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Consider that the surplus at time t of an insurance company is given by

$$U(t) = u + ct - S(t), \quad t \geq 0,$$

where

- $u = U(0) \geq 0$ is the *initial capital*;
- $c > 0$ is the constant *premium income* per unit time;
- $S(t)$ is the *aggregate claims amount* up to time t and $S(0) = 0$.

Let τ denote the **time of ruin**, so that

$$\tau = \begin{cases} \inf\{t \geq 0 : U(t) < 0 \mid U(0) = u\}, \\ \infty, \text{ if } U(t) \geq 0 \text{ for all } t > 0. \end{cases}$$

The corresponding **probability of ultimate ruin** is

$$\psi(u) = \mathbb{P}(\tau < \infty \mid U(0) = u),$$

and the **survival (non-ruin) probability** is $\phi(u) = 1 - \psi(u)$.

The **finite-time ruin probability** of the company up to time t is

$$\psi(u, t) = \mathbb{P}(\tau < t \mid U(0) = u).$$

Gerber and Shiu (1998) introduced the concept of **expected discounted penalty function (EDPF)**, defined as

$$m(u) = \mathbb{E} \left[e^{-\delta\tau} w(U(\tau-), |U(\tau)|) \mathbb{I}(\tau < \infty) \mid U(0) = u \right],$$

where

- $\delta \geq 0$ is interpreted as the force of interest
- $U(\tau-)$ is the surplus immediately before ruin
- $|U(\tau)|$ is the deficit at ruin
- $w(x, y)$ is a non-negative bivariate function of $x, y \geq 0$
- $\mathbb{I}(A)$ is the indicator function of event A .

The function $w(U(\tau-), |U(\tau)|)$ can be interpreted as the "penalty" at the time of ruin.

Correlated aggregate claims risk model

- Many authors have studied continuous-time risk models involving two classes of claims.
- The approach to modeling dependent classes of business by incorporating a common component into each of the associated claim-number processes has been studied by many authors, for example, *Ambagaspitiya (1998)*, *Cossette and Marceau (2000)*, *Wang and Yuen (2005)*.

Yuen et al. (2002) introduced a correlated risk model process involving two **dependent** classes of insurance risks in which the claim number processes are Poisson and Erlang(2) processes, respectively.

More specifically,

$$S(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_1(t)} X_i + \sum_{i=1}^{N_2(t)} Y_i,$$

where the claim number processes are correlated in the way that

$$N_1(t) = M_1(t) + M(t) \quad \text{and} \quad N_2(t) = M_2(t) + M(t),$$

with $M_1(t)$, $M_2(t)$ and $M(t)$ being three independent processes.

- $M_i(t)$ is a **Poisson**(λ_i) process for $i = 1, 2$;
- $M(t)$ is an **Erlang**(2) process with parameter λ , that is, the claim inter-arrival times for $M(t)$ are independent and have Erlang(2, λ) distribution with the density function

$$k(t) = \lambda^2 t e^{-\lambda t}, \quad \text{for } t > 0;$$

- $\{X_i, i \geq 1\}$ and $\{Y_i, i \geq 1\}$ are independent claim size random variables, and independent of $N_1(t)$ and $N_2(t)$.

Then, the surplus can be rewritten as

$$U'(t) = u + ct - \sum_{i=1}^{M_{12}(t)} X'_i - \sum_{i=1}^{M(t)} Y'_i,$$

where

- $M_{12}(t) = M_1(t) + M_2(t)$ is still a Poisson $(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$ process;
- $\{X'_i, i \geq 1\}$ and $\{Y'_i, i \geq 1\}$ are independent random variables:

$$F_{X'}(x) = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2} F_X(x) + \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2} F_Y(x),$$

$$F_{Y'}(x) = F_X(x) * F_Y(x),$$

where $F_X * F_Y$ stands for the convolution of F_X and F_Y .

- X'_i and Y'_i are independent of $M_{12}(t)$ and $M(t)$.

Since the transformed process $U'(t)$ and the original process $U(t)$ are identically distributed, the process $U(t)$ can be examined via $U'(t)$.

- Yuen et al. (2002) derived explicit expressions for the **ultimate survival (ruin) probabilities** when the **claim sizes are exponentially distributed** and examined the asymptotic property of the ruin probability with general size distributions.
- Liu et al. (2006) derived expressions for
 - the *distribution of the surplus immediately before ruin*,
 - the *distribution of the surplus immediately after ruin*,
 - and the *joint distribution of the surplus immediately before ruin and the deficit at ruin*.
- Li and Garrido (2005) derived expressions for the survival probabilities assuming Poisson and generalized Erlang(2) processes.

The Gerber-Shiu EDPF has been extensively studied assuming a risk model with two independent classes of insurance risks. For example,

- [Li and Lu \(2005\)](#)-Poisson and generalized Erlang(2) processes
- [Zhang et al. \(2009\)](#)-Poisson and generalized Erlang(n) processes
- [Wu \(2009\)](#)-independent Erlang(2) processes

Assume a risk model with two independent classes of insurance risks, namely

$$U(t) = u + ct - \sum_{i=1}^{N_1(t)} X_i - \sum_{i=1}^{N_2(t)} Y_i, \quad t \geq 0,$$

where

- $\{X_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ are independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) positive random variables with common distribution function F , density f and finite mean $E[X_i]$;
- $\{Y_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ are independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) positive random variables with common distribution function G , density g and finite mean $E[Y_i]$;

- $\{N_1(t) : t \geq 0\}$ is a **Poisson process with parameter λ** and the corresponding claim inter-arrival times $\{T_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ are independent and exponentially distributed with mean $1/\lambda$.
- $\{N_2(t) : t \geq 0\}$ is a **generalized Erlang (n) process** and the corresponding claim inter-arrival times $\{L_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ are independent and generalized Erlang (n) that is,

$$L_i = L_{i1} + L_{i2} + \dots + L_{in}, \quad i \geq 1,$$

with $\{L_{ij}\}_{i \geq 1}$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, n$) being i.i.d. exponentially distributed random variables with mean $1/\lambda_j$.

- $\{X_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ and $\{Y_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ are independent claim size random variables and independent of $N_1(t)$, $N_2(t)$.

The Gerber-Shiu expected discounted penalty function (EDPF) in a finite time horizon is defined as

$$m(u, t) = \mathbb{E} \left[e^{-\delta\tau} w(U(\tau-), |U(\tau)|) \mathbb{I}(\tau < t) \mid U(0) = u \right]$$

for a fixed $t \geq 0$. If, for example,

- $\delta = 0$ and $w(x, y) = 1$ for all x and y , then $m(u, t) = \psi(u, t)$
- $\delta = 0$ and $w(x_1, y_1) = \mathbb{I}_{[0, x_1]}(x_1) \mathbb{I}_{[0, y_1]}(y_1)$, then $m(u, t)$ is

$$\mathbb{P}(U(\tau-) \leq x, |U(\tau)| \leq y, \tau < t \mid U(0) = u)$$

Hence, $\mathbb{P}(|U(\tau)| \leq y, \tau < t \mid U(0) = u)$ and $\mathbb{P}(|U(\tau)| \leq y \mid \tau < t, U(0) = u)$ can also be computed.

Review

- For the compound Poisson model when the claim sizes are exponentially distributed, Kocetova and Sialuly (2010) derived expressions in terms of infinite series for:

$$m(u, t) = \mathbb{E} \left[e^{-\delta\tau} \mathbb{I}(\tau < t) \mid U(0) = u \right],$$

$$m(u, t) = \mathbb{E} \left[\tau^k e^{-\delta\tau} \mathbb{I}(\tau < t) \mid U(0) = u \right], k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$m(u, t) = \mathbb{E} \left[e^{-\delta\tau} \mathbb{I}(t_1 < \tau < t_2) \mid U(0) = u \right], t_1, t_2 > 0.$$

- Assuming that the net aggregate cash inflow is modeled by a spectrally negative Levy process, Kuznetsov and Morales (2011), obtained an expression for the Laplace transform in the t -variable of the finite-time EDPF in terms of the infinite-time EDPF and computing the finite-time EDPF is equivalent to inverting numerically the Laplace transform.
- A different definition for a finite-time EDPF is discussed in Garrido, Cojocaru and Zhou (2014).

- By considering an [ordinary renewal risk model](#), [Garcia \(2010\)](#) derived explicit expressions for the finite-time survival probability, $\phi(u, t)$, through a Maclaurin series expansion.

Consider now the modified claim number processes $\{N_{2,(j-1)}(t) : t \geq 0\}$ of $\{N_2(t) : t \geq 0\}$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$, where the time until the first claim is modeled as

$$L_{1,(j-1)} = L_{1j} + L_{1j+1} + \dots + L_{1n},$$

while the others are the same as that in $\{N_2(t) : t \geq 0\}$. Let us define $m_{(j-1)}(u, t)$ the finite-time Gerber-Shiu function associated to the risk process $U_{(j-1)}(t)$ obtained from $U(t)$ by replacing $N_2(t)$ with $N_{2,(j-1)}(t)$.

Note that

$$N_{2,(0)}(t) = N_2(t), \quad U_{(0)}(t) = U(t), \quad L_{1,(0)}(t) = L_1, \quad m_{(0)}(u, t) = m(u, t).$$

Theorem

For each $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, the finite-time Gerber-Shiu function associated to the risk process $U_{(j-1)}(t)$ can be written as

$$m_{(j-1)}(u, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} Q_{k,(j-1)}(u, 0), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

where $Q_{k,(j-1)}(u, 0) = \left. \frac{\partial^k m_{(j-1)}(u, t)}{\partial t^k} \right|_{t=0}$ and $m_{(0)} = m$.

Theorem (continued)

Moreover, for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_{k,(j-1)}(u, t) &= \lambda_j e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_j + \delta)t} Q_{k-1,(j)}(u + ct, 0) \\
 &+ \lambda e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_j + \delta)t} \int_0^{u+ct} Q_{k-1,(j-1)}(u + ct - x, 0) f(x) dx \\
 &+ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q_{k-1,(j-1)}(u, t),
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (continued)

and for $j = n$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_{k,(n-1)}(u, t) &= \lambda_n e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_n + \delta)t} \int_0^{u+ct} Q_{k-1,(0)}(u + ct - x, 0) g(x) dx \\
 &+ \lambda e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_n + \delta)t} \int_0^{u+ct} Q_{k-1,(n-1)}(u + ct - x, 0) f(x) dx \\
 &+ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q_{k-1,(n-1)}(u, t)
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (continued)

with starting values for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$,

$$Q_{1,(j-1)}(u, t) = \lambda e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_j + \delta)t} \int_{u+ct}^{\infty} w(u + ct, x - u - ct) f(x) dx$$

and

$$Q_{1,(n-1)}(u, t) = \lambda_n e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_n + \delta)t} \int_{u+ct}^{\infty} w(u + ct, x - u - ct) g(x) dx$$

$$+ \lambda e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_n + \delta)t} \int_{u+ct}^{\infty} w(u + ct, x - u - ct) f(x) dx.$$

Proof. Conditioning on $M_j = \min(T_1, L_{1j})$, for $1 \leq j \leq n-1$, we may write

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{(j-1)}(u, t) &= \int_0^t e^{-\delta y} P(M_j = L_{1j} = y) m_{(j)}(u + cy, t - y) dy \\
 &+ \int_0^t e^{-\delta y} P(M_j = T_1 = y) \left[\int_0^{u+cy} m_{(j-1)}(u + cy - x, t - y) f(x) dx \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_{u+cy}^{\infty} w(u + cy, x - u - cy) f(x) dx \right] dy.
 \end{aligned}$$

By conditioning on $M_n = \min(T_1, L_{1n})$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{(n-1)}(u, t) &= \int_0^t e^{-\delta y} P(M_n = L_{1n} = y) \left[\int_0^{u+cy} m(u+cy-x, t-y) g(x) dx \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_{u+cy}^{\infty} w(u+cy, x-u-cy) g(x) dx \right] dy \\
 &+ \int_0^t e^{-\delta y} P(M_n = T_1 = y) \left[\int_0^{u+cy} m_{(n-1)}(u+cy-x, t-y) f(x) dx \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_{u+cy}^{\infty} w(u+cy, x-u-cy) f(x) dx \right] dy.
 \end{aligned}$$

For $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

$$P(M_j = T_1) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \lambda_j},$$

$$P(M_j = L_{1j}) = \frac{\lambda_j}{\lambda + \lambda_j},$$

$$P(M_j > y | M_j = T_1) = P(M_j > y | M_j = L_{1j}) = e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_j)y}.$$

For $j = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{(j-1)}(u, t) &= \lambda_j \int_0^t e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_j + \delta)y} m_{(j)}(u + cy, t - y) dy \\
 &+ \lambda \int_0^t e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_j + \delta)y} \left[\int_0^{u+cy} m_{(j-1)}(u + cy - x, t - y) f(x) dx \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_{u+cy}^{\infty} w(u + cy, x - u - cy) f(x) dx \right] dy,
 \end{aligned}$$

with $m_{(0)} = m$,

and for $j = n$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{(n-1)}(u, t) &= \lambda_n \int_0^t e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_n + \delta)y} \left[\int_0^{u+cy} m(u + cy - x, t - y) g(x) dx \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_{u+cy}^{\infty} w(u + cy, x - u - cy) g(x) dx \right] dy \\
 &+ \lambda \int_0^t e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_n + \delta)y} \left[\int_0^{u+cy} m_{(n-1)}(u + cy - x, t - y) f(x) dx \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_{u+cy}^{\infty} w(u + cy, x - u - cy) f(x) dx \right] dy.
 \end{aligned}$$

Assume that $N_2(t) \sim \text{Generalized Erlang}(2)$. In this case, the finite-time Gerber-Shiu functions can be written as

$$m(u, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} Q_k(u, 0),$$

$$m_1(u, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!} Q_{k,(1)}(u, 0),$$

where $Q_k(u, 0)$ and $Q_{k,(1)}(u, 0)$ are given by the following recursive equations

$$Q_k(u, t) = \lambda_1 e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_1 + \delta)t} Q_{k-1,(1)}(u + ct, 0)$$

$$+ \lambda e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_1 + \delta)t} \int_0^{u+ct} Q_{k-1}(u + ct - x, 0) f(x) dx + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q_{k-1}(u, t),$$

$$Q_{k,(1)}(u, t) = \lambda_2 e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_2 + \delta)t} \int_0^{u+ct} Q_{k-1}(u + ct - x, 0) g(x) dx$$

$$+ \lambda e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_2 + \delta)t} \int_0^{u+ct} Q_{k-1,(1)}(u + ct - x, 0) f(x) dx + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q_{k-1,(1)}(u, t),$$

with

$$Q_1(u, t) = \lambda e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_1 + \delta)t} \int_{u+ct}^{\infty} w(u + ct, x - u - ct) f(x) dx,$$

and

$$Q_{1,(1)}(u, t) = \lambda_2 e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_2 + \delta)t} \int_{u+ct}^{\infty} w(u + ct, x - u - ct) g(x) dx$$

$$+ \lambda e^{-(\lambda + \lambda_2 + \delta)t} \int_{u+ct}^{\infty} w(u + ct, x - u - ct) f(x) dx.$$

- $N_1(t) \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda = 1)$;
- $N_2(t) \sim \text{Generalized Erlang}(2)$ with $\lambda_1 = 0.5$ and $\lambda_2 = 1$;
- $X \sim \text{Exp}(1)$ and $Y \sim \text{Exp}(1)$;
- The premium rate $c = 1.5$;
- $w(x, y) = y$ for all x, y .

Values of $\mathbb{E} [| U(\tau) | \mathbb{I}(\tau < t) | U(0) = u]$

t	$u = 0$	$u = 5$	$u = 10$
0.25	0.197211	0.002292	0.000024
0.5	0.320497	0.005679	0.000085
0.75	0.402054	0.009953	0.000193
1	0.459419	0.014913	0.000357
1.25	0.502008	0.020387	0.000583
1.50	0.535017	0.026229	0.000876
1.75	0.560535	0.032326	0.001237
2	0.589942	0.038610	0.001669

Values of $\mathbb{E} \left[e^{-\delta\tau} \mid U(\tau) \mid \mathbb{I}(\tau < t) \mid U(0) = 10 \right]$

t	$\delta = 0$	$\delta = 0.03$
0.25	0.00002493	0.00002482
0.5	0.00008558	0.00008476
0.75	0.00019331	0.00019046
1	0.00035706	0.00034993
1.25	0.00058328	0.00056860
1.50	0.00087614	0.00084959
1.75	0.00123792	0.00119412
2	0.00166929	0.00160184
2.25	0.00216907	0.00207048
2.50	0.00272503	0.00258562
2.75	0.00322125	0.00301355
3	0.00416771	0.00381874

- In practice, it is more likely that the surplus is checked at regular intervals and finite-time horizon ruin functions indicate that the company has to take action in order to make the business profitable.
- Realistic applications would require the computation of a finite-time Gerber-Shiu function.

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