

# **TWO DEPENDENCE MEASURES FOR MULTIVARIATE EXTREME VALUE DISTRIBUTIONS**

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# 1. Introduction

$$\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_d) \sim G(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^d,$$

where  $G$  is a multivariate extreme value distribution function. WOLOG with Fréchet margins: for all  $j$

$$G_j(x) = \exp\{-1/x\} \quad (x > 0)$$

and exponent function

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = -\log G(\mathbf{x}),$$

$$G^t(t\mathbf{x}) = G(\mathbf{x}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad t\lambda(t\mathbf{x}) = \lambda(\mathbf{x}), \quad (t > 0).$$

Since for MEVD

$$\min_{1 \leq j \leq d} G_j(x_j) \geq G(\mathbf{x}) \geq \prod_{j=1}^d G_j(x_j),$$

in our case

$$\max \frac{1}{x_j} \leq \lambda(\mathbf{x}) \leq \sum \frac{1}{x_j}.$$

(complete dependence)      (total independence)

The homogeneity of  $\lambda$  implies that  $\lambda(tx)/\Sigma(tx_j)^{-1}$  does not depend on  $t$ . Define the (generalized) Pickands dependence function

$$A(\mathbf{v}) = \lambda(v_1^{-1}, v_2^{-1}, \dots, v_d^{-1}) \quad \mathbf{v} \in \Omega,$$

$$\text{where } \Omega = \{\mathbf{v} : v_j \geq 0, \Sigma v_j = 1\}$$

is the unit-simplex. It follows that

$$\frac{1}{d} \leq A_0(\mathbf{v}) =: \max v_j \leq A(\mathbf{v}) \leq 1,$$

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = A(\mathbf{v}) \Sigma x_j^{-1},$$

where  $v_j = x_j^{-1} / \Sigma x_i^{-1}$ .

$$\eta = A\left(\frac{1}{d}, \dots, \frac{1}{d}\right)$$

has an interesting interpretation:

$$\begin{aligned} P\left\{\max_{1 \leq j \leq d} X_j \leq z\right\} &= \exp\{-\lambda(z, z, \dots, z)\} \\ &= \exp\{-d\eta/z\} = \{\exp\{-1/z\}\}^{d\eta}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\theta = d\eta$  is the *extremal coefficient* of  $(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_d)$ .

$\theta = 1 \Leftrightarrow$  complete dependence

$\theta = d \Leftrightarrow$  total independence

Schlather and Tawn (2002) analyse  $\theta_B = |B|\eta_B$  for all  $2^d$  possible subsets  $B$  of  $\{1, 2, \dots, d\}$ .

From de Haan and Resnick (1977) and Pickands (1981)

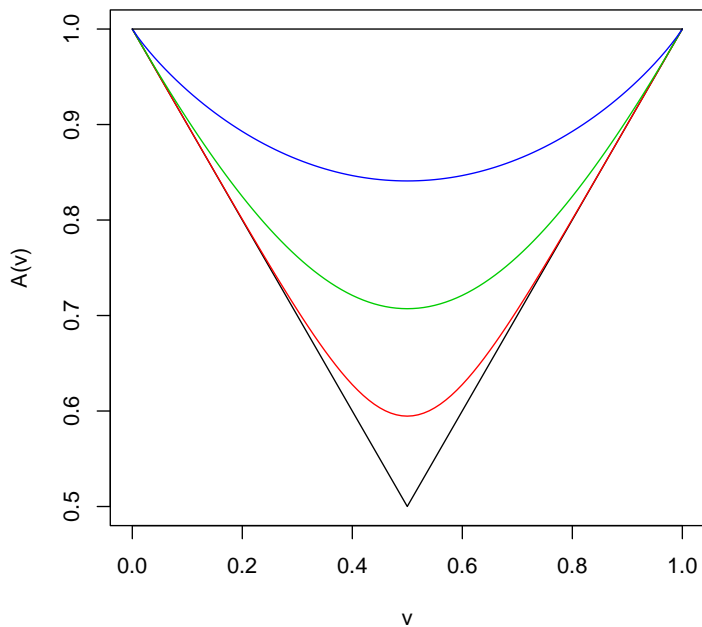
$$A(\mathbf{v}) = \int_{\Omega} \max v_j a_j U(d\mathbf{a})$$

for a finite positive measure  $U$ ,

$$U(\Omega) = d \text{ and } \int_{\Omega} a_j U(d\mathbf{a}) = 1 \text{ for all } j.$$

The function  $A$  is convex because for  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \max\{(\alpha v_j + (1 - \alpha)w_j)a_j\} \\ & \leq \alpha \max v_j a_j + (1 - \alpha) \max w_j a_j. \end{aligned}$$



Pickands dependence function for the Logistic Model  
 $A(v) = (v^{1/\alpha} + (1 - v)^{1/\alpha})^\alpha$  with  
 $\alpha = 0, .25, .50, .75, 1$ .

**2. Measures of Dependence:** Rescaling  $\eta$ , a natural measure of dependence is

$$\tau_1 = \frac{1 - A\left(\frac{1}{d}, \dots, \frac{1}{d}\right)}{\max_A \left\{ 1 - A\left(\frac{1}{d}, \dots, \frac{1}{d}\right) \right\}}$$

$$= \frac{d - \theta}{d - 1} = \frac{d}{d - 1}(1 - \eta)$$

An alternative measure is

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_2 &= \frac{\int_{\Omega}(1 - A(\mathbf{v}))d\mathbf{v}}{\max_A \int_{\Omega}(1 - A(\mathbf{v}))d\mathbf{v}} \\ &= \frac{\int_{\Omega}(1 - A(\mathbf{v}))d\mathbf{v}}{\int_{\Omega}(1 - A_0(\mathbf{v}))d\mathbf{v}} =: \frac{S_d(A)}{S_d(A_0)}. \end{aligned}$$

Which one is preferred?

Similar question: mode vs. mean.

Expect from dependence measure that for

$$A = \alpha A_0 + (1 - \alpha) \cdot 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = \alpha.$$

Indeed, for this **mixture model**

$$\tau_1 = \tau_2 = \alpha.$$

To compute  $\tau_2$  we need a formula for  $S_{A_0}$ , the volume above  $A_0$ :

$d$	$S_{A_0}$
2	$1/4 = .2500$
3	$7/36 = .19444$
4	$.07986$
5	$.02264$

Until very recently the challenge was to find a formula for  $S_d(A_0)$ . My colleague **Shmuel Onn** derived and proved

$$S_d(A_0) = \frac{1}{(d-1)!} - \frac{B_d}{d!}$$

where

$$B_d = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{d}\right)$$

is the harmonic sum.



Other (bivariate) measures of dependence:

In the literature (Beirlant et al, 2004) we encounter

$$\tau_K = \text{Kendall's tau} = 4EC(G_1(X_1), G_2(X_2)) - 1,$$

$$\rho_S = \text{Spearman's rho} = \text{corr}(G_1(X_1), G_2(X_2)),$$

$$\rho = \text{corr}(\log G_1(X_1), \log G_2(X_2)).$$

Tawn (1988) mentioned  $\tau_1$  for  $d = 2$ . I have not seen  $\tau_2$ . These are all marginal-free and for mixture distributions (not mixture exponents):

$$(X_1, X_2) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} (U, V) & \text{w.p. } 1 - \alpha \\ (U, U) & \text{w.p. } \alpha \end{array} \right\}$$

$U, V$  independent,

$$\tau_K = \rho_S = \rho = \alpha.$$

### 3. Examples.

Let  $V_1, V_2, \dots$  be i.i.d. unit-Fréchet.

*Mixture model:* For  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$

$$\lambda(x, y) = \alpha \max(x^{-1}, y^{-1}) + (1 - \alpha)(x^{-1} + y^{-1}).$$

That is

$$X = \max(\alpha V_1, (1 - \alpha)V_2)$$

$$Y = \max(\alpha V_1, (1 - \alpha)V_3).$$

$$A(v) = \alpha \max(v, 1 - v) + (1 - \alpha) \cdot 1 \quad (v \in [0, 1]).$$

$$\tau_1 = \tau_2 = \alpha.$$

$$\tau_K = \rho = \frac{\alpha}{2 - \alpha} \leq \rho_S = \frac{3\alpha}{4 - \alpha} \leq \alpha.$$

$\alpha = \tau_1 = \tau_2$	$\rho_S$	$\tau_K = \rho$
0	0	0
1/4	1/5	1/7
1/2	3/7	1/3
3/4	9/13	3/5
1	1	1

Mixed model:

$$\lambda(x, y) = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} - \frac{\alpha}{x + y}$$

$$A(v) = 1 - \alpha(1 - v)v$$

$$\tau_1 = \frac{\alpha}{2}, \quad \tau_2 = \frac{2}{3}\alpha$$

$$\tau_K = \frac{8 \tan^{-1}(\alpha/(4 - \alpha))^{1/2}}{\alpha^{1/2}(4 - \alpha)^{1/2}} - 2$$

$$\rho = \frac{8 \tan^{-1}(\alpha/(4 - \alpha))^{1/2}}{\alpha^{1/2}(4 - \alpha)^{3/2}} - \frac{2 - \alpha}{4 - \alpha}$$

$$\rho_S = 12 \left\{ \frac{8 \tan^{-1}(\alpha/(8 - \alpha))^{1/2}}{\alpha^{1/2}(8 - \alpha)^{3/2}} + \frac{1}{8 - \alpha} \right\} - 3$$

$\alpha$	$\tau_K$	$\rho$	$\tau_1$	$\rho_S$	$\tau_2$
0	0	0	0	0	0
.25	.0877	.0901	.1250	.1299	.1667
.50	.1853	.1958	.2500	.2702	.3333
.75	.2947	.3215	.3750	.4222	.5000
1	.4184	.4728	.5000	.5874	.6667

*de Haan - Resnick model:*

$$\lambda(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{2} \{ \max(x^{-1}, y^{-1}) + \max(x^{-1}, z^{-1}) \\ + \max(y^{-1}, z^{-1}) \}$$

$$X_1 = \max(V_1, V_2)/2$$

$$X_2 = \max(V_1, V_3)/2$$

$$X_3 = \max(V_2, V_3)/2$$

$$A(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{2} \{ \max(v_1, v_2) + \max(v_1, v_3) + \max(v_2, v_3) \}$$

$$\eta = A(1/3, 1/3, 1/3) = 1/2, \quad \tau_1 = (3/2)(1 - \eta) = 3/4$$

$$\tau_2 = \frac{36}{7} \cdot \frac{1}{8} = \frac{9}{14} = .642857$$

$$\tau_1(1, 2) = \tau_2(1, 2) = 1/2$$

(Introducing  $X_3$  to the system increases the dependence)

*Non-symmetric model:*

$$X_1 = \max(V_1/2, V_2/4, V_3/4)$$

$$X_2 = \max(2V_1/3, V_2/3)$$

$$X_3 = V_3$$

$$A(\mathbf{v}) = \max(.75v_1, v_2) + \max(.25v_1, v_3)$$

$$(v_1 + v_2 + v_3 = 1)$$

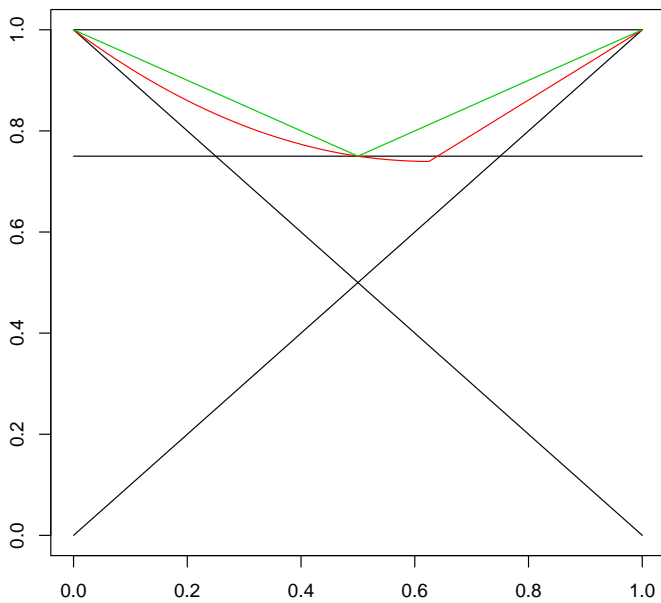
$$\eta = 2/3, \quad \tau_1 = 1/2, \quad \tau_2 = (36/7).104762 = .53876$$

$$\tau_1(1, 2) = 3/4 = .75 \quad \tau_2(1, 2) = 6/7 = .85714$$

$$\tau_1(1, 3) = 1/4 = .25 \quad \tau_2(1, 3) = 4/10 = .4$$

## 4. Relations between $\tau_1$ and $\tau_2$ .

Theorem. For  $d = 2$ ,  $\tau_1 \leq \tau_2$ .



Proof. Denote  $1 - h = A(1/2, 1/2)$ ,

$$\Rightarrow \tau_1 = 2h.$$

Define the mixture model (green graph)

$$A^*(\mathbf{v}) = \tau_1 A_0(\mathbf{v}) + 1 - \tau_1,$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_1^* = \tau_1 = \tau_2^*.$$

Since  $A$  is convex,  $A \leq A^*$  (= at  $(1/2, 1/2)$ ),

$$\int_{\Omega} (1 - A) \geq \int_{\Omega} (1 - A^*) = \tau_1 \int_{\Omega} (1 - A_0)$$

$$\tau_2 = \frac{\int_{\Omega} (1 - A)}{\int_{\Omega} (1 - A_0)} \geq \tau_1.$$

This is a perfect proof for  $d = 2$ . For  $d \geq 3$ , the picture is misleading, namely,  $A \leq A^*$  is not necessarily true. Here is a counter example: de Haan-Resnick model.

For  $v_1 \geq v_2 \geq v_3$ ,  $v_1 + v_2 + v_3 = 1$ ,

$$A(\mathbf{v}) = v_1 + \frac{v_2}{2}, \quad A^*(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{3}{4}v_1 + \frac{1}{4}.$$

Since  $v_2 \geq v_3 \Leftrightarrow v_2 \geq (1 - v_1)/2$ ,

$$A(\mathbf{v}) - A^*(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{4}v_1 + \frac{1}{2}v_2 - \frac{1}{4} \geq 0,$$

with equality when  $v_1 \geq 1/3$ ,  $v_2 = v_3 = (1 - v_1)/2$ .

For the logistic model

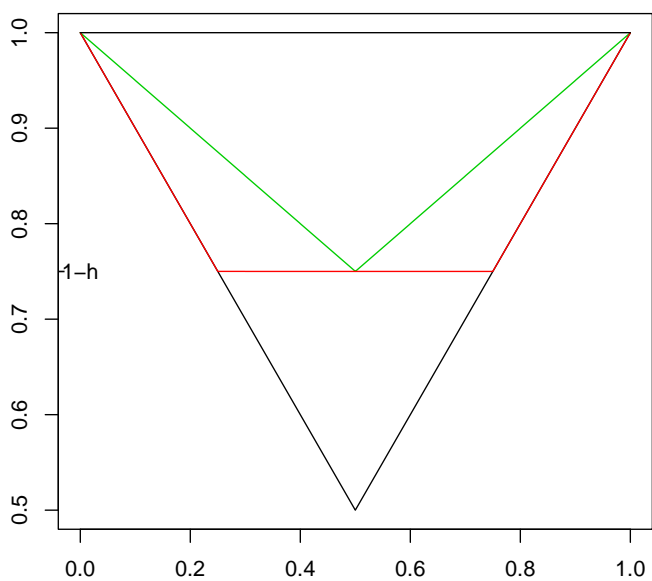
$$A(\mathbf{v}) = (v_1^{1/\alpha} + v_2^{1/\alpha} + v_3^{1/\alpha})^\alpha,$$

$$A(1/3, 1/3, 1/3) = 3^{\alpha-1}.$$

$\alpha$	$\tau_1 = (3 - 3^\alpha)/2$	$\tau_2 = \int_{\Omega} (1 - A)36/7$
0	1	1
1/4	.8420	.9457
1/2	.6340	.7670
3/4	.3602	.4559
1	0	0



For  $d = 2$ , how big can the difference  $\tau_2 - \tau_1$  be?



Consider all (symmetric,  $d = 2$ ) models for which  $A(1/2) = 1 - h$  so that  $\tau_1 = 2h$ .

All the  $A$  functions must be bounded between the green graph and the red one. The green graph corresponds to a mixture model with  $\alpha = 2h = \tau_1 = \tau_2$ :

$$X_1 = \max(2hV_1, (1 - 2h)V_2)$$

$$X_2 = \max(2hV_1, (1 - 2h)V_3).$$

The red  $A$  corresponds to "cross over" model:

$$X_1 = \max(hV_1, (1 - h)V_2)$$

$$X_2 = \max((1 - h)V_1, hV_2)$$

for which

$$\tau_1 = 2h, \quad \tau_2 = 4h(1 - h) = 1 - (1 - \tau_1)^2.$$

$$\max_h(\tau_2 - \tau_1) = \frac{1}{4}$$

occurs at  $h = 1/4, \tau_1 = 1/2, \tau_2 = 3/4$ .

To be fair, one could hold the area (volume) constant (i.e.  $\tau_2$ ) and let  $\tau_1$  vary. For instance, all triangles with height  $h$  have

$$\tau_2 = 2h, \quad (0 \leq h \leq 1/2)$$

but

$$\frac{h}{1-h} \leq \tau_1 \leq 2h = \tau_2.$$

$$h = 1/4, \quad 1/3 \leq \tau_1 \leq 1/2 = \tau_2.$$

## Combining two models.

$$\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_k), \quad \mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, \dots, Y_m)$$

are combined into

$$\mathbf{Z} = (X_1, \dots, X_k, Y_1, \dots, Y_m), \quad k + m = d.$$

To study the dependence measures of  $\mathbf{Z}$  we must know the dependence between  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$ . If they are independent we can compute  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  :

$$A(\mathbf{v}) = tA_1(\mathbf{u}) + (1 - t)A_2(\mathbf{w}) \quad (\mathbf{v} \in \Omega_d),$$

$$t = v_1 + \dots + v_k, \quad \mathbf{u} \in \Omega_k, \quad \mathbf{w} \in \Omega_m,$$

$$u_i = \frac{v_i}{t}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq k; \quad w_i = \frac{v_{k+i}}{(1-t)}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq m.$$

The Jacobian of the transformation

$$(v_1, \dots, v_{d-1}) \mapsto (t, u_1, \dots, u_{k-1}, w_1, \dots, w_{m-1})$$

$$\text{is} \quad J = t^{k-1}(1-t)^{m-1}.$$

$$1 - A = t(1 - A_1) + (1 - t)(1 - A_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S(A) &= \int_{\Omega_d} (1 - A(\mathbf{v})) d\mathbf{v} = \\
&= \int_0^1 \int_{\Omega_k} \int_{\Omega_m} (1 - A) du dw t^{k-1} (1 - t)^{m-1} dt \\
&= \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \int_0^1 t^k (1 - t)^{m-1} dt \int_{\Omega_k} (1 - A_1(\mathbf{u})) du \\
&+ \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \int_0^1 t^{k-1} (1 - t)^m dt \int_{\Omega_m} (1 - A_2(\mathbf{w})) dw \\
&= \frac{k!}{d!} S_k(A_0) \tau_{2,1} + \frac{m!}{d!} S_m(A_0) \tau_{2,2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\tau_2 = \frac{k - B_k}{d - B_d} \tau_{2,1} + \frac{m - B_m}{d - B_d} \tau_{2,2}}$$

where

$$B_k = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{k}.$$

For  $k = m = 2$ ,

$$\tau_2 = \frac{6}{23}(\tau_{2,1} + \tau_{2,2}).$$

Similar, even simpler, is the treatment of  $\tau_1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A\left(\frac{1}{d}, \dots, \frac{1}{d}\right) &= \frac{k}{d}A_1\left(\frac{1}{k}, \dots, \frac{1}{k}\right) + \frac{m}{d}A_2\left(\frac{1}{m}, \dots, \frac{1}{m}\right) \\ &= \frac{k}{d}\left(1 - \frac{k-1}{k}\tau_{1,1}\right) + \frac{m}{d}\left(1 - \frac{m-1}{m}\tau_{1,2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\tau_1 = \frac{k-1}{d-1}\tau_{1,1} + \frac{m-1}{d-1}\tau_{1,2}}$$

For  $k = m = 2$

$$\tau_1 = \frac{1}{3}(\tau_{1,1} + \tau_{1,2})$$

Note, the sums of the weights are not equal to 1 but tend to 1 as  $k, m$  both tend to  $\infty$ .

**The results here are lower bounds for  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  when the two models are dependent.**

## Conclusions

- Conventional correlation coefficients measure pair-wise dependence, while  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  are reasonable dependence measures for  $d \geq 2$ .
- For the mixture model  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  are equal to what we desire.
- The results for combining independent models can serve as lower bounds in case the two models are dependent.

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The extremal coefficients are the natural dependence measures for multivariate extreme value distributions. For an  $m$ -variate distribution  $2m$  distinct extremal coefficients of different orders exist; they are closely linked and therefore a complete set of  $2m$  coefficients cannot take any arbitrary values. We give a full characterization of all the sets of extremal coefficients. To this end, we introduce a simple class of extreme value distributions that allows for a 1-1 mapping to the complete sets of extremal coefficients. In addition, it is shown that random variables with a multivariate extreme value distribution are associated. Applications are given to a number of parametric families of joint distributions with given marginal distributions. View. Show abstract. Extreme-value theory can be replaced in the context of the copula concept, which is encountering increasing interest in various domains of economics and finance<sup>4</sup>. Every joint distribution function can be split into its univariate marginal distribution functions and a copula function. Copulas are free of the properties of marginal distributions and present a desirable. 1 See Karolyi and Stultz (2003) for a survey. 2 See, among many others, King and Wadhvani (1990) or Baig and Goldfajn (1999). of two perfectly correlated variables, there is no tail dependence for the Normal multivariate distribution even for  $\rho = 0$ . Note that the extreme-value measures recently studied by Hartmann et al. (2004) are directly related to  $\tau$ . More specifically, these authors study the probability of a dependence structures between the extremes with two different degrees of dependence, as measured by Kendall's tau, say. The other. With these choices,  $C_{F,A}$  belongs to the domain of attraction of the extreme value distribution with dependence function  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ . Values of  $\alpha$  were chosen to ensure predetermined initial degrees of dependence, namely  $\tau; A_1 \in \tau; A_3 \in \{0.3 \text{ or } 0.5\}$  and  $\tau; A_2 \in \tau; A_4 \in \{0.5 \text{ or } 0.7\}$ . The various cases considered are summarized in Table 1. 6. Implementation of the estimators. Let  $\hat{X}_1; Y_1; \dots; \hat{X}_n; Y_n$  be a random sample from a bivariate distribution which is assumed to be in the domain of attraction of an extreme value distribution with dependence function  $A$ .