

MATH48181: Extreme values and financial risk
Semester 1

Formulas to remember for the final exam in January 2019

The definition of a bivariate copula: $C(u_1, u_2)$ is a bivariate copula if

$$C(u, 0) = 0,$$

$$C(0, u) = 0,$$

$$C(1, u) = u,$$

$$C(u, 1) = u,$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u_1} C(u_1, u_2) \geq 0$$

and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u_2} C(u_1, u_2) \geq 0.$$

Definition of a bivariate extreme value distribution with unit exponential margins: a bivariate distribution with the joint survival function

$$\bar{G}(x, y) = \exp \left[-(x + y)A \left(\frac{y}{x + y} \right) \right]$$

for $x > 0$ and $y > 0$, where $A(\cdot)$ is a real valued function on the unit interval satisfying:
i) $A(0) = A(1) = 1$; ii) $\max(w, 1 - w) \leq A(w) \leq 1$ for all $w \in [0, 1]$; and, iii) $A(\cdot)$ is convex.

Extremal type theorem: Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots are independent and identically distributed (iid) random variables with common cumulative distribution function (cdf) F . Let $M_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ denote the maximum of the first n random variables and let $w(F) = \sup\{x : F(x) < 1\}$ denote the upper end point of F . If there are norming constants $a_n > 0$, b_n and a nondegenerate G such that the cdf of a normalized version of M_n converges to G , i.e.

$$\Pr \left(\frac{M_n - b_n}{a_n} \leq x \right) = F^n(a_n x + b_n) \rightarrow G(x)$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$ then G must be of the same type as (cdfs G and G^* are of the same type if $G^*(x) = G(ax + b)$ for some $a > 0$, b and all x) as one of the following three classes:

$$I : \Lambda(x) = \exp \{-\exp(-x)\}, \quad x \in \mathfrak{R};$$

$$II : \Phi_\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0, \\ \exp\{-x^{-\alpha}\} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

for some $\alpha > 0$;

$$III : \Psi_\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} \exp\{-(-x)^\alpha\} & \text{if } x < 0, \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

for some $\alpha > 0$.

Necessary and sufficient conditions for the three extreme value distributions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 I & : \exists \gamma(t) > 0 \text{ s.t. } \lim_{t \uparrow w(F)} \frac{1 - F(t + x\gamma(t))}{1 - F(t)} = \exp(-x), \quad x \in \mathfrak{R}, \\
 II & : w(F) = \infty \text{ and } \lim_{t \uparrow \infty} \frac{1 - F(tx)}{1 - F(t)} = x^{-\alpha}, \quad x > 0, \\
 III & : w(F) < \infty \text{ and } \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{1 - F(w(F) - tx)}{1 - F(w(F) - t)} = x^\alpha, \quad x > 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding formulas for a_n and b_n :

$$\begin{aligned}
 I & : a_n = \gamma\left(F^{-1}\left(1 - n^{-1}\right)\right) \text{ and } b_n = F^{-1}\left(1 - n^{-1}\right), \\
 II & : a_n = F^{-1}\left(1 - n^{-1}\right) \text{ and } b_n = 0, \\
 III & : a_n = w(F) - F^{-1}\left(1 - n^{-1}\right) \text{ and } b_n = w(F),
 \end{aligned}$$

Necessary and sufficient conditions for $(M_n - b_n)/a_n$ to have a non-degenerate limiting distribution:

$$\frac{\Pr(X = k)}{1 - F(k - 1)} \rightarrow 0$$

as $k \rightarrow w(F)$ if F is discrete.

Definition of $\text{VaR}_p(X)$ if X is an absolutely continuous random variable:

$$\text{VaR}_p(X) = F^{-1}(p).$$

Definition of $\text{ES}_p(X)$ if X is an absolutely continuous random variable:

$$\text{ES}_p(X) = \frac{1}{p} \int_0^p F^{-1}(v) dv.$$

The definition of a moment generating function: $M_X(t) = E[\exp(tX)]$.

The probability mass and cumulative distribution functions of a Geometric(θ) random variable are:

$$p(k) = \theta(1 - \theta)^{k-1}$$

and

$$F(k) = 1 - (1 - \theta)^k$$

for $\theta > 0$ and $k = 1, 2, \dots$

Definition of beta function:

$$B(a, b) = \int_0^1 t^{a-1}(1-t)^{b-1} dt$$

for $a > 0$ and $b > 0$.

Definition of incomplete beta function:

$$B_x(a, b) = \int_0^x t^{a-1}(1-t)^{b-1} dt$$

for $a > 0$, $b > 0$ and $0 < x < 1$.

Definition of incomplete beta function ratio:

$$I_x(a, b) = B_x(a, b)/B(a, b)$$

for $a > 0$, $b > 0$ and $0 < x < 1$.

L'Hôpital's rule:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f_1(x)}{f_2(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f_1'(x)}{f_2'(x)}$$

if $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f_1(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f_2(x) = 0$ or $\pm\infty$.

The fact that: $(1-x)^a \approx 1-ax$ for x close to zero.

The fact that: $(1+\frac{x}{n})^n \rightarrow e^x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Joint survival function of X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k is defined by

$$\bar{F}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \Pr(X_1 > x_1, X_2 > x_2, \dots, X_k > x_k).$$

Bivariate case: given the joint survival function $\bar{F}(x, y) = \Pr(X \geq x, Y \geq y)$ of two non-negative random variables, the marginal cdf of X , the marginal cdf of Y , the marginal pdf of X , the marginal pdf of Y , the joint cdf of (X, Y) , the conditional cdf of Y given $X = x$ and the conditional cdf of X given $Y = y$ can be derived through

$$F_X(x) = 1 - \bar{F}(x, 0),$$

$$F_Y(y) = 1 - \bar{F}(0, y),$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{dF_X(x)}{dx},$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{dF_Y(y)}{dy},$$

$$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = 1 - \bar{F}(x, 0) - \bar{F}(0, y) + \bar{F}(x, y),$$

$$F(y | x) = \frac{1}{f_X(x)} \frac{\partial F(x, y)}{\partial x}$$

and

$$F(x | y) = \frac{1}{f_Y(y)} \frac{\partial F(x, y)}{\partial y},$$

respectively.