



Copula Theory and Dependence in Interference



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2. Measures of Dependence
3. Two Families of Copula
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Copula Theory

Question : What is copula?

1. Preliminaries:

X, Y are random variables with distribution functions $F(X)$ and $G(Y)$, respectively. And their joint distribution function is $H(X,Y)$. If X and Y are independent, there is a relationship:

$$H(X,Y) = F(X)G(Y) \quad (1-1)$$

What if X and Y are not independent?





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2. Sklar's Theorem:

If $H(X,Y)$ is joint distributed function with margins $F(X)$, $G(Y)$, there exists a (**Copula**) function C such that

$$H(X,Y) = C(F(X), G(Y)) \quad (1-2)$$

where C is unique if F and G are continuous, otherwise C is uniquely determined on $\text{Ran}(F) \times \text{Ran}(G)$.





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2. Sklar's Theorem:

$$H(X, Y) = C(F(X), G(Y)) \quad (1-2)$$

Let $u=F(x)$, $v=G(y)$. $C(u,v)$ is called copula function.

$$C(u, v) = H(F^{-1}(u), G^{-1}(v)) \quad (1-3)$$

$$C(u, v) = P(U \leq u, V \leq v) \quad (1-4)$$

$C(u,v)$ is a distributed function with uniform margins.





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3. Multivariate Copula:

$$H(X_1, \dots, X_n) = C(F_1(X_1), \dots, F_n(X_n)) \quad (1-5)$$

$$C(u_1, \dots, u_n) = H(F_1^{-1}(u_1), F_n^{-1}(u_n)) \quad (1-6)$$

where $u_1 = F_1(X_1), \dots, u_n = F_n(X_n)$

Copulas **join** or **couple** multivariate distribution functions to their one-dimension marginal distribution functions^[1].

[1] Nelsen, R. B. (2007). *An introduction to copulas*. Springer Science & Business Media.





Copula Theory

Question : Relation between copula and our research

4. Receiver:

In a SIMO system, the received signal is:

$$Y = S + I \quad (1-7)$$

where S is a vector containing the repeated sample s , and $I = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$ is the interference vector.

Log likelihood ratio (**LLR**) will be:

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda(Y) &= \log \frac{P(y_1 = s+i_1, \dots, y_n = s+i_n \mid s = +1)}{P(y_1 = s+i_1, \dots, y_n = s+i_n \mid s = -1)} \\ &= \log \frac{h(y_1 - 1, \dots, y_n - 1)}{h(y_1 + 1, \dots, y_n + 1)} \end{aligned} \quad (1-8)$$

where h is the joint PDF of I .



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4. Receiver:

Recall that $H(X_1, \dots, X_n) = C(F_1(X_1), \dots, F_n(X_n))$. We have

$$h(I) = c \underbrace{\left(F(i_1), \dots, F(i_n) \right)}_{\text{Dependent component}} \prod_{k=1}^n f(i_k) \quad (1-9)$$

Independent component

where c is the density of copula:

$$c(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \frac{\partial^n C(u_1, \dots, u_n)}{\partial u_1 \dots \partial u_n} \quad (1-10)$$

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$$h(I) = c(F(i_1), \dots, F(i_n)) \prod_{k=1}^n f(i_k)$$

Dependent structure Independent structure

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Combining equation (1-9) and (1-8), the LLR becomes:

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$$\wedge(Y) = \log \frac{c(F(y_1 - 1), \dots, F(y_n - 1))}{c(F(y_1 + 1), \dots, F(y_n + 1))} + \sum_{k=1}^n \log \frac{f(y_k - 1)}{f(y_k + 1)} \quad (1-11)$$

$\wedge_c(Y)$
Dependent structure
 $\wedge_{\perp}(Y)$
Independent structure

tricky



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1. Linear Dependence:

Pearson's Correlation Coefficient:

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{Cov[X, Y]}{\sqrt{Var[X]}\sqrt{Var[Y]}} \quad (2-1)$$

$$\rho[\alpha_i + \beta_i X, \alpha_j + \beta_j X] = \rho[X, Y], \quad \beta_i, \beta_j > 0 \quad (2-2)$$

1. Invariant under increasing linear transformation
2. Not suitable for alpha-stable, no variance ($\alpha < 2$).

2. Quadrant Dependence:

If X, Y are independent, then

$$C(F(X), G(Y)) = H(X, Y) = F(X)G(Y) \quad (2-3)$$

$$C(u, v) = uv \quad (2-4)$$

We call $C(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n u_i$ independent copula.

2. Quadrant Dependence:

We call X, Y are positively quadrant dependent (**PQD**) if

$$P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) \geq P(X \leq x)P(Y \leq y) \quad (2-5)$$

$$C(u, v) \geq uv \quad (2-6)$$

we can prove equivalently :

$$P(X \geq x, Y \geq y) \geq P(X \geq x)P(Y \geq y) \quad (2-7)$$

Analogously, we can define the **NQD** by reversing the sense of inequality :

2. Quadrant Dependence:

Positively Quadrant Dependent (**PQD**):

$$P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) \geq P(X \leq x)P(Y \leq y) \quad (2-5)$$

$$P(Y \leq y | X \leq x) \geq P(Y \leq y) \quad (2-8)$$

Y is more likely to have small values if the value of X is small

$$P(Y \leq y | X \leq x) \geq P(Y \leq y | X \leq \infty) \quad (2-9)$$

A stronger condition: $P(Y \leq y | X \leq x)$ is nonincreasing.

Measures of Dependence

3. Tail Dependence:

Mainly interested in the dependence among **extremal** values, we define lower and upper tail dependence^[2]:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_l &= \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} P[X \leq F^{-1}(u) | Y \leq F^{-1}(u)] \\ &= \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{C(u, u)}{u}\end{aligned}\tag{2-10}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_u &= \lim_{u \rightarrow 1} P[X \geq F^{-1}(u) | Y \geq F^{-1}(u)] \\ &= \lim_{u \rightarrow 1} \frac{1 - 2u + C(1-u, 1-u)}{1-u}\end{aligned}\tag{2-11}$$

[2] “Skew-t copula for dependence modelling of impulsive(α -stable) interference.” *Communications (ICC), 2015 IEEE International Conference on.* IEEE, 2015..



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Two Families of Copula

1. Archimedean Family:

The Archimedean copula has the form:

$$C(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(u_1) + \dots + \varphi(u_n)) \quad (3-1)$$

where φ is the **generator** of copula and it is a continuous, strictly decreasing function from $[0,1]$ to $[0,\infty]$ and $\varphi(1)=0$. φ^{-1} is the inverse of φ .

According to [1], as long as φ^{-1} is completely monotonic, C is a copula. For bivariate case, φ^{-1} is **convex**.

1. Archimedean Family:

(1) Clayton Copula:

$$C_\theta(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \max\left(\left[u_1^{-\theta} + \dots + u_n^{-\theta} - (n-1)\right]^{-1/\theta}, 0\right) \quad (3-2)$$

Bivariate case:

$$C_\theta(u, v) = \max\left(\left[u^{-\theta} + v^{-\theta} - 1\right]^{-1/\theta}, 0\right) \quad (3-3)$$

Generator:

$$\varphi(t) = \frac{t^{-\theta} - 1}{\theta}, \quad \theta > 0 \quad (3-4)$$



Two Families of Copula

1. Archimedean Family:

(2) Gumbel Copula:

$$C_\theta(u_1, \dots, u_n) = \exp \left\{ - \left[(-\ln u_1)^\theta + \dots + (-\ln u_n)^\theta \right]^{-1/\theta} \right\} \quad (3-5)$$

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$$C_\theta(u, v) = \exp \left\{ - \left[(-\ln u)^\theta + (-\ln v)^\theta \right]^{-1/\theta} \right\} \quad (3-6)$$

Generator:

$$\varphi(t) = (-\ln t)^\theta, \quad \theta \geq 1 \quad (3-7)$$





Two Families of Copula

1. Archimedean Family:

Tail dependence:

Clayton:

$$\lambda_l = 2^{-1/\theta}, \quad \lambda_u = 0 \quad (3-8)$$

Gumbel:

$$\lambda_l = 0, \quad \lambda_u = 2 - 2^{1/\theta} \quad (3-9)$$





Two Families of Copula

1. Archimedean Family:

Simulations:

1. assume Cauchy Interference
2. Clayton Copula or Gumbel Copula or independent

Figure 1. Claton Copula



Two Families of Copula

1. Archimedean Family: Simulations:

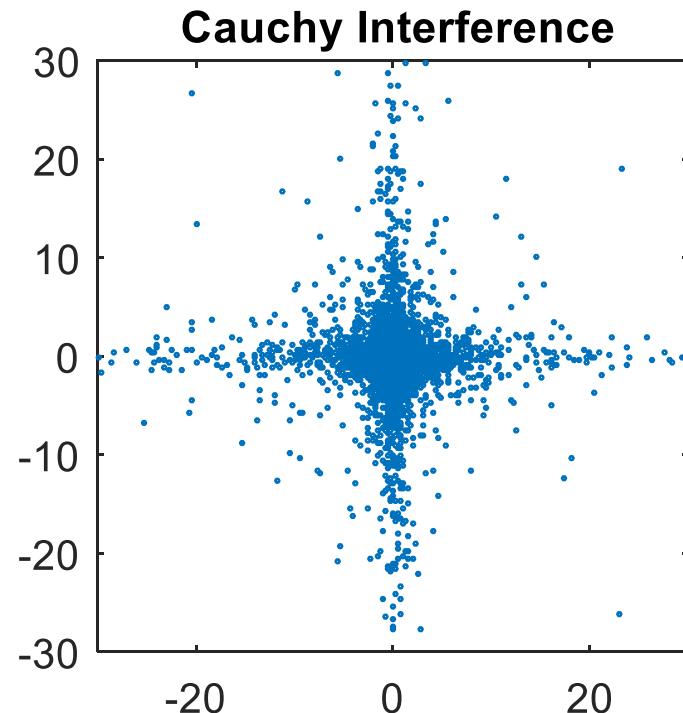
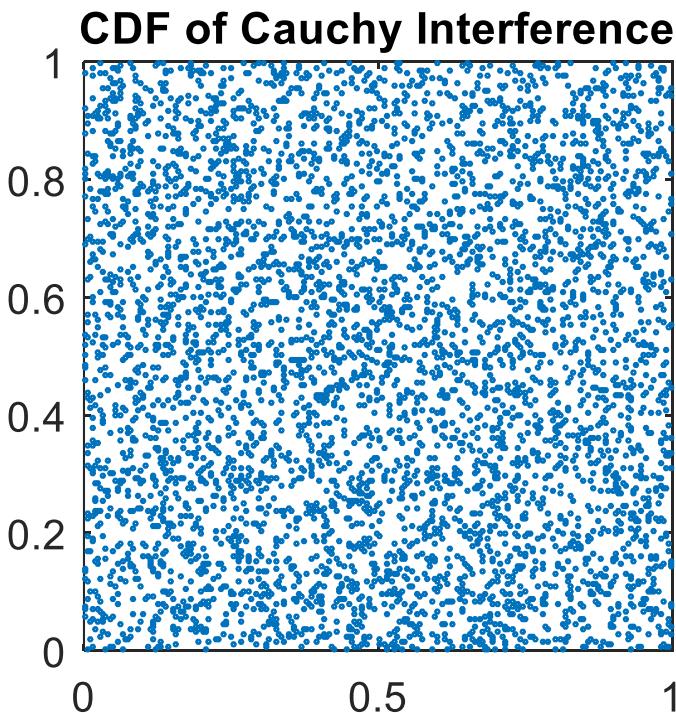


Figure 1. Cauchy Interference with Independence

Figure 1. Clayton Copula

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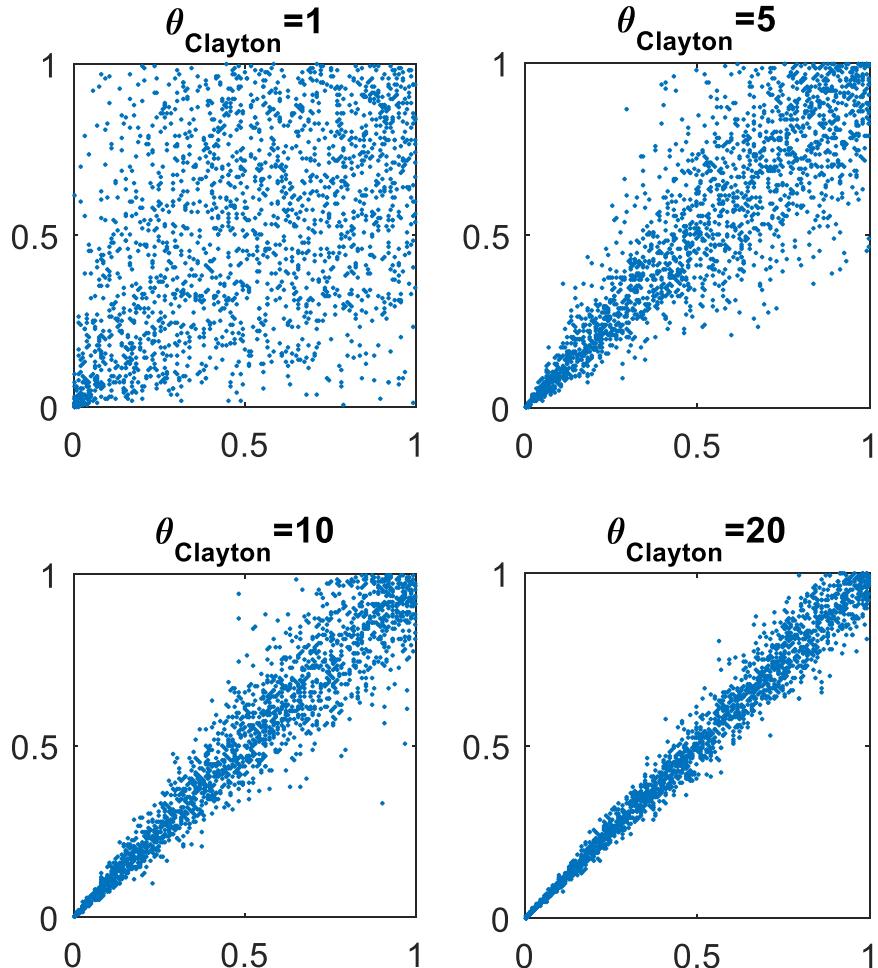


Figure 2. Clayton samples

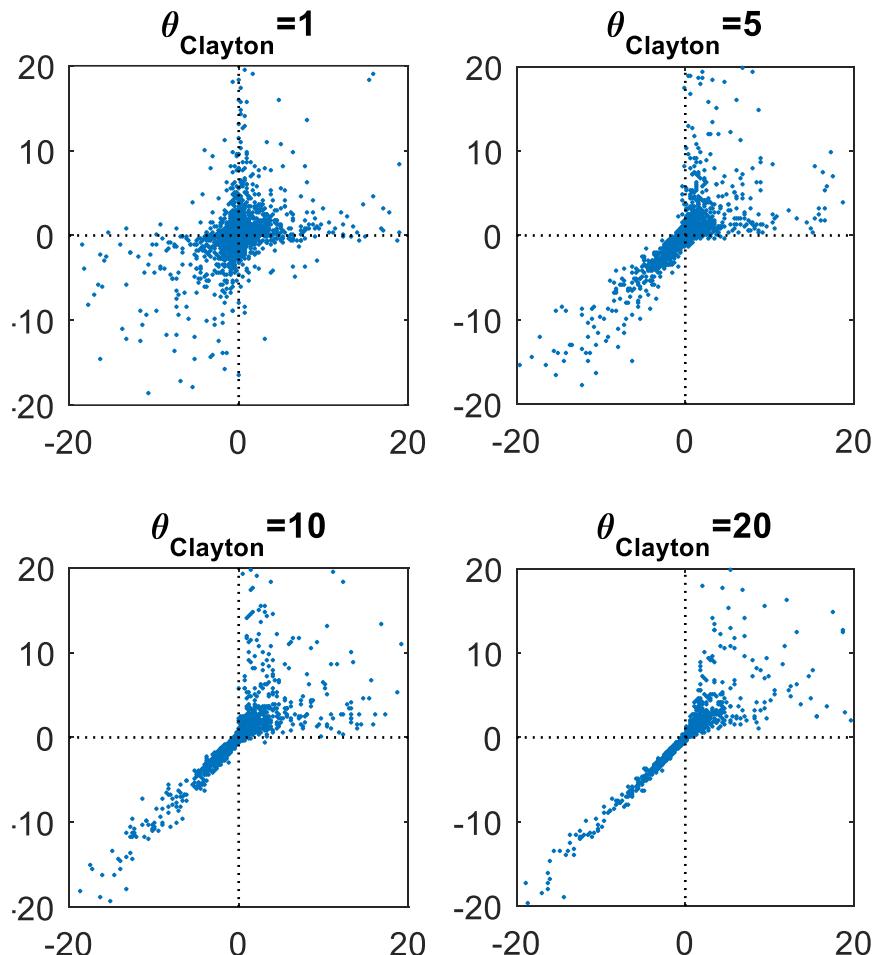
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2. With the increase of θ , it is more dependent.

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Figure 3. Cauchy Interference with Clayton

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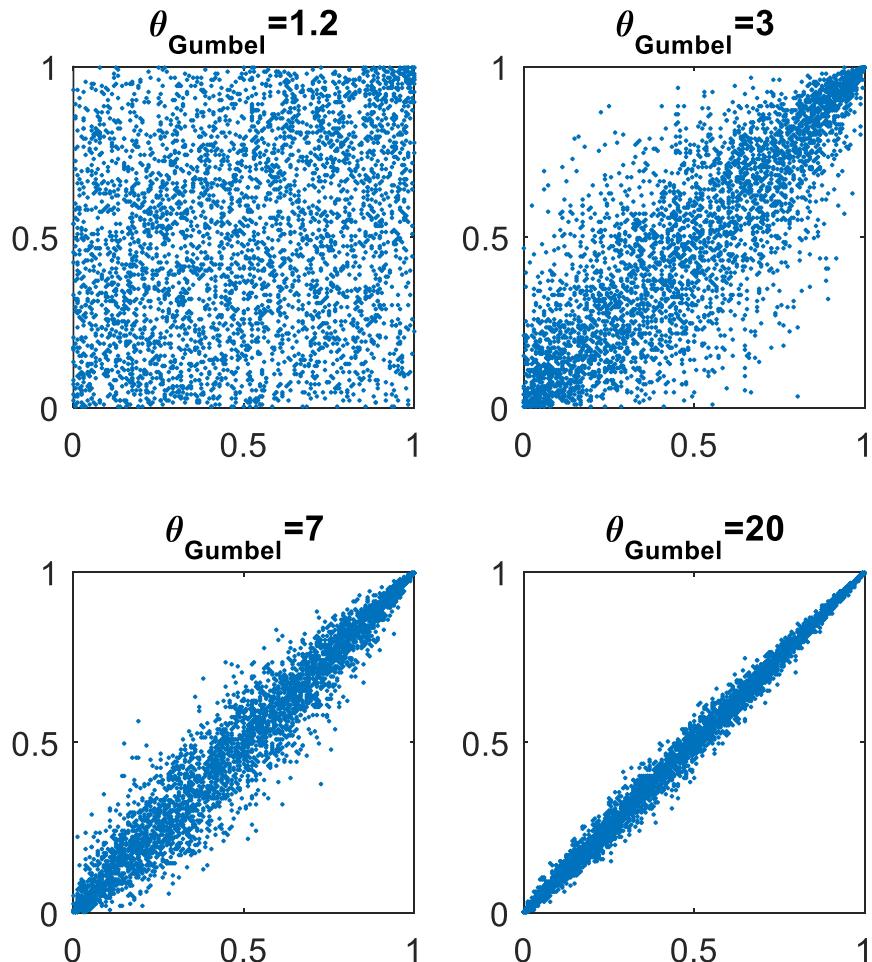


Figure 4. Gumbel samples

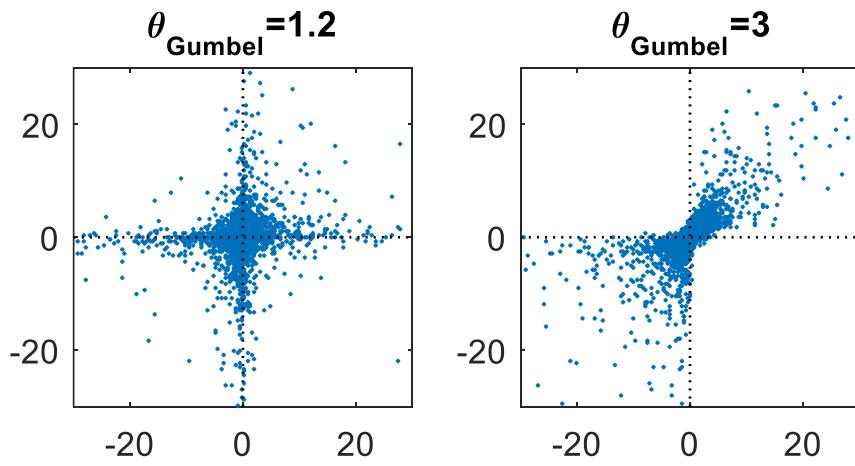
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Figure 5. Cauchy Interference with Gumbel

2. Elliptical Family:

Elliptical distribution:

$$f_{\vec{X}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{c_n}{\sqrt{|\Sigma|}} g_n \left[\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}) \right] \quad (3-10)$$

where $g_n(\cdot)$ is the density generator and c_n is the normalizing constant:

$$c_n = \frac{\Gamma(n/2)}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \left[\int_0^\infty x^{n/2-1} g_n(x) dx \right]^{-1} \quad (3-11)$$

Gaussian and t distribution belong to the Elliptical distribution.

Two Families of Copula

2. Elliptical Family:

(1) Gaussian Copula:

Gaussian distribution $\vec{X} \sim N(\vec{\mu}, \Sigma)$ has the density:

$$f_{\vec{X}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n |\Sigma|}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\vec{x} - \vec{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu})\right] \quad (3-12)$$

Hence:

$$C(u_1, \dots, u_n) = F_{\Sigma}^n(F^{-1}(u_1), \dots, F^{-1}(u_n)) \quad (3-13)$$

where F_{Σ}^n is the CDF and F is the margin.

zero tail dependence

2. Elliptical Family:

(2) t Copula:

t distribution $\vec{X} \sim t_v(\vec{\mu}, \Sigma)$ has the density:

$$f_{\vec{X}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\Gamma[(v+n)/2]}{\Gamma[v/2] v^{n/2} \pi^{n/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left[1 + \frac{1}{v} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu})\right] \quad (3-12)$$

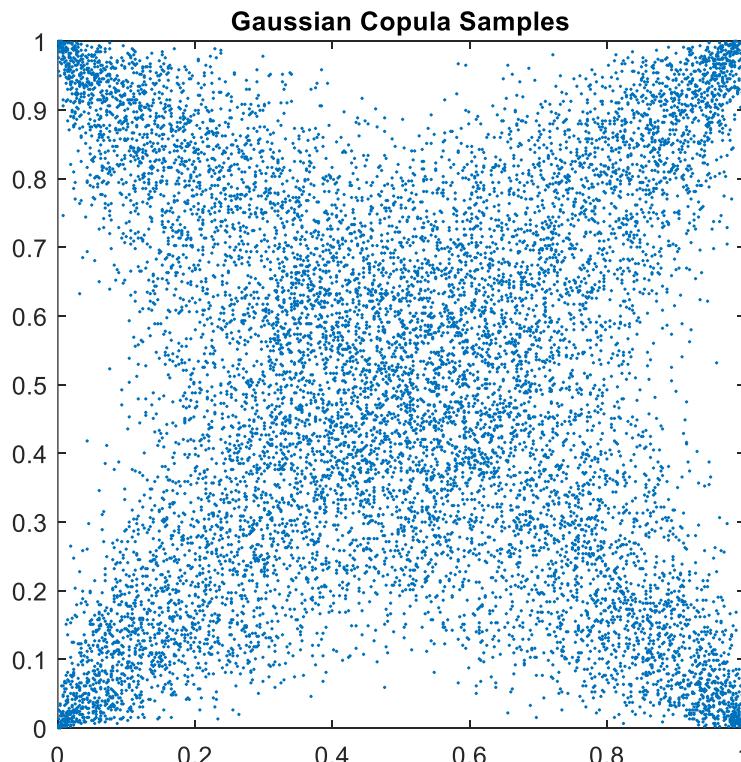
where v is the degree of freedom and n is the dimension:

$$C(u_1, \dots, u_n) = t_{v, \Sigma}^n(t_v^{-1}(u_1), \dots, t_v^{-1}(u_n)) \quad (3-13)$$

where $t_{v, \Sigma}^n$ is the CDF and t_v^{-1} is the margin.
symmetric tail dependence.

Two Families of Copula

2. Elliptical Family: Simulations:



Gaussian copula:

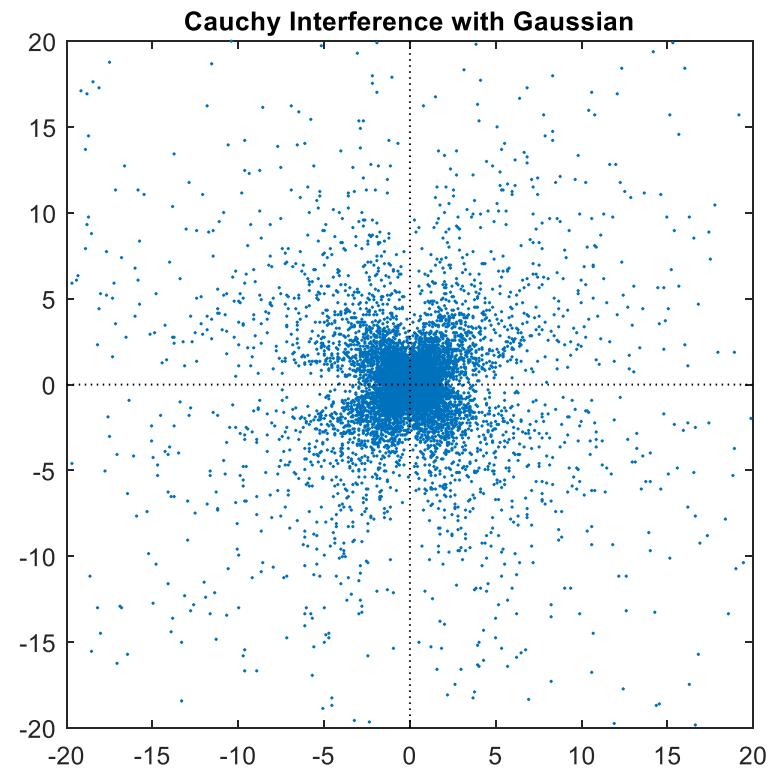
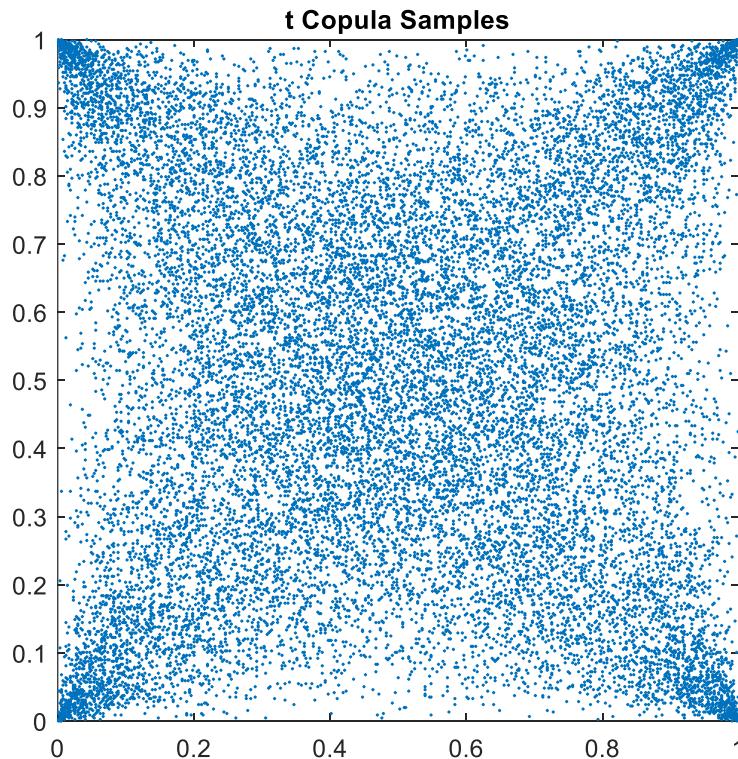


Figure 6. Gaussian copula samples and interference

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2. Elliptical Family: Simulations:



t copula:

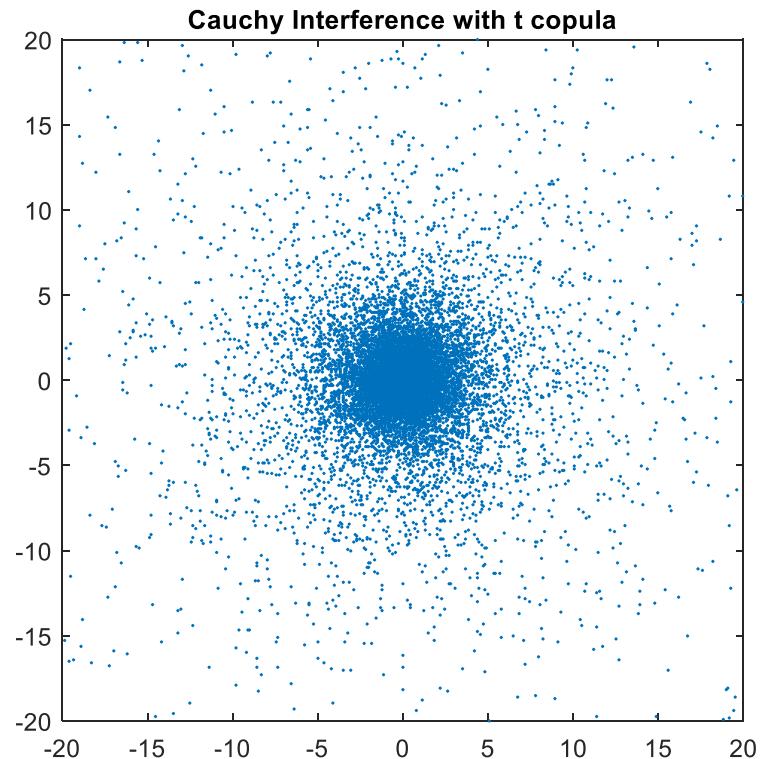


Figure 7. t copula samples and interference



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1. Complex Interference:

The interference is composed of real and imaginary parts:

$$Z_{2K} = (z_{1,r}, z_{1,i}, \dots, z_{K,r}, z_{K,i}) \quad (4-1)$$

Joint distribution of Z_{2K} can be expressed as:

$$F_{Z_{2K}}(z_{1,r}, z_{1,i}, \dots, z_{K,r}, z_{K,i}) = C(F(z_{1,r}), F(z_{1,i}), \dots, F(z_{1,r}), F(z_{K,i})) \quad (4-2)$$

In general, the dependence of the pair $(F(z_{k,r}), F(z_{k,j}))$ is different with the pair $(F(z_{k,r}), F(z_{j,r}))$ or $(F(z_{k,r}), F(z_{k,j}))$.

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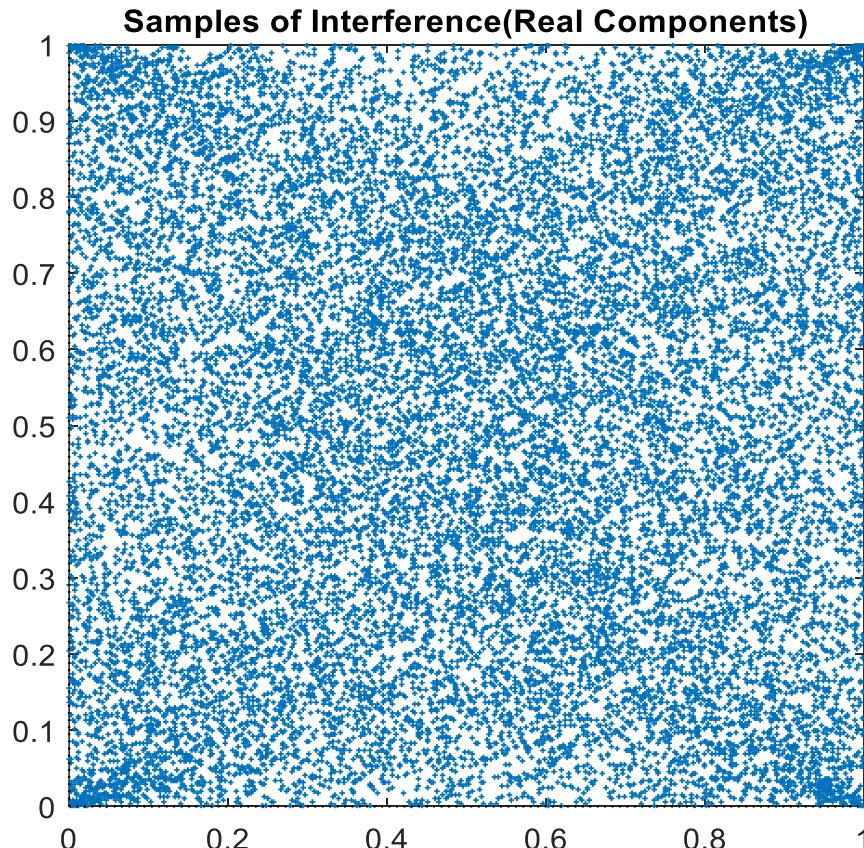
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2. Copula Density:



What is the dependence structure?

Figure 8. Samples of α -stable interference

2. Copula Density:

There is a dependence.

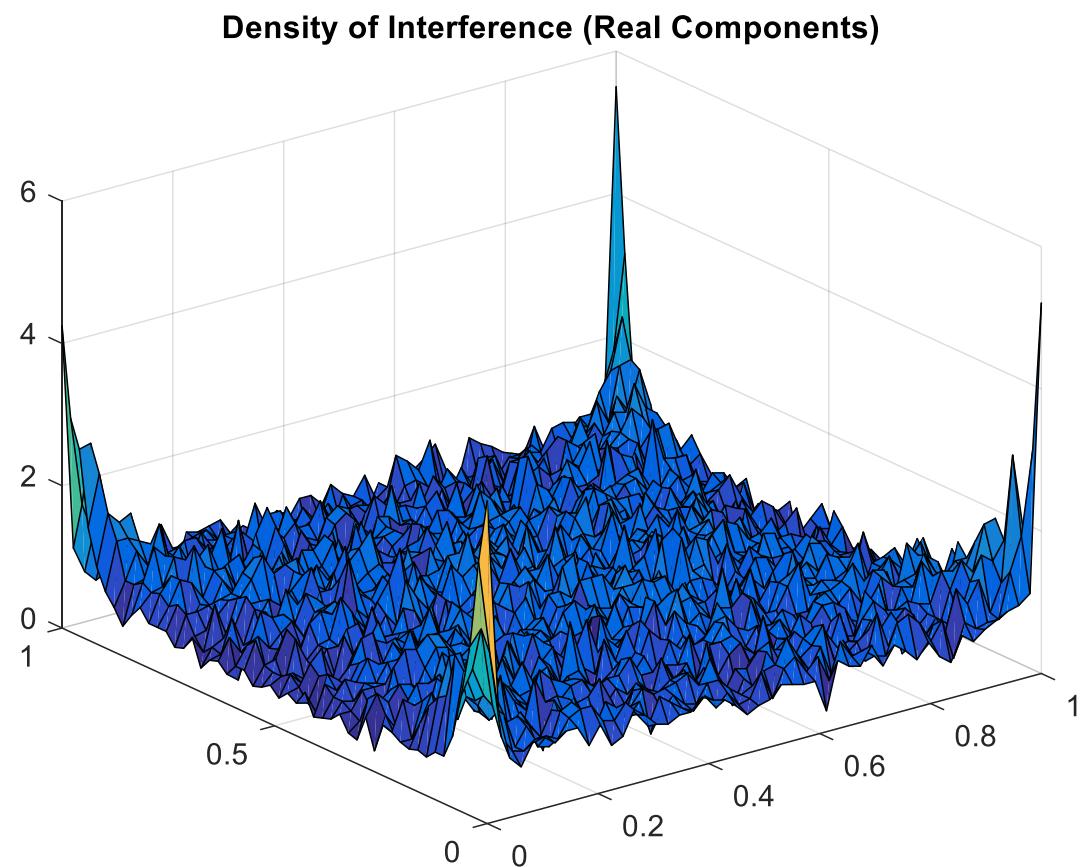


Figure 8. Density of CDF of α -stable interference

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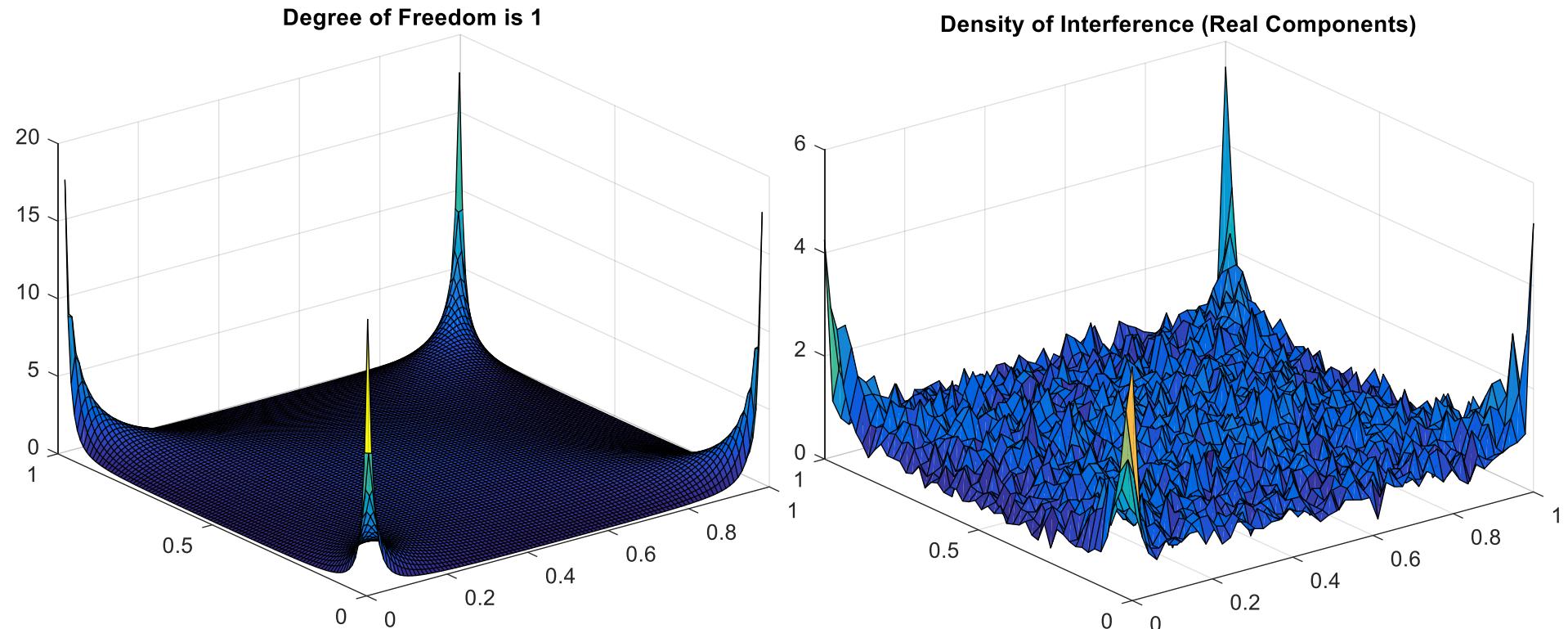


Figure 9. Density of t copula

Figure 8. Density of CDF of α -stable interference



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My point of view on Copula:

1. It has a bright future since the most common assumption on the dependence is ‘independent’.



2. Hexagon Independence vs. Stochastic Geometry
vs. Copula Theory



THANK YOU !

