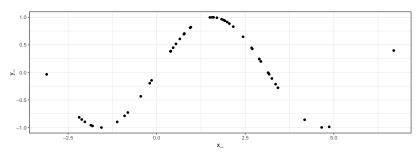
QAD

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Motivation - Asymetric Dependence

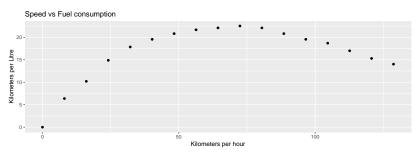
Bivariate sample:



$$X \sim \mathcal{N}(1.42, 2)$$
, $Y = \sin(X)$.

Would it be easier to predict Y given X, or X given Y?

Real life example: Average speed vs. Fuel consumption



What is dependence between random variables X and Y?

- X ... result of a coin toss,
- Y ... result of tossing the same coin a second time.
- \rightarrow we do not gain information about Y if we know X and vice versa.
- X ... result of drawing a card from a deck containing 2 cards,
- Y ... result of drawing the remaining card.
- \rightarrow we know everything about Y if we know X and vice versa.

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Correlation coefficient:

```
cor(x_,y_)
```

[1] 0.2870855

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```

```
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```

By definition of correlation (or covariance):

$$corr(X, Y) = corr(Y, X)$$

The same holds true for spearman or kendall correlation.

Correlation can NOT be used as a meassure of asymmetric dependence.

What properties should an asymetric dependency meassure q have?

- ▶ $q(X, Y) \in [0, 1]$
- ightharpoonup q(X,Y)=0 iff X and Y are independent (independence)
- ightharpoonup q(X,Y)=1 iff Y is a function of X (complete dependence)
- ▶ It may be, that $q(X, Y) \neq q(Y, X)$.
- Scale changes should not affect the outcome.

qad-measure - Construction:

- Start with a bivariate sample
- Use the pseudo-observations to construct the empirical copula E_n .
- Aggregate E_n to the empirical checkerboard copula \hat{C}_n .
- ► Estimate $q(A) = 3D_1(A, \Pi)$ via $q(\hat{C}_n) = 3D_1(\hat{C}_n, \Pi)$.
- For sufficiently large n, we have $q(\hat{C}_n) \approx q(A)$.



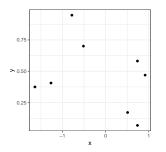
Idea

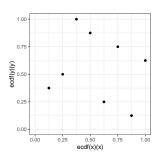
We have something that links univariate and bivariate distributions and contains all the information about mutual dependency: Copula (lat. link").

It's existance is guranteed by Sklar's Theorem, therefore it makes sense to and use it for a dependency measure.

How do we get this copula from a given bivariate sample?

Empirical copula

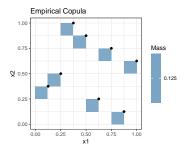




similarly to the empirical distribution:

We start with a sample $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ and the pseudo-observations (normalized ranks).

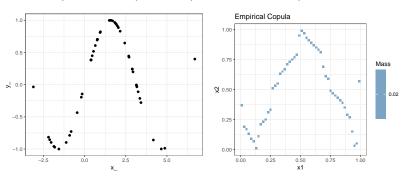
Empirical copula



And then proceed to construct an empirical copula as shown above.

Empirical copula of our example

Let's compute the empirical copula for our example:



Limitations

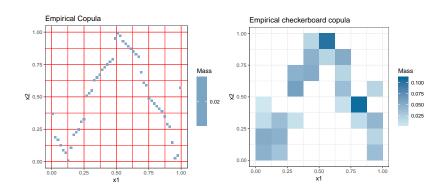
We would wish that the empirical copula E_n was a good estimate for the true underlying copula A.

Using the aforementioned metric D_1 , this is not always the case.

We need to use a different estimator for A.

Empirical checkerboard copula

We aggregate the empirical copula into what we call empirical checkerboard copula.



emp_c_copula()

The function *emp_c_copula* computes the mass-distribution of the empirical (checkerboard) copula, given a bivariate sample.

Arguments:

- X: a dataframe containing a bivariate sample
- smoothing: a logical indication whether the checkerboard copula is to be calculated
- resolution: an integer indicating the resolution of the checkerboard aggregation (the number of breaks in the grid)

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```
n = 50
x = rnorm(n,0,1)
y = runif(n,0,1)
df = data.frame(x,y)
emp_cop = emp_c_copula(df,smoothing = FALSE)
emp_check_cop = emp_c_copula(df,smoothing = TRUE,resolution)
```

plot_density()

The function *plot_density* plots the density/mass of the empirical (checkerboard) copula.

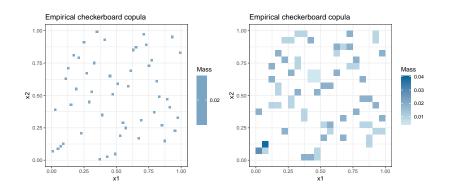
Arguments:

- mass_matrix: A squared matrix containing the mass distribution (output of emp_c_copula())
- density: A logical indication whether density or mass is plotted

plot_density()

The function plot_density allows us to visualize copulae:

```
plot_density(emp_cop, density=FALSE)
plot_density(emp_check_cop, density=FALSE)
```



Exercise 1

Calculate the empirical copula – not the checkerboard copula – while having the argument smoothing = TRUE. (Hint: Resolution parameter)

Optional: Visualize this by plotting the pseudo observations of your generated sample into the mass-plot (Compare: slide 13,14).

Explain the differences in the following plots:

```
n=10
df = data.frame(x = rnorm(n), y = runif(n))
emp_cop = emp_c_copula(df, smoothing = FALSE)
emp_check_cop = emp_c_copula(df, smoothing = TRUE, resolut:
plot_density(emp_cop, density = FALSE)
plot_density(emp_check_cop, density = FALSE)
```

The dependency measure

The dependency measure

Based on a metric D_1 for copulae, a dependency measure can be constructed in the following way:

$$q(A) := 3 \cdot D_1(A, \Pi) \in [0, 1]$$

 Π denotes the product copula, which stems from two completely independet RVs.

In a way, we measure the "distance" to complete independece.

qad()

The function qad quantifies the asymmetric dependence of two RVs X and Y. It achieves this by calculating the empirical checkerboard copula to estimate the dependency measure q.

Arguments:

- X: a dataframe containing a bivariate sample in two columns.
- resolution: resolution of the emp. copula
- premutation: a logical indicating, whether a permutated p-value is computed.

qad()

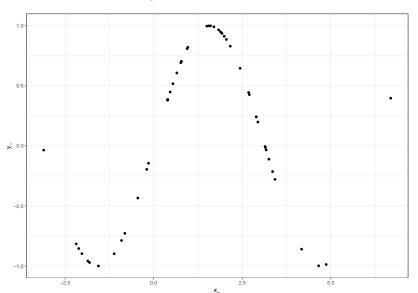
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There are multiple ways to see the results of the qad calculation:

- summary(qad(X))
- coef(qad(X))
- ► qad(X)\$results

qad Example 1

Back to our initial example:



qad Example 1

We take a look at the mutual dependencies.

```
## q(x1,x2) q(x2,x1) mean.dependence as ## 0.7885979 0.4193818 0.6039898 0
```

We see that X predicts Y better than Y predicts X.

qad Example 2

```
n = 200
x2 = runif(n,-2,4)
y2 = exp(x2)
df = data.frame(x2,y2)
model = qad(df, print = FALSE, permutation = TRUE)
model$results
```

```
## coef p.values
## 1 q(x1,x2) 0.9608946 0
## 2 q(x2,x1) 0.9608946 0
## 3 mean.dependence 0.9608946 0
## 4 asymmetry 0.0000000 1
```

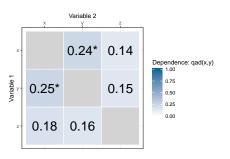
pairwise.qad

With the function *pairwise.qad*, we can apply the *qad* function on each pair of columns of the given dataframe. Other arguments are the same as for *qad*.

```
n = 1000
x = runif(n,0,1)
y = x^2+rnorm(n,0,1)
z = runif(n,0,1)
df = data.frame(x,y,z)
model = pairwise.qad(df, permutation = TRUE)
## [1] "Process..."
## [1] "Process: 1 / 3"
## [1] "Process: 2 / 3"
```

heatmap.qad

We can plot the results as a heatmap:



heatmap.qad

Arguments:

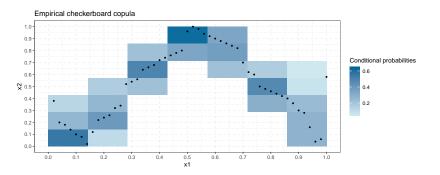
- pw_qad: the output of the function pairwise.qad()
- select: dependence value to be plotted: "dependence", "mean.dependence" or "asymmetry"
- significance: logical; if p-values were calculated, marks the significant dependency values with a star
- sign.level: manually set significance level (default: 0.05)

Exercise 2

- Download the RTR-dataset (via load(url("http://www.trutschnig.net/RTR.RData"))) and sample 1000 observations.
- Examine which columns could have interesting dependencies.
- Why does this not make sense for all columns?
- Visualize the dependencies for the relevant columns. Justify why you chose them.

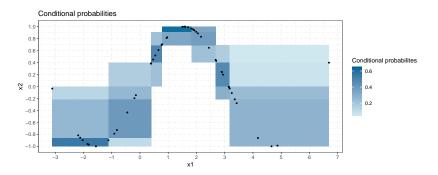
plot.qad

plot(mod, addSample = TRUE, copula = TRUE)



plot.qad

plot(mod, addSample = TRUE)



predict.qad

The function predict.qad() predicts the probabilities to end up in specific intervals given x or y values.

The prediciton can be computed in the copula or the retransformed data setting.

```
predict(mod, values = 1.42, conditioned = "x1", nr_interval.
```

Exercise 3

- Create a dummy dataset: n = 100 observations of a uniformly distributed random variable and the corresponding square values.
- Create a new qad object and use the plot function to visualize the copula.
- Add the observations to the plot with the addSample parameter.
- Use the predict.qad method and sum up the probabilities for one strip (horizontal or vertical) for one value.

cci - Conditional Confidence Interval

We can also use the qad metric to test hypothesis:

cci provides a confidence interval for independence (for the qad measure).

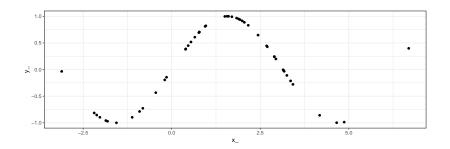
We can compare the qad-value to the interval boundaries and check if the null hypothesis of independence holds or has to be rejected. We calculate our boundaries

```
c = cci(n, alternative = "one.sided")
```

and check, whether the calculated dependence for our example lies between them.

```
if(coef(mod, select = 'q(x1,x2)') %in% c){
  print('Accept H0')
}else{
  print('Reject H0')
}
```

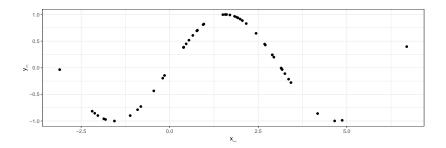
cci



And indeed, for our example, we reject the hypothesis of independence:

```
## [1] "q(x1,x2) not in [ 0 , 0.1813481327652 ]" ## [1] "Reject HO"
```

cci



Similarly for the other direction:

```
## [1] "q(x2,x1) not in [ 0 , 0.1813481327652 ]" ## [1] "Reject HO"
```

Final Exercise 4:

Take a look at the attitude dataset:

Find out the two attributes with the highest (one sided) dependency. Provide respective plots.

Are those dependencies symmetric? Argue by providing p-values for asymmetry (hint: do not to calculate the p-values for all pairs, only the chosen two)

Reject or Accept the hypothesis of independence for your chosen pairs.