
Pricing Non-Recourse Provisions and Mortgage Insurance for Joint-Life Reverse Mortgages Considering Mortality Dependence: a Copula Approach

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Introduction



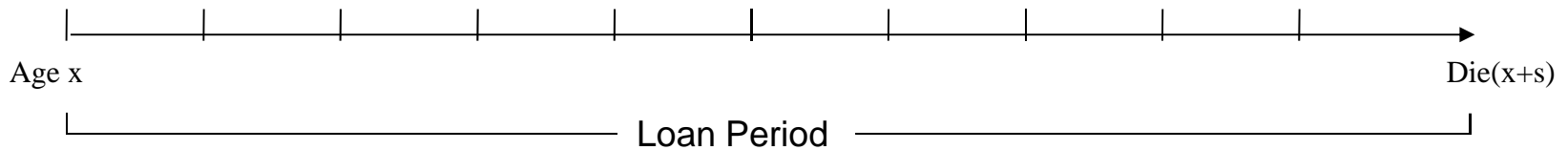
What are Reverse Mortgage Products?

- A kind of home equity conversion that allows the elder persons to borrow money with their home as the collateral .
- The loans accrue interest and are only repaid once the people is died or leave the house. → No Fixed Maturity Date
- Loan value is determined by borrower's age, property value and interest rate
- For example: a rolled-up mortgage (Lump-Sum)



Loan Value: $K \rightarrow K_t = Ke^{vt}$ at time t

Property Value: $H_0 \rightarrow H_t$



The Risk from Lender Prospective

Key risk

Longevity risk

- If a borrower lives a longer time than the expected lifespan that may lead the loan balance above the sale proceed of the property.

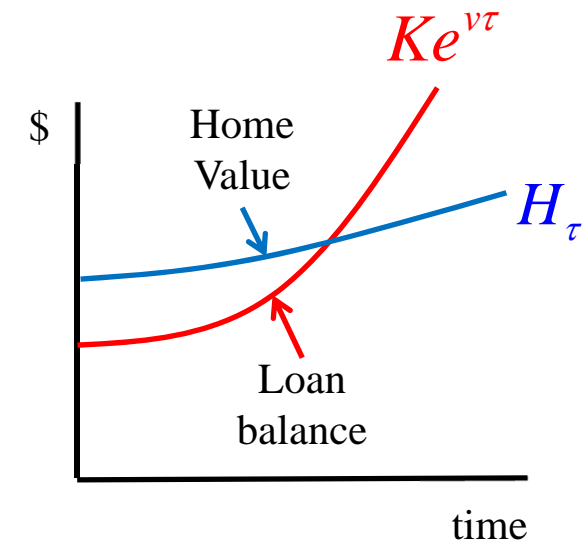
Property risk

- If the house price grows at a lower rate than expected, the loan balance may exceed the home value. Lenders may suffer from the losses.

Interest rate risk

- The rise of interest rates increases the possibility of non-repayment when the loan eventually terminates.

$$Ke^{v\tau} > H_{\tau}$$



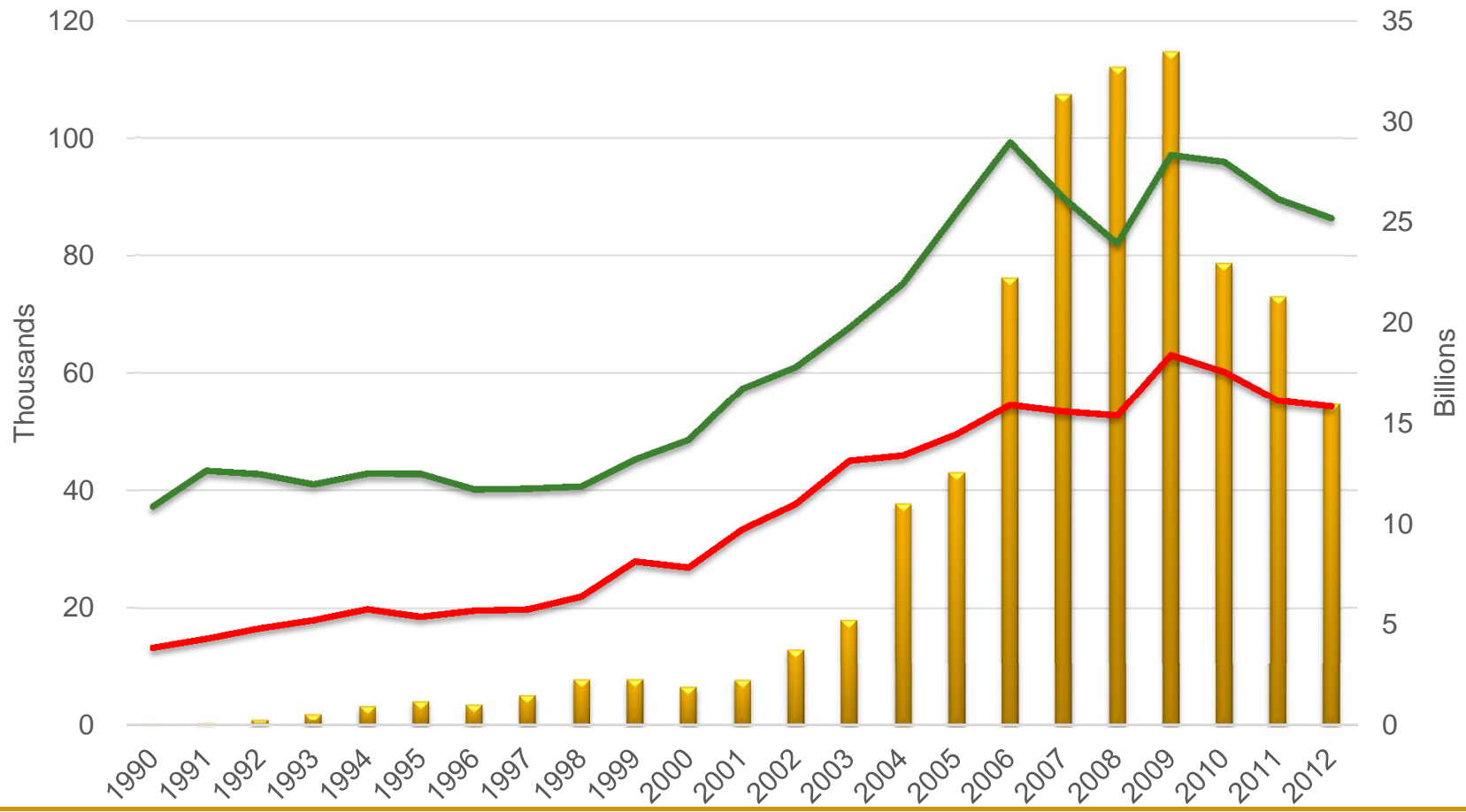
The RM Market: in the U.S.

- ❑ Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) program first introduced in 1989.
- ❑ After financial crisis, the private reverse mortgage market has evaporated so that HECM loans represent nearly 100% of newly originated reverse mortgages.(Shen, REE 2011)
- ❑ The HECM loan is a **non-recourse debt**.

- ❑ Some factors drive the need for RM
 - Globally Increasing Life Expectancies
 - Many elders are considered to be “Cash Poor & Equity Rich”.



HECM loan

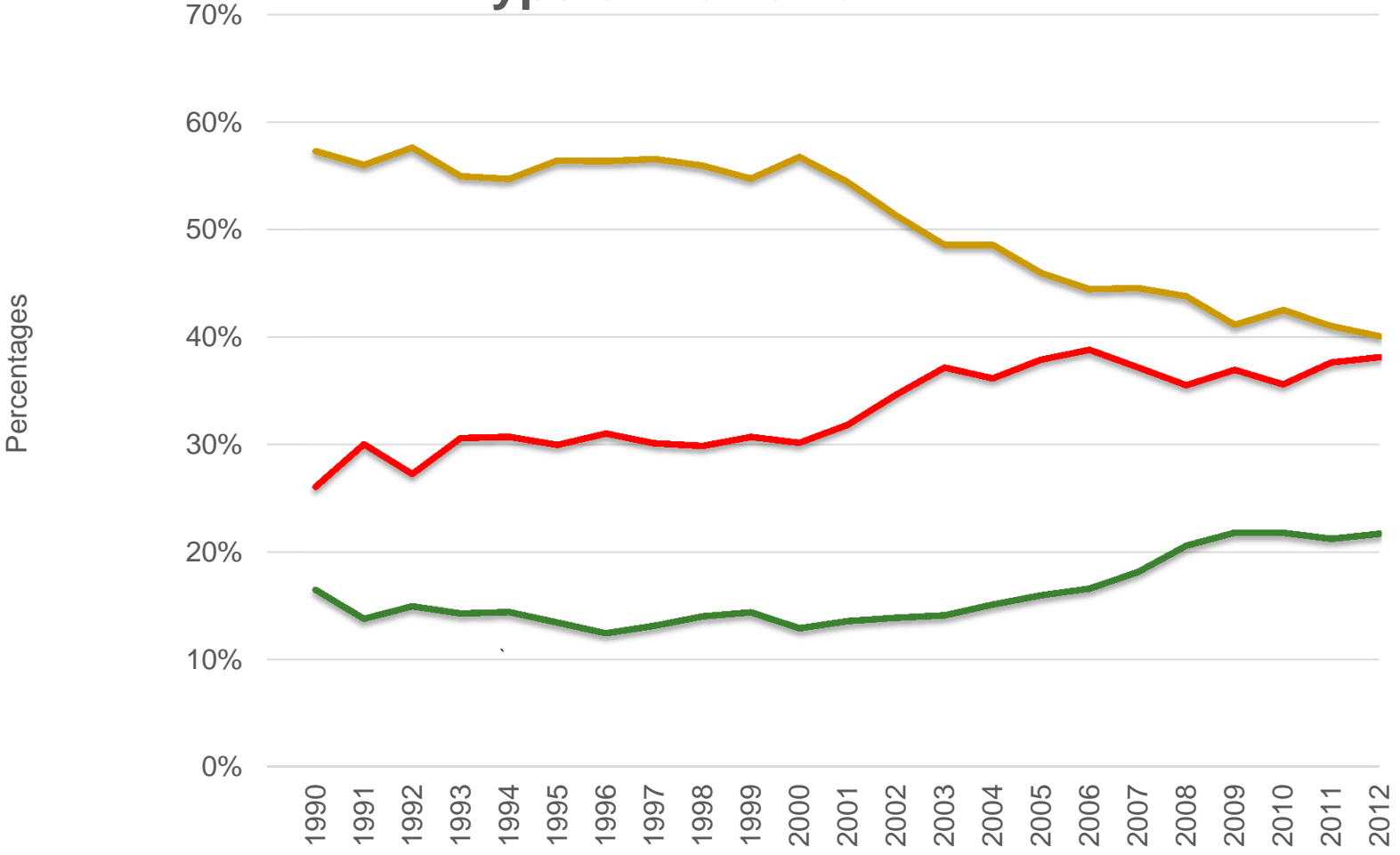


■ Number of Loans (left axis)
 — Property Value (right axis)
 — Initial Principal Limit (right axis)

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HECM Loan

Type of Borrower



— Single Female — Single Male — Multiple***

Literature

- Most of the existing literatures of RMs focus on the following issues:
- Single-life RMs
 - Except for Chia and Tsui(2004) work on joint-life RMs
 - Assume mortality is Independent.
- Lump-Sum payment
 - Except for Lee et al.(2013) work on tenure RMs
- Underlying House Price Dynamic
 - Szymamoski(1994) uses the GBM model.
 - Li et al.(2010) propose the ARMA-EGARCH model
 - Chen et al. (2010) propose ARMA-GARCH model.



Motivation of this research

- Joint life RMs are getting more and more popular in HECM loans.
- Shemyakin and Youn (1999) point out three possible sources of association between husbands' and wives' mortality.
 - *common lifestyle
 - *common disaster
 - *broken-heart factor



Purpose of this research

- To capture the mortality dependence for pricing joint-life RMs
 - Lump Sum vs. Tenure
- Pricing Non-Recourse Provisions (NRP) and Mortgage Insurance Premiums (MIP)
- Investigate the effect of mortality dependence on NRP and MIP



Pricing Framework for Joint-life Revere Mortgages



Payoff of the non-recourse provision

- The cash flow of the borrower can be written as follows:

$$\text{repayment} = \begin{cases} -H_t & H_t < L_t \\ -L_t & H_t \geq L_t \end{cases} = -L_t + \max(L_t - H_t, 0)$$

- where L_t is the outstanding balance of the loan and H_t is the value of the mortgaged property at a time t .
- Claim loss function at time t :

$$CL_t = \max(L_t - H_t, 0)$$



Payoff of the non-recourse provision

- The fair value of the non-recourse provision (NRP) written on a cohort group aged x can be expressed as the present value of total expected claim losses on a cohort group aged x as follows:

$$\text{PV ECL} = \sum_{t=0}^{\omega-x-1} {}_{t|1}q_{xy} \cdot E_Q[e^{-rt} \max(L_t - H_t, 0)]$$

where

- r is the risk-free interest rate
- ${}_{t|1}q_{xy}$ is the probability that both a male aged x and a female aged y will survive another t year, but die before next year.
- E_Q is the expectation under the risk-adjusted measure Q .



Outstanding Balance

- At time t , the house value and the accumulated loan balance are

$$H_t = H_0 e^{Y_t}$$

$$L_t = 0.02H_0 \cdot e^{ut} + \sum_{j=1}^t e^{u(t-j)} 0.005L_j + \sum_{j=0}^t A \cdot e^{u(t-j)}$$

- where A is annuity value(unknown).



Mortgage insurance premium

- The present value of mortgage insurance premium of reverse mortgage can be calculated as

$$\text{PV MIP} = 0.02H_0 + \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} {}_t p_{xy} \cdot e^{-rt} (0.005L_t)$$

- Initial premium: 2% of the property value
Continuous premium: 0.5% of outstanding balance
- What does the ratio of PVMIP/NRP mean?



Modeling Joint-Life Mortality



Independent Joint-life Mortality

- We denote the marginal survival functions by S_x^m and S_y^f , so far all $t \geq 0$

$${}_t P_x^m = S_x^m = \Pr[T^m(x) > t]$$

$${}_t P_y^f = S_y^f = \Pr[T^f(y) > t]$$

Joint survival probability notation

$${}_t P_{xy} = S_{xy}(t, t) = \Pr[T^m(x) > t \text{ and } T^f(y) > t] \stackrel{\text{indep}}{=} S_x^m(t) S_y^f(t)$$

$${}_t P_{\overline{xy}} = 1 - {}_t q_x^m \cdot {}_t q_y^f = {}_t P_x^m + {}_t P_y^f - {}_t P_{xy}$$

$${}_{t|1} q_{\overline{xy}} = {}_t P_{\overline{xy}} - {}_{t+1} P_{\overline{xy}}$$



Correlated Joint-life Mortality

- Shemyakin and Youn (1999) utilized copula functions to calculate joint survival probability for pricing joint life insurance and list three possible sources of association between husbands' and wives' mortality.
 - *common lifestyle
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Correlated Joint-life Mortality

- The joint survival probability can be written as

$${}_t p_{xy} = \Pr[T^m(x) > t \text{ and } T^f(y) > t] \stackrel{\text{dep}}{=} C(S_x^m(t), S_y^f(t); \theta)$$

where θ is correlated parameter.

- The joint survival probability which the couple are survival exceeding one year can be written as

$$p_{x+t:y+t} = S_{(x+t)(y+t)}(1,1) = C(p_{x+t}, p_{y+t}; \theta_t)$$

- Combing above equation

$${}_t p_{xy} = p_{xy} \cdot p_{x+1:y+1} \cdots p_{x+t-1:y+t-1} = \prod_{i=0}^{t-1} C(p_{x+i}, p_{y+i}; \theta_t)$$



Copula Functions

- Gaussian copula(Normal copula):

$$C(u_1, u_2; \theta) = \Phi_G(\Phi^{-1}(u_1), \Phi^{-1}(u_2); \theta)$$

- Student-t copula:

$$C(u_1, u_2; \theta_1, \theta_2) = t_{\theta_1, \theta_2} \{t_{\theta_1}^{-1}(u_1), t_{\theta_1}^{-1}(u_2)\}$$

- Clayton copula:

$$C(u_1, u_2; \theta) = (u_1^{-\theta} + u_2^{-\theta} - 1)^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}$$

- Frank copula:

$$C(u_1, u_2; \vartheta) = -\frac{1}{\vartheta} \ln \left[1 + \frac{(e^{-\vartheta u_1} - 1)(e^{-\vartheta u_2} - 1)}{e^{-\vartheta} - 1} \right]$$

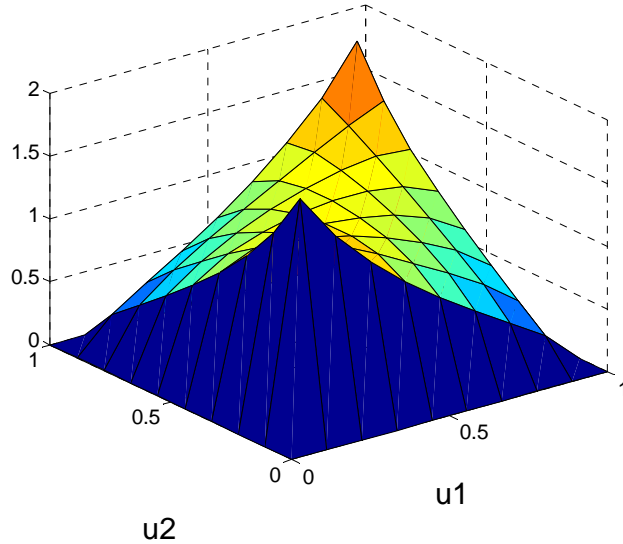
- Gumbel copula:

$$C(u_1, u_2; \theta) = \exp[-\{(-\log u_1) + (-\log u_2)\}^{\frac{1}{\theta}}]$$

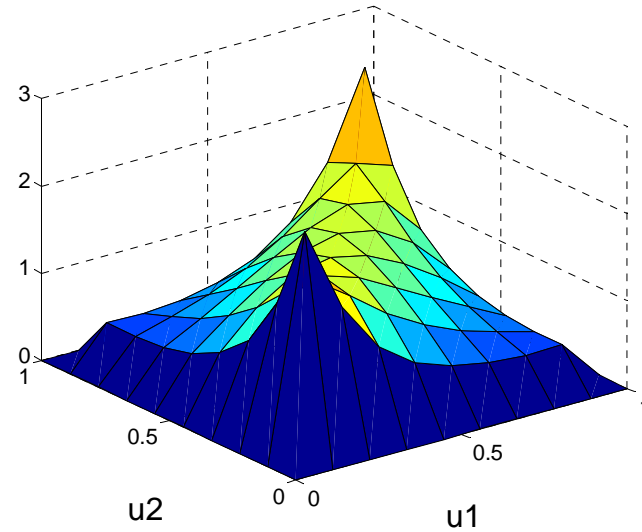


Copula Functions

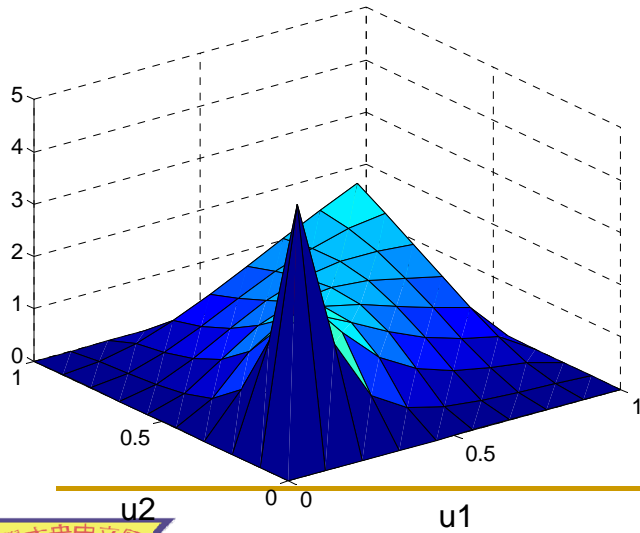
Gaussian Copula ($\rho = 0.5$)



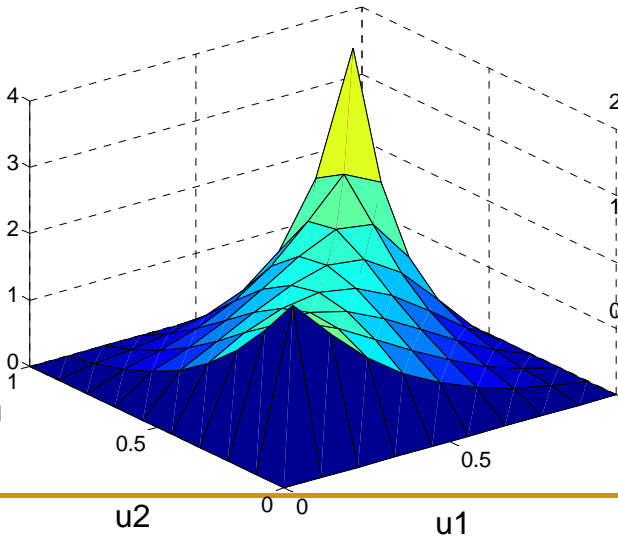
Student-t Copula ($\rho = 0.5, \nu = 2$)



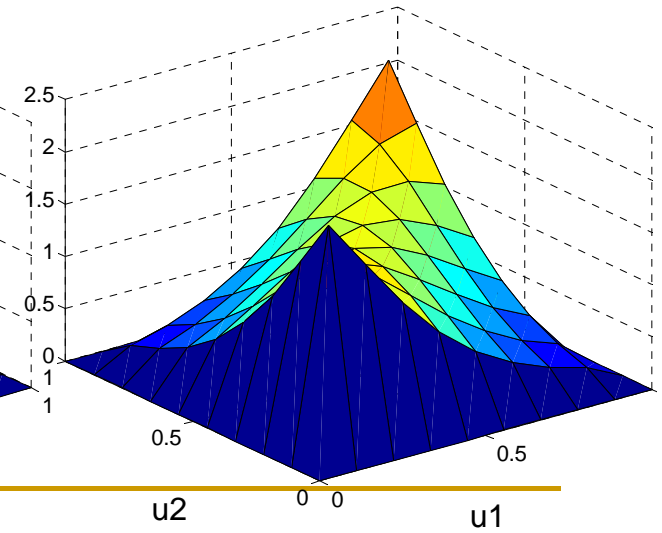
Clayton Copula ($\alpha = 2$)



Gumbel Copula ($\alpha = 2$)



Frank Copula ($\alpha = 4$)



Lee-Carter Model with Cohort Effect

- Renshaw and Haberman (2006) made cohort-based extension to the LC model.
- $\ln(m_{xtc}) = \alpha_x + \beta_x(t)\kappa_t + \beta_x(c)\kappa_c^* + \varepsilon_{xt}$
 - m_{xt} : central death rate for a person aged x at time t
 - α_x : describes the average age-specific mortality
 - β_x : decline in mortality at age x
 - κ_t : represents the general mortality level
 - κ_c^* : cohort effect
 - $\varepsilon_{x,t}$: deviation of the model from the observed log-central death rates



Modeling the House Price Dynamics

Specifically, the ARMA-GARCH model can be denoted as a ARMA(P, Q) series

$$y_t = c + \sum_{p=1}^P b_p y_{t-p} + \sum_{q=1}^Q a_q \varepsilon_{t-q} + \varepsilon_t$$

where P is the order of the autocorrelation terms, Q is the order of the moving average terms, b_p is the p th-order autocorrelation coefficient, a_q is the q th-order moving average coefficient.

Furthermore, white noise, $\varepsilon_{t,j}$, is assumed Gaussian distribution with mean 0 and variance denoted by the GARCH(R, M) model. The model as follows

$$\sigma_{t,j}^2 = \delta_{0j} + \sum_{r=1}^R \delta_{rj} \varepsilon_{t-r,j}^2 + \sum_{m=1}^M \beta_{mj} \sigma_{t-m,j}^2$$

where R is the order of the GARCH terms, M is the order of the ARCH term, r is the r th-order GARCH coefficient, m is the m th-order ARCH coefficient, $\delta_{rj} > 0$ for $r = 1, \dots, R$ and $\beta_{mj} > 0$ for $m = 1, \dots, M$.



Risk-adjust Probability

- House Price Dynamic

- Esscher transform (Buhlmann et al.(1996))
- Lee et al.(2010), Li et al.(2010), Chen et al.(2010)

- Mortality Dynamic

- Wang Transform

To change the probability measure from the real-world to a risk-neutral measure, Wang (2000) proposes a distortion operator:

$$F_n^\tau(x) = \Phi(\Phi^{-1}(F_n(x)) + \tau), \quad (18)$$

- Lin and Cox (2005), Lee et al.(2010), Yang et al.(2013)



$$\xi_T = \prod_{t=\Delta t}^T \frac{\exp(\varphi(t) Y(t))}{E_P(\exp(\varphi(t) Y(t)) | F_{t-\Delta t})}$$

Then, we define a new martingale measure Q_φ by

$$\frac{dQ_\varphi}{dP} \Big|_{F_T} = \xi_T.$$

Under the risk-neutral measure Q_φ , the housing return becomes

$$\begin{aligned} Y(t) &= \ln \left(\frac{H(t)}{H(t-\Delta t)} \right) \\ &= r(t-\Delta t)\Delta t - \frac{1}{2}h(t) + \varepsilon_H^Q(t), \end{aligned}$$



Empirical Study



Fitting House price dynamics

- The house price data
 - *Quarterly House Price Index (HPI)
 - *1991Q1~2011Q3
- ARMA(2,2)-GARCH (1, 1)



Mortality Dynamics

- The mortality rate data
 - *U.S., Male and Female
- Data range
 - *Age: 60~99
 - *Year: 1950~2007
- Source
 - *Human Mortality Database(HMD)
 - *<http://www.mortality.org/>



Fitting model (Male)

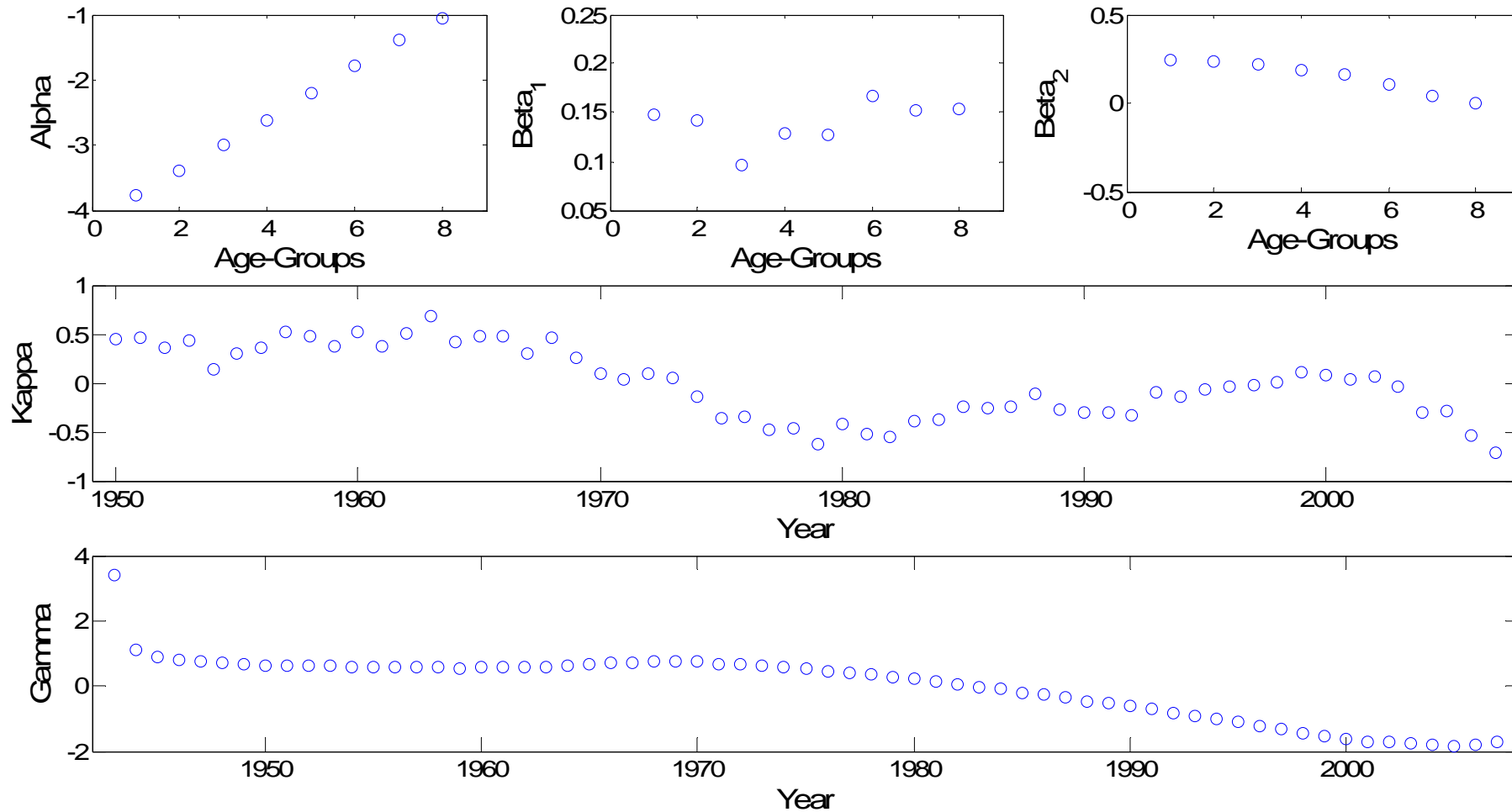


Figure: Lee-Carter model with cohort estimated parameters



Fitting model (Female)

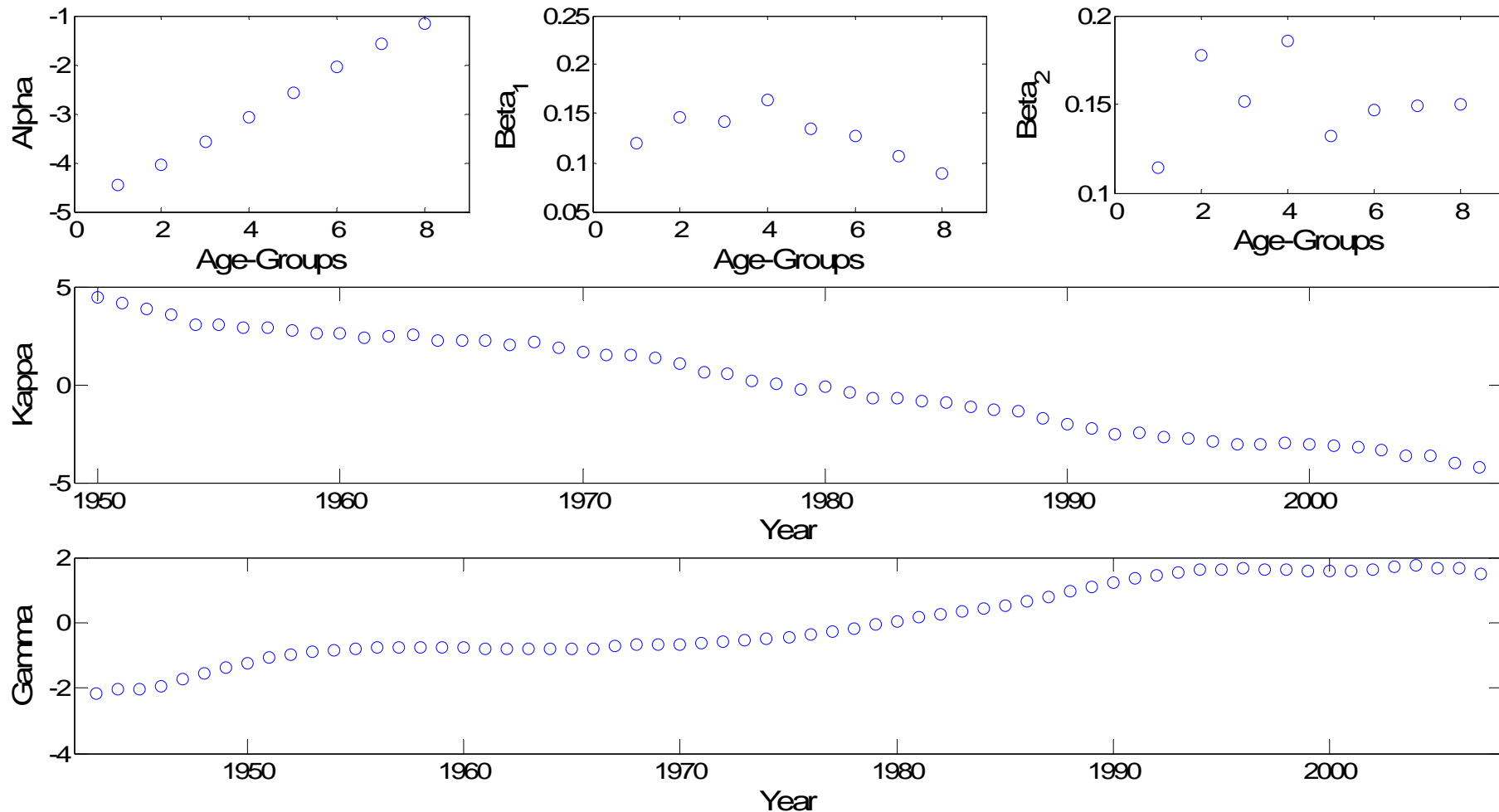


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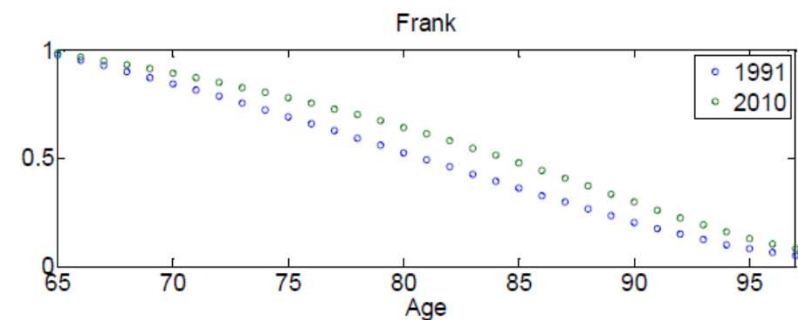
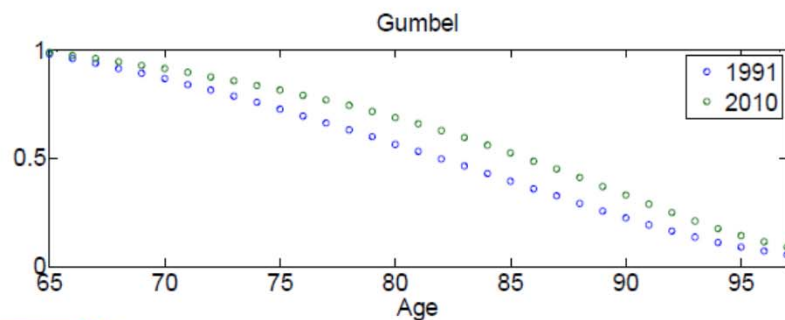
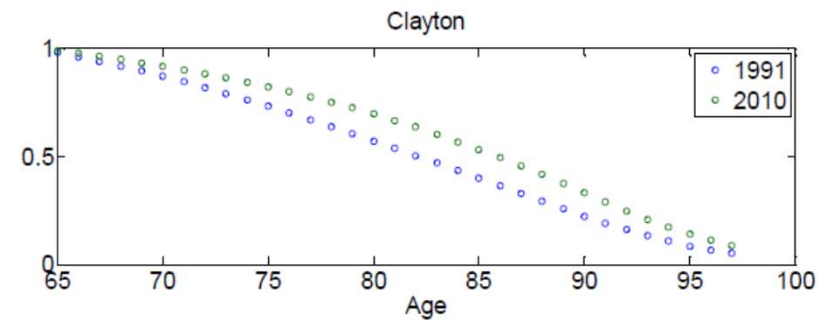
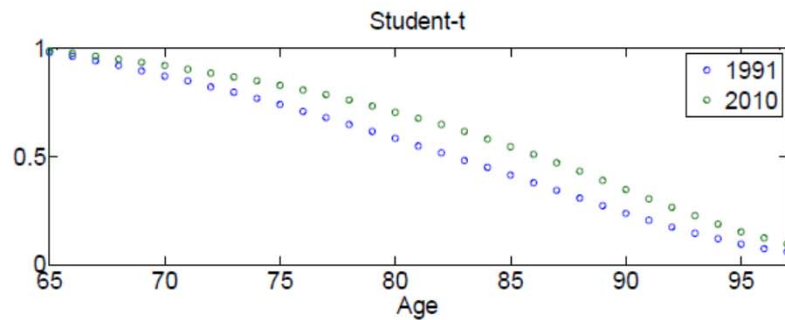
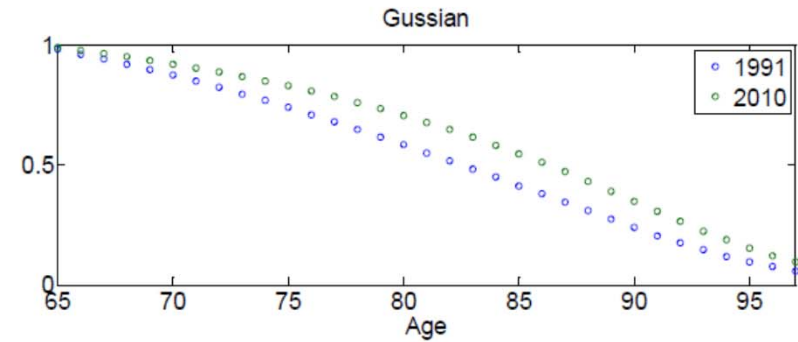
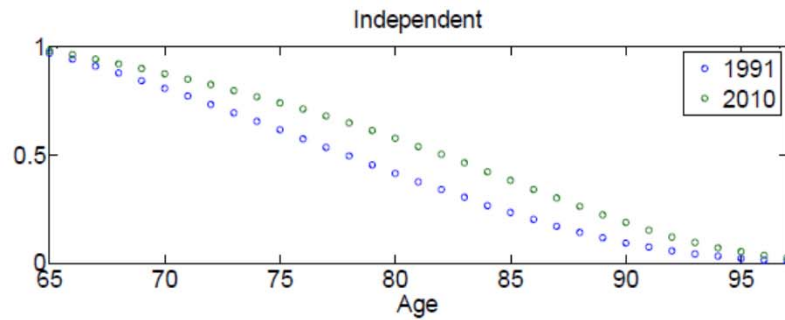


Selection of Copula Models

- Comparing with AIC and BIC, **the Clayton and Gumbel copulas** are selected for difference ages.
 - Clayton copula is selected for 60~72 age and Gumbel copula is selected for 73~95 age.
- Trivedi and Zimmer (2005) suggested, when correlation between spouses' age at death is strongest in the left tail of the joint distribution, Clayton is an appropriate modeling choice.



Joint-life Probability at same age(xx)

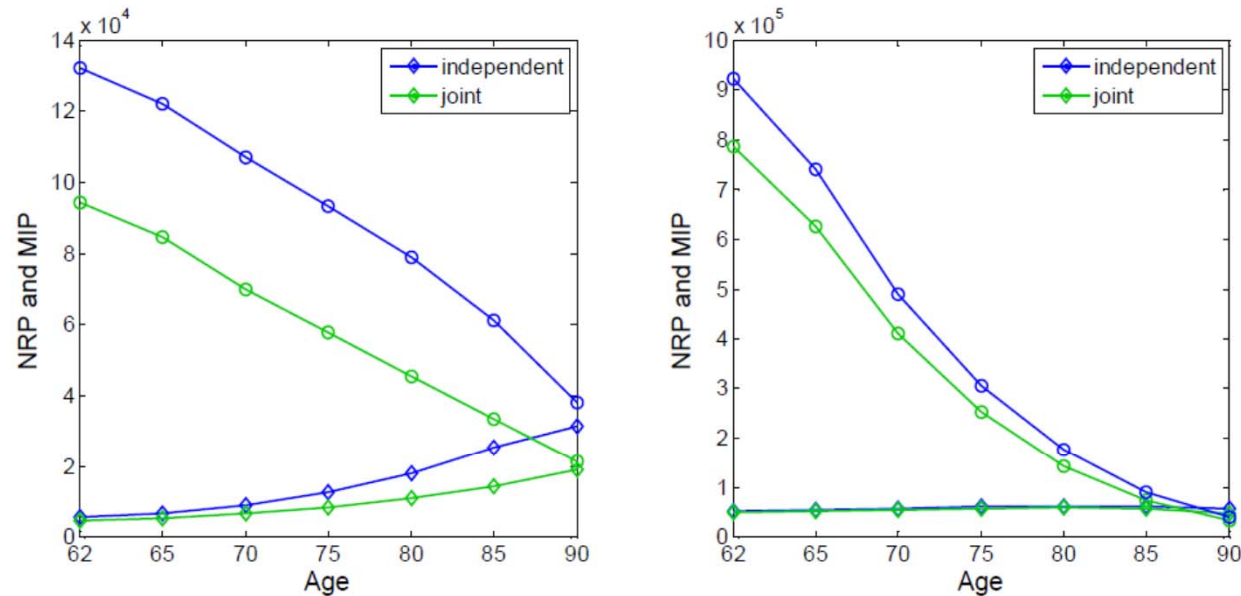


Assumptions for Calculating NRP and MIP

- Assume house price independent mortality rate.
- Male and Female are at the same age.
- $H_0 = 300,000$
- $r = 1.7523\%$.
- $u = 2.451\%$.
- $g = 2\%$.
- $K = 6\%$.
- $\omega = 99$.
- We use Monte Carlo simulation 10,000 times and utilize Antithetic variance reduction to reduce the variation of pricing the reverse mortgage.



NRP and *MIP* : lump sum and tenure payment

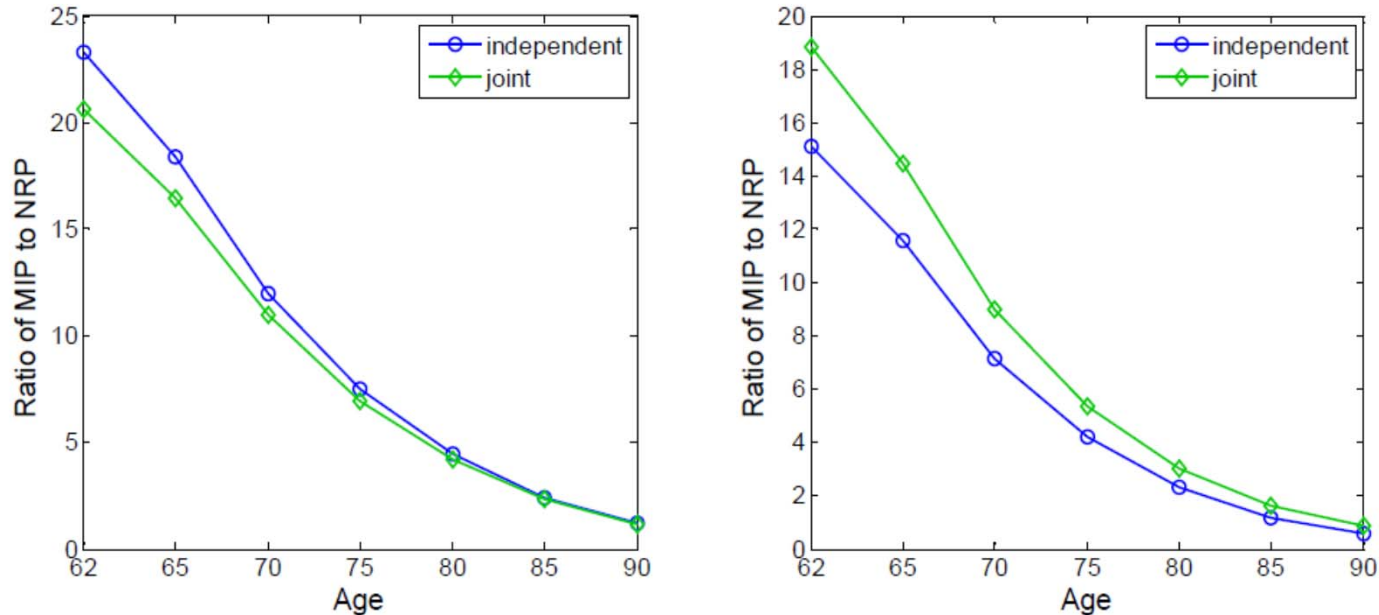


Note: the $\text{--}\circ\text{--}$ lines and $\text{--}\diamond\text{--}$ lines are the present values of mortgage insurance premiums (*MIP*) and the value of the non-recourse provision (*NRP*), respectively.

Figure 7: Values of the *NRP* and *MIP* under products of lump sum (right figure) and tenure payment (left figure).



MIP/NRP : lump sum and tenure payment



Note: the $-o-$ lines and $-◇-$ lines are the present values of mortgage insurance premiums (*MIP*) and the value of the non-recourse provision (*NRP*), respectively.

Figure 8: Ratios of *MIP* to *NRP* under products of lump sum (right figure) and tenure payment (left figure).



Initial house price value

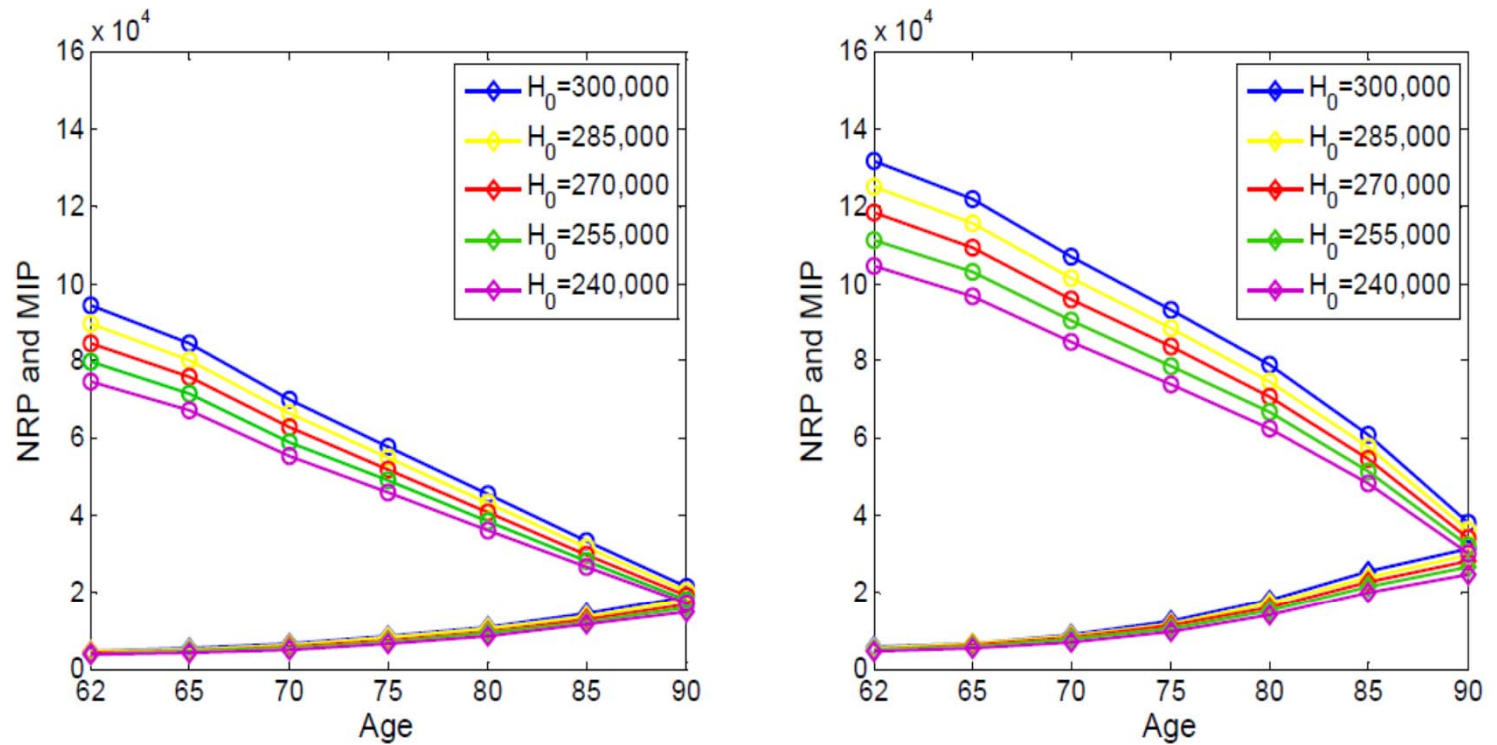


Figure 10: Values of the NRP and MIP under independent situation (right figure) and copula function (left figure) in 2010.



Initial house price value

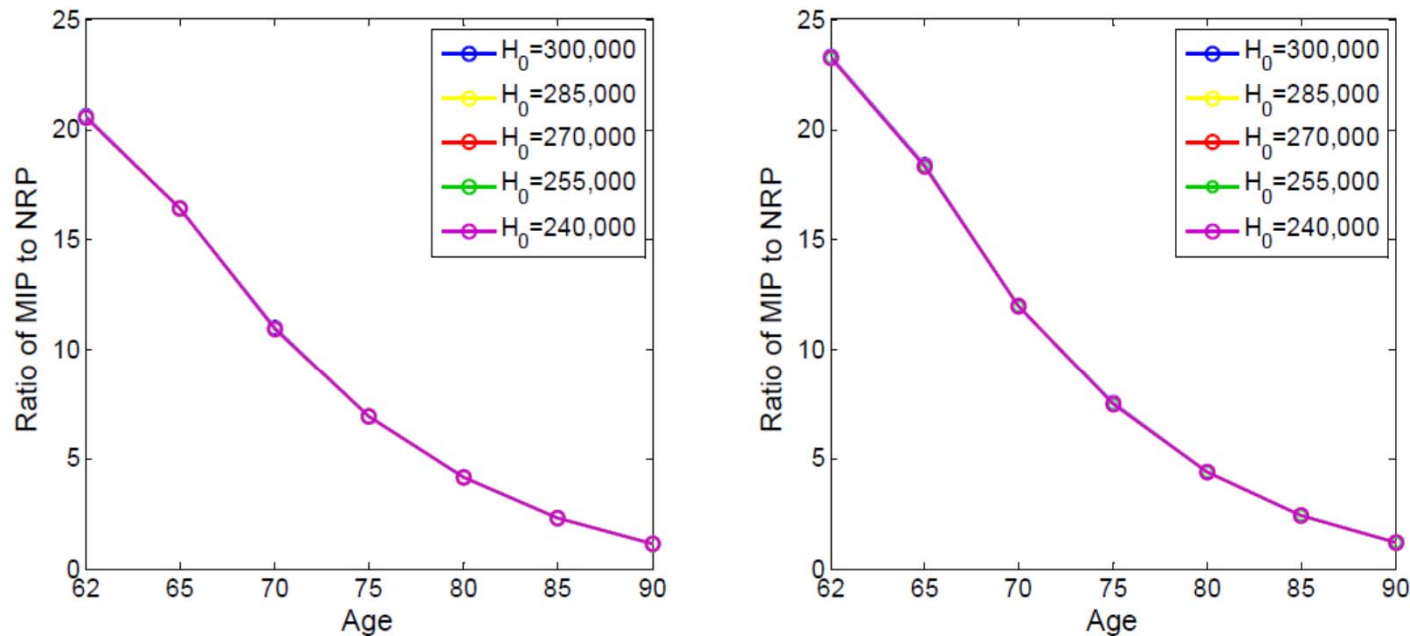


Figure 12: Ratios of *MIP* to *NRP* under independent situation (right figure) and copula function (left figure) in 2010.

Conclusion

- Ignoring the dependence between joint-life mortality overestimates the NRP and MIP
 - Such effect is more significant for lump sum RMs
 -
- The insurance company can use their own mortality experience to replace the empirical analysis.
 - Frees et al.(1996)
 - Luciano, et al. (2008) model the mortality risk of couples of individuals, according to the stochastic intensity approach.



Thank you!

Q&A

