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EXTREME VALUES AND FINANCIAL RISK

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Answer any **TWO** out of the three questions in Section A.

Answer any **FOUR** of the five questions in Section B.

If more than TWO questions are attempted from Section A then credit will be given to the best TWO answers. If more than FOUR questions are attempted from Section B then credit will be given to the best FOUR answers.

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**SECTION A**Answer any **TWO** questions**A1.** Suppose that  $(X, Y)$  has the joint survival function specified by

$$\bar{F}_{X,Y}(x, y) = (1 + ax + by + cxy)^{-q}$$

for  $x > 0, y > 0, q > 0, a > 0, b > 0$  and  $0 \leq c \leq ab(1 + q)$ .

- (a) Find the joint cumulative distribution function of  $X$  and  $Y$ , that is  $F_{X,Y}(\cdot, \cdot)$ ; [3 marks]
- (b) Find the marginal cumulative distribution functions of  $X$  and  $Y$ , that is  $F_X(\cdot)$  and  $F_Y(\cdot)$ ; [2 marks]
- (c) Show that  $F_X$  belongs to the Fréchet max domain of attraction; [2 marks]
- (d) Show that  $F_Y$  also belongs to the Fréchet max domain of attraction; [2 marks]
- (e) Find  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  such that

$$[F_X(a_n x + b_n)]^n \rightarrow \exp[-x^{-q}]$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ; [2 marks]

- (f) Find  $c_n$  and  $d_n$  such that

$$[F_Y(c_n x + d_n)]^n \rightarrow \exp[-x^{-q}]$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ; [2 marks]

- (g) Find the limiting cumulative distribution function of  $[F_{X,Y}(a_n x + b_n, c_n y + d_n)]^n$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ; [5 marks]
- (h) Are the extremes of  $(X, Y)$  completely independent? Justify your answer. [2 marks]

(Total marks: 20)

**A2.** (a) State the conditions in full for  $C(u_1, u_2)$ ,  $0 \leq u_1, u_2 \leq 1$  to be a copula. [4 marks]

(b) Show that each of the following is a copula function.

(i)  $C(u_1, u_2) = u_1^{1-a}u_2^{1-b} \min(u_1^a, u_2^b)$  for  $0 < a < 1$  and  $0 < b < 1$ ; [4 marks]

(ii)  $C(u_1, u_2) = \frac{u_1u_2}{u_1+u_2-u_1u_2}$ ; [4 marks]

(iii)  $C(u_1, u_2) = [C_1(u_1, u_2)C_2(u_1, u_2) \cdots C_p(u_1, u_2)]^{1/p}$ , where  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_p$  are valid copulas; [4 marks]

(iv)  $C(u_1, u_2) = w_1C_1(u_1, u_2) + w_2C_2(u_1, u_2) + \cdots + w_pC_p(u_1, u_2)$ , where  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_p$  are valid copulas and  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_p$  are non-negative constants summing to one. [4 marks]

(Total marks: 20)

**A3.** Suppose that a random vector  $(X, Y)$  has the joint survival function specified by

$$\bar{G}(x, y) = \exp \left\{ -x - y + \frac{\alpha xy}{x + y} \left[ 1 - \frac{\beta xy}{(x + y)^2} \right] \right\}$$

for  $x > 0, y > 0, 0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $0 < \beta \leq 2$ .

- (a) Show that the distribution is a bivariate extreme value distribution; [7 marks]
- (b) Derive the joint cumulative distribution function of  $X$  and  $Y$ ; [1 marks]
- (c) Derive the conditional cumulative distribution function of  $Y$  given  $X = x$ ; [4 marks]
- (d) Derive the conditional cumulative distribution function of  $X$  given  $Y = y$ ; [4 marks]
- (e) Derive the joint probability density function of  $X$  and  $Y$ . [4 marks]

(Total marks: 20)

**SECTION B**Answer any **FOUR** questions

**B1.** (a) Suppose that  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  is a random sample with cumulative distribution function  $F(\cdot)$ . State the Extremal Types Theorem for  $M_n = \max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ . You must clearly specify the cumulative distribution function of each of the three extreme value distributions. [4 marks]

(b) State in full the necessary and sufficient conditions for  $F(\cdot)$  to belong to the domain of attraction of each of the three extreme value distributions. [4 marks]

(c) Consider a class of distributions defined by the cumulative distribution function

$$F(x) = \frac{[G(x)]^a}{[G(x)]^a + [1 - G(x)]^a},$$

where  $a > 0$  and  $G(\cdot)$  is a cumulative distribution function. Show that  $F$  belongs to the same max domain of attraction as  $G$ . You may assume that  $F$  and  $G$  have the same upper end points.

[12 marks]

(Total marks: 20)

**B2.** Determine the domain of attraction (if there is one) for each of the following distributions:

(a) The distribution given by the probability mass function

$$p(k) = a(1 - a)^{k-1}$$

for  $0 < a < 1$  and  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ; [4 marks]

(b) The distribution given by the probability mass function

$$p(k) = \begin{cases} p, & \text{if } k = 1, \\ 1 - p, & \text{if } k = 0 \end{cases}$$

for  $0 < p < 1$ ; [4 marks]

(c) The distribution given by the probability density function

$$f(x) = abx^{a-1} (1 - x^a)^{b-1}$$

for  $x > 0$ ,  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ ; [4 marks]

(d) The distribution given by the cumulative distribution function

$$F(x) = [1 + x^{-a}]^{-b}$$

for  $x > 0$ ,  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ ; [4 marks]

(e) The distribution given by the probability density function

$$f(x) = \frac{C}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}}$$

for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $C$  a constant. [4 marks]

(Total marks: 20)

**B3.** (a) If  $X$  is an absolutely continuous random variable with cumulative distribution function  $F(\cdot)$ , then define  $\text{VaR}_p(X)$ , the Value at Risk of  $X$ , and  $\text{ES}_p(X)$ , the Expected Shortfall of  $X$ , explicitly.

[2 marks]

(b) Suppose that a portfolio is made up of  $k$  investments where  $k$  is known. Suppose also that the losses on the investments, say  $X_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , are dependent random variables with joint probability density function

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \frac{\Gamma\left(k + \frac{a}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)} \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^k x_i\right)^{\frac{a}{2}-1}$$

for  $a > 0, x_i > 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  and  $0 < x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_k < 1$ .

(i) Show that the probability density function of the total portfolio loss  $S = X_1 + \dots + X_k$  is

$$f_S(s) = \frac{1}{B\left(\frac{a}{2}, k\right)} s^{k-1} (1-s)^{\frac{a}{2}-1}$$

for  $0 < s < 1$ . You may use the following identity without proof:

$$\int_0^s \int_0^{s-x_1} \dots \int_0^{s-x_1-\dots-x_{k-2}} dx_{k-1} \dots dx_2 dx_1 = \frac{s^{k-1}}{(k-1)!};$$

[6 marks]

(ii) Derive the  $n$ th moment of  $S$ ;

[3 marks]

(iii) Derive the cumulative distribution function of  $S$ ;

[3 marks]

(iv) Derive the corresponding  $\text{VaR}_p(S)$ ;

[3 marks]

(v) Derive the corresponding  $\text{ES}_p(S)$ .

[3 marks]

(Total marks: 20)

**B4.** Suppose that a portfolio is made up of  $k$  investments where  $k$  is known. Suppose also that the losses on the investments, say  $X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , are dependent random variables with joint cumulative distribution function

$$F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^k \exp(-x_i)}$$

for  $-\infty < x_i < \infty$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

- (a) Show that the cumulative distribution function of  $U = \max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k)$ , the maximum portfolio loss, is

$$F_U(u) = \frac{1}{1 + k \exp(-u)};$$

[6 marks]

- (b) Derive the corresponding probability density function of  $U$ ; [2 marks]

- (c) Derive the corresponding moment generating function of  $U$ ; [5 marks]

- (d) Derive the corresponding  $\text{VaR}_p(U)$ ; [2 marks]

- (e) Derive the corresponding  $\text{ES}_p(U)$ . [5 marks]

(Total marks: 20)



**B5.** Suppose that a portfolio is made up of  $k$  investments where  $k$  is known. Suppose also that the losses on the investments, say  $X_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , are dependent random variables with joint survival function

$$\bar{F}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \exp \left[ - \sum_{i=1}^k x_i - \lambda \max(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \right]$$

for  $\lambda > 0$  and  $x_i > 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , where  $\lambda$  is an unknown parameter.

- (a) Show that the cumulative distribution function of  $V = \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k)$ , the minimum portfolio loss, is

$$F_V(v) = 1 - \exp(-kv - \lambda v);$$

[6 marks]

- (b) Derive the corresponding probability density function of  $V$ ;

[2 marks]

- (c) Derive the corresponding  $\text{VaR}_p(V)$ ;

[2 marks]

- (d) Derive the corresponding  $\text{ES}_p(V)$ ;

[2 marks]

- (e) Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be a random sample on  $V$ . Derive the maximum likelihood estimator of  $\lambda$ .

[8 marks]

(Total marks: 20)