

Examples of supermodular functions. For $\{X, X'\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, label $\{\hat{X}, \tilde{X}\}$ their monotone rearrangement with $\hat{X}_i \leq \tilde{X}_i$. Let $\delta_{\text{call}}(t) = (t - K)^+$ and $\delta_{\text{put}}(t) = (K - t)^+$.

1. $c(X) = \delta_{\text{call}}(\min_i X_i)$. Take arbitrary $\{X, X'\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ and suppose wlog $\min_i X_i \leq \min_i X'_i$. By the monotone rearrangement,

$$\begin{aligned} \min_i \hat{X}_i &= \min_i \{\min\{X_i, X'_i\}\} \\ &= \min\left\{\min_i X_i, \min_i X'_i\right\} \\ &= \min_i X_i \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \min \tilde{X}_i &= \min_i \{\max\{X_i, X'_i\}\} \\ &\geq \min_i X'_i \end{aligned}$$

Then $c(\hat{X}) = c(X)$, and since δ_{call} is non-decreasing, $c(\tilde{X}) \geq c(X')$.

We have the supermodular inequality $c(\hat{X}) + c(\tilde{X}) \geq c(X) + c(X')$.

2. $c(X) = \delta_{\text{put}}(\max_i X_i)$. Take arbitrary $\{X, X'\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ and suppose wlog $\max_i X_i \leq \max_i X'_i$. By an analogous reasoning as above, we have $\max \tilde{X}_i = \max X'_i$, $\max \hat{X}_i \leq \max X_i$, $c(\tilde{X}) = c(X')$ and $c(\hat{X}) \geq c(X)$ since δ_{put} is non-increasing. Again we have $c(\hat{X}) + c(\tilde{X}) \geq c(X) + c(X')$.