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Homework Sheet 1

Model Solutions

Basic Questions

1. *Aggregate payments have a compound distribution. The frequency distribution is negative binomial with $r = 2$ and $\beta = 1.9$. The severity distribution is a gamma distribution with $\alpha = 0.7$ and $\theta = 18000$. Use a Pareto approximation to aggregate payments to estimate the probability that aggregate payments are more than \$350,000.*

The frequency distribution has mean $2 \times 1.9 = 3.8$, and variance $2 \times 1.9 \times 2.9 = 11.02$. The severity distribution has mean $0.7 \times 18000 = 12,600$ and variance $0.7 \times 18000^2 = 226,800,000$. The mean of the aggregate loss distribution is therefore $3.8 \times 12600 = 47,880$ and the variance is $3.8 \times 226800000 + 11.02 \times 12600^2 = 2611375200$.

The Pareto distribution with this variance has

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\theta}{\alpha - 1} &= 47880 \\ \frac{\theta^2 \alpha}{(\alpha - 1)^2 (\alpha - 2)} &= 2611375200 \\ \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - 2} &= \frac{2611375200}{47880^2} \\ &= 1.13909774436 \\ 0.13909774436 \alpha &= 2 \times 1.13909774436 \\ \alpha &= 2 \times 1.13909774436 / 0.13909774436 \\ &= 16.3783783785 \\ \theta &= 47880 \times 15.3783783785 \\ &= 736316.756763\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the probability that the aggregate payment exceeds \$350,000 is

$$\left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{350000}{736316.756763}} \right)^{16.3783783785} = 0.00171327.$$

2. *Loss amounts follow a Pareto distribution with $\alpha = 4$ and $\theta = 120,000$. The distribution of the number of losses is given in the following table:*

<i>Number of Losses</i>	<i>Probability</i>
0	0.47
1	0.11
2	0.27
3	0.15

Assume all losses are independent and independent of the number of losses. The insurance company buys excess-of-loss reinsurance on the part of the loss above \$200,000. Calculate the expected payment for this excess-of-loss reinsurance.

For one loss, the expected reinsurance payment is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}((X - 200000)_+) &= \int_{200000}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{x}{120000}} \right)^4 dx \\
&= 120000 \int_{\frac{200000}{120000} + 1}^{\infty} u^{-4} du \\
&= 120000 \left[-\frac{u^{-3}}{3} \right]_{\frac{5}{3} + 1}^{\infty} \\
&= 40000 \left(\frac{3 + 5}{3} \right)^{-3} \\
&= 40000 \left(\frac{3}{8} \right)^3 \\
&= 2109.375
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}((X - a)_+) &= \int_a^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{x}{\theta}} \right)^{\alpha} dx \\
&= \theta \int_{\frac{a}{\theta} + 1}^{\infty} u^{-\alpha} du \\
&= \theta \left[-\frac{u^{-3}}{3} \right]_{\frac{5}{3} + 1}^{\infty} \\
&= \frac{\theta}{\alpha - 1} \left(\frac{\theta + a}{\theta} \right)^{1 - \alpha} \\
&= \frac{\theta}{\alpha - 1} \left(\frac{\theta}{\theta + a} \right)^{\alpha - 1} \\
&= \frac{\theta^{\alpha}}{(\alpha - 1)(\theta + a)^{\alpha - 1}}
\end{aligned}$$

For two losses, the expected reinsurance payment is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}((X + Y - 200000)_+) \\
&= \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}((Y - (200000 - X))_+ | X)) \\
&= \mathbb{E}_{X < 200000} \left(\int_{200000 - X}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{y}{120000}} \right)^4 dy \right) + \mathbb{E}_{X \geq 200000} (X - 200000 + \mathbb{E}(y)) \\
&= 120000 \mathbb{E}_{X < 200000} \left(\int_{\frac{8}{3} - \frac{X}{120000}}^{\infty} u^{-4} du \middle| X \right) + 2109.375 + 40000 P(X > 200000) \\
&= 40000 \mathbb{E}_{X < 200000} \left(\left(\frac{8}{3} - \frac{X}{120000} \right)^{-3} \right) + 2109.375 + 40000 \left(\frac{120000}{120000 + 200000} \right)^4 \\
&= 40000 \int_0^{200000} \left(\left(\frac{8}{3} - \frac{X}{120000} \right)^{-3} \left(\frac{4 \times 120000^4}{(120000 + x)^5} \right) \right) dx + 2109.375 + 40000 \left(\frac{120000}{120000 + 200000} \right)^4 \\
&= 40000 \int_0^{200000} \frac{4 \times 120000^7}{(320000 - x)^3 (120000 + x)^5} dx + 2109.375 + 40000 \left(\frac{120000}{120000 + 200000} \right)^4
\end{aligned}$$

It is possible to solve this analytically using partial fractions

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}((X + Y - a)_+) \\
&= \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}((Y - (a - X))_+ | X)) \\
&= \mathbb{E}_{X < a} \left(\int_{a - X}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{y}{\theta}} \right)^\alpha dy \right) + \mathbb{E}_{X \geq a} (X - a + \mathbb{E}(y)) \\
&= \theta \mathbb{E}_{X < a} \left(\int_{\frac{a + \theta}{\theta} - \frac{X}{\theta}}^{\infty} u^{-\alpha} du \middle| X \right) + \mathbb{E}((X - a)_+) + \left(\frac{a}{\theta + a} \right)^\alpha \frac{\theta}{\alpha - 1} \\
&= \frac{\theta}{\alpha - 1} \mathbb{E}_{X < a} \left(\left(\frac{\theta}{\theta + a - X} \right)^{\alpha - 1} \right) + \frac{\theta^\alpha}{(\alpha - 1)(\theta + a)^{\alpha - 1}} + \left(\frac{a}{\theta + a} \right)^\alpha \frac{\theta}{\alpha - 1} \\
&= \frac{\theta}{\alpha - 1} \int_0^a \left(\left(\frac{\theta}{\theta + a - x} \right)^{\alpha - 1} \left(\frac{\alpha \times \theta^\alpha}{(\theta + x)^{\alpha + 1}} \right) \right) dx + \frac{\theta^\alpha(\theta + a) + \theta a^\alpha}{(\alpha - 1)(\theta + a)^\alpha} \\
&= \frac{\alpha \theta^{2\alpha}}{\alpha - 1} \int_0^a \frac{1}{(\theta + a - x)^{\alpha - 1} (\theta + x)^{\alpha + 1}} dx + \frac{\theta^\alpha(\theta + a) + \theta a^\alpha}{(\alpha - 1)(\theta + a)^\alpha}
\end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{(a-x)^3(b+x)^5} \\
&= \frac{1}{(a+b)} \left(\frac{1}{(a-x)^3(b+x)^4} + \frac{1}{(a-x)^2(b+x)^5} \right) \\
&= \dots \\
&= \frac{(a+b)^{-5}}{(a-x)^3} + \frac{(a+b)^{-5}}{(a-x)^2} \left(\frac{1}{(b+x)} + \frac{a+b}{(b+x)^2} + \frac{(a+b)^2}{(b+x)^3} + \frac{(a+b)^3}{(b+x)^4} + \frac{(a+b)^4}{(b+x)^5} \right) \\
&= \frac{(a+b)^{-5}}{(a-x)^3} + \frac{5(a+b)^{-6}}{(a-x)^2} + \frac{(a+b)^{-6}}{a-x} \left(\frac{5}{(b+x)} + \frac{4(a+b)}{(b+x)^2} + \frac{3(a+b)^2}{(b+x)^3} + \frac{2(a+b)^3}{(b+x)^4} + \frac{(a+b)^4}{(b+x)^5} \right) \\
&= \frac{(a+b)^{-5}}{(a-x)^3} + \frac{5(a+b)^{-6}}{(a-x)^2} + \frac{15(a+b)^{-7}}{a-x} + \frac{15(a+b)^{-7}}{(b+x)} + \frac{10(a+b)^{-6}}{(b+x)^2} + \frac{6(a+b)^{-5}}{(b+x)^3} + \frac{3(a+b)^{-4}}{(b+x)^4} \\
&\quad + \frac{(a+b)^{-3}}{(b+x)^5}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^c \frac{1}{(a-x)^3(b+x)} dx \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^3 \binom{7-n}{4} \int_0^c \frac{(a+b)^{n-8}}{(a-x)^n} dx + \sum_{n=1}^5 \binom{7-n}{2} \int_0^c \frac{(a+b)^{n-8}}{(b+x)^n} dx \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^3 \binom{7-n}{4} \left[\frac{(a+b)^{n-8}}{(n-1)(a-x)^{n-1}} \right]_0^c + \sum_{n=2}^5 \binom{7-n}{2} \left[-\frac{(a+b)^{n-8}}{(n-1)(b+x)^{n-1}} \right]_0^c \\
&\quad + 15(a+b)^{-7} (\log(a) - \log(a-c)) + 15(a+b)^{-7} (\log(b+c) - \log(b)) \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^3 \binom{7-n}{4} \frac{(a+b)^{n-8}}{(n-1)} ((a-c)^{1-n} - a^{1-n}) + \sum_{n=2}^5 \binom{7-n}{2} \frac{(a+b)^{n-8}}{(n-1)} (b^{1-n} - (b+c)^{1-n}) \\
&\quad + 15(a+b)^{-7} \log \left(\frac{a(b+c)}{b(a-c)} \right) \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^5 \frac{(a+b)^{n-8}}{(n-1)} \left(\binom{7-n}{4} ((a-c)^{1-n} - a^{1-n}) + \binom{7-n}{2} (b^{1-n} - (b+c)^{1-n}) \right) + 15(a+b)^{-7} \log \left(\frac{a(b+c)}{b(a-c)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Plugging this into our formula gives

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^a \frac{1}{(\theta + a - x)^3(\theta + x)^5} dx \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^5 \frac{(2\theta + a)^{n-8}}{(n-1)} \left(\binom{7-n}{4} (\theta^{1-n} - (\theta + a)^{1-n}) + \binom{7-n}{2} (\theta^{1-n} - (\theta + a)^{1-n}) \right) + 15(2\theta + a)^{-7} \log \left(\frac{(\theta + a)^2}{\theta^2} \right) \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^5 \frac{(2\theta + a)^{n-8}}{(n-1)} \left(\binom{7-n}{4} + \binom{7-n}{2} \right) (\theta^{1-n} - (\theta + a)^{1-n}) + 15(2\theta + a)^{-7} \log \left(\frac{(\theta + a)^2}{\theta^2} \right) \\
&\mathbb{E}((X + Y - a)_+) \\
&= \frac{4\theta^8}{3} \left(\sum_{n=2}^5 \frac{(2\theta + a)^{n-8}}{(n-1)} \left(\binom{7-n}{4} + \binom{7-n}{2} \right) (\theta^{1-n} - (\theta + a)^{1-n}) + 15(2\theta + a)^{-7} \log \left(\frac{(\theta + a)^2}{\theta^2} \right) \right) \\
&\quad + \frac{\theta^4(\theta + a) + \theta a^4}{3(\theta + a)^4} \\
&= \frac{4\theta^8}{3(2\theta + a)^7} \left(30 \log \left(\frac{\theta + a}{\theta} \right) + 15 \left(\frac{2\theta + a}{\theta} - \frac{2\theta + a}{\theta + a} \right) + \frac{7}{2} \left(\frac{(2\theta + a)^2}{\theta^2} - \frac{(2\theta + a)^2}{(\theta + a)^2} \right) \right) \\
&\quad + \left(\frac{(2\theta + a)^3}{\theta^3} - \frac{(2\theta + a)^3}{(\theta + a)^3} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{(2\theta + a)^4}{\theta^4} - \frac{(2\theta + a)^4}{(\theta + a)^4} \right) + \frac{\theta^4(\theta + a) + \theta a^4}{3(\theta + a)^4}
\end{aligned}$$

For 3 losses, the expected payment is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}((X + Y + Z - a)_+) &= \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(X + Y - (a - Z))_+ | Z) \\
&= \int_0^a \frac{4\theta^4}{(\theta + t)^5} \mathbb{E}((X + Y - (a - t))_+) dt + P(Z > a) \mathbb{E}(X + Y) + \mathbb{E}((Z - a)_+)
\end{aligned}$$

We numerically integrate this to get the expected payment

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#Crude numerical integration , h=1.
#Could use trapezium rule or Simpson's rule for more accuracy.
ft<-4*theta^4/(theta+(0:199999))^5
a<-200000:1
#Simplify algebra
c<-(2*theta+a)/theta
d<-(2*theta+a)/(theta+a)
EXYa<-4*theta^8/3/(2*theta+a)^7*(30*log((theta+a)/theta)+15*(c-d)#
+3.5*(c^2-d^2)+c^3-d^3+(c^4-d^4)/4)#
+(theta^4*(theta+a)+theta*a^4)/3/(theta+a)^4
sum(ft*EXYa)+2109.375+(theta/(theta+200000))^4*2*theta/3

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This allows us to calculate the following table:

Number of Losses	Probability	Conditional Expected reinsurance payment	Expected reinsurance payment
0	0.47	0	0
1	0.11	2109.375	232.031
2	0.27	11718.52	3164.000
3	0.15	16904.735	2535.710

Thus the total expected payment on the excess-of-loss reinsurance is $232.031 + 3164.000 + 2535.710 = \$5,931.74$.

3. An insurance company models loss frequency as binomial with $n = 88$, $p = 0.11$, and loss severity as exponential with $\theta = 20,000$. Calculate the expected aggregate payments if there is a policy limit of \$80,000 and a deductible of \$15,000 applied to each claim.

With a policy limit of \$80,000 and a deductible of \$15,000, the expected payment per loss is $20000 \left(e^{-\frac{15000}{20000}} - e^{-\frac{95000}{20000}} \right) = 9274.29715076$. The expected number of losses is $88 \times 0.11 = 9.68$. The expected aggregate payment is therefore $9.68 \times 9274.29715076 = \$89,775.20$.

4. Claim frequency follows a negative binomial distribution with $r = 2$ and $\beta = 4.1$. Claim severity (in thousands) has the following distribution:

Severity	Probability
1	0.4
2	0.39
3	0.14
4	0.05
5 or more	0.02

Use the recursive method to calculate the exact probability that aggregate claims are at least 5.

Since the negative binomial distribution is from the $(a, b, 0)$ class with $a = \frac{\beta}{1+\beta} = \frac{4.1}{5.1} = 0.803921568627$ and $b = \frac{(r-1)\beta}{1+\beta} = 0.803921568627$ and the severity distribution is zero-truncated, the recursive formula gives

$$f_S(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(a + \frac{bi}{n} \right) f_S(n-i) f_X(i) = \sum_{i=1}^n 0.803921568627 \left(1 + \frac{i}{n} \right) f_S(n-i) f_X(i)$$

Since the severity distribution is zero-truncated, the probability that aggregate losses are zero is the probability that there are no losses, which is $f_S(0) = \left(\frac{1}{1+\beta} \right)^r = \frac{1}{5.1^2} = 0.0384467512495$. Applying the recurrence

relation gives

$$f_S(1) = 0.80392 \times 2 \times 0.038447 \times 0.4 = 0.0247265380585$$

$$f_S(2) = 0.80392 \left(\frac{3}{2} \times 0.024727 \times 0.4 + 2 \times 0.038447 \times 0.39 \right) = 0.0360352929646$$

$$f_S(3) = 0.80392 \left(\frac{4}{3} \times 0.036035 \times 0.4 + \frac{5}{3} \times 0.024727 \times 0.39 + 2 \times 0.038447 \times 0.14 \right) = 0.0370255428058$$

$$f_S(4) = 0.80392 \left(\frac{5}{4} \times 0.037026 \times 0.4 + \frac{3}{2} \times 0.036035 \times 0.39 + \frac{7}{4} \times 0.024727 \times 0.14 + 2 \times 0.038447 \times 0.05 \right) = 0.0397909781215$$

Therefore, the probability that the aggregate loss is at least 5 is $1 - 0.0397909781215 - 0.0370255428058 - 0.0360352929646 - 0.0247265380585 - 0.0384467512495 = 0.823974896801$.

5. Use an arithmetic distribution ($h = 1$) to approximate a Pareto distribution with $\alpha = 4$ and $\theta = 60$.

(a) Using the method of rounding, calculate the mean of the arithmetic approximation. [You can evaluate this numerically: use 10,000 terms in the sum.]

Let X be the Pareto distribution and let Y be the arithmetic approximation. We have that

$$P(Y \geq i) = P\left(X \geq i - \frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{i - \frac{1}{2}}{60}}\right)^4$$

The mean of the arithmetic approximation is therefore given by

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{120}{119 + 2i}\right)^4$$

Numerically, we evaluate this as 19.99722.

(b) Using the method of local moment matching, matching 1 moment on each interval, estimate the probability that the value is larger than 18.5.

We have that $P(0 \leq Y \leq 17.5) = P(0 \leq X \leq 17.5) = 1 - \left(\frac{60}{77.5}\right)^4 = 0.640748829751$. We need to calculate $P(Y = 18)$. We have that

$$\begin{aligned}
p_{18} + p_{19} &= P(17.5 < Y < 19.5) = \left(\frac{60}{77.5}\right)^4 - \left(\frac{60}{79.5}\right)^4 \\
&= 0.034809605787 \\
18p_{18} + 19p_{19} &= \int_{17.5}^{19.5} x \frac{\alpha\theta^\alpha}{(\theta+x)^{\alpha+1}} dx \\
&= 4 \times 60^4 \int_{77.5}^{79.5} (u-60)u^{-5} du \\
&= 4 \times 60^4 \left[15u^{-4} - \frac{u^{-3}}{3} \right]_{77.5}^{79.5} \\
&= 4 \times 60^4 \left(\frac{15}{79.5^4} - \frac{15}{77.5^4} + \frac{1}{3 \times 77.5^3} - \frac{1}{3 \times 79.5^3} \right) \\
&= 0.643238745556 \\
p_{18} &= 19 \times 0.034809605787 - 0.643238745556 \\
&= 0.018143764397
\end{aligned}$$

So the probability that $Y > 18.5$ is $0.359251170249 - 0.018143764397 = 0.341107405852$.

Standard Questions

6. The number of claims an insurance company receives follows a negative binomial distribution with $r = 64$ and $\beta = 37$. Claim severity follows a negative binomial distribution with $r = 14$ and $\beta = 1.4$. Calculate the probability that aggregate losses exceed \$32,000.

(a) Starting the recurrence 6 standard deviations below the mean [You need to calculate the recurrence up to $f_s(60,000)$.]

The frequency distribution is from the $(a, b, 0)$ class with $a = \frac{\beta}{\beta+1} = \frac{37}{38}$ and $b = \frac{(r-1)\beta}{\beta+1} = \frac{2331}{38}$. The recurrence is

$$f_s(n) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{37}{38} \left(1 + \frac{63i}{n}\right) f_X(i) f_S(n-i)}{1 - \frac{37}{38} \times \frac{1}{2.4^{14}}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{63i}{n}\right) f_X(i) f_S(n-i)}{\frac{38}{37} - \frac{1}{2.4^{14}}}$$

The mean of the aggregate loss distribution is $64 \times 37 \times 14 \times 1.4 = 46412.8$ and the variance is $64 \times 37 \times 14 \times 1.4 \times 2.4 + 64 \times 37 \times 38 \times (14 \times 1.4)^2 = 34679644.16$ so 6 standard deviations below the mean is $46412.8 - 6\sqrt{34679644.16} = 11079.1448004$. We will therefore start the recurrence at $n = 11079$.

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maxf<-100000
f<-rep(0,maxf)
start<-11079
f[start]<-1

#Calculate severity distribution once, not inside the loop.
fX<-choose((1:maxf)+13,13)*(7/12)^(1:maxf)*(5/12)^14

#the denominator in the recurrence is also constant.
denominator<-(38/37-1/2.4^14)
for(i in seq_len(maxf-start)){
  x<-i+start
  f[x]=sum((1+63*(1:i)/x)*f[x-(1:i)]*fX[1:i])/denominator
  #Vector operations are faster in R than loops
}

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We then standardise f by dividing by its sum and evaluate the probability:

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f<-f/sum(f)
sum(f[32001:maxf])

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This gives the value $P(X > 32000) = 0.9966465$.

(b) *Using a suitable convolution.*

This distribution is given as a sum of 8 i.i.d. random variables whose distribution is an aggregate loss distribution with frequency following a negative binomial distribution with $r = 8$ and $\beta = 37$ and severity following a negative binomial distribution with $r = 14$ and $\beta = 1.4$. For this aggregate loss distribution, we calculate $f(0) = P_S(0) = P_F(P_X(0)) = P_F(f_X(0)) = (1 + \beta - \beta f_X(0))^{-r} = (1 + 37 - \frac{37}{2.4^{14}})^{-8}$. The recurrence is given by

$$f_s(n) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{37}{38} \left(1 + \frac{7i}{n}\right) f_X(i) f_S(n-i)}{1 - \frac{37}{38} \times \frac{1}{2.4^{14}}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{7i}{n}\right) f_X(i) f_S(n-i)}{\frac{38}{37} - \frac{1}{2.4^{14}}}$$

We use this to compute the distribution of this reduced loss

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g<-rep(0,20001)
g[1]=(1+37-37/(2.4^14))^(-8)

fX<-choose((1:50000)+13,13)*(7/12)^(1:50000)*(5/12)^14

for(x in 2:20001){
  y<-seq_len(x-1)
  temp<-sum((1+7*y/(x-1))*fX[y]*g[x-y])
  g[x]<-temp/(38/37-2.4^(-14))
}

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Having computed $f_S(x)$ for $x = 0, \dots, 20000$, we convolve this with itself 3 times to get the aggregate loss distribution

```
ConvolveSelf<-function(n){
  l<-length(n)
  convolution<-vector("numeric",2*l)
  for(i in seq_len(l)){
    convolution[i]<-sum(n[1:i]*n[i:1])
  }
  for(i in 1:(length(n))){
    convolution[2*l+1-i]<-sum(n[l+1-(1:i)]*n[l+1-(i:1)])
  }
  return(convolution)
}

g2<-ConvolveSelf(g)
g4<-ConvolveSelf(g2)
g8<-ConvolveSelf(g4)

1-sum(g8[1:32001])
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This gives the probability value 0.9966465.