

**Problem 1** Let the continuous random variables  $(U_1, U_2)$  and  $(V_1, V_2)$  be independent and identically distributed with copula  $C(u_1, u_2)$ .

- (a) Show that Kendall's tau may be written  $\tau = \text{corr}\{I(U_1 > V_1), I(U_2 > V_2)\} = 4E\{C(U_1, U_2)\} - 1$ .
- (b) Spearman's  $\rho = \text{corr}(U_1, U_2)$  is another measure of concordance. Show that  $\rho = 12E(U_1 U_2) - 3$ .
- (c) Show that if  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are independent, then  $\tau = \rho = 0$ .

**Problem 2** Let  $Z = (Z_1, \dots, Z_D)$  have joint distribution function

$$F(z_1, \dots, z_D) = \exp\{-V(z_1, \dots, z_D)\}, \quad z_1, \dots, z_D > 0,$$

where, writing  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_D)$  for brevity,  $tV(tz) = V(z)$  for all  $z > 0$  and the  $Z_d$  have marginal unit Fréchet distributions.

- (a) Show that the copula corresponding to  $F$  is

$$C(u_1, \dots, u_D) = \exp\{-V(-1/\log u_1, \dots, -1/\log u_D)\}, \quad 0 < u_1, \dots, u_D < 1.$$

- (b) Writing  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_D)$  for brevity, show that the max-stability of  $F$  leads to the property  $C(u^{1/t})^t = C(u)$ . Such a copula is said to be *max-stable*.
- (c) If  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_D)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $\rho > 0$ , are the following copulas max-stable:

$$C_1(u) = \exp\left[-\left\{\sum_{d=1}^D (-\log u_d)^{1/\alpha}\right\}^\alpha\right], \quad C_2(u) = \exp\left[\sum_{d=1}^D \log u_d - \left\{\sum_{d=1}^D (-\log u_d)^{-\rho}\right\}^{-1/\rho}\right],$$

$$C_3(u) = \exp\left\{\sum_{d=1}^D \log u_d - \prod_{d=1}^D (-\log u_d)\right\}?$$

**Problem 3** The joint distribution function of  $Z_1, \dots, Z_D$  is of the form

$$G(z_1, \dots, z_D) = \exp\{-V(z_1, \dots, z_D)\}, \quad (z_1, \dots, z_D) \in \mathcal{E}^* = [0, \infty)^D - \{(0, \dots, 0)\},$$

and has unit Fréchet marginal distributions, i.e.,  $P(Z_d \leq z_d) = \exp(-1/z_d)$  for each  $d \in \mathcal{D} = \{1, \dots, D\}$ .

- (a) Show that  $V(z, \infty, \dots, \infty) = 1/z$  for every permutation of the arguments of  $V$ , and that the unit Fréchet distribution is max-stable, i.e., there exist  $a_t > 0$  and  $b_t \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $P(Z \leq b_t + a_t z)^t = P(Z \leq z)$  for every  $z, t > 0$ .
- (b) If the joint distribution  $G^*$  of  $Z_1, \dots, Z_D$  is max-stable, i.e.,  $\{G^*(tz)\}^t = G^*(z)$  for all  $t$  and  $z$ , show that  $V(z_1, \dots, z_D) = tV(tz_1, \dots, tz_D)$  for every  $t > 0$  and  $(z_1, \dots, z_D) \in \mathcal{E}^*$ ;  $V$  is said to be *homogeneous of order*  $-1$ . Deduce that  $V(z, \dots, z) = V(1, \dots, 1)/z = \theta_{\mathcal{D}}/z$ , say, and hence show that  $P\{\max(Z_1, \dots, Z_D) \leq z\} = \exp(-\theta_{\mathcal{D}}/z)$ , a Fréchet distribution with parameter  $\theta_{\mathcal{D}}$ .
- (c) Let  $\theta = V(1, 1)$  when  $D = 2$ . Show that  $\chi = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} P(Z_2 > z \mid Z_1 > z) = 2 - \theta$ . Find  $\theta$  when  $V(z_1, z_2) = 1/z_1 + 1/z_2$  and  $V(z_1, z_2) = 1/\min(z_1, z_2)$ , and hence interpret it in terms of the degree of dependence between  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$ .

**Problem 4** Show that the distribution

$$F(z_1, z_2) = \exp\left[-\left\{z_1^{-1} + z_2^{-1} + (z_1 z_2)^{-1}\right\}\right], \quad z_1, z_2 > 0,$$

has unit Fréchet margins. Is it max-stable? If not, what is the limiting distribution of appropriately rescaled componentwise maxima from  $F$ ? Does this  $V$  correspond to the measure of a Poisson process?