



KTH Matematik

EXAMINATION IN SF2980 RISK MANAGEMENT, 2017-04-10, 08:00–13:00.

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Allowed technical aids: Everything except computers and communication devices. All books, notes, old exams and similar are allowed. A calculator may be necessary.

Any notation introduced must be explained and defined. Assumptions must be clearly stated. Arguments and computations must be detailed so that they are easy to follow. A table of the Binomial distribution is given at the end of the exam.

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Problem 1

Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_d)^T$ be a d -dimensional random (column) vector having an elliptical distribution with location parameter $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_d)^T$ and dispersion matrix Σ with full rank. Suppose that the random variable $(X - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (X - \mu)$ has a $\text{Gamma}(a, b)$ -distribution. Give a step-by-step instruction of an algorithm for sampling from the joint distribution of X that can easily be implemented in standard software such as R or Matlab. (10 p)

Problem 2

A company is using a model for computing its Value-at-Risk at level 0.05 over a horizon of ten days. The computed Value-at-Risk and the outcomes of the net-worth for 20 independent ten-day periods are given in Table 1 (negative values of the net worth correspond to losses). To backtest the company's model you count the number of times the outcome exceeds the computed Value-at-Risk and the company's model is rejected if there are too many exceedances. Determine if the company's model can be rejected at a confidence level of approximately 98%. You may assume that the interest rate over a ten-day period is 0.

Period	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
VaR	29.2	30.9	30.0	29.2	30.0	29.5	29.4	30.6	29.3	30.4
Net worth	-11.7	-33.9	6.1	17.8	14.2	2.5	1.9	-3.5	-21.5	-47.3
Period	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
VaR	30.1	30.2	31.0	29.6	29.8	31.0	28.2	29.9	29.5	29.5
Net worth	8.0	-18.8	-7.7	18.1	22.7	0.7	-35.0	-31.5	-11.2	32.0

Table 1: Value-at-Risk and outcome of net worth in Problem 2.

Problem 3

Historical observations of the daily claim amount (in million SEK) for a type of insurance are collected. A quantile-quantile plot of the logarithm of the daily claim amount (y-axis) versus the quantiles of a standard Exponential distribution (x-axis) is given in Figure 1. Estimate the probability that the aggregated claim amount over 30 days exceeds 60. Assumptions must be clearly stated.

Problem 4

In the Solvency II regulatory framework the so-called standard formula for computing the solvency capital requirement (SCR) is given by

$$\text{Basic SCR} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d \text{Corr}_{i,j} \times \text{SCR}_i \times \text{SCR}_j}, \quad (1)$$

where Basic SCR is the capital requirement for the insurance company with $d = 5$ modules (Market risk, Default risk, Life risk, Health risk and Non-life risk), $\text{SCR}_i, i = 1, \dots, d$ is the capital requirement for each module and $\text{Corr}_{i,j}$ are pre-defined correlation parameters.

Derive the standard formula (1) from the assumption that the joint distribution of net-worth for each module (X_1, \dots, X_d) has a centered elliptical distribution with correlation matrix C such that $C_{ij} = \text{Corr}_{i,j}$, where $\text{SCR}_i = \text{VaR}_{0.005}(X_i)$ and $\text{Basic SCR} = \text{VaR}_{0.005}(X_1 + \dots + X_d)$. Here centered means that the vector of location parameters of the elliptical distribution is 0.

Problem 5

Let (U_1, U_2, U_3) be a three-dimensional random vector having $U(0, 1)$ marginal distributions. Let $C_{12}(u_1, u_2)$, $C_{13}(u_1, u_3)$ and $C_{23}(u_2, u_3)$ denote the copulas of the pairs (U_1, U_2) , (U_1, U_3) and (U_2, U_3) , respectively. Is it possible that (U_1, U_2, U_3) has a joint distribution such that C_{12} , C_{13} and C_{23} are all counter-monotonic? Give a complete motivation for your answer by either specifying an appropriate joint distribution $C(u_1, u_2, u_3)$ or by demonstrating that such a construction is impossible.

(10 p)

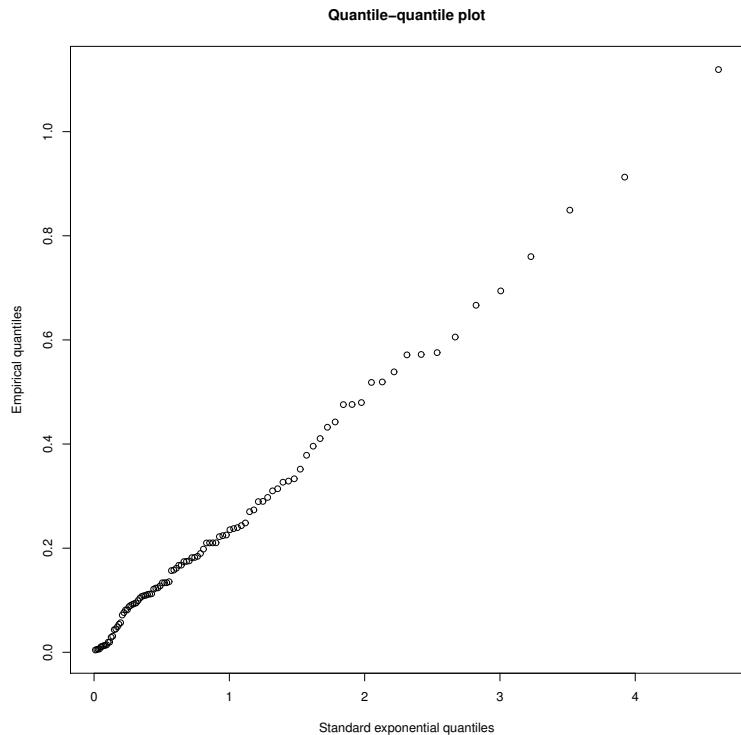


Figure 1: This figure relates to Problem 3. It shows a quantile-quantile plot over the logarithm of the daily claim amount (y-axis) versus the quantiles of a standard Exponential distribution (x-axis)

TABLE OF THE BINOMIAL C.D.F.

