

Definition. (Constructive approach) A stochastic process W in $C_+(S)$ with constant $\omega_0 > 0$ is a simple Pareto process if $W(s) = YV(s)$, for all $s \in S$, for some Y and $V = \{V(s)\}_{s \in S}$ satisfying:

- a) $V \in C_+(S)$ is a stochastic process satisfying $\sup_{s \in S} V(s) = \omega_0$ almost surely, $E[V(s)] > 0$ for all $s \in S$,
- b) Y is a standard Pareto random variable, $P(Y > y) = y^{-1}, y > 1$,
- c) Y and V are independent.

See Ferreira and de Haan (2014) for other variants of the definition.

Coefficient of asymptotic dependence. For random variables X_1 and X_2 having common marginal distribution F , let

$$\chi_{12} = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_+} P(X_1 > z | X_2 > z)$$

where z_+ is the (possibly infinite) right end-point.

For $s_1, s_2 \in S$ and $x > \omega_0$, then for $i = 1, 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(W(s_i) > x) &= P(YV(s_i) > x) \\ &= P\left(Y > \frac{x}{V(s_i)}\right) \\ &= E_{Y, V(s_i)} \left[\mathbf{1}\left(Y > \frac{x}{V(s_i)}\right) \right] \\ &= E_{V(s_i)} \left\{ E_{Y|V(s_i)} \left[\mathbf{1}\left(Y > \frac{x}{V(s_i)}\right) \middle| V(s_i) \right] \right\} \\ &= E_{V(s_i)} \left\{ P\left(Y > \frac{x}{V(s_i)} \middle| V(s_i)\right) \right\} \\ &= E_{V(s_i)} \left\{ \frac{V(s_i)}{x} \right\} = \frac{E[V(s_i)]}{x} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P(W(s_1) > x, W(s_2) > x) &= P(YV(s_1) > x, YV(s_2) > x) \\ &= P\left(Y > \frac{x}{V(s_1)}, Y > \frac{x}{V(s_2)}\right) \\ &= P\left(Y > \frac{x}{V(s_1)} \vee \frac{x}{V(s_2)}\right) \\ &= P\left(Y > x \left(\frac{1}{V(s_1)} \vee \frac{1}{V(s_2)}\right)\right) \\ &= P\left(Y > x \left(\frac{1}{V(s_1) \wedge V(s_2)}\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{E[V(s_1) \wedge V(s_2)]}{x} \end{aligned}$$

by using arguments similar in the first set of equations. Then for a simple Pareto process at points $s_1, s_2 \in S$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_{12}^W &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} P(W(s_1) > x | W(s_2) > x) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x E[V(s_1) \wedge V(s_2)]}{x E[V(s_2)]} \\ &= \frac{E[V(s_1) \wedge V(s_2)]}{E[V(s_2)]}\end{aligned}$$

This is from Ferreira and de Haan (2014), but with some clarity (for the dummies of the universe) as to how they got to the expectations.