

# Large Deviations, Importance Sampling, and Portfolio Credit Risk

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- Rare Events, Large Deviations, and Importance Sampling
- Credit Risk, Portfolio Credit Risk
- Portfolio Credit Loss Model and Gaussian Copula Model
- Large Deviations Analysis of Portfolio Credit Risk<sup>1</sup>
- Importance Sampling for Portfolio Credit Risk<sup>2</sup>

① GKS, Large Deviations in Multifactor Portfolio Credit Risk, *Mathematical Finance* July, 2007.

② GKS, Fast Simulation of Multifactor Portfolio Credit Risk, *Operations Research* September, 2008.

# Rare Events and Large Deviations

- Katrina, Tsunami, Sichuan, Black Monday, LTCM, 9/11, ...
- Very low chance of occurrences.
- Probability measured by the order of magnitude: Large deviations analysis.
- Crude Monte Carlo is impractical.

# Crude Monte Carlo

- Crude Monte Carlo simulation of  $\mathbb{E}[h(L)]$ .
- Sample  $h(L)$  independently and use the CLT.
  - ▶ Generate  $L^{(1)}, \dots, L^{(n)}$ ;
  - ▶ Infer based on  $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n h(L^{(i)})}{n}$ .
- In general, Monte Carlo is **SIMPLE** but **SLOW!**

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# Importance Sampling: Call Option

**Table:** Variances of Monte Carlo estimators for the original BM and the drifted BM using Girsanov Theorem.  $S_0 = 100$ ,  $r = 0.05$ ,  $\sigma = 0.3$ .

Strike Price $K$	80	100	120	140	160	180	200
Option Value	26.6	14.3	7.0	3.2	1.4	0.6	0.2
STD for Crude MC	27.8	22.6	16.6	9.3	7.5	4.9	3.1
STD for MC with IS	97.4	27.8	10.0	2.6	1.7	0.7	0.3

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# Modelling of Portfolio Credit Risk

	Structural Model	Reduced-form Model
Dependence	Asset Values	Intensities

- Copula function *couples* the uniform marginal distributions
- Copula function separates the dependence structure from the marginals

# Copula Function

- Copula function,  $C(\cdot)$ , couples the uniform marginal distributions.

$$C(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \mathbb{P}(U_1 \leq u_1, \dots, U_n \leq u_n).$$

- ▶  $C : [0, 1]^n \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and  $U_k$ 's are uniform r.v.'s on  $[0, 1]$ .
- ▶ Desire to find appropriate  $C_F(\cdot)$  such that

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = C_F(F_1(x_1), \dots, F_n(x_n))$$

since  $F_k(X_k)$  is a standard uniform if  $X_k \sim F_k(\cdot)$ .

- For any  $F(\cdot)$ ,

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = F(F_1^{-1}(F_1(x_1)), \dots, F_n^{-1}(F_n(x_n))). \text{ So}$$

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# Gaussian Copula Function

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$$C_{Gauss}(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \Phi_{\Sigma}(\Phi_1^{-1}(u_1), \dots, \Phi_n^{-1}(u_n))$$

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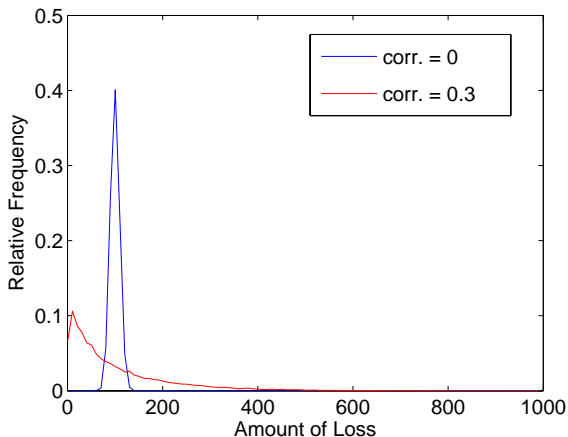
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## Theorem (GKS 2007)

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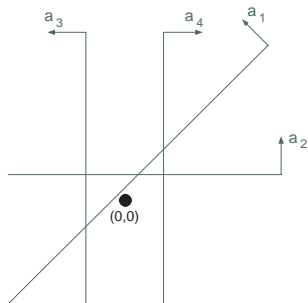
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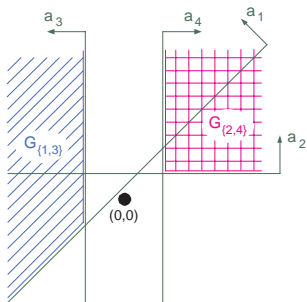


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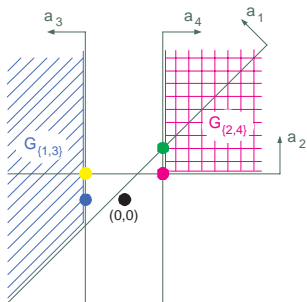
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- $\gamma_* = \bullet$ .

# Fast Simulation in the Monte Carlo Simulation of the Gaussian Copula Model

# Importance Sampling for Gaussian Copula

- Given  $\mathbf{Z}$ ,  $Y_k$ 's are independent binary random variables.
- There exist standard importance sampling (IS) procedures, involving exponential twisting, to estimate the probability of the sum of independent random variables exceeding a given threshold, i.e.  
$$\sum_{k=1}^m c_k Y_k > l.$$
- Hence one procedure is: Generate  $\mathbf{Z}$  and use **conditional (on  $\mathbf{Z}$ ) IS**.
- However we also need to change the measure of  $\mathbf{Z}$ , so that there is greater chance of  $\sum_{k=1}^m c_k Y_k > l$  (given  $\mathbf{Z}$ ).
- This is accomplished by shifting the mean of  $\mathbf{Z}$ .
- We derive an appropriate shift and prove that it is **asymptotically optimal**.

# Conditional IS on Defaults

- CGF of LGD:  $\Lambda_k(\theta) = \log \mathbb{E} [e^{\theta \ell_k}]$ .
- Exponential twisting:  $p_{k,\theta}(\mathbf{Z}) = \frac{p_k(\mathbf{Z})e^{\Lambda_k(\theta)}}{1+p_k(\mathbf{Z})(e^{\Lambda_k(\theta)}-1)}$ .
- Likelihood ratio:

$$\prod_{k=1}^m \left( \frac{p_k(\mathbf{Z})}{p_{k,\theta}(\mathbf{Z})} \right)^{Y_k} \left( \frac{1-p_k(\mathbf{Z})}{1-p_{k,\theta}(\mathbf{Z})} \right)^{1-Y_k} = e^{-\sum_{k=1}^m Y_k \Lambda_k(\theta) + m \psi_m(\theta, \mathbf{Z})}$$

- Conditional CGF of Portfolio Loss:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_m(\theta, \mathbf{z}) &= \frac{1}{m} \log \mathbb{E} [e^{\theta L_m} | \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{z}] \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m \log \left( 1 + p_k(\mathbf{z}) \left( e^{\Lambda_k(\theta)} - 1 \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

# Conditional IS on Loss Given Default

- Exponential twisting:  $f_{\ell_k, \theta}(\ell) = f_{\ell_k}(\ell) e^{\theta Y_k \ell - \Lambda_k(\theta Y_k)}$ .
- Likelihood ratio:

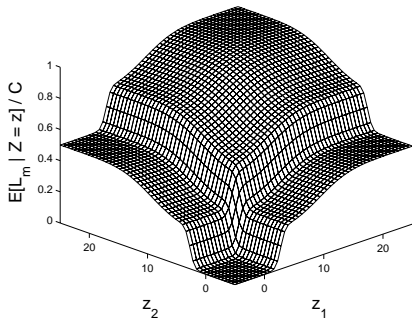
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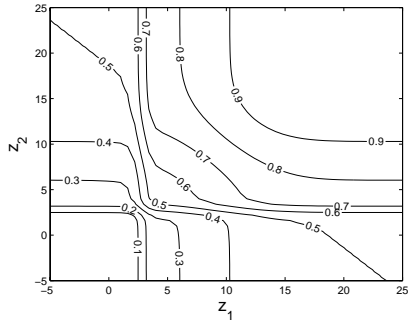
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# Conditional Importance Function

$$\mathbb{E}[\ell_k] \equiv 1, p_k \equiv 0.01, \mathbf{a}_1^\top = (0.85, 0), \mathbf{a}_2^\top = (0, 0.25), \mathbf{a}_3^\top = (0, 0.85), \mathbf{a}_4^\top = (0, 0.25).$$



3D plot of  $\frac{1}{C} \mathbb{E}[L_m | \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{z}]$



Contours of  $\frac{1}{C} \mathbb{E}[L_m | \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{z}]$



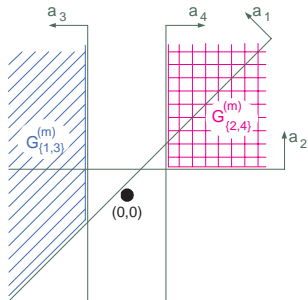
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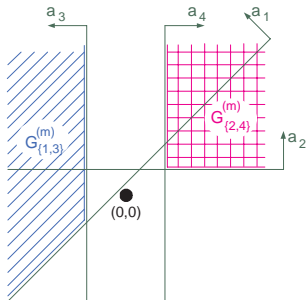
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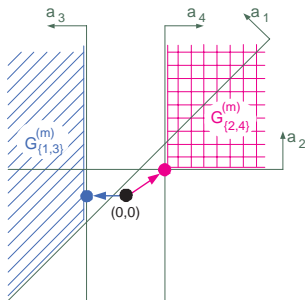
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# Mixed Importance Sampling (MIS) Procedure

- Factor shifting direction: choose the mean vectors  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\mu}_k$  to shift the common factors  $\mathbf{Z}$  and their weights  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  for  $k \geq 1$ .
- Main Loop: repeat for replications  $i = 1, \dots, \lambda_j \cdot n$ , and for each type  $j = 1, \dots, t$ 
  - 1 Sample  $\mathbf{Z}$  from  $N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \mathbf{I})$ .
  - 2 Find  $\theta_m(\mathbf{Z})$  by  $\operatorname{argmin}_{\theta \geq 0} \{-\theta x + m\psi_m(\theta, \mathbf{Z})\}$ .
  - 3 Compute the twisted conditional default probabilities  $p_{k, \theta_m(\mathbf{Z})}(\mathbf{Z})$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, m$  and generate  $Y_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, m$ .
  - 4 For  $k$  with  $Y_k = 1$ , generate the loss  $\ell_k$  under the twisted conditional distribution. If the loss is deterministic, set  $\ell_k = c_k$ .
  - 5 Calculate  $I_i^{(j)} = 1\{L_m > x\} \times e^{-\theta_m(\mathbf{Z})L_m + m\psi_m(\theta_m(\mathbf{Z}), \mathbf{Z})} \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \exp(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i^\top \mathbf{Z} - \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\mu}_i) \right)^{-1}$ .
- Return the estimate  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^t \sum_{i=1}^{\lambda_j \cdot n} I_i^{(j)}$

# Necessity of Mixture

- A single shift method suggested by Glasserman & Li:

- ▶  $\operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{z}} \mathbb{P}(L > x | \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{z}) e^{-\mathbf{z}^\top \mathbf{z} / 2}$ .
- ▶  $\operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{z}} \left\{ F_x(\mathbf{z}) - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{z}^\top \mathbf{z} \right\}$   
where  $F_x(\mathbf{z}) \triangleq -\theta_x(\mathbf{z})x + m\psi(\theta_x(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{z})$ .

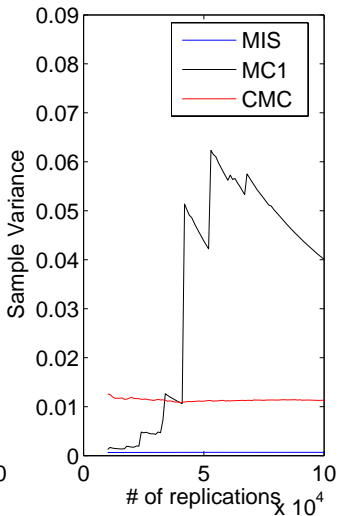
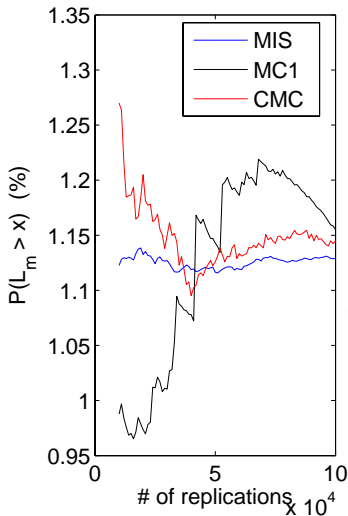
- An example

$$\begin{aligned} X_{2k-1} &= 0.7Z_1 && + \sqrt{0.51} \varepsilon_{2k-1} \\ X_{2k} &= && 0.65Z_2 + \sqrt{0.5775} \varepsilon_{2k} \end{aligned}$$

for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, 1000$ .

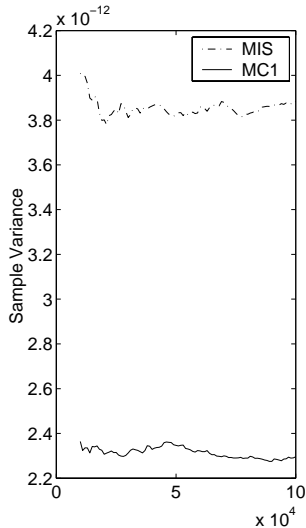
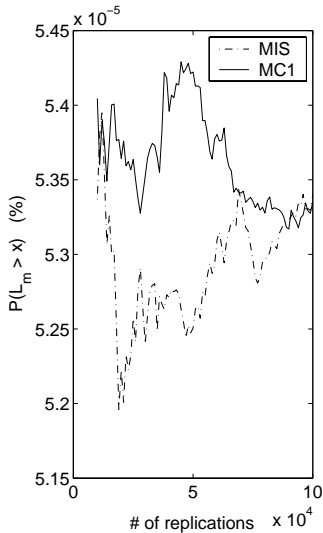
- ▶  $p_k \equiv 5\%$ ,  $\ell_k \equiv 1$ , and  $m = 1000$ .
- ▶  $\mathbb{P}\left(\sum_{1 \leq k \leq 1000} \mathbf{1}\{X_k > \Phi^{-1}(0.95)\} > 0.3 \cdot 1000\right)$ ?

# MIS vs. Single Shift ( $q = 0.3$ )



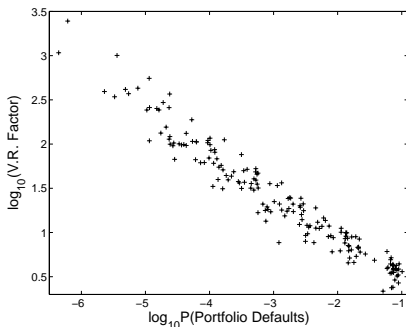


# MIS vs. Single Shift ( $q = 0.8$ )



# Small Random Examples

- 30 instances of 25 types and 5 common factors.
  - ▶ 60% of the factor-loading coefficients are non-zero. Each coefficient comes from  $U(-0.2, 1)$ . Then  $\|\mathbf{a}_j\| \in U(0.1, 0.7)$ .
  - ▶  $c_k \in U\{1, 2, \dots, 30\}$ .
  - ▶  $p_k = 0.0255 + 0.0245 \times \sin(16\pi k/m)$ .  $p_k \in (0.1\%, 5\%)$ .
  - ▶  $q = 0.05, 0.075, \dots, 0.175$ .



# Large Sparse Example

- 8 instances of 100 types and 21–22 common factors.
  - ▶  $p_k = 0.01 \cdot (1 + \sin(16\pi k/m))$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, 1000$ .
  - ▶  $c_k = 1 + \frac{99}{999}(k-1)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, 1000$ .

$$A = \left( \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} & F & & & G \\ & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ R & & & F & G \end{array} \right), \quad G = \begin{pmatrix} c_G & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & c_G \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Approximate Importance Sampling by PCA.

# of Dominating Factors	$(\alpha_R, \alpha_F, \alpha_G)$			
	(0.8,0.4,0.4)	(0.5,0.4,0.4)	(0.2,0.4,0.4)	(0.25, 0.15,0.05)
Single Factor in $\mathbb{R}^{21}$	79%	60%	25%	74%
Two Factors in $\mathbb{R}^{22}$	80%	64%	31%	77%

# Large Sparse Example

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10000 (20%)	0.0114	25
15000 (30%)	0.0056	44
20000 (40%)	0.0027	75
25000 (50%)	0.0013	127
30000 (60%)	0.0007	224
35000 (70%)	0.0002	441
40000 (80%)	$7.4 \times 10^{-5}$	1081

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10000 (20%)	0.0077	16
15000 (30%)	0.0031	60
20000 (40%)	0.0012	120
25000 (50%)	0.0004	245
30000 (60%)	0.0001	584

# Tractability of Sizes

Types	$d$	Bound	$ \mathcal{V} $	$n_{0.1}$	$n_{0.3}$	$n_{0.5}$	$n_{0.7}$	$n_{0.9}$
20	4	6195	574.6	16.9	48.5	44.5	14.3	0.2
20	5	21699	932.2	25.0	78.8	69.0	19.5	0.4
25	4	15275	1224.9	33.5	90.5	74.6	16.0	0.2
25	5	68405	2036.5	39.7	138.4	137.7	28.2	0.0

# Conclusion

- Large deviations bounds on the tail of heterogeneous credit portfolio
- Efficient simulation procedure for credit portfolio
- Sometimes, we really need to consider the multiple factors!