > l) \\&= 1 - P(X > l, Y > l) \\&= 1 - \bar{F}_{X, Y}(l, l) \\&= 1 - \left(1 + \frac{l}{a} + \frac{l}{b}\right)^{-c}.\end{aligned}$$

7) The PDF of L is

$$\begin{aligned}f_L(l) &= \frac{d}{dl} F_L(l) \\&= c \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}\right) \left(1 + \frac{l}{a} + \frac{l}{b}\right)^{-c-1}\end{aligned}$$

8) The n th moment of L is

$$E(L^n) = \int_0^{\infty} l^n f_L(l) dl$$

$$= c \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}\right) \int_0^{\infty} l^n \left(1 + \frac{l}{a} + \frac{l}{b}\right)^{-c-1} dl$$

$$\text{Set } x = \left(1 + \frac{l}{a} + \frac{l}{b}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow l = \frac{ab}{a+b} \cdot \frac{1-x}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dl}{dx} = -\frac{ab}{(a+b)x^2}$$

$$= c \left(\frac{ab}{a+b} \right)^n \int_0^1 x^{c-n-1} (1-x)^n dx$$
$$= c \left(\frac{ab}{a+b} \right)^n B(c-n, n+1)$$

$$9) E(L) = c \cdot \frac{ab}{a+b} B(c-1, 2)$$

$$10) \text{Var}(L) = E(L^2) - [E(L)]^2$$

$$= c \left(\frac{ab}{a+b} \right)^2 B(c-2, 3)$$
$$- c^2 \left(\frac{ab}{a+b} \right)^2 [B(c-1, 2)]^2.$$