

# INDEPENDENCE OR ... COPULAS!

## CAPTURING THE DEPENDENCE AMONG LARGE LOSSES USING EXTREME-VALUE COPULAS

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# Thousands Evacuate in Worst Australian Floods in a Decade

Tens of thousands of people have been ordered to evacuate their homes and hundreds of thousands more have been told to prepare to flee as parts of Australia's southeast coast are inundated by the worst flooding in more than a decade.

By [Associated Press](#) | March 1, 2022, at 10:52 a.m.



# Death toll in Brazil's Petropolis mudslides, floods hits 176; more than 110 missing

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# Ukraine conflict: The civilian lives lost to Russia's war



# COVID-19 loss of \$44 bln is 3rd largest catastrophe cost to insurers

Reuters

January 4, 2022

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- Higher the CIC → Most suitable is the model (*Grønneberg & Hjort, 2014*)
- Copula models analyzed:

Copula family	Elliptical copulas	Archimedean copulas	Extreme-value copulas (EVC)
Copula models	Gaussian	Clayton	Gumbel-Hougaard
	t-Student	Frank	Tawn
		Joe	Galambos
			Husler-Reiss



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- Copula parameter estimation ( $\hat{\theta}$ ):
  - I) Method-of-Moments Estimator (MME) (*Oakes, 1982; Genest & Rivest, 1993*)
    - I.a) Calculate  $\hat{\tau}$  (Kendall's tau estimator [sample version]);
    - I.b) Calculate  $\hat{\theta}$  by the inverse of the function  $\tau(\theta)$ .
  - II) Maximum Pseudo-Likelihood Estimator (MPLE) (*Kojadinovic & Yan, 2010*)
    - II.a) Create a sample of pseudo-observations  $U_{i,n} = \left(\frac{r_{iX}}{n+1}, \frac{r_{iY}}{n+1}\right)$ ;
    - II.b) Calculate  $\hat{\theta}$  using the maximum log-likelihood from  $U_{i,n}$ .

### III) Method of Capéraà-Fougères-Genest (MCFG) (*only for EVC*)

- III.a) Estimate *Pickands dependence function*  $A(t)$ ;
- III.b) Gudendorf & Segers (2012) version:

$$\hat{A}_{CFG}(t) = \exp \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \zeta_{i,n}(1) - \zeta_{i,n}(t) \right) \right], \text{ with } \zeta_{i,n}(t) = \min_{j \in \{X, Y\}} \frac{-\log(U_{ij,n})}{t}, 1 \leq i \leq n$$



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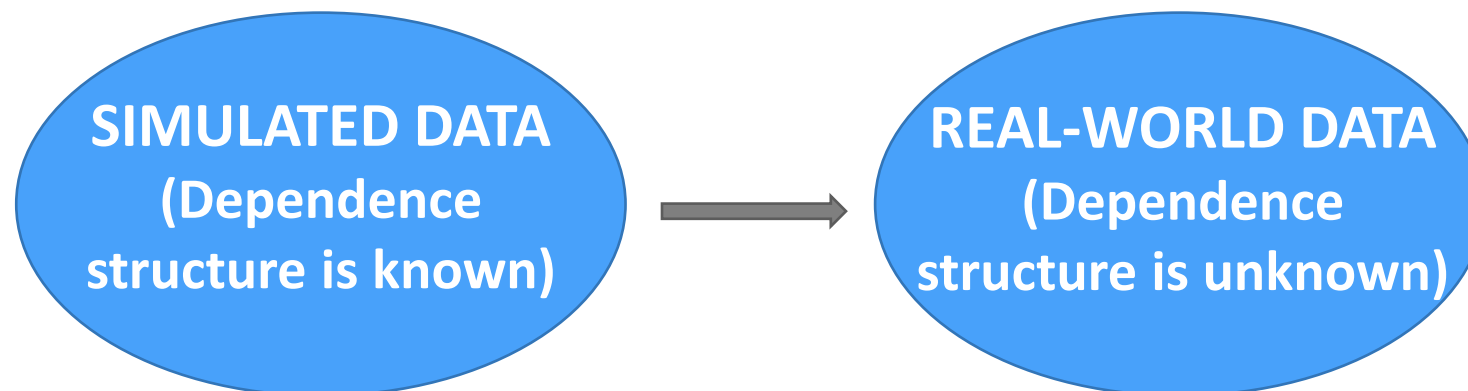


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# EFFECTIVENESS OF THE METHOD

Scenario	Details
Weak	10,000 pairs (X,Y) simulated from a Gaussian copula with $\hat{\tau}_{X,Y} = 0.1$
Moderate	10,000 pairs (X,Y) simulated from a Joe copula with $\hat{\tau}_{X,Y} = 0.4$
Strong	100 pairs (X,Y) simulated from a Husler-Reiss copula with $\hat{\tau}_{X,Y} = 0.7$

## CIC for copula models

Scenario	Gaussian	t-Student	Clayton	Frank	Joe	Gumbel	Tawn	Galambos	Husler-Reiss
Weak	118.537	118.535	70.839	109.322	9.217	75.841	51.404	75.254	70.826
Moderate	2048.75	2168.11	-32.16	1925.08	2953.65	2736.46	2726.26	2714.55	2673.84
Strong	69.2798	69.9732	26.681	61.8349	67.1129	74.7194	53.6635	75.1437	76.0469



# EFFECTIVENESS OF THE METHOD

## Estimating the copula parameter

Scenario	Method	$\hat{\theta}$	Standard deviation	Log-likelihood
Weak	MPLE	0.1539	000.010	119.5354
	MME	0.1547	636.400	119.5323
Moderate	MPLE	2.2358	0.031	2,954.5157
	MME	2.2249	*	2,954.3992
Strong	MPLE	3.2456	00,000.472	76.6722
	MME	3.0319	49,373.000	76.3523





# EFFECTIVENESS OF THE METHOD

## Estimating the copula parameter and upper tail coefficient

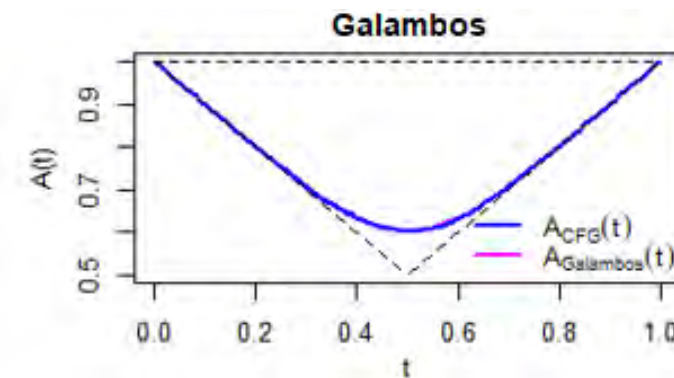
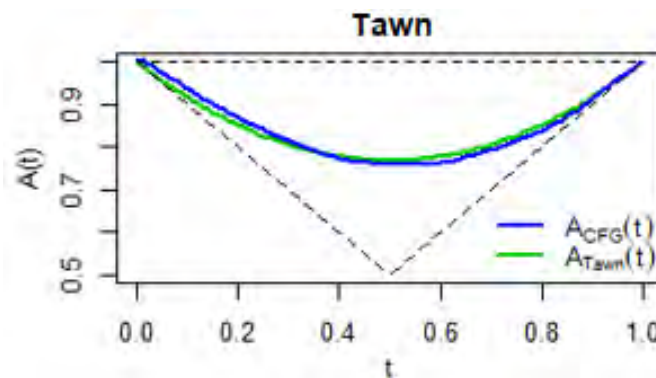
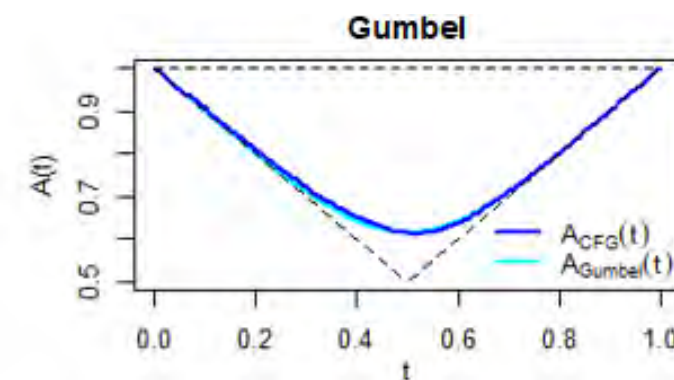
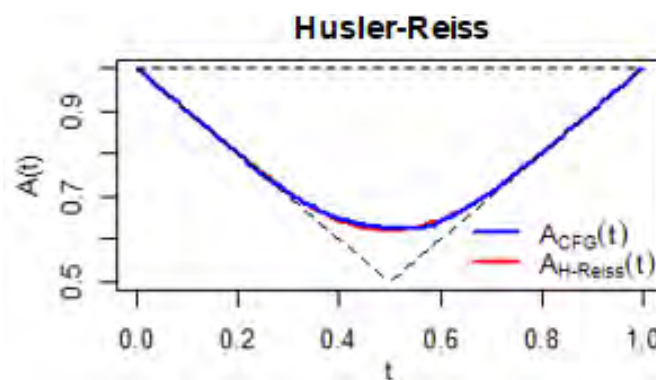
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# EFFECTIVENESS OF THE METHOD

## Comparative graphs between $\hat{A}_{CFG}$ and $A(t)$

EVC	Dataset
Husler-Reiss	150 pairs simulated from a Husler-Reiss copula with $\hat{t}_{X,Y} = 0.7$
Gumbel	150 pairs simulated from a Gumbel copula with $\hat{t}_{X,Y} = 0.7$
Tawn	150 pairs simulated from a Tawn copula with $\hat{t}_{X,Y} = 0.4$
Galambos	150 pairs simulated from a Galambos copula with $\hat{t}_{X,Y} = 0.7$





# REAL-WORLD MICRODATA

- The real-world microdata used contain all the policies of an insurance company whose claims incurred by a single event generated payments (in Brazilian Real BRL currency) in (at least) two different Brazilian insurance lines of business (LoB) in which the company operates, in the period from Jan/2007 to May/2012;

LoB Code	LoB	Pair of lines (X,Y)	(0531,0553)	(0351,0378)	(0118,0351)	(0520,0531)
0531	Automobile – Hull	Number of observations	13676	25	17	16
0553	Automobile – Motor third-party liability	Mean of X + Y	13,297.03	50,958.47	108,390.74	48,384.23
0351	General third-party liability	Median of X + Y	7,440.30	41,968.50	15,231.74	38,738.98
0378	Professional third-party liability	St. deviation of X + Y	25,987.45	49,888.17	293,507.80	35,489.41
0118	Business comprehensive	Maximum of X + Y	1,131,667.96	165,004.24	1,230,452.83	128,636.08
0520	Automobile – Passenger personal accidents					



# RESULTS

Scenario	Details
1	All data of the pair (0531,0553)
2	90%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553
3	95%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553
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5	90%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 0553
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8	All data of the pair (0351,0378)
9	All data of the pair (0118,0351)
10	All data of the pair (0520,0531)



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1	All data of the pair (0531,0553)	<b>EVC</b>
2	90%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	<b>EVC</b>
3	95%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	Elliptical
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5	90%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 0553	Elliptical
6	95%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 0553	Archimedean
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10	All data of the pair (0520,0531)	Archimedean



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Scenario	Details	Copula family	Copula
1	All data of the pair (0531,0553)	<b>EVC</b>	<b>Gumbel</b>
2	90%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	<b>EVC</b>	<b>Husler-Reiss</b>
3	95%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	Elliptical	Gaussian
4	99.5%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	<b>EVC</b>	<b>Tawn</b>
5	90%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 0553	Elliptical	t-Student
6	95%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 0553	Archimedean	Frank
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8	All data of the pair (0351,0378)	<b>EVC</b>	<b>Galambos</b>
9	All data of the pair (0118,0351)	Archimedean	Joe
10	All data of the pair (0520,0531)	Archimedean	Joe



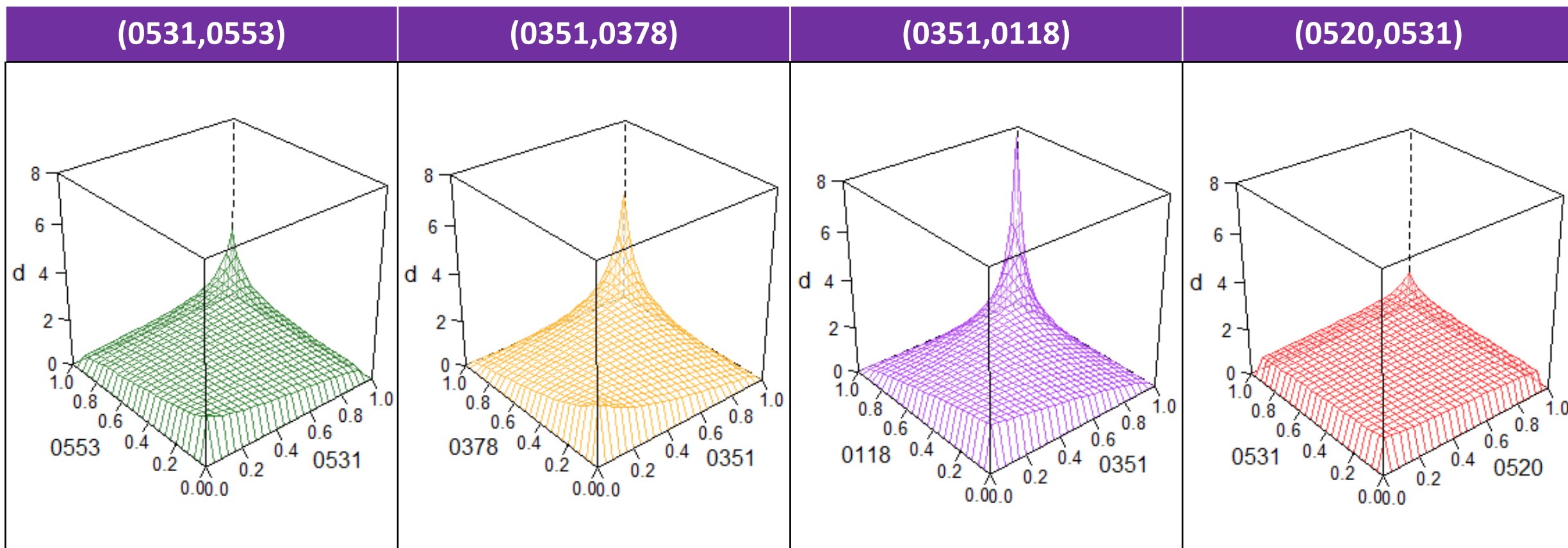
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Scenario	Details	Copula family	Copula	$\hat{\theta}$
1	All data of the pair (0531,0553)	<b>EVC</b>	<b>Gumbel</b>	1.23595 $\pm$ 0.008
2	90%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	<b>EVC</b>	<b>Husler-Reiss</b>	0.87226 $\pm$ 0.067
3	95%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	Elliptical	Gaussian	0.29163 $\pm$ 0.068
4	99.5%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	<b>EVC</b>	<b>Tawn</b>	0.88252 $\pm$ 0.313
5	90%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 0553	Elliptical	t-Student	-0.39272 $\pm$ 0.024
6	95%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 0553	Archimedean	Frank	-2.64214 $\pm$ 0.217
7	99.5%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 0553	Elliptical	t-Student	-0.37102 $\pm$ 0.130
8	All data of the pair (0351,0378)	<b>EVC</b>	<b>Galambos</b>	0.75320 $\pm$ 0.339
9	All data of the pair (0118,0351)	Archimedean	Joe	1.84144 $\pm$ 0.795
10	All data of the pair (0520,0531)	Archimedean	Joe	1.07774 $\pm$ 0.398



# RESULTS

Joint probability density, for each of the 4 pairs







# RESULTS

Scenario	Details
2 (EVC)	90%-quantile (individuals losses)
5 (t-Student)	90%-quantile (sum of losses)
4 (EVC)	99.5%-quantile (individuals losses)
7 (t-Student)	99.5%-quantile (sum of losses)



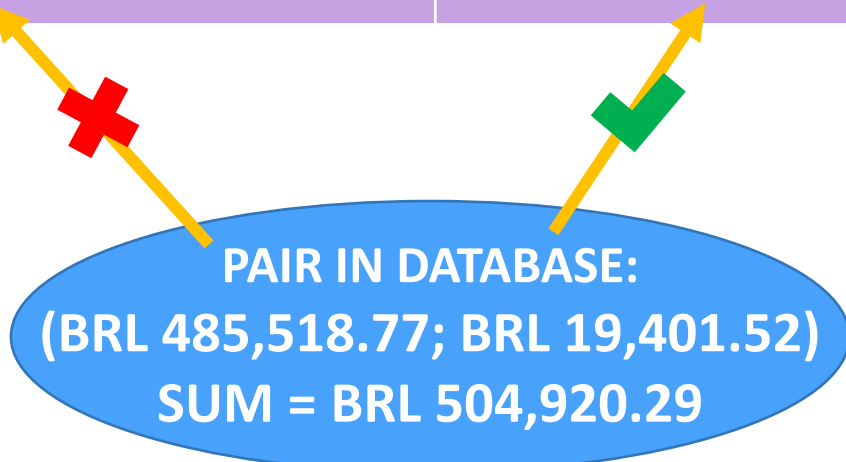


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## Illustrating the difference between scenarios

	Individual loss LoB 0531	Individual loss LoB 0553	Sum of losses LoBs 0531 and 0553
99.5% quantile	BRL 137,725.95	BRL 55,449.86	BRL 145,728.54
	Scenario 4		Scenario 7

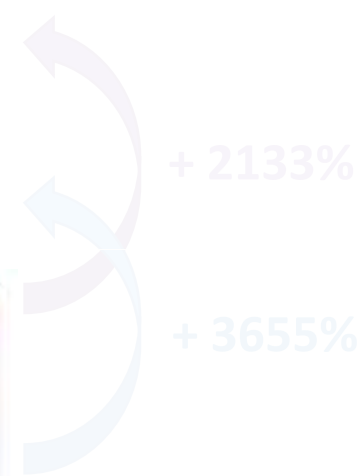
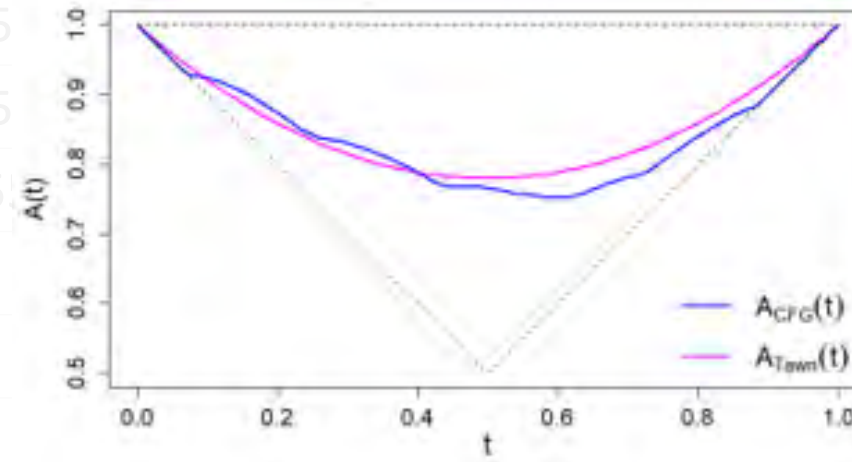
PAIR IN DATABASE:  
(BRL 485,518.77; BRL 19,401.52)  
SUM = BRL 504,920.29





# RESULTS

Scenario	Details	Upper tail coefficient $\lambda_U$
1	All data of the pair (0531,0553)	0.24789 (DF) / 0.24491 (MCFG)
2	90%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	0.25161 (DF) / 0.24163 (MCFG)
3	95%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553	0
<b>4</b>	<b>99.5%-quantile in each of lines 0531 and 0553</b>	<b>0.44126 (DF) / 0.46916 (MCFG)</b>
5	90%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 055	
6	95%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 055	
7	99.5%-quantile in sum of lines 0531 and 055	
8	All data of the pair (0351,0378)	
9	All data of the pair (0118,0351)	
10	All data of the pair (0520,0531)	



# THE BRAZILIAN INSURANCE REGULATORY AGENCY CASE

- SUSEP (Brazilian insurance regulatory agency) groups diferente LoB in “business classes”:

Classe de Negócio (k)	Nome da Classe de Negócio	Código do Ramo	Nome do Ramo
1ª	Residencial	0114ª	Compreensivo Residencial
2ª	Condominial	0116ª	Compreensivo Condomínio
3ª	Empresarial	0118ª	Compreensivo Empresarial
4ª	Patrimonial-Demais	0111ª	Incêndio Tradicional (run-off)
		0112ª	Assistência – Bens em Geral
		0115ª	Roubo
		0141ª	Lucros Cessantes
		0167ª	Riscos de Engenharia
		0171ª	Riscos Diversos
		0173ª	Global de Bancos
		0196ª	Riscos Nomeados e Operacionais
		0542ª	Assistência e Outras Coberturas – Auto
		0711ª	Riscos Diversos – Financeiros
0743ª	Stop Loss		
5ª	Riscos Especiais	0234ª	Riscos de Petróleo (run-off)
		0272ª	Riscos Nucleares (run-off)
		0274ª	Satélites (run-off)
		1734ª	Riscos de Petróleo
		1872ª	Riscos Nucleares
1574ª	Satélites		
6ª	Responsabilidades	0351ª	R.C. Geral
		0310ª	R.C. de Administradores e Diretores – D&O
		0313ª	R.C. Riscos Ambientais
		0378ª	R. C. Profissional

Classe de Negócio (k)	Nome da Classe de Negócio	Código do Ramo	Nome do Ramo
8ª	Automóveis	0520ª	Acidentes Pessoais de Passageiros – APP
		0523ª	Resp. C. T. Rodoviário Interestadual e Internacional (run-off)
		0524ª	Garantia Estendida / Extensão de Garantia – Auto
		0525ª	Carta Verde
		0526ª	Seguro Popular de Automóvel Usado
		0531ª	Automóvel – Casco
		0544ª	RC-T. Viagem Intern. – Pes. Trans. ou não (run-off)
		0553ª	Responsabilidade Civil Facultativa Veículos - RCFV
		0623ª	Resp. C. T. Rodoviário Interestadual e Internacional – RC-ÔNIBUS
		0628ª	Responsabilidade Civil Facultativa Veículos – RCFV-Ônibus
		0644ª	R. C. Transp. Em Viagem Internacional pessoas transportadas ou não – Carta Azul
		1428ª	Responsabilidade Civil Facultativa para Embalações – RCF
		1528ª	Responsabilidade Civil Facultativa para Aeronaves – RCF

# THE BRAZILIAN INSURANCE REGULATORY AGENCY CASE

- SUSEP quantifies the (linear) dependence that exists among *business classes*...

Tabela 1

Matriz de Correlação – Risco de Emissão/Precificação ( $\rho_{i,j}^{prem}$ )

i \ j	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1	1,00	0,50	0,45	0,06	-0,12	0,48	0,24	0,35	0,46	0,44	0,18	-0,03	-0,01	0,33	0,04	0,18	0,24
2	0,50	1,00	0,31	0,24	0,04	0,32	-0,04	0,05	0,11	0,39	0,18	0,33	-0,07	0,05	-0,29	0,31	0,06
3	0,45	0,31	1,00	-0,33	-0,06	0,27	0,12	0,14	0,31	0,44	0,22	-0,03	0,07	-0,01	0,00	0,17	0,01
4	0,06	0,24	-0,33	1,00	0,24	0,03	0,19	0,09	0,07	0,01	-0,05	0,16	0,09	0,21	-0,15	-0,15	-0,03
5	-0,12	0,04	-0,06	0,24	1,00	0,03	-0,20	-0,09	-0,05	-0,18	0,23	0,17	-0,05	0,08	0,06	0,37	0,02
6	0,48	0,32	0,27	0,03	0,03	1,00	0,10	0,05	0,32	0,43	0,32	-0,09	-0,19	0,02	-0,09	-0,19	0,09
7	0,24	-0,04	0,12	0,19	-0,20	0,10	1,00	0,17	0,22	0,23	-0,04	0,10	0,16	0,02	-0,20	-0,28	-0,09
8	0,35	0,05	0,14	0,09	-0,09	0,05	0,17	1,00	0,39	0,26	0,19	-0,22	0,21	0,32	0,11	0,22	0,15
9	0,46	0,11	0,31	0,07	-0,05	0,32	0,22	0,39	1,00	0,13	0,14	0,00	0,24	0,25	0,22	-0,05	0,14
10	0,44	0,39	0,44	0,01	-0,18	0,43	0,23	0,26	0,13	1,00	0,11	0,01	0,08	0,20	-0,28	0,04	0,08
11	0,18	0,18	0,22	-0,05	0,23	0,32	-0,04	0,19	0,14	0,11	1,00	0,19	0,03	-0,36	-0,32	0,12	0,16
12	-0,03	0,33	-0,03	0,16	0,17	-0,09	0,10	-0,22	0,00	0,01	0,19	1,00	0,30	-0,44	-0,65	-0,21	0,03
13	-0,01	-0,07	0,07	0,09	-0,05	-0,19	0,16	0,21	0,24	0,08	0,03	0,30	1,00	-0,10	-0,11	-0,12	-0,17
14	0,33	0,05	-0,01	0,21	0,08	0,02	0,02	0,32	0,25	0,20	-0,36	-0,44	-0,10	1,00	0,45	0,30	0,13
15	0,04	-0,29	0,00	-0,15	0,06	-0,09	-0,20	0,11	0,22	-0,28	-0,32	-0,65	-0,11	0,45	1,00	0,24	0,22
16	0,18	0,31	0,17	-0,15	0,37	-0,19	-0,28	0,22	-0,05	0,04	0,12	-0,21	-0,12	0,30	0,24	1,00	0,10
17	0,24	0,06	0,01	-0,03	0,02	0,09	-0,09	0,15	0,14	0,08	0,16	0,03	-0,17	0,13	0,22	0,10	1,00

... but does **not** do so for LoB of the same *business class*!



# FINAL REMARKS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

- SUSEP does **not** predict neither quantify the dependence among every pair of Brazilian lines of business in calculating the insurance company's **risk capital**;
- This study shows that the calculation of solvency capital requirement by SUSEP is higher than the actual risk capital requirement by SUSEP is not able to directly predict extreme events;
- SUSEP methodology is not able to directly predict extreme events;
- The regulator must be aware of these facts when dimensioning the **minimum capital requirement**.

**Thank you very much for your attention!**

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