

ImportantSampling

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```
N <- 1000 #number of loans.
PosNames <- paste("Loan",1:N,sep="")
beta <- rep(0.3,N) #factor loading
LGD <- rep(0.5,N)
PD <- rep(0.01,N)
EAD <- rep(100,N)

port <- data.frame(PosNames,PD,LGD,EAD,beta,stringsAsFactors = F)
head(port)
```

```
##      PosNames    PD LGD EAD beta
## 1      Loan1 0.01 0.5 100  0.3
## 2      Loan2 0.01 0.5 100  0.3
## 3      Loan3 0.01 0.5 100  0.3
## 4      Loan4 0.01 0.5 100  0.3
## 5      Loan5 0.01 0.5 100  0.3
## 6      Loan6 0.01 0.5 100  0.3
```

To simulate the Portfolio Loss Distribution, single factor model is used here, where the credit risk is determined by systematic factor Z , along with idiosyncratic risk ϵ

$$V_i = \beta_i Z + \sqrt{1 - \beta_i^2} \epsilon_i$$

where $Z \sim N(0,1)$, $\epsilon \sim N(0,1)$

Recall that Expected Loss $\mathbb{E}[Loss] = PD * LGD * EAD$. During the simulation, for each scenario

$$Loss = LGD * EAD * 1_{Default}$$

$$1_{Default} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{Default} \\ 0, & \text{Non-Default} \end{cases}$$

In Monte Carlo method, only $1_{Default}$ is simulated, and the loan will be Default if asset value V falls below than Default boundary that $V_i < b_i = N^{-1}(PD_i)$

Naive Monte Carlo

Systematic factor simulations are drawn from its original distribution $Z \sim N(0, 1)$, and Portfolio loss will be the sum of position losses, and all the scenario are equally weighted as $1/M$

```
###
simMC <- function(port,M){
  N <- nrow(port)
  Z <- (rnorm(M,mean=0))
  LossMC <- matrix(,M,1)
  for (m in 1:M){
    e <- rnorm(N,mean=0,sd=1)
    V <- beta*Z[m] + sqrt(1-beta^2)*e
    default_flag <- V < qnorm(PD)
    LossMC[m] <- sum(default_flag * port$EAD * port$LGD)
  }
  return (data.frame(Loss=LossMC,Weights=1/M))
}
```

Importance Sampling

Credit risk cares mostly about tail risk, that a portfolio can suffer extreme credit event with less than 1%. Naive Monte Carlo is inefficient as all scenarios are equally weighted which requires significant number of simulation to reach a desired level of convergence. Importance Sampling can improve the variance convergence by shifting the weight more on tails during simulation.

In Importance Sampling Monte Carlo, simulations of Z is drawn from a shifted distribution $N(\mu, 1)$, so that mean of the distribution can be shifted to desired distribution. For example, $\mu = -3$ is used below representing about 99.86% level of loss. (the lower Z value, the higher probability that loss will occur.)

```
simIS <- function(port,M,mu){
  N <- nrow(port)
  Z <- (rnorm(M,mean=mu))
  LossIS <- matrix(,M,1)
  for (m in 1:M){
    e <- rnorm(N,mean=0,sd=1)
    V <- beta*Z[m] + sqrt(1-beta^2)*e
    #default_threshold <- (qnorm(PD)-Z*t(beta))/sqrt(1-beta^2)
    default_flag <- V < qnorm(PD)
    LossIS[m] <- sum(default_flag * port$EAD * port$LGD)
  }
  weights <- exp(-mu*Z+mu^2/2)/M
  return (data.frame(Loss=LossIS,Weights=weights))
}
```

```
library(Hmisc)
```

```
## Loading required package: grid
## Loading required package: lattice
## Loading required package: survival
## Loading required package: splines
## Loading required package: Formula
##
## Attaching package: 'Hmisc'
##
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##      format.pval, round.POSIXt, trunc.POSIXt, units
```

```
q = c(0.5,0.9,0.95,0.99,0.999,0.9999)
lossplot <- function(LossRes){
  LossAmt <- LossRes$Loss
  LossWgt <- LossRes$Weights
  Ecdf(LossAmt,weights = LossWgt,datadensity='density',xlim=c(0,10000),ylim=c(0.
9,1),q=q)
}

lossquantile <- function(LossRes){
  LossAmt <- LossRes$Loss
  LossWgt <- LossRes$Weights
  return(wtd.quantile(LossAmt,weights=LossWgt,probs=q,normwt=T,type='i/n'))
}

LossBench <- simMC(port,100000)
LossMC <- simMC(port,10000)
LossIS <- simIS(port,10000,-3)

Benchmark <- lossquantile(LossBench)
NaiveMC <- lossquantile(LossMC)
ImportanceSampling <- lossquantile(LossIS)
df <- data.frame(Benchmark,NaiveMC,ImportanceSampling)
```

Comparison

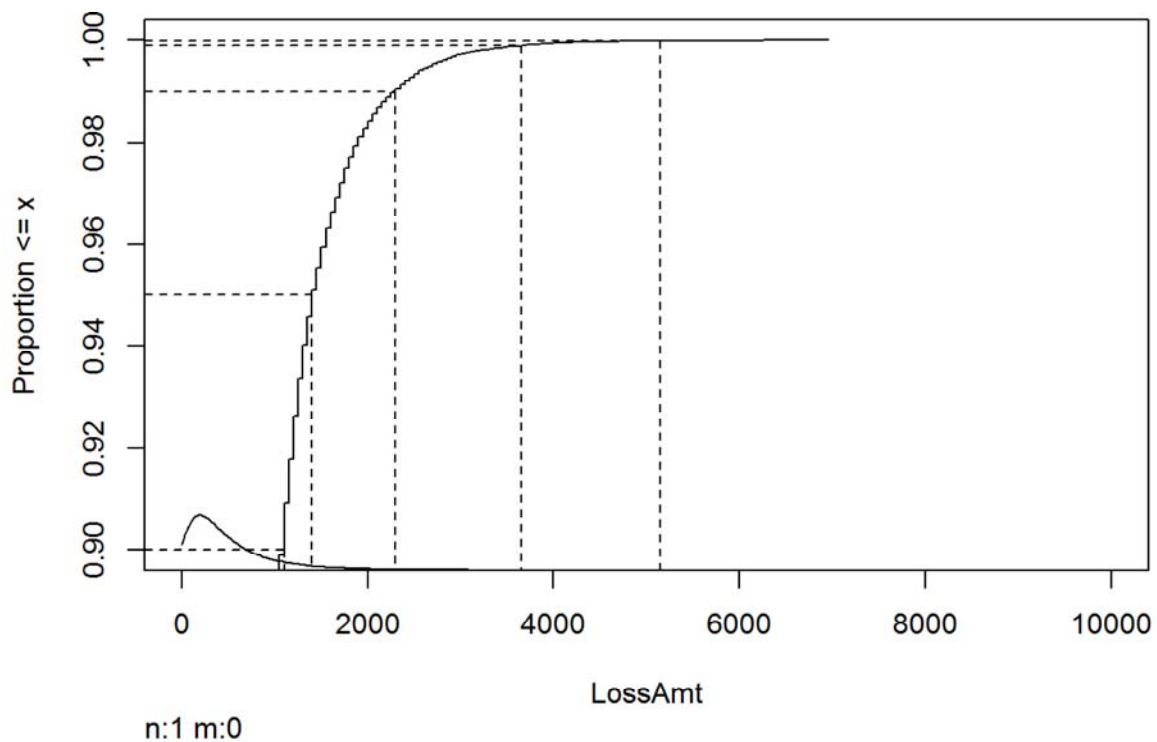
The following table shows the comparison of different quantile using NaiveMC and ImportanceSampling, here the results from 100,000 simulations are used as a benchmark, and use 10,000 simulations for NaiveMC and ImportanceSampling respectively.

```
t(df)
```

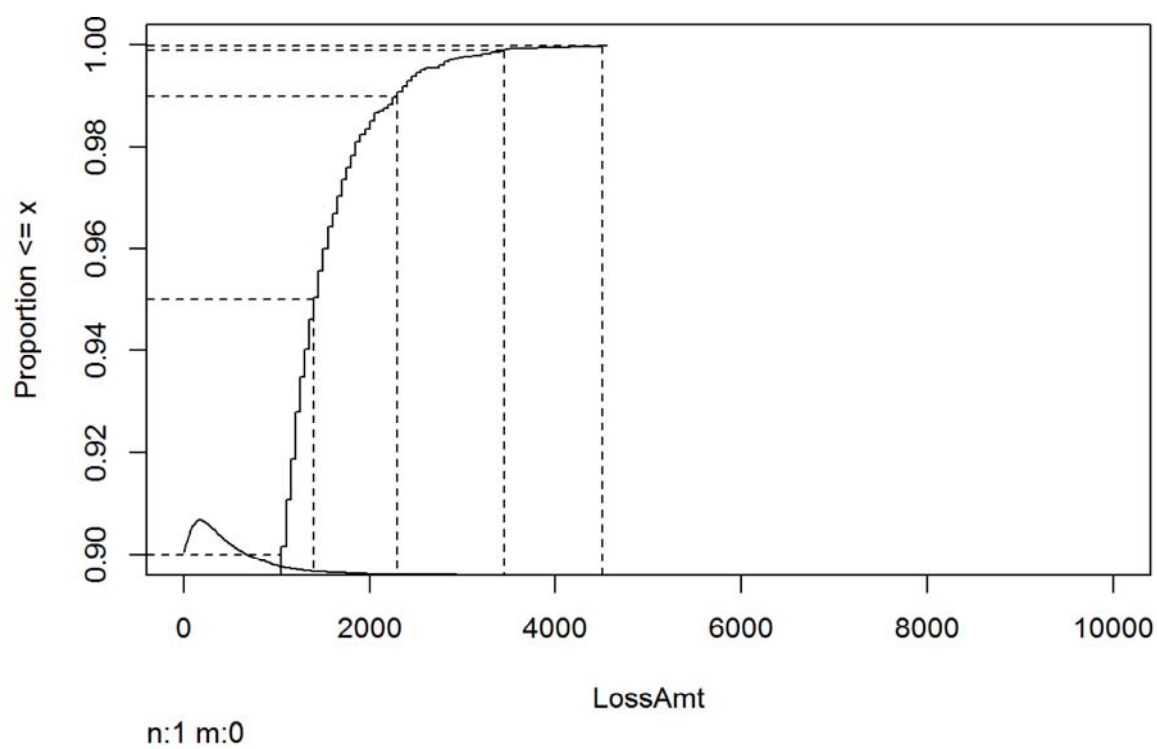
##	50.00%	90.00%	95.00%	99.00%	99.90%	99.99%
## Benchmark	340.0	1055	1391	2268	3641	5117
## NaiveMC	337.7	1043	1395	2264	3425	4500
## ImportanceSampling	369.9	1045	1400	2235	3684	5253

From 3 plots we can see that: 1) ImportanceSampling has better convergence than NaiveMC to Benchmark results on Loss Quantiles, espexially on quantiles above 99% 2) ImportanceSampling generate more samples at extreme losses above 2000.

```
lossplot(LossBench)
```



```
lossplot(LossMC)
```



```
lossplot(LossIS)
```

