

# Algebraic properties of copulas defined from matrices

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# Introduction

- Extension of the bivariate family [Amblard Girard 2002]

$$c(u, v) = 1 + \theta\phi(u)\phi(v),$$

- $c(u, v) = {}^t\phi(u)A\phi(v)$  where :
  - $\phi(u) = {}^t\{1, \phi_2(u), \dots, \phi_p(u)\}$ ,
  - $\{\phi_i\}$  is an orthonormal family of functions,
  - $A \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$  is a symmetric matrix such that  $Ae_1 = e_1$ , with  ${}^t e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$ .
- For which  $A$  and  $\phi$ ,  $c(u, v)$  is a density of copula ?

# Plan

- Definition of the **family of copulas**  $\mathcal{C}_\phi$ ,
- **Algebraic** properties of the set of convenient matrices  $\mathcal{A}_\phi$  and of the copulas family  $\mathcal{C}_\phi$ ,
- **Dependence** properties of the family  $\mathcal{C}_\phi$ ,
- **Projection** on  $\mathcal{C}_\phi$ ,
- Examples.

# A new family of copulas

## Definition :

$$c(u, v) = {}^t\phi(u)A\phi(v)$$

- $\phi(u) = {}^t\{1, \phi_2(u), \dots, \phi_p(u)\}$ ,
- $\{\phi_i\}$  is an **orthonormal** family of functions, using  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$  scalar product :

$$\langle \phi_i, \phi_j \rangle = \int_0^1 \phi_i(t)\phi_j(t)dt,$$

- $A \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$  is a **symmetric matrix** such that  $Ae_1 = e_1$ , with  $e_1 = {}^t(1, 0 \dots, 0)$ .

# A new family of copulas

$$\mathcal{A}_\phi = \left\{ A \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}, {}^t A = A, A e_1 = e_1, \forall (u, v) \in [0, 1]^2, {}^t \phi(u) A \phi(v) \geq 0 \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{C}_\phi = \left\{ c : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, c(u, v) = {}^t \phi(u) A \phi(v), A \in \mathcal{A}_\phi \right\}$$

# A new family of copulas

## Properties :

- $\int_0^1 \phi(t) dt = e_1$  :

$$\int_0^1 \phi(v) dv = \begin{pmatrix} \int_0^1 1 dv \\ \int_0^1 \phi_2(v) dv \\ \dots \\ \int_0^1 \phi_p(v) dv \end{pmatrix},$$

$$= e_1 \text{ because } \{\phi_i\} \text{ is orthonormal.}$$

# A new family of copulas

- $\mathcal{A}_\phi$  is **not empty**,  $A_1 = e_1^t e_1 \in \mathcal{A}_\phi$
- $\mathcal{C}_\phi$  is a set of **copulas density**.
  - **Positivity** :  $\forall (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2, c(u, v) \geq 0,$
  - **Uniform marginals** :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^1 c(u, v) dv &= {}^t \phi(u) A \int_0^1 \phi(v) dv, \\
 &= {}^t \phi(u) e_1, \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

# A new family of copulas

Each copula of  $\mathcal{C}_\phi$  is defined by one **unique** matrix :

$${}^t\phi(u)A\phi(v) = {}^t\phi(u)B\phi(v)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(u) {}^t\phi(u) A \phi(v) {}^t\phi(v) = \phi(u) {}^t\phi(u) B \phi(v) {}^t\phi(v)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \int_0^1 \phi(u) {}^t\phi(u) A \phi(v) {}^t\phi(v) du dv = \int \int_0^1 \phi(u) {}^t\phi(u) B \phi(v) {}^t\phi(v) du dv$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \phi(u) {}^t\phi(u) du A \int_0^1 \phi(v) {}^t\phi(v) dv = \int_0^1 \phi(u) {}^t\phi(u) du B \int_0^1 \phi(v) {}^t\phi(v) dv$$

$$\Rightarrow A = B \text{ because } \{\phi_i\} \text{ is an orthonormal family.}$$



# Examples

- The copula associated to  $A_1 = e_1 {}^t e_1$  is the **independent** copula  $\Pi$ ,
- If  $p = 2$ , necessarily  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \theta \end{pmatrix}$  and  
 $c(u, v) = 1 + \theta\phi(u)\phi(v)$  [Amblard Girard 2002],
- The cubic family [Nelsen et al. 1997] can be written in our formalism ( $p=3$ ),
- If  $\{\phi_i\}$  is an orthonormal family and  
 $\forall (u, v) \in [0, 1]^2 {}^t\phi(u)\phi(v) \geq 0$ ,  
 $I_p \in \mathcal{A}_\phi$  and  ${}^t\phi(u)\phi(v) \in \mathcal{C}_\phi$

# Algebraic properties of $\mathcal{A}_\phi$

- $\mathcal{A}_\phi$  is a **convex** set,
- $A_1 = e_1 {}^t e_1 \in \mathcal{A}_\phi$ ,
- $(\mathcal{A}_\phi, \times)$  is a **semi group** :

$$\begin{aligned} {}^t\phi(u)AB\phi(v) &= {}^t\phi(u)A \int_0^1 \phi(y) {}^t\phi(y) dy B\phi(v), \\ &= \int_0^1 ({}^t\phi(u)A\phi(y)) ({}^t\phi(y)B\phi(v)) dy, \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

- $ABe_1 = e_1$ ,
- the product  $\times$  is an associative operator.

- If  $I_p \in \mathcal{A}_\phi$ ,  $(\mathcal{A}_\phi, \times)$  is a **monoid**.

# Algebraic properties of $\mathcal{C}_\phi$

- $\mathcal{C}_\phi$  is a **convex** set,
- $\Pi \in \mathcal{C}_\phi$ ,
- $(\mathcal{C}_\phi, \star)$  is a **semi group** :

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_A \star c_B(u, v) &\triangleq \int_0^1 c_A(u, s) c_B(s, v) ds, \\
 &= \int_0^1 {}^t\phi(u) A \phi(s) {}^t\phi(s) B \phi(v) ds, \\
 &= {}^t\phi(u) A \int_0^1 \phi(s) {}^t\phi(s) ds B \phi(v), \\
 &= {}^t\phi(u) A I_p B \phi(v).
 \end{aligned}$$

- the operator  $\star$  is associative,

- If  ${}^t\phi(u)\phi(v) \in \mathcal{C}_\phi$ ,  $(\mathcal{C}_\phi, \star)$  is a **monoid** .

# Isomorphism between $\mathcal{A}_\phi$ and $\mathcal{C}_\phi$

- **Definition :**

$$T_\phi : \{\text{copulas}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$$

$$c \mapsto \int \int_0^1 \phi(x)c(x,y) {}^t\phi(y) dx dy$$

- $T_\phi(c)e_1 = e_1$ .
- $T_\phi$  is an **isomorphism** between  $(\mathcal{A}_\phi, \times)$  and  $(\mathcal{C}_\phi, \star)$  :
  - Each matrix of  $\mathcal{A}_\phi$  defines a copula of  $\mathcal{C}_\phi$ ,
  - $T_\phi$  associates to a copula of  $\mathcal{C}_\phi$  its matrix  $A$ ,
  - $T_\phi(c_A \star c_B) = A \times B$ .

# Isomorphism between $\mathcal{A}_\phi$ and $\mathcal{C}_\phi$

$$T_\phi(c)e_1 = e_1 :$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_\phi(c)e_1 &= \iint \phi(x)c(x,y) {}^t\phi(y)e_1 dydx \\ &= \iint \phi(x)c(x,y)\phi_1(y) dydx \\ &= \int \int_0^1 \phi(x)c(x,y)1 dydx \\ &= \int_0^1 \phi(x)1 dx \\ &= e_1 \end{aligned}$$

# Dependence coefficients

- Spearman 's Rho :

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_\phi &\triangleq 12 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 C(u, v) du dv - 3 \\ &= 12 {}^t \mu A \mu - 3,\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } \mu = \int_0^1 x \phi(x) dx.$$

If  $A = \text{diag}\{a_{i,i}\}$ ,  $\rho_\phi = 12 \sum_{i=2}^p a_{i,i} \mu_i^2$

- Tail dependence coefficient :

$$\lambda_\phi = P(V \geq u | U \geq u) = \frac{\bar{C}(u, u)}{1 - u} = 0.$$

# Projection on $\mathcal{C}_\phi$

- **Definition :**

$$P(c)(u, v) = {}^t \phi(u) T_\phi(c) \phi(v)$$

- If  $I_p \in \mathcal{A}_\phi$ ,  $P(c)(u, v)$  is a copula :

$$\begin{aligned} P(c)(u, v) &= {}^t \phi(u) T_\phi(c) \phi(v) \\ &= {}^t \phi(u) \int \int_0^1 {}^t \phi(x) c(x, y) \phi(y) dx dy \phi(v) \\ &= \int \int_0^1 {}^t \phi(u) \phi(x) c(x, y) {}^t \phi(y) \phi(v) dx dy \\ &= c_{I_p} \star c \star c_{I_p}(u, v) \text{ if } I_p \in \mathcal{A}_\phi \end{aligned}$$

- If  $I_p \in \mathcal{A}_\phi$ ;  $P(c)(u, v) \in \mathcal{C}_\phi$ .

# Projection on $\mathcal{C}_\phi$

- $\int_0^1 c_1 \star c_2(u, u)du$  defines a **Scalar product**.
- $P$  is an **orthogonal projection** on  $(\mathcal{C}_\phi, \langle \rangle)$  :  
 $P(P(c)) = P(c)$  :

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(P(c))(u, v) &= {}^t \phi(u) T_\phi(P(c)) \phi(v) \\
 &= {}^t \phi(u) \int \int_0^1 \phi(x) P(c)(x, y) {}^t \phi(y) dx dy \phi(v), \\
 &= {}^t \phi(u) \int \int \phi(x) {}^t \phi(x) T_\phi(c) \phi(y) {}^t \phi(y) dx dy \phi(v) \\
 &= {}^t \phi(u) \int \phi(x) {}^t \phi(x) dx T_\phi(c) \int {}^t \phi(y) \phi(y) dy \phi(v) \\
 &= {}^t \phi(u) T_\phi(c) \phi(v), \\
 &= P(c).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\forall s \in \mathcal{C}_\phi, \langle c - P(c), s \rangle = 0.$$



# Projection on $\mathcal{C}_\phi$

$$\forall s \in \mathcal{C}_\phi, \langle c - P(c), s \rangle = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle c, s \rangle &= \iint c(u, t) {}^t\phi(t) A \phi(u) dt du \\ &= \iint c(u, t) \text{tr}({}^t\phi(t) A \phi(u)) dt du \\ &= \text{tr} \left( \iint c(u, t) \phi(u) {}^t\phi(t) dt du A \right) \\ &= \text{tr}(T_\phi(c) A). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle P(c), s \rangle &= \iint {}^t\phi(u) T_\phi(c) \phi(t) {}^t\phi(t) A \phi(u) dt du \\ &= \text{tr}(T_\phi(c) A). \end{aligned}$$

# Example : FGM family

$$\phi(x) = \sqrt{3}(1 - 2x), \quad A = \text{diag}\{1, \theta\}, \quad |\theta| \leq 1/3,$$

- **Copula :**

$$c(u, v) = 1 + 3\theta(1 - 2u)(1 - 2v), \quad I_\rho \notin \mathcal{A}_\phi.$$

- "Projection" on  $\mathcal{C}_\phi$  :  $T_\phi(c) = \text{diag}\{1, \tilde{\theta}\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\theta} &= 3 \iint c(x, y)(1 - 2x)(1 - 2y) dx dy \\ &= 3[4 \iint xyc(x, y) dx dy - 1] = \rho_c. \end{aligned}$$

- If  $|\rho_c| \leq 1/3$ ,  $P(c)$  is a FGM copula and

$$\rho_{P(c)} = \rho_c,$$

- If  $|\rho_c| > 1/3$ ,  $P(c)$  is not a copula.

# Example : trigonometric family

$$\begin{cases} \phi_0(x) = 1, \\ \phi_{2j-1}(x) = \sqrt{2} \sin(2\pi jx), \\ \phi_{2j}(x) = \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi jx) \end{cases} \quad A = \text{diag}\{1, \theta, \theta, \dots\}$$

- **Copula** :  $c_k(x, y) = 1 + 2\theta[H_k(x - y) - 1]$ ,  
 $H_k(t) = \frac{\sin((2k + 1)\pi t)}{\sin(\pi t)}$  the **Dirichlet Kernel**.

- **Spearman's rho** :  $\rho_k(\theta) = \frac{6\theta}{\pi^2} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j^2}$

$$\rho_1(1/2) = \frac{3}{\pi^2} \simeq 0.3,$$

$$\rho_2(1/2) = \frac{15}{4\pi^2} \simeq 0.38,$$

$$\rho_3(4/9) = \frac{98}{27\pi^2} \simeq 0.37.$$

# Example : cosinus family

$$\begin{cases} \phi_0(x) = 1, \\ \phi_j(x) = \sqrt{2} \cos(\pi j x), \end{cases} \quad A = \text{diag}\{1, \theta, \theta, \dots\}$$

- **Copula :**

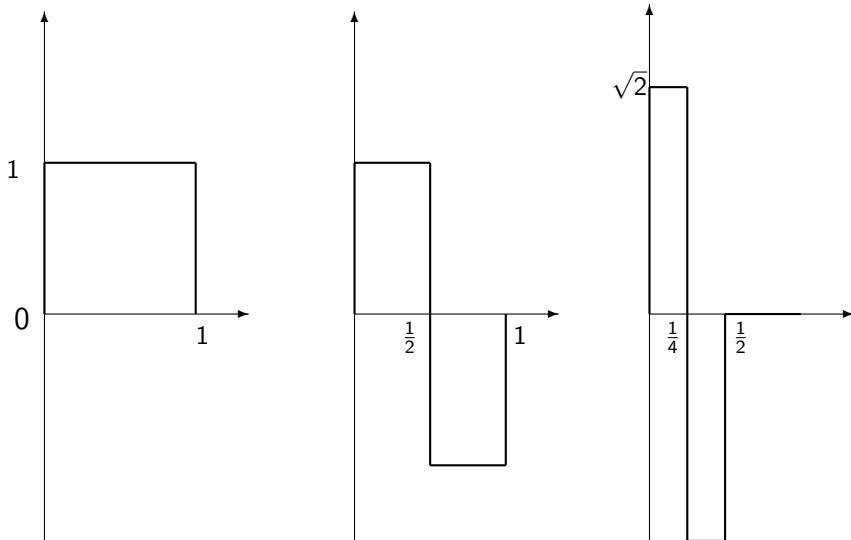
$$c_k(x, y) = 1 + 2\theta \left[ H_k\left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) - 1 \right] \left[ H_k\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) - 1 \right].$$

- **Spearman's rho :**

$$\rho_k(\theta) = \frac{48\theta}{\pi^4} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(1 + (-1)^{j+1})}{j^4},$$

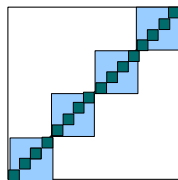
$$\rho_1(1/2) = \frac{48}{\pi^4} \simeq 0.49.$$

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- **Copula** :  $c_k(x, y) = 1 + \theta[K_k(x, y) - 1]$ .



$K_k(x, y)$  is always positive,  $I_{2^k} \in \mathcal{A}_\phi$

- **Spearman's rho** :

$$\rho_k(\theta) = 1 - \frac{\theta}{2^{2k}}$$

$$\rho_k(1) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

# Conclusion and future work

- We proposed a new family of copulas defined from matrices,
- The family includes some known families (FGM, cubic sections,...),
- The family contains high dependence copulas (Haar),
- Other orthonormal families should be studied (polynomial...),
- Dependence properties have to be more deeply studied.

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