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Editorial

The second publication of the 70th volume of *The Philippine Statistician* includes five papers exploring applications of statistical theories and methods. Z. Algamal and co-authors propose a modified logistic ridge estimator to decrease shrinkage parameter and improve the resultant estimator with small bias. S. Dar and co-authors illustrate a new compound probability model applicable by compounding Poisson distribution with two parameter Pranav distribution to count data while S. Khare and co-authors analyze classes of estimators under new calibration schemes using non-conventional measures of dispersion. Z. F. Althobaiti and A. Shabri investigate the economic aspects of gas emissions and predict CO_2 emissions using annual time series data in Saudi Arabia. M. Ghalibaf presents two new tests for tail independence in extreme value models.

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A Modified Ridge Estimator for the Logistic Regression Model

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The ridge estimator has been consistently demonstrated to be an attractive shrinkage method to reduce the effects of multicollinearity. The logistic regression model is a well-known model in application when the response variable is binary data. However, it is known that multicollinearity negatively affects the variance of maximum likelihood estimator of the logistic regression coefficients. To address this problem, a logistic ridge regression model has been proposed by numerous researchers. In this paper, a modified logistic ridge estimator (MLRE) is proposed and derived. The idea behind the MLRE is to get diagonal matrix with small values of diagonal elements that leading to decrease the shrinkage parameter and, therefore, the resultant estimator can be better with small amount of bias. Our Monte Carlo simulation results suggest that the MLRE estimator can bring significant improvement relative to other existing estimators.

Keywords: multicollinearity, ridge estimator, logistic regression model, shrinkage, Monte Carlo simulation

I. Introduction

Logistic regression model is widely applied for studying several real data problems, such as in medicine (Algamal and Lee 2015a). In dealing with the

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logistic regression model, it is assumed that there is no correlation among the explanatory variables. In practice, however, this assumption often not holds, which leads to the problem of multicollinearity. In the presence of multicollinearity, when estimating the regression coefficients for logistic regression model using the maximum likelihood (ML) method, the estimated coefficients are usually become unstable with a high variance, and therefore low statistical significance (Kibria et al. 2015). Numerous remedial methods have been proposed to overcome the problem of multicollinearity. The ridge regression method (Hoerl and Kennard 1970) has been consistently demonstrated to be an attractive and alternative to the ML estimation method.

Ridge regression is a shrinkage method that shrinks all regression coefficients toward zero to reduce the large variance (Asar and Genç 2015; Rashad and Algamal 2019). This is done by adding a positive amount to the diagonal of $X^T X$. As a result, the ridge estimator is biased but it guaranties a smaller mean squared error than the ML estimator.

In linear regression, the ridge estimator is defined as

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{Ridge} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + k\mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}, \qquad (1)$$

where *y* is an *n* x 1 vector of observations of the response variable, $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1, ..., \mathbf{x}_p)$ is an *n* x *p* known design matrix of explanatory variables, $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\beta_1, ..., \beta_p)$ is a *p* x 1 vector of unknown regression coefficients, **I** is the identity matrix with dimension *p* x *p*, and $k \ge 0$ represents the ridge parameter (shrinkage parameter). The ridge parameter, *k*, controls the shrinkage of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ toward zero. The OLS estimator can be considered as a special estimator from Eq. (1) with k = 0. For larger value of *k*, the $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{Ridge}$ estimator yields greater shrinkage approaching zero (Algamal and Lee 2015b; Hoerl and Kennard 1970).

2. Logistic Ridge Regression Model

Logistic regression is a statistical method to model a binary classification problem. The regression function has a nonlinear relation with the linear combination of the variables. In binary classification, the response variable of the logistic regression has two values either 1 for the tumor class, or 0 for the normal class. Let $\mathbf{y}_i \in \{0,1\}$ be a vector of size $n \ge 1$ of tissues, and let \mathbf{x}_j be a $p \ge 1$ vector of variables. The logistic transformation of the vector of probability estimates $\pi_i = p(y_i = 1 | \mathbf{x}_j)$ is modeled by a linear function, logit transformation,

$$\ln[\pi_i/1 - \pi_i] = \beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{P} \mathbf{x}_j^T \beta_j, i = 1, 2, ..., n,$$
(2)

where β_0 is the intercept, and β_j is a *p* x 1 vector of unknown variable coefficients. The log-likelihood function of Eq. (1) is defined as

$$\ell(\boldsymbol{\beta}_0, \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \mathbf{y}_i \ln \pi(\mathbf{x}_{ij}) + (1 - \mathbf{y}_i) \ln(1 - \pi(\mathbf{x}_{ij})) \right\}.$$
(3)

Logistic regression offers the advantage of simultaneously estimating the probabilities $\pi(\mathbf{x}_{ij})$ and $1-\pi(\mathbf{x}_{ij})$ for each class and classifying subjects. The probability of classifying the i^{th} sample in class 1 is estimated by $\hat{\pi}_i = \exp\left(\beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{x}_j^T \beta_j\right) / (1 + \exp\left(\beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{x}_j^T \beta_j\right)$ (Algamal and Lee 2017; Algamal and Lee 2018; Algamal et al. 2017). The predicted class is then obtained by $I\{\hat{\pi}_i > 0.5\}$, where $I(\bullet)$ is an indicator function. The ML estimator is then obtained by computing the first derivative of the Eq. (2) and setting it equal to zero. Then, ML estimators of the logistic regression parameters (LRM) as

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRM} = (\mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \hat{\mathbf{v}}, \qquad (4)$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{W}} = \text{diag}(\hat{\theta}_i)$ and $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ is a vector where i^{th} element equals to logit link function. The ML estimator is asymptotically normally distributed with a covariance matrix that corresponds to the inverse of the Hessian matrix

$$\operatorname{cov}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRM}) = \left[-E\left(\frac{\partial^2 \ell(\boldsymbol{\beta})}{\partial \beta_i \partial \beta_k}\right) \right]^{-1} = (\mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X})^{-1}.$$
 (5)

The mean squared error (MSE) of Eq. (5) can be obtained as

$$MSE(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRM}) = E(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRM} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})^{T}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRM} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})$$
$$= tr \Big[(\mathbf{X}^{T} \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X})^{-1} \Big]$$
$$= \sum_{j=1}^{p} \frac{1}{\lambda_{j}},$$
(6)

where λ_i is the eigenvalue of the $\mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X}$ matrix.

In the presence of multicollinearity, the matrix $\mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X}$ becomes illconditioned leading to high variance and instability of the ML estimator of the Poisson regression parameters (Algamal 2018a; Algamal 2018b; Algamal and Alanaz 2018; Algamal and Asar 2018; Alkhateeb and Algamal 2020; Yahya Algamal 2018). As a remedy, Schaefer et al. (1984) proposed the logistic ridge regression model (LRRM) as

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRRM} = (\mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X} + k\mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRM}$$
$$= (\mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X} + k\mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \hat{\mathbf{v}},$$
(7)

where $k \ge 0$. The ML estimator can be considered as a special estimator from Eq. (7) with k = 0. Regardless of k value, the MSE of the $\hat{\beta}_{LRRM}$ is smaller than that of $\hat{\beta}_{LRM}$ because the MSE of $\hat{\beta}_{LRRM}$ is equal to (Asar et al. 2017; Asar and Genç 2015; Kibria et al. 2012; Lukman et al. 2020; Månsson et al. 2011; Schaefer et al. 1984; Wu et al. 2016)

$$MSE(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRRM}) = \sum_{j=1}^{p} \frac{\lambda_j}{(\lambda_j + k)^2} + k^2 \sum_{j=1}^{p} \frac{\alpha_j}{(\lambda_j + k)^2},$$
(8)

where α_j is defined as the j^{th} element of $\hat{\gamma}_{LRM}^{\beta}$ and γ is the eigenvector of the $\mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X}$ matrix. Comparing with the MSE of Eq. (6), MSE($\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRRM}$) is always small for k > 0.

3. The New Estimator

In this section, the new estimator is introduced and derived. Let $\mathbf{M} = (m_1, m_2, ..., m_p)$ and $\Lambda = \text{diag} (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_p)$, respectively, "be the matrices of eigenvectors and eigenvalues of the $\mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X}$ matrix, such that $\mathbf{M}^T \mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{S}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{S} = \Lambda$, where $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{M}$. Consequently, the logistic regression estimator of Eq. (4), $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRM}$, can be written as

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{LRM} = \boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{-1} \boldsymbol{S}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \hat{\mathbf{v}}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LRM} = \mathbf{M} \hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{LRM}.$$
(9)

Accordingly, the logistic ridge estimator, $\hat{\beta}_{LRRM}$, is rewritten as

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{LRRM} = (\boldsymbol{\Lambda} + \mathbf{K})^{-1} \mathbf{S}^T \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{v}$$

= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K} \mathbf{D}^{-1}) \hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{LRM}, (10)

where $\mathbf{D} = \Lambda + \mathbf{K}$ and $\mathbf{K} = \text{diag}(k_1, k_2, ..., k_p); k_i \ge 0, i = 1, 2, ..., p$.

In generalized ridge estimator, the Jackknifing approach was used (Khurana et al. 2014; Nyquist 1988; Singh et al. 1986). Batah et al. (2008) proposed a modified Jackknifed ridge regression estimator in linear regression model.

In this paper, the modified estimator (MLRE) is derived by following the study of Batah et al. (2008). Let the Jackknife estimator (JE), in logistic regression, defined as

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{JE} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^2 \mathbf{D}^{-2}) \hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{LRM}, \qquad (11)$$

and the modified Jackknife estimator (MJE) of Batah et al. (2008), in logistic regression model, is defined as

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MJE} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^2\mathbf{D}^{-2})\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{LRM}.$$
(12)

Consequently, our modified estimator is an improvement of Eq. (12) by multiplying it with the amount $[(I-K^3D^{-3}) / (I-K^2D^{-2})]$. The idea behind this is to get diagonal matrix with small values of diagonal elements which leading to decrease the shrinkage parameter, and, therefore, the resultant estimator can be better with small amount of bias. The new estimator is defined as

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}MLRE = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{2}\mathbf{D}^{-2})\frac{(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{3}\mathbf{D}^{-3})}{(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{2}\mathbf{D}^{-2})}\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}LRM,$$
(13)

and

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{MLRE} = \mathbf{M}^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE}.$$
(14)

4. Bias, Variance, and MSE of the New Estimator

The MSE of the new estimator can be obtained as

$$MSE(\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE}) = \operatorname{var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE}) + \left[\operatorname{bias}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE})\right]^2$$
(15)

According to Eq. (15), the bias and variance of $\hat{\gamma}_{MLRE}$ can be obtained as, respectively,

bias
$$(\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE}) = E[\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE}] - \boldsymbol{\gamma}$$

= $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{3}\mathbf{D}^{-3})E[\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE}] - \boldsymbol{\gamma}$
= $-\mathbf{K}[(\mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})^{-1} - (\mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1}) + \mathbf{K}^{2}\mathbf{D}^{-2}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})]\mathbf{D}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\gamma},$ (16)

$$\operatorname{var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE}) = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{3}\mathbf{D}^{-3})\operatorname{var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE})(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{3}\mathbf{D}^{-3})^{T}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})^{T}$$
$$= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{3}\mathbf{D}^{-3})\Lambda^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{3}\mathbf{D}^{-3})^{T}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})^{T}.$$
(17)

Then,

$$MSE(\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_{MLRE}) = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{3}\mathbf{D}^{-3})\Lambda^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^{3}\mathbf{D}^{-3})^{T}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})^{T} + \begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{K} \Big[(\mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})^{-1} - (\mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1}) + \mathbf{K}^{2}\mathbf{D}^{-2}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1}) \Big] \mathbf{D}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\gamma} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{K} \Big[(\mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})^{-1} - (\mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1})^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1}) + \mathbf{K}^{2}\mathbf{D}^{-2}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{D}^{-1}) \Big] \mathbf{D}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\gamma} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
(18)
$$= \mathbf{\Phi}\Lambda^{-1}\mathbf{\Phi}^{T} + \mathbf{K}\mathbf{\Psi}\mathbf{D}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\gamma}\boldsymbol{\gamma}^{T}\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{\Psi}^{T}\mathbf{K},$$

where $\Phi = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}^3 \mathbf{D}^{-3})^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K} \mathbf{D}^{-1})$ and $\Psi = [\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{D}^{-1} - \mathbf{K} \mathbf{D}^{-3} \mathbf{K}]$.

2.7. Selection of parameter k

The efficiency of ridge estimator strongly depends on appropriately choosing the k parameter. To estimate the values of k for our new estimator, the most well-known used estimation methods are employed and are given below (Kibria et al. 2015).

1. Hoerl and Kennard (1970) (HK), which is defined as

$$k_j(\text{HK}) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\alpha_{\text{max}}^2}, j = 1, 2, ..., p,$$
 (19)

where $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{\theta}_i)^2 / n - p - 1.$

2. Kibria et al. (2015) (KMS1), which is defined as

$$k_{j}(\text{KMS1}) = \text{Median}\left\{\left[\sqrt{\frac{\hat{\sigma}^{2}}{\hat{\alpha}_{j}^{2}}}\right]^{2}\right\}, j = 1, 2, \dots p,$$
(20)

3. Kibria et al. (2015) (KMS2), which is defined as

$$k_{j}(\text{KMS2}) = \text{Median}\left\{\frac{\lambda_{\max}}{(n-p)\hat{\sigma}^{2} + \lambda_{\max}\hat{\alpha}_{j}^{2}}\right\}, j = 1, 2, \dots p,$$
(21)

5. Simulation Study

In this section, a Monte Carlo simulation experiment is used to examine the performance of the new estimator with different degrees of multicollinearity.

The response variable of n observations is generated from Bernoulli distribution regression model by

$$\pi_i = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})}{1 + \exp(\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})},$$
(22)

where $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\beta_0, \beta_1, ..., \beta_p)$ with $\sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j^2 = 1$ and $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = ..., = \beta_p$ (Kibria 2003; Månsson and Shukur 2011)

Månsson and Shukur 2011).

The explanatory variables $x_i^T = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, ..., x_{in})$, have been generated from the following formula

$$x_{ij} = (1 - \rho^2)^{1/2} w_{ij} + \rho w_{ip}, i = 1, 2, ..., n, j = 1, 2, ..., p,$$
(23)

where ρ represents the correlation between the explanatory variables and w_{ij} 's are independent standard normal pseudo-random numbers. Because the sample size has direct impact on the prediction accuracy, three representative values of the sample size are considered: 30, 50 and 100. In addition, the number of the explanatory variables is considered as p=4 and p=8 because increasing the number of explanatory variables can lead to increase the MSE. Further, because we are interested in the effect of multicollinearity, in which the degrees of correlation are considered with $\rho = \{0.90, 0.95, 0.99\}$. For a combination of these different values of n, p, and ρ , the generated data is repeated 1000 times and the averaged mean squared errors (MSE) is calculated as

$$MSE(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \frac{1}{1000} \sum_{i=1}^{1000} (\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta})^T (\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}), \qquad (23)$$

where $\hat{\beta}$ is the estimated coefficients for the used estimator.

6. Simulation Results

The estimated MSE of Eq. (24) for MLE, LRM, and MLRE, for all the different selection methods of k and the combination of n, p, and ρ , are summarized in Tables 1, 2, and 3, respectively. Several observations can be made.

First, in terms of ρ values, there is increasing in the MSE values when the correlation degree increases regardless of the value of *n*, *p*. However, MLRE performs better than LRM and MLE for all the different selection methods of *k*. For instance, in Table 1, when *p* = 8 and ρ = 0.99, the MSE of MLRE was about 4.38%, 3.13%, and 2.86% lower than that of LRM for KH, KMS1 and KMS2, respectively. In addition, the MSE of MLRE was about 53.51% lower than that of MLE.

Second, regarding the number of explanatory variables, it is easily seen that there is increasing in the MSE values when the p increasing from four variables to eight variables. Although this increasing can affect the quality of an estimator, MLRE is achieved the lowest MSE comparing with MLE and LRM, for different n, p and different selection methods of k.

Third, with respect to the value of n, the MSE values decrease when n increases, regardless of the value of ρ , p, and the value of k. However, MLRE still consistently outperforms LRM and MLE by providing the lowest MSE.

Finally, for the different selection methods of *k*, the performance of all methods suggesting that the MLRE estimator is better than the other two estimators used. The KMS1 efficiently provides less MSE comparing with the KMS1 and KH for both MLRE and LRM estimators. Besides, KH is more efficient for providing less MSE than KMS2 or both MLRE and LRM estimators.

To summarize, all the considered values of n, p, ρ , and the value of k, MLRE is superior to LRM, clearly indicating that the new proposed estimator is more efficient.

			KH		KMS1		KMS2				
	ρ	MLE	LRM	MLRE	LRM	MLRE	LRM	MLRE			
<i>p</i> = 4	0.90	6.367	2.406	2.253	2.046	1.945	2.791	2.691			
	0.95	6.995	2.637	2.486	2.495	2.394	2.952	2.849			
	0.99	7.393	3.287	3.135	3.027	2.926	3.296	3.195			
<i>p</i> = 8	0.90	6.472	2.608	2.455	2.238	2.137	2.986	2.885			
	0.95	7.091	2.839	2.686	2.687	2.586	3.145	3.044			
	0.99	7.506	3.489	3.336	3.219	3.118	3.491	3.391			

Table 1. MSE values when n = 30

Table 2. MSE values when n = 50

			КН		KMS1		KMS2	
	ρ	MLE	LRM	MLRE	LRM	MLRE	LRM	MLRE
	0.90	6.04	2.079	1.926	1.719	1.618	2.464	2.363
<i>p</i> = 4	0.95	6.668	2.312	2.159	2.168	2.067	2.623	2.522
	0.99	7.066	2.962	2.808	2.711	2.599	2.969	2.868
<i>p</i> = 8	0.90	6.145	2.281	2.128	1.911	1.811	2.659	2.558
	0.95	6.764	2.512	2.359	2.362	2.259	2.818	2.717
	0.99	7.179	3.162	3.009	2.892	2.791	3.164	3.063

Table 3. MSE values when n = 100

			КН		KMS1		KMS2	
	ρ	MLE	LRM	MLRE	LRM	MLRE	LRM	MLRE
<i>p</i> = 4	0.90	5.628	1.667	1.514	1.307	1.206	2.052	1.951
	0.95	6.256	1.898	1.747	1.756	1.655	2.211	2.112
	0.99	6.654	2.548	2.396	2.288	2.187	2.557	2.456
<i>p</i> = 8	0.90	5.733	1.869	1.716	1.499	1.398	2.247	2.146
	0.95	6.352	2.141	1.947	1.948	1.847	2.406	2.305
	0.99	6.767	2.751	2.597	2.481	2.379	2.752	2.651

7. Conclusion

In this paper, a modified estimator of logistic ridge regression is proposed to overcome the multicollinearity problem in the logistic regression model. According to Monte Carlo simulation studies, the modified estimator has a better performance than the maximum likelihood estimator and ordinary logistic ridge estimator, in terms of MSE. In conclusion, the use of the modified estimator is recommended when multicollinearity is present in the logistic regression model.

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A New Compound Probability Model Applicable to Count Data

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In this paper, we obtained a new model for count data by compounding of Poisson distribution with two parameter Pranav distribution. Important mathematical and statistical properties of the distribution have been derived and discussed. Then, parameter estimation is discussed using maximum likelihood method of estimation. Finally, real data set is analyzed to investigate the suitability of the proposed distribution in modeling count data.

Keywords: Poisson distribution, two parameter Pranav distribution, compound distribution, count data, simulation study, maximum likelihood estimation.

1. Introduction

There has been a growing concern from the last few decades to obtain flexible parametric probability distributions that can be used to model different types of data sets which cannot be quartered by classical distributions. To obtain such flexible distributions, compounding of probability distribution is comprehensive and advanced technique as it provides a very powerful way to enlarge common

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parametric families of distribution to fit data sets that is not adequately fitted by classical probability distributions. Bhati et al. (2015) derived a new generalized Poisson Lindley distribution that finds applications in automobile insurance and epileptic seizure counts. Shaban (1981) built a new compound probability model for analysing count data by compounding Poisson distribution with Inverse Gaussian distribution that finds application in accidents analysis. Hassan S. Bakouch (2018) derived a count data probability model by compounding weighted negative binomial and Lindley distribution. Simon (1955) constructed a new probability model for count data by compounding Poisson with beta distribution. Pielou (1962) obtained a new compound distribution by mixing Poisson with exponential beta distribution. Sankaran (1969) constructed a class of compound Poisson distribution. Rai (1971) presented a compound of Poisson power function distribution. Mahmoudi et al. (2018) introduces a new probability model for count data by compounding Poisson with beta exponential distribution and taking Poisson distribution as parent distribution. Stacy (1962) derived a three parameter life time generalized gamma distribution. Shanker and Fesshaye (2015) introduced a new compounding probability model for count data, by compounding Poisson distribution with Lindley distribution and find its applications in biological science. Aryuyen and Bodhisuwan (2013) obtained a new compound probability model by combining Negative Binomial distribution with generalized exponential distribution. Willmot (1987) introduced the Poisson-inverse Gaussian distribution as an alternative to the negative binomial through compounding machansim. Hassan, Dar and Ahmad (2019) introduced a new compounding probability model for count data, by compounding Poisson distribution with Ishita distribution and find its applications in epileptic seizure. Lord and Geedipall (2011) showed that Poisson distribution tends to under estimate the number of zeros given the mean of the data while the negative Binomial distribution over estimates zero, but under estimate observations with a count. Umeh and Ibenegbu (2019) introduced a two parameter pranav distribution for lifetime data modeling.

In this paper we propose a new count data model which has been built by compounding Poisson distribution with two parameter Pranav distribution and taking Poisson distribution as a parent distribution, as there is a need to find more flexible models for analyzing count data.

2. Definition of Proposed Model (Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution)

If $Z|v \sim P(v)$, where v being itself a random variable following Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution with parameters ζ and η , then determining the distribution that results from marginalizing over v will be known as compound Poison distribution with that of two parameter Pranav distribution, which is denoted by PTPPD (Z; ζ , η). Our proposed model will be discrete as parent distribution is a discrete. **Theorem 1.** The probability mass function of a Poisson two parameter Pranav Distribution, i.e., PTPPD ($Z; \zeta, \eta$) is given by

$$P(Z=z) = \frac{\zeta^4}{(\zeta^4 \eta + 6)} \left[\frac{\zeta \eta (1+\zeta)^3 + (z+3)(z+2)(z+1)}{(1+\zeta)^{z+4}} \right]; z = 0, 1, 2, 3, ...,; \zeta, \eta > 0$$

Proof: The pmf of a Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution can be obtained as

$$j(z \mid v) = \frac{e^{-v}v^x}{(z)!} ; z = 0, 1, 2, 3, ..., ; v > 0$$

When its parameter v follows TPPD with probability density function

$$h(\nu;\zeta) = \frac{\zeta^4 (\eta \zeta + \nu^3) e^{-\zeta \nu}}{\eta \zeta^4 + 6}; \nu > 0, \zeta, \eta > 0$$

The compound of Poisson distribution and two parameter Pranav distribution is given as

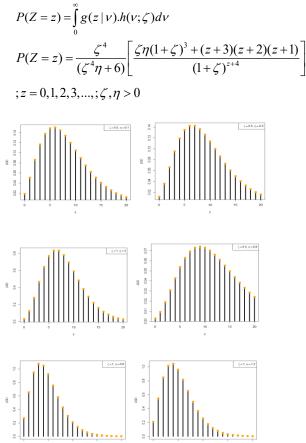


Figure 1 shows the pmf plot for the different values of η and ζ .

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The corresponding cdf of Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution is given as

$$F_{\chi}(x) = 1 - \left(\frac{6 + 24\zeta + 6z\zeta + 36\zeta^{2} + 21z\zeta^{2} + 3z^{2}\zeta^{2} + 24\zeta^{2} + 26\zeta^{2}z + 9z^{2}\zeta^{3} + z^{3}\zeta^{3} + \eta\zeta^{4} + 3\eta\zeta^{5} + 3\eta\zeta^{6} + \eta\zeta^{7}}{(6 + \eta\zeta^{4})(1 + \zeta)^{z^{4}}}\right)$$

2.1. Random data deneration from Poisson weighted Pranav distribution

In order to simulate the data from PTPPD, we employ the discrete version of inverse cdf method. Simulating a sequence of a random numbers $x_1, x_2, x_3, ..., x_n$ from PTPP random variable K with pmf $p(K = x_i) = p_i, \sum_{i=0}^{z} p_{i=1}$ and a cdf $F(K; \zeta, \eta)$, where z may be finite or infinite can be described as following steps:

Step 1: Generate a random number u from uniform distribution U(0,1)Step 2: Generate random number x_i based on

if
$$u \leq p_0 = F(x_0 : \zeta, \eta)$$
 then $K = x_0$

$$f p_0 < u \le p_0 + p_1 = F(x_1 : \zeta, \eta)$$
 then $K = x_1$

if
$$\sum_{j=0}^{z-1} p_j < u < \sum_{j=0}^{z} p_j = F(x_z : \zeta, \eta)$$
 then $K = x_z$

In order to generate *n* random numbers $x_1, x_2, x_3, ..., x_n$ from PTPPD, repeat step 1 and 2 *n* times. We have employed R Studio software for running the simulation study of proposed model.

3. Special Case

If we put $\eta = 1$, then Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution reduces to Poisson Pranav Distribution with pmf given as

$$f(z;\eta) = \frac{\zeta^4}{(\zeta^4 + 6)} \left[\frac{\zeta(1+\zeta)^3 + (z+1)(z+2)(z+3)}{(1+\zeta)^{z+4}} \right]$$

4. Reliability Analysis

In this section, we have obtained the reliability and hazard rate function of the proposed PTPPD.

$$R(z) = \frac{6 + 24\zeta + 6z\zeta + 36\zeta^{2} + 21z\zeta^{2} + 3z^{2}\zeta^{2} + 24\zeta^{2} + 26\zeta^{2}z + 9z^{2}\zeta^{3} + z^{3}\zeta^{3} + \eta\zeta^{4} + 3\eta\zeta^{5} + 3\eta\zeta^{6} + \eta\zeta^{7}}{(6 + \eta\zeta^{4})(1 + \zeta)^{z^{4}}}$$

4.2 Hazard Function

$$H.R = \frac{\zeta^4(\zeta\eta(1+\zeta)^3 + (z+3)(z+2)(z+1))}{6+24\zeta+6z\zeta+36\zeta^2+21z\zeta^2+3z^2\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2z+9z^2\zeta^3+z^3\zeta^3+\eta\zeta^4+3\eta\zeta^5+3\eta\zeta^6+\eta\zeta^7+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2z+9z^2\zeta^3+z^3\zeta^3+\eta\zeta^4+3\eta\zeta^5+3\eta\zeta^6+\eta\zeta^7+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2z+9z^2\zeta^3+z^3\zeta^3+\eta\zeta^4+3\eta\zeta^5+3\eta\zeta^6+\eta\zeta^7+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2z+9z^2\zeta^3+z^3\zeta^3+\eta\zeta^4+3\eta\zeta^5+3\eta\zeta^6+\eta\zeta^7+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2z+9z^2\zeta^3+z^3\zeta^3+\eta\zeta^4+3\eta\zeta^5+3\eta\zeta^6+\eta\zeta^7+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+24\zeta^2+26\zeta^2+24\zeta^2$$

5. Factorial Moment of The Proposed Model

Theorem 5.1. The factorial moments of order s of the proposed model is given by

$$\mu_{(s)'} = \left[\frac{\zeta^4 s! (\eta \zeta^4)! + (+s+3)(s+2)(s+1)}{(\zeta^4 \eta + 6)(\zeta^{4+s})}\right]$$

Proof: The sth factorial moment about origin of the PTPPD can be obtained as

1)

$$\mu_{(s)}' = E[E(Z^{(s)}|v), where Z^{(s)} = Z(Z-1)(Z-2)...(Z-s+\mu_{(s)}') = \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[\sum_{z=0}^{\infty} z^{(s)} \frac{e^{-v}v^{z}}{(z)!}\right] \cdot \frac{\zeta^{4}(\eta\zeta+v^{3})e^{-\zeta v}}{\eta\zeta^{4}+6} dv$$
$$\mu_{(s)}' = \frac{\zeta^{4}}{\eta\zeta^{4}+6} \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[v^{s} \left(\sum_{z=s}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-v}\lambda^{z-s}}{(z-s)!}\right)\right] (\eta\zeta+v^{3})e^{-\zeta v} dv$$

Taking u = z - s, we get

$$\mu_{(s)}' = \frac{\zeta^4}{\eta \zeta^4 + 6} \int_0^\infty \left[v^r \left(\sum_{u=0}^\infty \frac{e^{-v} v^u}{u!} \right) \right] (\eta \zeta + v^3) e^{-\zeta v} dv$$
$$\mu_{(s)'}' = \left[\frac{\zeta^4 s! (\eta \zeta^4 + (+s+3)(s+2)(s+1))}{(\zeta^4 \eta + 6)(\zeta^{4+s})} \right]$$

6. Recurrence Relation Between Probabilities

If Z~PTPPD (ζ , η) then the pmf of Z is given as

$$P(Z=z) = \frac{\zeta^4}{(\zeta^4 \eta + 6)} \left[\frac{\zeta \eta (1+\zeta)^3 + (z+3)(z+2)(z+1)}{(1+\zeta)^{z+4}} \right]$$

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$$P(Z = z + 1) = \frac{\zeta^4}{(\zeta^4 \eta + 6)} \left[\frac{\zeta \eta (1 + \zeta)^3 + (z + 4)(z + 3)(z + 2)}{(1 + \zeta)^{z + 5}} \right]$$

$$\frac{P(Z=z+1)}{P(Z=z)} = \frac{\zeta \eta (1+\zeta)^3 + (z+4)(z+3)(z+2)}{(1+\zeta)\zeta \eta (1+\zeta)^3 + (z+3)(z+2)(z+1)}$$

$$P(Z = z + 1) = \frac{\zeta \eta (1 + \zeta)^3 + (z + 4)(z + 3)(z + 2)}{(1 + \zeta)\zeta \eta (1 + \zeta)^3 + (z + 3)(z + 2)(z + 1)} P(z)$$

7. Estimation of Parameters

In this section, we estimate the unknown parameter of the Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution by using method of maximum likelihood estimation.

7.1. Method of Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Method of Maximum Likelihood Estimation is a simple and the most efficient method of estimation. Let $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, ..., Z_n$, be the random size of sample *n* drawn from PTPPD, then the likelihood function of PTPPD is given as

$$L(z \mid \zeta, \eta) = \frac{\zeta^{4n}}{(\eta \zeta^4 + 6)^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{(\zeta \eta (1 + \zeta)^3 + (z + 1)(z + 2)(z + 3))}{(1 + \zeta)^{z + 4}} \right)$$

$$\log L = 4n \log \zeta + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log(\eta \zeta (1+\zeta)^{3} + (z+1)(z+2)(z+3))$$

- $n \log(\eta \zeta^{4} + 6) - (\sum_{i=1}^{n} z_{i} + 4n) \log(1+\zeta)$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta} \log L = \frac{4n}{\zeta} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{(\eta + 6\eta \zeta + 12\eta \zeta^{2} + \eta \zeta^{3})}{(\eta \zeta (1+\zeta)^{3} + (z+1)(z+2)(z+3))} - \frac{3n\eta \zeta^{2}}{(\eta \zeta^{4} + 6)} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} z_{i} + 4n}{(1+\zeta)} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \log L = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{(\zeta(\zeta+1)^3)}{(\eta \zeta(1+\zeta)^3 + (z+1)(z+2)(z+3))} - \frac{4\zeta^3}{(\eta \zeta^4 + 6)} = 0$$

The above equations can be solved numerically by using R software 3.5.3 [12].

8. Monte Carlo Simulation

In order to investigate the performance of ML estimators for a finite sample size *n* using Monte Carlo simulation procedure. Using the inverse cdf method discussed in subsection 2.1, random data is generated from PTPPD. We took four random variable combinations as $\zeta = 2.8$, $\eta = 1.9$, $\zeta = 1.8$, $\eta = 1.2$, $\zeta = 0.5$, $\eta = 0.2$, and $\zeta = 0.2$, $\eta = 0.6$ to carry out the simulation study and the process was repeated 1000 times by going from small to large sample size n = (20, 50, 100, 200, 300 and 500). From Table 1, it is clear that the estimated variance and MSEs when sample size increases. Thus, the agreement between theory and practice improves as the sample size *n* increases. Hence, the maximum likelihood method performs quite well in estimating the model parameters of Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution.

			$\zeta = 2.8$	$, \eta = 1.9$		$\zeta = 1.8, \eta = 1.2$				
n	Parameters	Bias	Variance	MSE	Coverage probability	Bias	Variance	MSE	Coverage probability	
20	ζ	-0.1212	0.00991	0.024599	0.779	0.065141	0.026776	0.031019	0.911	
	η	0.17434	0.091641	0.122035	0.879	0.044127	0.061243	0.080714	0.924	
50	ζ	-0.10213	0.006715	0.017145	0.901	-0.00913	0.019104	0.019187	0.929	
	η	0.14012	0.061288	0.632513	0.916	0.047141	0.021208	0.021208	0.936	
100	ζ	-0.0934	0.005614	0.014337	0.928	0.011207	0.007472	0.007472	0.938	
	η	0.07131	0.041271	0.046356	0.931	0.016155	0.000984	0.000984	0.941	
200	ζ	-0.0746	0.004124	0.009689	0.941	0.008281	0.000912	0.000912	0.948	
	η	-0.0432	0.022131	0.023997	0.949	-0.00925	0.000471	0.000471	0.949	
300	ζ	-0.0411	0.001971	0.003660	0.951	0.002914	0.000612	0.000612	0.951	
	η	-0.0081	0.000824	0.000824	0.958	0.006714	0.000305	0.000305	0.958	
500	ζ	-0.01721	0.000341	0.000341	0.961	0.006923	0.000169	0.000216	0.961	
	η	-0.00910	0.000321	0.000321	0.970	0.001247	0.000106	0.000116	0.969	
			$\zeta = 0.5$	$, \eta = 0.2$		$\zeta = 0.2, \eta = 0.6$				
n	Parameters	Bias	Variance	MSE	Coverage probability	Bias	Variance	MSE	Coverage probability	
20	ζ	0.352110	0.594472	0.718453	0.799	0.439618	1.281363	1.281363	0.891	
	η	0.347808	0.393186	0.514156	0.839	0.395411	0.599706	0.756055	0.920	
50	ζ	0.141019	0.310896	0.330782	0.906	0.485997	0.458776	0.458776	0.932	
	η	0.092191	0.191920	0.200419	0.936	0.368474	0.239788	0.239788	0.939	
100	ζ	-0.028951	0.198916	0.199754	0.941	0.246598	0.390818	0.980818	0.943	
	η	0.058024	0.146899	0.150265	0.948	0.259943	0.193187	0.193187	0.948	
200	ζ	-0.023804	0.108879	0.109446	0.951	0.138508	0.125871	0.145055	0.953	
	η	0.003426	0.073616	0.073616	0.954	0.102548	0.094570	0.094570	0.959	
300	ζ	0.042858	0.065758	0.065758	0.959	0.038300	0.068572	0.068572	0.964	
	η	0.059003	0.039284	0.039284	0.962	0.030150	0.032064	0.032064	0.969	
500	ζ	0.342880	0.007762	0.007762	0.968	0.323610	0.003848	0.003848	0.972	
	η	0.327908	0.003491	0.003491	0.974	0.295564	0.006709	0.006709	0.979	

 Table 1. Average Bias, Variance and MSE of ML Estimates of Poisson Two

 Parameter Pranav Distribution for Different Sample Sizes

9. Application of Poisson Two Parameter Pranav Distribution

In order to demonstrate the flexibility and applicability of the proposed distribution in modeling count data set, we have analyzed a data set representing automobile insurance polices (see Klugum et al. 2008), for illustrating the claim that PTPPD is providing better fits when compared to PLD, GD, PD, ZIPD and NBD. The data has a long right tail and approaches to zero slowly. The data sets are given in Table 2.

Z	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Observed Counts	7840	1317	239	42	14	4	4	1	0

Table 2. Dataset Representing Automobile Insurance Polices Counts(see Klugman et al. (2008))

For estimation of parameters of the distribution, maximum likelihood method and R software has been used. Parameter estimates, standard errors and model function of the fitted distribution is given in Table 3.

Table 3. Parameter Estimates and Standard Errors for Ffitted Distributions
for Dataset 2 (Estimated parameters and standard error for fitted distributions for
dataset representing automobile insurance polices counts)

Distribution	Parameter Estimates (Standard Error)	Model function
PTPPD	$\zeta = 5.62 (0.4)$ $\eta = 0.08 (0.06)$	$P(Z=z) = \frac{\zeta^4}{(\zeta^4\eta + 6)} \left[\frac{\zeta\eta(1+\zeta)^3 + (z+3)(z+2)(z+1)}{(1+\zeta)^{z+4}} \right]$ $Z = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots; \zeta\eta > 0$
PD	v = 0.21 (0.04)	$p(z) = \frac{e^{-v}v^z}{z!} v > 0; z = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
PLD	$\eta = 5.39 (0.11)$	$p(z) = \frac{\eta^2 (z + \eta + 2)}{(\eta + 1)^{z+3}} \qquad Z = 0, 1, 2, \dots \theta > 0$
GD	<i>p</i> = 0.82 (0.03)	$p(z) = q^{z}p$ $0 < q < 1; q = 1-p; z = 0,1,2,$
NBD	r = 0.70, p = 0.77 (0.2, 0.04)	$p(z) = {\binom{z+r-1}{z}} p^r q^z, z = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ r > 0 and 0 < p < 1
ZIPD	$\eta = 0.46, \sigma = 0.54 \\ (0.02, 0.02)$	$p(z) = \begin{cases} \eta + (1-\eta)\frac{e^{-\sigma}\sigma^{z}}{z!}, \sigma > 0; z = 0\\ (1-\eta)\frac{e^{-\sigma}\sigma^{z}}{z!}, \sigma > 0; z = 0, 1, 2, \end{cases}$
		$0 < \eta < 1; \sigma > 0$

We have fitted Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution (PTPPD), zero inflated Poisson distribution (ZIPD), geometric distribution (GD), Poisson Lindley distribution (PLD), negative binomial distribution (NBD) and Poisson distribution (PD) to the data set given in Table 2. In order to check the goodness of fit of the model and estimation of parameters of the model, Person's chi-square test R studio statistical software has been used. The results are given in Table 4. It is clear from the expected frequencies and the corresponding value of chi-square that Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution provides a satisfactorily better fit for the data set representing automobile insurance claims as compared to other competing models. It is also clear from Figure 2 the values of expected frequencies that Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution provides a closer fit than that provided by other competing models.

Z	Observed Counts	PD	ZIPD	GD	PLD	NBD	PTPPD
0	7840	627.9	7840	7790.9	7757.7	7879.2	7816.3
1	1317	1703.2	1272.4	1375.25	1381.3	1268.5	1334.6
2	239	2310	296.55	242.75	241.5	248	248.1
3	42	2088.7	46	42.85	41.75	51.3	45.6
4	14	1416.5	5.4	7.55	7.15	10.9	10.1
5	4	768.5	0.5	1.35	1.2	2.4	3.1
6	4	374.4	0.1	0.25	0.2	0.5	2.6
7	1	134.6	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5
8	0	64.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.01
Degrees	s of freedom	4	2	3	3	2	3
Chi-Statistic Value		16517	61.2	23.5	27.4	32.2	3.95
p-	-value	0	0	0	0	0	0.266

 Table 4. Fitted PTPPD and Other Competing Models to a Dataset Representing Automobile Insurance Polices

AIC (Akaike information criterion) and BIC (Bayesian information criterion) criterions has been used for comparing our proposed model with other competing models. The lower values of AIC and BIC corresponds to better fitting of model.

As it is clear from Table 5, that the Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution has lesser values of AIC and BIC as compared to other competing models, hence we can concluded that the Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution leads to a better fit than the other competing models for analyzing the data set given in Table 2.

Criterion	PD	ZIPD	GD	PLD	NBD	PTPPD
-logl	5359.5	5375.6	5354.7	5356.25	5358	5348.7
AIC	10725	10755.2	10755.2	10714.5	10718	10701.4
BIC	10746.4	10769.5	10769.5	10721.7	10720.2	10701.8

 Table 5. AIC, BIC and -logl for Fitted Models to a Dataset

 Representing Automobile Insurance Polices

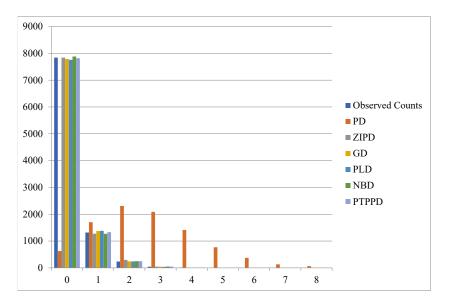


Figure 2. Graphical overview of fitted models to dataset given in Table 2

10. Conclusion

In this paper, we discussed a new model which has been built using compounding technique. Statistical and mathematical properties such as reliability, hazard rate and moments have been discussed. Finally, a real data set is discussed to demonstrate the fitness and applicability of the Poisson two parameter Pranav distribution in modeling count dataset.

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Classes of Estimators under New Calibration Schemes using Non-conventional Measures of Dispersion

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In this paper, we proposed two classes of estimators under two new calibration schemes for a heterogeneous population by incorporating auxiliary information of Non-Conventional Measures of dispersion which are robust against the presence of outlier in the data. Theoretical results are supported by simulation studies conducted on six bivariate populations generated using exponential and normal distributions. The biases and percentage relative efficiencies (PRE) of the proposed and other related estimators in the study were computed and results indicated that the estimators proposed under suggested calibration schemes perform on average more efficiently than conventional unbiased estimator, Rao and Khan (2016) and Nidhi et al. (2017).

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1. Introduction

Traditional method of estimating mean of a study variable y in heterogeneous population stratified into K homogeneous non-overlapping subgroups is to use conventional estimator defined in Eq. (1) as follow:

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$$\tau_{st} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{y}_h \tag{1}$$

where, $\Psi_h = N_h / N$, $\overline{y}_h = n_h^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} y_{hi}$, n_h is sample size of units drawn with SRSWOR from stratum *h*, N_h is the size of stratum *h* and y_{hi} is the *i*th observation of stratum *h*.

Utilizing information on supplementary variables to improve the precision of estimators at planning, designing and estimation stage is a well-known approach in sampling theory. Estimation, especially in stratified sampling, entails attaching weight to sample data followed by calculating the weighted mean. Deville and Sarndal (1992) suggested modified weights which improve the precision of an estimate using a procedure called calibration. Many authors have proposed estimators and studied their properties in this direction including Singh & Mohl (1996), Estevao and Sarndal (2000), Audu et al. (2020a), Audu et al. (2020b) and Audu et al. (2021). Tracy et al. (2003) obtained calibration weights for population mean by using first and second order moment of auxiliary variable in stratified random sampling. Kim et al. (2007) utilized calibration approach in defining estimators for population variance in stratified random sampling. Barktus and Pumputis (2010) proposed calibration estimator in stratified sampling for estimating population ratio. Sud et al. (2014) and Estevao & Sarndal (2002) have proposed estimators for different population parameters under different sampling schemes that satisfy the underlying constraints. The weights in stratified sampling are only a function of stratum size which does not gives importance to the stratum information.

Rao and Khan (2016) suggested two new calibration schemes by additively transforming both stratum sample and population means of auxiliary variable using sample and population coefficient of variation respectively in the constraints with respect to usual unbiased estimator $\tau_0 = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \, \overline{y}_h$, where $\Psi_h = N_h / N$ is the stratum weight and \overline{y}_h is the stratum average of study variable y. The calibration weights Ψ_{h1}^* and Ψ_{h2}^* are selected so as to minimize the distance function $Z_j = \sum_{h=1}^{K} (\Psi_{hj}^* - \Psi_h)^2 / \Psi_h \phi_h$, j = 1, 2 subject to calibration constraints $\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h1}^* (\overline{x}_h + c_{xh}) = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h (\overline{X}_h + C_{xh})$ and $\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h2}^* (\overline{x}_h + c_{xh} + 1) = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h (\overline{X}_h + C_{xh} + 1)$ respectively, where \overline{x}_h and \overline{X}_h are sample mean and population mean of h^{th}

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$$c_{xh} = \frac{s_{xh}}{\overline{x}_h}, C_{Xh} = \frac{S_{Xh}}{\overline{X}_h}, s_{xh}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_h} (x_{hi} - \overline{x}_h)^2}{n_h - 1}, \ \overline{x}_h = \frac{1}{n_h} \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} x_{hi}, \ S_{Xh}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_h} (x_{hi} - \overline{X}_h)^2}{N_h - 1}$$

The two schemes proposed are as follow;

$$\tau_{RK1} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{y}_h \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \left(\overline{X}_h + C_X \right) \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \left(\overline{x}_h + c_x \right) \right)^{-1}$$
(2)

$$\tau_{RK2} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{y}_h \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \left(1 + \overline{X}_h + C_X \right) \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \left(1 + \overline{x}_h + c_x \right) \right)^{-1}$$
(3)

where Ψ_h is the stratum weight, C_x is the population coefficient of variation of X, and c_x is the sample coefficient of variation of X.

However, τ_{RK1} and τ_{RK2} are functions of coefficients of variation which can be affected by the presence of extreme values or outliers.

Recently, Nidhi et al. (2017) suggested a new calibration procedure with respect to usual unbiased estimator $\tau_0 = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{y}_h$, where $\Psi_h = N_h/N$ is the stratum weight, and \overline{y}_h is the stratum average of study variable y. The calibration weights Ψ_h^* is selected so as to minimize the distance function $Z = \sum_{h=1}^{K} (\Psi_h^* - \Psi_h)^2 / \Psi_h \phi_h$ subject to two calibration constraints $\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h^* \overline{x}_h = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{X}_h$ and $\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h^* = 1$, where \overline{x}_h and \overline{X}_h are sample mean and population mean of h^{th} stratum. For the cases $\varphi_h = 1$ and $\phi_h = \overline{x}_h^{-1}$, Nidhi et al. (2017) obtained new calibrated estimators

$$\tau_{NSSS1} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{y}_h + \hat{\beta}_{st1} \left(\overline{X} - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{x}_h \right)$$
(4)

and

$$\tau_{NSSS2} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{y}_h + \hat{\beta}_{st2} \left(\overline{X} - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{x}_h \right)$$
(5)

respectively where

$$\hat{\beta}_{st1} = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{x}_h \overline{y}_h - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{y}_h \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{x}_h}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{x}_h^2 - \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{x}_h\right)^2}$$

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$$\hat{\beta}_{st2} = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{y}_h \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h / \overline{x}_h - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{y}_h / \overline{x}_h}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \overline{x}_h \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h / \overline{x}_h - 1}$$

2. New Calibration Estimators

The coefficient of variation is affected by outliers, hence, an alternative to the estimators τ_{RK1} and τ_{RK2} would be to replace the coefficient of variation with robust measures of dispersion. Measures of dispersion which are robust to outliers are useful in cases when the population departs from normality. Motivated by Subzar et al. (2018), we proposed new calibration estimators in stratified random sampling using information on robust measures such as Gini's mean difference $G_M(g_M)$, Downton's method $D_M(d_M)$ and probability weighted moments $P_M(p_M)$.

Let $z \in \Re^+$ be population with units $z_i, 1, 2, ..., N$, then;

$$G_{M}(z) = 2N^{-1}(N-1)^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{N}(2i-N-1)z_{i}$$
(6)

$$D_{M}(z) = 2\sqrt{\pi}N^{-1}(N-1)^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{N}(i-(N+1)/2)z_{i}$$
(7)

$$P_{WM}(z) = \sqrt{\pi} N^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (2i - (N+1)) z_i$$
(8)

Also, let u be sample with unit u_i , 1,2,..., n, then;

$$g_{M}(u) = 2n^{-1}(n-1)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (2i-n-1)u_{i}$$
(9)

$$d_{M}(u) = 2\sqrt{\pi}n^{-1}(n-1)^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(i-(n+1)/2)u_{i}$$
(10)

$$p_M(u) = \sqrt{\pi} n^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^n (2i - (n+1))u_i$$
(11)

Downton's Method, Gini's Mean Method and Probability Weighted Method have been studied by several authors (see David 1968, Downton 1966, Greenwood et al 1979, Yitzhaki 2003). Some existing literature on the improvement of estimators that utilized these robust functions include Abid et al. (2016), Gupta and Yadav (2017) and Yadav and Zaman (2021).

2.1. First new calibration scheme

To obtain the first class of calibration estimator, consider estimator defined in Eq. (12) in stratified sampling;

$$\tau_{ARi} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Theta_{hi}^* \overline{y}_h, \quad i = 1, 2, 3.$$

$$(12)$$

where Θ_{hi}^* is the new calibration weight that minimizes the Chi-square function denoted Z^* subject to constraints involving the non-standard measures of dispersion, that is,

$$\min Z^{*} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \left(\Theta_{hi}^{*} - \Psi_{h} \right)^{2} / \Psi_{h} \phi_{h}$$

$$st \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Theta_{hi}^{*} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + v_{ih}(x) \right) = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + V_{ih}(x) \right)$$

$$\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Theta_{hi}^{*} = 1$$

$$(13)$$

where $\phi_h > 0$ in (13) are suitably chosen weights which determine the form of estimator,

$$V_{1h}(x) = G_{Mh}(x), V_{2h}(x) = D_{Mh}(x), V_{3h}(x) = P_{Mh}(x),$$
$$v_{1h}(x) = g_{Mh}(x), v_{2h}(x) = d_{Mh}(x), v_{3h}(x) = p_{Mh}(x)$$

This minimization problem may be solved by the method of Lagrange multipliers.

Consider the following function

$$L_{g} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \frac{\left(\Theta_{hi}^{*} - \Psi_{h}\right)^{2}}{\Psi_{h}\phi_{h}} - 2\lambda_{1} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Theta_{hi}^{*} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{ih}(x)\right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + V_{ih}(x)\right)\right) - 2\lambda_{2} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Theta_{hi}^{*} - 1\right)$$
(14)

where λ_j , j = 1,2 is Lagrange multiplier. Then, differentiate Lg with respect to $\Theta_{hi}^*, \lambda_1, \lambda_2$, and equate to 0, that is,

$$\frac{\partial L_g}{\partial \Theta_{hi}^*} = 0, \ \frac{\partial L_g}{\partial \lambda_1} = 0, \ \frac{\partial L_g}{\partial \lambda_2} = 0$$
(15)

Solving Eq.(15), we get Eq. (16), Eq.(17) and Eq.(18);

$$\Theta_{hi}^* = \Psi_h + \lambda_1 \Psi_h \phi_h \left(\overline{x}_h + \nu_{ih}(x) \right) + \lambda_2 \Psi_h \phi_h \tag{16}$$

$$\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Theta_{hi}^{*} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + v_{ih}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + V_{ih}(x) \right) = 0$$
(17)

$$\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Theta_{hi}^{*} - 1 = 0 \tag{18}$$

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Substituting the value obtained from Eq. (16) in Eq. (17) and Eq. (18), we get Eq. (19) and Eq. (20) as;

$$\lambda_{1} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right)^{2} + \lambda_{2} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right)$$

$$= \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + V_{hi}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right)$$
(19)

$$\lambda_1 \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \phi_h \left(\overline{x}_h + \nu_{hi}(x) \right) + \lambda_2 \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \phi_h = 0$$
(20)

Solving Eq. (19) and Eq. (20) simultaneously, we get expression for λ_1 and λ_2 denoted by λ_1^{opt} and λ_2^{opt} respectively as;

$$\lambda_{1}^{opt} = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + V_{hi}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) \right)}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right)^{2} - \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) \right)^{2}}$$
(21)

$$\lambda_{2}^{opt} = -\frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x) \right) \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + V_{hi}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x) \right) \right)}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x) \right)^{2} - \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x) \right) \right)^{2}}$$
(22)

Now, substituting Eq.(21) and Eq.(22) in Eq.(16), the new calibrated weights Θ_{hi}^* are obtained as

$$\Theta_{hi}^{*} = \Psi_{h} + \lambda_{1}^{opt} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + V_{hi}(x) \right) + \lambda_{2}^{opt} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h}$$
(23)

and the new class of calibrated estimators is obtained as;

$$\tau_{ARi} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} + \rho_{st}^{*} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + V_{hi}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) \right),$$

$$i = 1, 2, 3$$
(24)

where

$$\rho_{st}^{*} = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} (\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x)) \overline{y}_{h} - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} (\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x))}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} (\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x))^{2} - \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} (\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x))\right)^{2}}$$

This estimator has estimated mean squared error (MSE) denoted by $\hat{MSE}(\tau_{ARi})$ given by;

$$\hat{MSE}(\tau_{ARi}) = v(\overline{y}_{st}) + \rho_{st}^{*^2} v(\overline{x}_{st}) - 2\rho_{st}^* \operatorname{cov}(\overline{y}_{st}\overline{x}_{st})$$
(25)

where

$$\begin{aligned} v(\overline{y}_{st}) &= \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \gamma_h S_{yh}^2, v(\overline{x}_{st}) \\ &= \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \gamma_h S_{xh}^2, \operatorname{cov}(\overline{y}_{st} \overline{x}_{st}) \\ &= \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_h \gamma_h \rho_{yxh} S_{yh} S_{xh}, \gamma_h = \frac{1}{n_h} - \frac{1}{N_h} \end{aligned}$$

Further, substituting $\phi_h = (\overline{x}_h + v_{ih}(x))^{-1}$, and $v_{hi}(x)$ be either $g_{Mh}(x)$ or $d_{Mh}(x)$ or $p_{Mh}(x)$ we obtained new estimators as;

$$\tau_{AR1} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} + \rho_{st1}^{*} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + G_{Mh}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + g_{Mh}(x) \right) \right) \right)$$

$$\tau_{AR2} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} + \rho_{st2}^{*} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + D_{Mh}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + d_{Mh}(x) \right) \right) \right)$$

$$\tau_{AR3} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} + \rho_{st3}^{*} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{X}_{h} + P_{Mh}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + p_{Mh}(x) \right) \right) \right)$$
(26)

where

$$\rho_{sti}^{*} = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} (\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x))^{-1} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} (\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x))^{-1} \overline{y}_{h}}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} (\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x))^{-1} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} (\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x)) - 1},$$

$$i = 1, 2, 3$$

2.2. Second new calibration scheme

To obtain the second class of the proposed estimators, we let

$$\tau_{ASi} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \mathbf{H}_{hi}^{*} \overline{y}_{h}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3.$$
(27)

where H_{hi}^* is the new calibration weight such that the Chi-square function T^* is defined as

$$\min T^{*} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \left(H_{ih}^{*} - \Psi_{h} \right)^{2} / \Psi_{h} \phi_{h}$$

$$s.t \sum_{h=1}^{K} H_{ih}^{*} \left(1 + \overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{ih}(x) \right) = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + V_{ih}(x) \right)$$

$$\sum_{h=1}^{K} H_{ih}^{*} = 1$$
(28)

Solving for new calibrated weights H_{hi}^* using the Lagrange multipliers technique, the new calibrated weights H_{hi}^* is

$$\mathbf{H}_{hi}^{*} = \Psi_{h} + \mu_{1}^{opt} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{x}_{h} + V_{hi}(x) \right) + \mu_{2}^{opt} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h}, \qquad (29)$$

where

$$\mu_{1}^{opt} = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + V_{hi}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) \right)}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right)^{2} - \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) \right)^{2}},$$

$$\mu_{2}^{opt} = -\frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + V_{hi}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) \right)}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right)^{2} - \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) \right)^{2}}$$

and the new class of calibrated estimators is obtained as:

$$\tau_{ASi} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} + \sigma_{st}^{*} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + V_{hi}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{x}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) \right),$$

$$i = 1, 2, 3$$
(30)

where

$$\sigma_{st}^{*} = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x)\right) \overline{y}_{h} - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x)\right)}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x)\right)^{2} - \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x)\right)\right)^{2}}$$

The estimated MSE of $\tau_{ASi} = 1,2,3$ denoted by $M\hat{S}E(\tau_{ASi})$ is given as:

$$M\hat{S}E(\tau_{ASi}) = v(\overline{y}_{st}) + \sigma_{st}^{*^{2}} v(\overline{x}_{st}) - 2\sigma_{st}^{*} \operatorname{cov}(\overline{y}_{st}\overline{x}_{st})$$
(31)

Also, substituting $\phi_h = (1 + \overline{x}_h + v_{ih}(x))^{-1}$, and $v_{hi}(x)$ be either $g_{Mh}(x)$ or $d_{Mh}(x)$ or $p_{Mh}(x)$, we obtained new estimators as:

$$\tau_{AS1} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} + \sigma_{st1}^{*} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + G_{Mh}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + g_{Mh}(x) \right) \right) \right)$$

$$\tau_{AS2} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} + \sigma_{st2}^{*} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + D_{Mh}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + d_{Mh}(x) \right) \right) \right)$$

$$\tau_{AS3} = \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} + \sigma_{st3}^{*} \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + P_{Mh}(x) \right) - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{X}_{h} + p_{Mh}(x) \right) \right) \right)$$

(32)

where

$$\sigma_{sti}^{*} = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} (1 + \overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x))^{-1} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \overline{y}_{h} - \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} (1 + \overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x))^{-1} \overline{y}_{h}}{\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} (1 + \overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x))^{-1} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} (1 + \overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x)) - 1},$$

$$i = 1, 2, 3$$

2.3. Properties of the new weights Θ_{hi}^* and H_{hi}^* , i = 1, 2, 3

Theorem 1: The proposed weights Θ_{hi}^* and H_{hi}^* , i = 1, 2, 3 are consistent.

Proof: As $n_n \to N_h$, $\overline{x}_h \approx \overline{X}_h$ and $v_{hi}(x) \approx V_{hi}(x)$. Then, the expressions λ_1^{opt} and λ_2^{opt} in $\Theta_{hi}^*, i = 1, 2, 3$ converged to zeros and expressions μ_1^{opt} and μ_2^{opt} in $H_{hi}^*, i = 1, 2, 3$ tend to zeros. So,

$$\lim_{v_h \to N_h} \frac{\Theta_{hi}^*}{\Psi_h} = 1$$
(33)

$$\lim_{n_h \to N_h} \frac{\mathbf{H}_{hi}^*}{\Psi_h} = 1 \tag{34}$$

Theorem 2:
$$\lim_{n_h \to N_h} \sum_{h=1}^K \Theta_{hi}^* = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{n_h \to N_h} \sum_{h=1}^K H_{hi}^* = 1.$$

Proof: Take the summation of Θ_{hi}^* and H_{hi}^* , i = 1, 2, 3 over *K*, we obtained

$$\sum_{h=1}^{K} \Theta_{hi}^{*} = 1 + \lambda_{1}^{opt} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(\overline{x}_{h} + \nu_{hi}(x) \right) + \lambda_{2}^{opt} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h}$$
(35)

$$\sum_{h=1}^{K} \mathbf{H}_{hi}^{*} = 1 + \mu_{1}^{opt} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} \left(1 + \overline{x}_{h} + v_{hi}(x) \right) + \mu_{2}^{opt} \sum_{h=1}^{K} \Psi_{h} \phi_{h} , \qquad (36)$$

Take the limits $n_n \to N_h$ of Eqs. (35) and (36), $\lambda_1^{opt} \approx 0, \lambda_2^{opt} \approx 0, \mu_1^{opt} \approx 0, \mu_2^{opt} \approx 0$, $\overline{x}_h \approx \overline{X}_h$, $v_{hi} \approx V_{hi}$, hence the proof.

Theorem 3: $0 < \Theta_{hi}^* < 1$ and $0 < H_{hi}^* < 1, i = 1, 2, 3$.

Proof: As $n_n \to N_h$, $\lambda_1^{opt} \approx 0, \lambda_2^{opt} \approx 0, \mu_1^{opt} \approx 0, \mu_2^{opt} \approx 0$, then

$$\lim_{n_h \to N_h} \Theta_{hi}^* = \lim_{n_h \to N_h} \mathcal{H}_{hi}^* = \Psi_h = N_h / N$$
(37)

Since $N_h > 0$ (population size of stratum *h*), $N = \sum_{h=1}^{K} N_h > 0$ (Total population under study) and $N_h <$, *N*, then $0 < \psi_h < 1$, $\left(\psi_h = \frac{N_h}{N}\right)$, hence the proof.

3. Simulation Study

We conducted simulation studies to examine the performance of the proposed estimators compared to the usual unbiased estimator, Rao and Khan (2016) estimators and Nidhi et al. (2017) estimators. We generated two sets of data of size 1000 units each as the study populations each stratified into three non-overlapping heterogeneous groups of sizes 200, 300 and 500, respectively. The assumptions about the populations are summarized in Table 1. Samples of sizes 20, 30 and 50 respectively from the three strata are obtained 10,000 times by SRSWOR method from each stratum respectively. The biases and precision (PREs) of the considered estimators are computed using Eqs. (38) and (39) respectively.

$$Bias\left(\hat{\theta}\right) = \frac{1}{10000} \sum_{j=1}^{10000} \left(\hat{\theta} - \overline{Y}\right)$$
(38)

$$PRE\left(\hat{\theta}_{i}\right) = \left(\operatorname{var}\left(\theta\right) / \operatorname{var}\left(\theta_{i}\right)\right) 100 \tag{39}$$

where $\operatorname{var}(\theta) = \frac{1}{10000} \sum_{j=1}^{10000} (\tau_{st} - \overline{Y})^2$,

$$\operatorname{var}(\hat{\theta}_{l}) = \frac{1}{10000} \sum_{j=1}^{10000} (\hat{\theta}_{l} - \overline{Y})^{2}, \ \hat{\theta}_{l} = \tau_{RK1}, \tau_{RK2}, \tau_{AR1}, \tau_{AR2}, \tau_{NSSS1}, \tau_{NSSS2}, \tau_{AR3}, \tau_{AS1}, \tau_{AS2}, \tau_{AS3}, \tau_{A$$

	· · ·	ion used for Empirical Study
Population	Auxiliary variable x	Study variable y
I		$y_{hi} = 50 lpha x_{hi} + \xi_{hi}, h = 1,2,3$ lpha = 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5 $\xi_h \sim N(\phi_h, \psi_h), \phi_h = 0, \psi_h = 1,$
Ш	$x_{h} \sim \exp(\lambda_{h}), \lambda_{1} = 0.2,$ $\lambda_{2} = 0.3, \lambda_{3} = 0.1$	$y_{hi} = \alpha x_{hi} + x_{hi}^2 + \xi_{hi}, h = 1, 2, 3$ $\alpha = 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5$ $\xi_h \sim N(\phi_h, \psi_h), \phi_h = 0, \psi_h = 1,$
III		$y_{hi} = \alpha x_{hi} + x_{hi}^2 + x_{hi}^3 + \xi_{hi}, h = 1, 2, 3$ $\alpha = 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5,$ $\xi_h \sim N(0, 1), h = 1, 2, 3$
IV	$x_h \sim N(\mu_h, \sigma_h), \mu_i = 30,$	$y_{hi} = 50 lpha x_{hi} + \xi_{hi}, h = 1, 2, 3$ lpha = 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5 $\xi_h \sim N(\phi_h, \psi_h), \phi_h = 0, \psi_h = 1,$
V	$\mu_2 = 50, \ \mu_3 = 15, \ \sigma_1 = 25,$ $\sigma_2 = 70, \ \sigma_3 = 20,$	$y_{hi} = lpha x_{hi} + x_{hi}^2 + \xi_{hi}, h = 1, 2, 3$ lpha = 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5 $\xi_h \sim N(\phi_h, \psi_h), \phi_h = 0, \psi_h = 1,$
VI		$y_{hi} = \alpha x_{hi} + x_{hi}^2 + x_{hi}^3 + \xi_{hi}, h = 1, 2, 3$ $\alpha = 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5,$ $\xi_h \sim N(0, 1), h = 1, 2, 3$

Table1. Population used for Empirical Study

	Tabl	e 2. Biases an	id PREs of th	e 2. Biases and PREs of the Proposed and Some Existing Related Estimators using Population I	nd Some Exi	sting Related	Estimators u	ising Populat	ion I	
			Biases				Percentage F	Percentage Relative Efficiencies (PREs)	ncies (PREs)	
Estimators			Values of a					Values of a		
	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5
$ au_{ m sr}$	-0.1199	-0.2401	-0.3603	-0.4805	0.2993	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Rao and Khan (2016)	an (2016)									
$ au_{RKI}$	-0.4781	-0.9558	-1.4336	-1.9113	-1.3249	149.318	149.325	149.329	149.331	150.369
$ au_{RK2}$	-0.4283	-0.8564	-1.2845	-1.7125	-1.0867	160.017	160.029	160.033	160.036	161.490
Nidhi et al. (2017)	2017)									
τ_{NSSSI}	0.0491	0.0982	0.1473	0.1964	1.1046	156.3678	156.3734	156.3748	156.3754	154.9536
$ au_{NSSS2}$	0.0089	0.0178	0.0266	0.03542	0.9089	158.5629	158.5731	158.5759	158.5772	157.2624
Proposed										
$ au_{AR1}$	-0.6866	-1.3760	-2.0654	-2.75485	-2.4211	132.6218	132.5576	132.5372	132.5272	133.3487
$ au_{AR2}$	-0.26467	-0.5279	-0.7912	-1.05451	-0.2559	166.9257	166.9737	166.9902	166.9984	167.4642
$ au_{AR3}$	-0.3862	-0.7702	-1.1541	-1.5381	-0.8416	163.2251	163.2689	163.2839	163.2915	163.8406
$ au_{AS1}$	-0.2495	-0.4973	-0.7452	-0.9931	-0.1819	167.2016	167.2560	167.2745	167.2837	167.6974
$ au_{AS2}$	-0.2520	-0.5024	-0.7528	-1.0032	-0.1955	167.3924	167.4479	167.4667	167.47616	167.947
$ au_{AS3}$	-0.3797	-0.7570	-1.1342	-1.5113	-0.8140	63.8849	163.9363	163.9538	163.9625	164.5274

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Estimators			Values of a					Values of α		
	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5
$ au_{st}$	0.0198	0.1082	0.2235	-0.3659	-0.1963	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Rao and Khan (2016)	an (2016)									
$ au_{RKI}$	-1.4229	-1.0521	-1.4653	-0.8038	-0.8264	194.0948	225.4986	208.2264	203.2263	209.8469
$ au_{RK2}$	-1.3801	-1.0133	-1.3950	-0.8333	-0.8324	174.4426	196.9844	184.5767	180.0022	186.5958
Nidhi et al. (2017)	2017)									
τ_{NSSSI}	-2.3714	-1.7997	-2.9904	-1.1611	-1.3231	363.4204	475.658	399.9927	368.2536	379.2177
$ au_{NSSS2}$	-2.2859	-1.7715	-2.8968	-1.1795	-1.2936	355.0888	463.7691	387.9465	360.372	366.1231
Proposed										
$ au_{AR1}$	1.3128	-2.5101	-1.4748	-0.7958	-1.6216	415.0217	553.2578	493.2792	464.711	498.6249
$ au_{AR2}$	-1.1827	1.6689	1.6398	0.2355	0.9310	744.0226	915.3678	939.7388	872.3637	865.1686
$ au_{AR3}$	1.6517	1.9828	1.3296	0.3689	0.5167	748.1287	911.4257	919.9237	861.708	855.4657
$r_{_{ASI}}$	-0.7447	1.5009	1.7761	0.6631	1.4878	762.4458	936.2921	989.2003	916.4124	913.2026
$ au_{AS2}$	-0.8147	1.3728	1.5680	0.6804	1.5195	748.2332	937.1372	965.174	893.2784	889.9554
$ au_{AS3}$	1.4591	1.1696	1.8547	0.3237	0.6649	747.7217	931.0807	939.6995	877.5081	877.5759

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Table 4. Biases and PRFs of the Pronosed and Some Existing Related Estimators using Population III

			Biases Percentage Relative Efficiencies (Percentage k	Percentage Relative Efficiencies (PRFs)	icies (PREs)	
Estimators			Values of a				D	Values of α		
	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5
$ au_{_{SI}}$	0.2744885	0.5497394	0.8249903	1.100241	1.375492	100	100	100	100	100
Rao and Khan (2016)	an (2016)									
$ au_{RKI}$	1.7372	3.4735	5.2098	6.9460	8.6823	177.7244	177.7181	177.7161	177.7150	177.7144
$ au_{RK2}$	1.9543	3.9079	5.8615	7.8151	9.7687	184.4245	184.4309	184.4329	184.4341	184.4347
Nidhi et al. (2017)	2017)									
τ_{NSSSI}	2.5830	3.1666	3.7503	4.3339	4.9176	175.632	175.6379	175.6398	175.6408	175.6413
$ au_{MSSS2}$	2.5477	3.0961	3.6444	4.1928	4.7412	176.6904	176.6964	176.6983	176.6993	176.6999
Proposed										
$ au_{AR1}$	0.95250	1.9034	2.8544	3.8053	4.7563	179.8097	179.7991	179.7956	179.7939	179.7929
$ au_{AR2}$	1.8478	3.6959	5.5439	7.392041	9.2401	186.4118	186.4170	186.4187	186.419	186.4200
$ au_{AR3}$	3.5021	7.00436	10.5066	14.0089	7.5112	178.4900	178.4933	178.4944	178.4949	178.4952
$\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{A}SI}$	1.8215	3.6434	5.4653	7.2871	9.1089	186.5754	186.5808	186.5822	186.5831	186.5837
$ au_{AS2}$	1.8432	3.6867	5.5302	7.3737	9.217267	186.6404	186.6455	186.6471	186.6479	186.6485
r_{AS3}	1.4689	3.9379	5.4069	6.8759	7.3450	78.7401	178.7433	178.7443	178.7448	178.7452

Table 5. Biases and PREs of the Pronosed and Some Existing Related Estimators using Ponulation IV

			Biases	Biases Percentage Relative Efficiencies			Percentage F	Percentage Relative Efficiencies (PREs)	ncies (PREs)	
Estimators			Values of a					Values of α		
	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5
$ au_{st}$	6.56038	6.550943	6.541506	6.532068	6.522631	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Rao and Khan (2016)	an (2016)									
$ au_{RKI}$	13.32939	13.32939	13.32939	13.32939	13.32939	91.30676	91.86576	92.42797	92.9934	93.56203
$ au_{RK2}$	25.09506	25.09506	25.09506	25.09506	25.09506	95.2063	95.7892	96.3754	96.9649	97.5579
Nidhi et al. (2017)	2017)									
τ_{NSSSI}	2.051284	2.002373	1.953462	1.904551	1.85564	214.811	216.178	217.554	218.938	220.329
$ au_{NSSS2}$	0.8098365	0.754982	0.700128	0.645274	0.590419	215.332	216.691	218.059	219.434	220.817
Proposed										
$ au_{AR1}$	-36.61819	-36.8667	-37.1151	-37.3636	-37.6121	487.572	486.169	484.733	483.263	481.762
$ au_{AR2}$	2.630642	2.816348	3.002054	3.187761	3.373467	665.024	664.085	663.020	661.834	660.529
$ au_{AR3}$	112.4176	113.2183	114.0189	114.8196	115.6202	442.691	441.170	439.603	437.991	436.336
$ au_{AS1}$	-0.040959	0.138177	0.317312	0.496448	0.67558	795.44	793.314	791.015	788.549	785.924
$ au_{AS2}$	3.058078	3.248598	3.439118	3.629638	3.820158	655.1993	654.1062	652.8923	651.5614	650.1173
r_{AS3}	113.2075	114.0165	114.8255	115.6345	116.4435	435.7339	434.1481	432.5177	430.8449	429.1322

Table 6. Biases and PREs of the Proposed and Some Existing Related Estimators using Population V $\,$

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	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5
$ au_{st}$	895.8263	895.8169	895.8075	895.798	895.7886	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Rao and Khan (2016)	an (2016)									
$ au_{RKI}$	-5881.96	-5881.96	-5881.96	-5881.96	-5881.96	172.7992	172.8052	172.8113	172.8174	172.824
$ au_{RK2}$	-4105.46	-4105.46	-4105.46	-4105.46	-4105.46	182.5521	182.5585	182.5649	182.5713	182.578
Nidhi et al. (2017)	2017)									
τ_{NSSSI}	-3258.36	-3258.41	-3258.46	-3258.51	-3258.56	175.5434	175.5492	175.5551	175.5609	175.567
$ au_{NSSS2}$	-3242.38	-3242.44	-3242.49	-3242.55	-3242.61	172.8302	172.8358	172.8414	172.847	172.8525
Proposed										
$ au_{AR1}$	-7433.06	-7433.31	-7433.55	-7433.80	-7434.05	253.0657	253.0641	253.0626	253.061	253.0595
$ au_{AR2}$	-6218.15	-6217.97	-6217.78	-6217.59	-6217.41	305.5811	305.6013	305.6216	305.6418	305.6621
$ au_{AR3}$	3625.091	3625.891	3626.692	3627.493	3628.293	294.7363	294.7562	294.776	294.7959	294.8157
$ au_{AS1}$	-6197.92	-6197.74	-6197.57	-6197.39	-6197.21	295.649	295.6671	295.6852	295.7033	295.7213
$ au_{AS2}$	-6210.93	-6210.74	-6210.55	-6210.36	-6210.17	306.1578	306.1782	306.1986	306.219	306.2395
$ au_{AS3}$	3648.493	3649.302	3650.111	3650.92	3651.729	295.2923	295.3123	295.3324	295.3524	295.3724

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4. Discussion

Tables 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 showed the results of biases and PREs of the usual unbiased, Rao and Khan (2016) and Nidhi et al. (2017) and proposed calibration estimators using populations I, II, III, IV, V and VI respectively defined in Table 1 for different values of $\alpha = (0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5)$. The results of the PREs in Table 2 revealed that for all the values of α (coefficients of linear component of response variable models) using linear function, the proposed estimators have highest values except the proposed estimator τ_{AR1} performed below Rao and Khan (2016) and Nidhi et al. (2017) estimators under normal distribution while the results of Table 5 revealed that for all the values of α (coefficients of linear component of response variable models) in the linear function, the proposed estimators have highest values except the proposed estimators τ_{AR1} , τ_{AR2} , τ_{AR3} which performed below Rao and Khan (2016) τ_{RK2} estimator under exponential distribution. Also, the results of the PREs in Tables 3, 4, 6, and 7 revealed that for all the values of α (coefficients of linear component of study (response) variable models) using linear, quadratic and cubic functions in Table 1 for both normal and exponential distributions, the proposed estimators have highest values except some few cases in which the proposed estimators τ_{AS1} and τ_{AS2} performed below Nidhi et al. (2017). These results implied that the proposed estimators on the average are more efficient in estimation of population mean than other related estimators considered in this study.

5. Conclusion

In this study, we used auxiliary character for a heterogeneous population in the form of robust statistical measures based on Gini's mean difference, Downton's method and probability weighted moments. These measures which are not unduly affected by outliers present in the data and provide more efficient estimates of population parameters in the presence of extreme values were used as alternatives for coefficient of variation used by Rao and Khan (2016). From the results of the Tables 2 and 3, it is observed that the estimators proposed under both the calibration schemes are not only robust against outliers but more efficient than usual ratio estimator in stratified sampling.

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Time Series Prediction of CO₂ Emissions in Saudi Arabia Using ARIMA, GM(1,1), and NGBM(1,1) Models

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The investigation of economic aspects of gas emissions in terms of its volume and consequences is very important, given the current increasing trend. Therefore, the prediction of carbon dioxide emissions in Saudi Arabia becomes necessary. This study uses annual time series data on CO_2 emissions in Saudi Arabia from 1970 to 2016. The study built the prediction model of CO_2 emissions in Saudi Arabia by using Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average (ARIMA), Grey System GM and Nonlinear Grey Bernoulli Model (NGBM), and comparing their efficiency and accuracy based on MAPE metric. The results revealed that Nonlinear Grey Bernoulli Model (NGBM) is more accurate than the other prediction models. The results may be useful to Saudi Arabian government in the development of its future economic policies. As a result, five policy recommendations have been proposed, each of which could play a significant role in the development of acceptable Saudi Arabian climate policies.

Keywords: annual time series data, Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average (ARIMA), CO₂ emissions, global warming, Grey Model (GM), Nonlinear Grey Bernoulli Model (NGBM), prediction, Saudi Arabia

1. Introduction

In recent years, one of the major topics on international political plans for global warming has been climate change. This is because of greenhouse gas emissions, mainly CO_2 in the atmosphere (Hossain et al. 2017, Bonga & Chirowa 2014). CO_2 is a type of greenhouse gas (GHGs) emitted due to human activities.

Human activities are among the primary drivers of carbon dioxide emissions, with the most important being the generation of energy from coal, oil, and natural gas, and the use of petroleum products for transportation, aircraft, and vehicle trips.

Saudi Arabia is one of the wealthy oil and industrial nations disposed to carbon dioxide emissions, thus exacerbate global warming. Accordingly, the resulting economic losses from CO_2 emissions are more than those anticipated by the industries. This is in corroboration with the study of Ricke et al. (2018), who estimated that the size of the economic losses that will appear again in the economic results of developing countries, would be greater than their previous benefits from the fossil fuel economy. Nevertheless, the three largest countries that are much concerned of the climate change are the United States, Saudi Arabia, and China, which have been ranked in terms of carbon dioxide emissions.

Another study by Jevrejeva et al. (2018) also warned that failure to reduce greenhouse gas emissions would inevitably lead to sea-level rise, which would have severe economic consequences in the world. For instance, with temperatures reaching pre-industrial levels, floods from sea-level rise could cost society \$14 trillion yearly by 2100. Therefore, the prediction of CO_2 emissions, which is the most significant task in time series analysis become necessary. Predictions are extremely essential in many fields such as sciences, economics, agriculture, meteorology, medicine, engineering, and others. The prediction of CO_2 emissions involves predicting the values of the time series from the observed time series. The prediction of CO_2 emissions have become a global concern, as it has shown to assist in raising public knowledge about how to forestall environmental issues (Abdullah & Pauzi 2015). Therefore, to make a realistic estimate of Saudi Arabia's future CO_2 emissions, a fuller understanding of the most suitable prediction models is essential.

Many predictive models, such as ARIMA and gray models have been used by researchers to predict CO_2 emissions. For instance, Nyoni & Bonga, (2019) studied forecasting of CO_2 emissions in India. In the study, ARIMA(2,2,0) model was determined to have the best fit for projecting yearly CO_2 in India for the next 13 years, with an estimate of 3.89 million kt by 2025. Also, Chigora et al. (2019) carried out a research on univariate approach using Box-Jenkins to forecast CO_2 emissions for Zimbabwe's tourism destination vibrancy. The ARIMA(10,1,0) model, which focuses on the amount of carbon dioxide (CO_2) emission in Zimbabwe from 1964 to 2014, was employed to have the most suitable model for forecasting yearly CO_2 emissions for the next 10 years, with the model indicating that it will be around 15,000 kt by 2024. Similarly, Nyoni & Mutongi, (2019) predicted carbon dioxide emissions in China from 1960 to 2017, using autoregressive integrated moving average (ARIMA) models. With a prediction of 10,000,000 kt by 2024, the ARIMA (1, 2, 1) model proved to be the most suitable model for forecasting yearly total CO_2 emissions in China for the next ten years. Lotfalipour et al. (2013) using the Grey and ARIMA models, estimated that CO_2 emissions in Iran will reach 925.68 million tons in 2020, up to 66% from 2010. Also, employing a differential model to predict CO_2 emissions in Iran, the author used the grey system and Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average, and compared them with the RMSE, MAE, and MAPE metrics models. Based on the findings, the ideal degree of Hannan – Rissanen and Box – Jenkins for ARIMA, the ARIMA(1, 1, 2) model was developed. Even though MAPE metrics for three models were less than 10% accuracy of prediction, the grey system confirmed that the three models demonstrated predicting accuracy. Thus, based on the GM (1, 1) estimates, CO_2 emissions was revealed to reach 925.68 million tons in 2020, representing a 66 percent increase over 2010. Besides, Ho, (2018) has also investigated the grey model.

Chen, (2008) and Chen et al. (2008) termed the recently created Nonlinear Grey Bernoulli Model (NGBM(1, 1)) as precise in handling small time-series datasets with nonlinear variations. Also, in the book published by Liu et al. (2004) termed NGBM(1, 1) as more flexible than the GM(1,1). This is because of the NGBM(1, 1) model's versatility in determining annual unemployment statistics in various nations. This is used to assist governments in developing future labor and economic policy. In 2005, NGBM(1, 1) was also employed to predict the foreign exchange rates of twelve of Taiwan's major trading partners. Both experiments mentioned above revealed that the NGBM(1, 1) could increase the accuracy of the original GM(1,1) simulation and forecasting predictions.

Recently, some researchers attempted to improve the NGBM(1, 1) in various ways, such as Zhou et al. (2009) who used a particle swarm optimization approach to determine the parameter value of "n", and employed the model to predict the power load of the Hubei electric power network. The genetic algorithm was used in (Hsu 2009) to optimize the parameters of the NGBM(1, 1), which was then employed to predict economic developments in Taiwan's integrated circuit industry. Moreover, studies by Xie et al. (2021) projected fuel combustion-related CO₂ emissions using a novel continuous fractional nonlinear grey Bernoulli model with grey wolf optimizer. The study is critical for framing and implementing reasonable plans and policies, owing to diverse national energy structures. Therefore, by simultaneously incorporating conformable fractional accumulation and derivative into the traditional NGBM(1,1) model, it can capture the nonlinear characteristics hidden in sequences. The author thus developed a novel continuous fractional NGBM(1,1) model, dubbed CCFNGBM(1,1), to accurately project CO₂ emissions from fuel combustion in China by 2023. GWO was also used in the study to determine the developing coefficients to enhance the predictability of the newly provided model. However, by replacing the fractional derivative with the integer-order derivative, the model not only improves on the grey forecasting model, but it also provides decision-makers with more dependable forecasts.

The findings of these studies imply that ARIMA, GM (1, 1), and NGBM(1, 1) models has continued to prove to be the most suitable model for predicting yearly CO₂ emissions and could form the underlying basis for predicting CO₂ emissions in Saudi Arabia. In this regard, this study intends to evaluate the accuracy of the predicting models in order to obtain the most precise data prediction.

2. Research Methodology

Three predicting models: ARIMA model, grey model and NGBM(1,1) are used in this study. The reasons why these three models were chosen is firstly due to the ARIMA model, which is a conventional forecasting model that produces more reliable and accurate forecasts. Also, it has the benefit of being able to employ a combination of auto regression, difference, and moving average of different orders to generate the ARIMA(p, d, q) model, which can convey multiple types of information of time series. Secondly, GM(1,1) does not necessitate a large sample size, and the effect of short-term prediction is good. Thirdly, ARIMA model and grey model can be directly compared on the same base. The NGBM(1, 1) is a newly created grey model with wide range of applications in diverse fields. This is due to its precision in handling small time-series datasets with nonlinear variations.

2.1. Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average (ARIMA)

The prediction using ARIMA models statistical method is usually viewed as providing more accurate predictions than econometric methodologies (Song et al. 2003). Also, in terms of forecasting performance, ARIMA models outperformed the multivariate models (Du Preez & Witt 2003). Moreover, ARIMA models outperform naive models and smoothing approaches in terms of overall performance (Goh & Law 2002). ARIMA models were created in the 1970s by Box and Jenkins, and its identification, estimation, and diagnostics method is based on the notion of parsimony (Asteriou & Hall 2015). That is; when the original time series is not stationary, the first order difference process ΔY or second order differences $\Delta^2 Y$, and so on, can be investigated. While, If the differenced process is a stationary process, ARIMA model of that differenced process can be found in practice if differencing is applied, usually d = 1, or maybe d = 2, is enough. The general form of the ARIMA(p, d, q) can be represented by a backward shift operator as.

$$\phi(B)\,\Delta^d Y_t = \theta(B)\,\varepsilon_t$$

The general autoregressive moving average process with AR order p and MA order q can be written as

$$\phi(B) = 1 - \phi_1 B - \phi_2 B^2 - \dots - \phi_p B^p \text{ (the } p \text{ order AR operator)}$$
$$\theta(B) = 1 - \theta_1 B - \theta_2 B^2 - \dots - \theta_q B^q \text{ (the } p \text{ order AR operator)}$$
$$\Delta^d = (1 - B)^d$$

These processes can be written briefly as: $Y_t \sim \text{ARIMA}(p, d, q)$ where ϕ is the autoregressive component's parameter estimate, θ is the moving average component's parameter estimate, Δ is the difference operator, *d* is the difference, and *B* is the backshift operator (Box et al. 2015).

2.2. ARIMA model

The ARIMA model is one of the most widely used statistical models for time series forecasts (Box et al. 2015). Its forecast principle is to transfer a nonstationary time series into a stationary time series first. As a result, the dependent variable will be described as a model that only yields its lag value, as well as the actual and lag values of the random error term. The following are the steps in the prediction phase (Wang et al. 2018):

- **Phase 1:** Smooth the time data with a differential tool. In theory, stationarity ensures that the fitted curve formed by sampling time series can continue inertially along the present form in the future, i.e., the data's mean and variance should not be significantly changed.
- **Phase 2:** Create a model that is autoregressive (AR). The autoregressive model is a way of forecasting itself using the variable's historical result data, and it describes the link between current value and previous value. It has the following formula:

$$y_t = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i y_{t-i} + \varepsilon_t \tag{1}$$

where y_t represents the current value, μ indicates the constant term, p denotes the order, ϕ_i is the autocorrelation coefficient, and ε_t represents the error.

Phase 3: Create a model based on moving averages (MA). In the autoregressive model, the moving average model concentrates on the accumulation of error components. Random fluctuations in forecasts can be successfully eliminated. It has the following formula:

$$y_t = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^q \theta_i \varepsilon_{t-i} + \varepsilon_t$$
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where θ_i is the MA formula's correlation coefficient.

Phase 4: Create an autoregressive moving average model by combining AR and MA(ARMA). The following is the exact formula. The orders of the autoregressive and moving average models, respectively, are p and q in this formula. The correlation coefficients of the two models, ϕ_i and θ_i , respectively, must be solved.

$$y_{t} = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^{p} \phi_{i} y_{t-i} + \varepsilon_{t} + \sum_{i=1}^{q} \theta_{i} \varepsilon_{t-i}$$
(3)

2.3. The Box – Jenkins Methodology

The subjective evaluation of plots of auto-correlograms and partial autocorrelograms of the series is used to identify models in the Box-Jenkins process (Meyler et al. 1998). The initial step in model selection is to vary the series to attain stationarity. The researcher will then assess the correlogram to identify the right sequence of the AR and MA components. Because there are no clear–cut guidelines for determining whether AR and MA components are appropriate. Though, this method of selecting AR and MA components is skewed toward the use of personal judgement. As a result, prior experience is essential. The next step is to estimate the preliminary model, which is followed by diagnostic testing. This is accomplished by creating residuals and analyzing whether they fulfil the parameters of a white noise process, which is common in diagnostic testing. If this is not the case, the model must be re-specified, and the method must be restarted from the second stage. The process may continue indefinitely until a suitable model is produced (Nyoni 2018). This procedure is clearly illustrated in Figure 1.

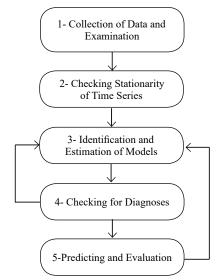


Figure 1. Procedure for ARIMA Forecasting

2.4. Grey Model, GM(1,1)

GM(1,1) denotes a grey forecasting model with one variable and one order. The following is the general steps for creating a grey forecasting model:

Step 1: Create an initial sequence based on observed data.

$$x^{(0)} = (x^{(0)}(1), x^{(0)}(2), \dots, x^{(0)}(n))$$
(4)

where $x^{(0)}(i)$ denotes the baseline data (state = 0) for the time *i*

The sample size is *n*, and the non-negative sequence is $x^{(0)}$. Four data points can be used to develop and build the GM (1, 1) model.

Step 2: Using the initial sequence $x^{(0)}$, to generate the first-order Accumulated Generating Operation (AGO) sequence $x^{(1)}$

$$x^{(1)} = \left(x^{(1)}(1), x^{(1)}(2), \dots, x^{(1)}(n)\right) , \quad n \ge 4$$
(5)

where $x^{(1)}(k)$ is derived as the following formula:

$$x^{(1)}(k) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} x^{(0)}(i)$$
(6)

Step 3: Calculate the first-order AGO sequence's mean value:

The average sequences generator's definition is as follows:

$$z^{(1)} = (z^{(1)}(1), z^{(1)}(2), \dots, z^{(1)}(n))$$

The average value of the sequential data $z^{(1)}(k)$ is define as follows;

$$z^{(1)}(k) = 0.5x^{(1)}(k) + 0.5x^{(1)}(k-1) \quad k = 2, 3, ..., n$$
(7)

Step 4: Assume the first-order differential equation for the sequence $x^{(1)}$ is as follows:

$$\frac{dx^{(1)}(k)}{dk} + a x^{(1)}(k) = b$$

Then its difference equation is shown as:

$$x^{(0)}(k) + a \, z^{(1)}(k) = b \tag{8}$$

where *a* and *b* are the estimated parameters of the grey forecasting model.

Step 5: The parameters a and b are calculated using the least-squares method (OLS).

$$\hat{a} = [a,b]^{T} = (B^{T}B)^{-1}B^{T}Y$$

$$Y = [x^{(0)}(2), x^{(0)}(3), ..., x^{(0)}(n)]^{T}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2}(x^{(1)}(1) + x^{(1)}(2)) & 1\\ -\frac{1}{2}(x^{(1)}(2) + x^{(1)}(3)) & 1\\ .\\ .\\ -\frac{1}{2}(x^{(1)}(n-1) + x^{(1)}(n)) & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
(9)

Step 6: Under the initial condition $x^{(1)}(1) = x^{(0)}(1)$, the solution of the grey differential equation produces:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{(1)}(k+1) = \left[x^{(0)}(1) - \frac{b}{a} \right] e^{-ak} + \frac{b}{a}$$
(10)

Step 7: The first-order inverse accumulated generating operation can be used to get the forecast values $\hat{x}^{(0)}(k+1)$ (IAGO).

$$\hat{x}^{(0)}(k+1) = x^{(1)}(k+1) - x^{(1)}(k)$$
(11)

2.5. The Basic NGBM(1,1)

The GM(1,1) method requires obtaining initial data to generate a regular creation sequence for constructing the model. Though, the generative model predicts the original processing data. The nonlinear Bernoulli grey prediction model is based on the GM(1,1) and the differential equation of the modeling to enhance prediction accuracy. This model is commonly utilized by Wang et al. (2011) and Xu et al. (2015). Also, Xie et al. (2021) proposed the Nonlinear Bernoulli Grey Model NBGM(1, 1) to improve prediction accuracy when compared to the original GM (1, 1) model. To achieve this, the following sequence was proposed.

Step 1: Create a starting sequence depending on the data collected.

$$x^{(0)} = (x^{(0)}(1), x^{(0)}(2), \dots, x^{(0)}(n))$$

where $x^{(0)}(i)$ is the baseline data (state = 0) for time *i*.

That $x^{(0)}$ is a non-negative sequence, and that *n* is the sample size. Thus, four data can create and operate a GM (1, 1) model.

Step 2: From the start sequence $x^{(0)}$, generate the first-order Acumulated Generating Operation (AGO) sequence $x^{(1)}$.

$$x^{(1)} = (x^{(1)}(1), x^{(1)}(2), \dots, x^{(1)}(n)), \quad n \ge 4$$

where $x^{(1)}(k)$ is derived as the following formula:

$$x^{(1)}(k) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} x^{(0)}(i), \quad k = 1, 2, 3, ..., n$$

Step 3: Calculate the first-order AGO sequence's mean value.

The following is the definition of the average sequences generator:

$$z^{(1)} = (z^{(1)}(1), z^{(1)}(2), \dots, z^{(1)}(n))$$

in which $z^{(1)}(k)$ is the background value sequence taken to be the mean generation of consecutive neighbors of $x^{(1)}$ where

$$z^{(1)}(k) = 0.5 x^{(1)}(k) + 0.5 x^{(1)}(k-1), \quad k = 2,3,..., n$$

The NGBM(1, 1) model is represented as:

$$x^{(0)}(k) + a \, z^{(1)}(k) = b \, (z^{(1)}(k))^{\gamma}, \gamma \neq 1$$
(12)

which is the whitening equation of the NGBM(1, 1) model.

Step 4: Define the sequence $x^{(1)}$ first-order differential equation is:

$$\frac{dx^{(1)}(k)}{dk} + ax^{(1)}(k) = b(x^{(1)})^{\gamma}$$
(13)

The nonlinear parameter γ is given as one, while the linear parameters *a* and *b* are determined using the least-squares approach.

Step 5: Assuming the power exponent g is already known, the NGBM(1,1) with the last two parameters are determined as follows:

$$[a, b]^T = (B^T B)^{-1} B^T Y$$

In which T is the matrix transpose. As a result:

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} x^{(0)}(2), x^{(0)}(3), ..., x^{(0)}(n) \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -z^{(1)}(2) & (z^{(1)}(2))^{\gamma} \\ -z^{(1)}(3) & (z^{(1)}(3))^{\gamma} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ -z^{(1)}(n) & (z^{(1)}(n))^{\gamma} \end{bmatrix}$$
(14)

Step 6: The following is the solution to the whitening equation:

$$\hat{x}^{(1)}(k+1) = \left\{ \frac{b}{a} + \left[\left(x^{(0)}(1) \right)^{1-\gamma} - \frac{b}{a} \right] e^{-(1-\gamma)ak} \right\}^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}}$$
(15)

Step 7: Compute the original sequence's prediction value:

$$\hat{x}^{(0)}(k) = \hat{x}^{(1)}(k) - \hat{x}^{(1)}(k-1), \quad k = 2, 3, ..., m.$$
 (16)

The NGBM model is a substantial nonlinear grey prediction model in which the power exponent is crucial in grey systems theory. The NGBM model is the GM(1,1) model, especially when $\gamma = 0$. The NGBM model is the grey Verhulst model (GMV) when $\gamma = 2$. Thus, the GM(1,1) and GMV models, in particular, can be considered as versions of the NGBM model. On the other side, the NGBM model can be thought of as a combination of the GM and GMV models. Therefore, the effectiveness of the NGBM model involves specific approaches that may be employed to identify the appropriate power exponent value, which matches the actual data. As a result, the NGBM model can adequately describe the nonlinear properties of real data and improve simulation and prediction accuracy. Wang et al. (2009) used the core principle of information overlap in grey systems to determine the estimated arithmetic of power exponent in the NGBM model. The non-linear programming approach can then be used to calculate the power exponent to minimize mean absolute percentage error (MAPE) (Wang et al. 2012).

2.5.1. Parameter Optimization of the Traditional NGBM(1,1)

The traditional NGBM(1,1) help to determine the expected values for the optimization problem. However, Pao et al. (2012) proposed a relatively simple iterative method for determining the optimal γ .

$$\min_{\gamma} MAPE_{\gamma} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{k=2}^{n} \left| \frac{\hat{x}^{(0)}(k) - x^{(0)}(k)}{x^{(0)}(k)} \right| x100\%$$
(17)

3. Model Evaluation

The Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE) was used to evaluate the accuracy of the model in this study. This is a widely used criterion for determining the accuracy of predictions. This is presented below:

$$MAPE = \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{\left| \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i - \hat{x}_i \right|}{x_i} \right) x100\%$$
(18)

where MAPE refers to Mean Absolute Percentage Error, \hat{x}_i is the predicted value, x_i , is the actual value, and the number of data observations *n* as shown in Table 1.

MAPE (%)	≤10	10-20	20-50	≥50
prediction precision	Highly accurate	Good	Reasonable	inaccurate

Table 1. The MAPE Criteria of Prediction Precision

Source: (Lewis, 1982)

Hence, for a good forecast, the obtained MAPE should be as small as possible (Agrawal & Adhikari, 2013)

4. Results and Discussions

This study is based on 47 yearly CO_2 emissions (kt) observations in Saudi Arabia from 1970 to 2016. The World Bank's online database, which is respected for its trustworthiness and integrity worldwide, provided all the data employed for analysis. The analysis involves using ARIMA, Nonlinear Grey Bernoulli Model (NGBM) and Grey Model (GM) to predict CO_2 emissions. Figure 2 shows that CO_2 emissions (Y) has been increasing from 1970 to 2016, indicating that the trend is not stationary. This implies that the mean and variance of the data are changing over time. Accordingly, the data was divided into two parts: training and testing (forecasting). The data from 2002-2011 was used for training, while the data from 2012 -2016 was used for testing.

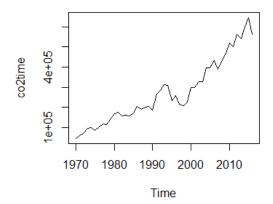


Figure 2. Time series of CO2 emissions in Saudi Arabia

4.1. ARIMA Model

To examine the stationarity of CO_2 emissions, Augmented Dickey- Fuller1 test (1981) was used. According to Table 2, the results of the (ADF) test of the time Series are not stationary in the level at which the calculated statistical significance levels are greater than the level of 0.05. The test results indicated that the time series has reached the stage of stationary after making its first difference. As indicated, the test's statistical significance is less than the 0.05 level.

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Result	Critical value of ADF	The test statistic	
Non- stationary	-1.7963	0.6552	CO_2
stationary	-3.9973	0.01814	d CO ₂

Table 2. Augmented Dickey- Fuller test (ADF)

ARIMA(1, 1, 0) with lower AIC is preferable than the one with a higher AIC values (Nyoni 2018). As a result, the ARIMA (1, 1, 0) model is selected as the best as shown in Table 3.

AIC					
1097.67					
1094.491					
1093.599					
1094.78					
1095.573					
1095.563					
1098.859					

Table 3. Comparison of the Variants of the ARIMA Models

In Table 4, the AR (1) component coefficients are negative and statistically significant at the 5%. This implies that historical CO_2 levels are relevant in describing current and future CO_2 levels in Saudi Arabia. Figure 3 shows that CO_2 emissions in Saudi Arabia are increasing throughout a 13-year period, from 2017 to 2030. Saudi Arabia's CO_2 emissions will reach 747241.6 kt by 2030. As a result, Saudi Arabia will continue to face issues related to global warming and climate change.

variable	coefficient	Standard Error	Z	p-value
AR(1)	-0.2678	0.1547	-1.7312	0.083422
Intercept(mean)	11689.3375	3851.7087	3.0348	0.002407 **

Table 4. Results of z Test Coefficients for ARIMA (1,1,0)

The *, ** and *** means significant at 10%, 5% and 1% respectively.

4.2. GM(1,1) and NGBM(1,1) models

The GM(1,1) and NGBM(1,1) models were employed to predict CO₂ emissions in Saudi Arabia. Equation (1) to Equation (6) are used to determine the parameters, develop coefficient *a*, and grey variable *b* for ordinary least squares calculation, and the output is actual GM (1, 1) only variable *a* and *b*, which must be simulated with $\gamma = 0$. The other is determined using the three unknown NGBM(1, 1) variables *a*, *b*, and γ , as given in Table 4. The GRG Nonlinear method of optimization, first devised by Leon Lasdon and Alan Waren, is used to determine the value of the index (Power Exponent γ) (Lasdon et al. 1978). Its implementation as a Fortran software for addressing small to medium-sized issues and some computational findings solved the Nonlinear Optimization Problem. As a result, the value of MAPE was calculated using the NGBM(1,1) at each data point to be predicted by setting the minimum value of MAPE (Pao et al. 2012), and by varying the value of index between -10 and 10 for each data point to be forecasted (Mustaffa & Shabri 2020).

5. Comparative Study

Year	Year	Actual		$GM(1,1), \gamma = 0$ a = -0.0580, b = 229.464		NGBM(1,1), $\gamma = 0.2$ a = -0.0783, b = 315.420		ARIMA	(1,1.0)
	value	Predicted VALUE	PE(%)	Predicted VALUE	PE(%)	Predicted VALUE	PE(%)		
2002	326.407	314.32	3.70%	299.21	8.33%	305.34	6.45%		
2003	327.272	333.11	1.78%	316.38	3.33%	313.46	4.22%		
2004	395.834	353.02	10.81%	336.01	15.11%	321.59	18.76%		
2005	397.642	374.13	5.91%	358.00	9.97%	329.72	17.08%		

Table 5. Predicted value and MAPE

2006	432,739	396.49	8.38%	382.35	11 (40/	337.84	21.93%
2006	432.739	390.49	8.38%	382.33	11.64%	337.84	21.93%
2007	387.777	420.196	8.36%	409.126	5.51%	345.97	10.78%
2008	430.175	445.314	3.52%	438.439	1.92%	354.09	17.69%
2009	468.965	471.934	0.63%	470.433	0.31%	362.22	22.76%
2010	518.491	500.146	3.54%	505.275	2.55%	370.35	28.57%
2011	499.878	530.043	6.03%	543.162	8.66%	378.47	24.29%
MAPE(2000-2011) 4.42%				3.79%	20.8	2%	
2012	564.842	534.679	5.34%	502.516	11.03%	368.6	34.74%
2013	541.047	555.664	2.70%	525.569	2.86%	394.73	27.04%
2014	601.046	577.473	3.92%	552.736	8.04%	402.85	32.98%
2015	647.111	600.137	7.26%	583.585	9.82%	410.98	36.49%
2016	563.449	623.691	10.69%	617.945	9.67%		
MAPE (2012-2016)		5.98%	8.2	.8%	31.3	7%	

Source: Researcher's fieldwork

Table 5 demonstrated that the MAPE value for the NGBM(1,1) in modeling is 3.79%. In comparison, the MAPE value for simulation and forecast data is 8.63%, as shown in Table 5. This implies that the smaller data size influences the MAPE value for simulation data, and its value increases. It is known that the lower the MAPE value, the more accurate the model, and therefore the precise model is at N = 10 for NGBM(1,1).

According to the results, the GM(1,1) has a MAPE of 4.42 %, ARIMA has a MAPE of 20.82%, while NGBM(1,1) has a MAPE of 3.79 %. Compared to the GM(1,1) model and ARIMA model, the NGBM(1,1) model can improve prediction performance. As a result, the prediction value of NGBM(1,1) differs significantly from that of GM(1,1) and ARIMA. This study, therefore, demonstrated that the Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE) is around 3.79% in NGBM(1,1), which implies that the model is about 96.21% the highly accurate in prediction based on the MAPE criteria of prediction precision. While, GM(1,1) is around 4.42% approximately 95.58% highly accurate. But ARIMA(1,1,0) model is around 20.82%, about 79.18% reasonably accurate as presented in the MAPE criteria in Table 1. Consequently, Figure 3 shows the comparison of predictive data of these three models. The NGBM(1,1) model has outperformed than ARIMA(1,1,0) and GM(1,1) model. This is as a result that NGBM(1,1) model has the lower value of MAPE (3.79%) compared with GM(1,1) model (4.42%) and ARIMA(1,1,0)model (20.82%). Therefore, NGBM(1,1) delivers the best result among those considered and was used to predict CO₂ emissions in Saudi Arabia. It was also observed that CO₂ emission in Saudi Arabia is continuously increasing as shown in Figure 3. This implies that CO₂ emissions in Saudi Arabia will continue to rise over the next decade from 2017 to 2026, as presented in Figure 4, and the country will face the challenges of global warming, climate change, as well as clean and healthy environment.

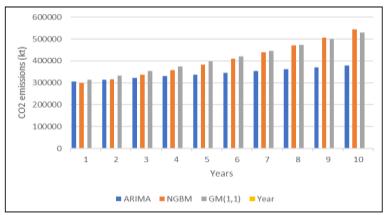


Figure 3. Comparison of predictive data, ARIMA(1,1,0),GAGM(1,1) and GM(1,1) in Saudi Arabia from 2002 to 2011

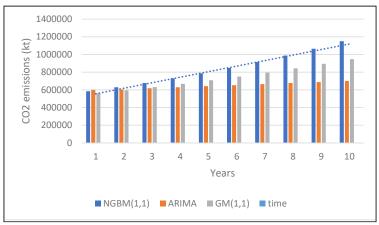


Figure 4. Comparison of predictive data, ARIMA(1,1,0),GAGM(1,1) and GM(1,1) in Saudi Arabia over the next decade from 2017 to 2026

6. Conclusion

This study concluded that NGBM(1,1) modelling is suitable in predicting the future output of the system as it has a high level of accuracy. The prediction accuracy of the NGBM(1,1) model is estimated by Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE). Generally, below 10% MAPE confirms that the NGBM(1,1) provides good prediction accuracy. Therefore, this study shows that NGBM(1,1) is more accurate than ARIMA(1,1,0) and GM(1,1) by evaluating MAPE. The findings of this study are critical for the Saudi government, particularly in terms of medium and long-term economic planning. To build on these findings and forecast the performance of other sectors, more investigation is recommended. Because this analysis exclusively forecasted CO_2 emissions in Saudi Arabia, this was proposed. CO_2 emissions are influenced by several causes, including the combustion of fossil fuels and the loss of vegetative cover. As a result, humans and ecosystems are affected, and future study will be able to use multi-factor Grey prediction models to develop more precise CO_2 emission projections.

Recommendations

Based on the findings, the following recommendations were made for Saudi Arabia to reach its goal of lowering carbon emissions:

- 1. Development of renewable energy sources. Although, Saudi Arabia has strong capabilities in solar and winds energy. It does not currently have a competitive sector in the area of renewable energy, so it must be developed.
- 2. The transition from coal to natural gas.
- 3. Reliance on nuclear technology to produce energy, which is used in nuclear power plants.
- 4. There is also a need to keep educating the Saudi people about the need of decreasing pollution levels.
- 5. The Saudi government should limit pollution by enacting policies such as raising taxes on polluting companies, particularly those that produce fossil fuels, in their everyday operations.

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Two New Tests for Tail Independence in Extreme Value Models

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This paper proposes two new tests for tail independence in extreme value models. We use the conditional distribution function (df) of X + Y, given that X + Y > c based approach of Falk and Michel to test for tail independence in extreme value models. We recommend using Cramervon Mises and Anderson-Darling tests for tail independence. Simulations show that the two tests are better than the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test which has good results among the proposed tests by Falk and Michel. Finally, by using two real datasets, we illustrate the application of the two proposed tests as well as the traditional tests of Falk and Michel.

Keywords: extreme value model, tail independence, Copula function, Cramer-von Mises test, Anderson-Darling test, Neyman-Pearson test, Kolmogorov-Smirnov test, Fisher's κ test, Chi-square goodness-of-fit test

1. Introduction

Tail dependence describes the amount of dependence in the tail of a bivariate distribution. In other words, tail dependence refers to the degree of dependence in the corner of the lower-left quadrant or upper-right quadrant of a bivariate distribution. Definitions of tail dependence for multivariate random vectors are mostly related to their bivariate marginal df's. Geffroy (1958, 1959) and Sibuya (1960) independently introduced the quantity

$$\lambda_{u} := \lim_{t \to 1^{-}} P(X > F_{X}^{-1}(t) | Y > F_{Y}^{-1}(t)),$$

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where F_X^{-1} and $F_Y^{-1}\mathbb{F}$ are quasi-inverses of F_X and F_Y respectively. This quantity is called the upper tail dependence coefficient provided the limit exists, which is displayed for simplicity as TDC. We say that (X, Y) has upper tail dependence if $\lambda_u > 0$ and upper tail independent or asymptotically independent if $\lambda_u = 0$. Loosely speaking, tail dependence describes the limiting proportion that one margin exceeds a certain threshold given that the other margin has already exceeded that threshold. Several empirical surveys such as An'e and Kharoubi (2003) and Malevergne and Sornette (2004) exhibited that the concept of tail dependence is a useful tool to describe the dependence between extremal data. The TDC can also be defined via the notion of copula. The copula function C(u,v) is a bivariate df with uniform marginals on [0,1], such that $F(x,y) = C(F_X(x), F_Y(y))$. By Sklar's Theorem (Sklar, 1959), this copula exists and is unique if F_X and F_Y are continuous. Also, the copula *C* is given by $C(u,v) = F(F_X^{-1}(u), F_Y^{-1}(v))$, $\forall u,v \in [0,1]$ (for more details, see Nelsen, 2006). If C(u,v) is the copula of (X, Y), then

$$\lambda_u = \lim_{t \to 1^-} \frac{1 - 2u + C(u, u)}{1 - u}$$

See Coles et al. (1999). Frahm et al. (2005) introduced estimators for TDC under various assumptions: using a specific distribution, within a class of distributions, using a specific copula function, and within a class of copulas or a nonparametric estimation (without any parametric assumption).

In this paper we restrict our attention to extreme value copulas, i.e., a copula C such that

$$C(u,v) = \exp\left\{log(uv)A\left(\frac{log(v)}{log(uv)}\right)\right\}, \quad u,v \in [0,1]^2,$$
(1)

where, $A:[0,1] \rightarrow [1/2,1]$ is the Pickands dependence function (Pickands 1981). This function is absolutely continuous and convex, satisfies A(0) = A(1) = 1, and its derivative has values between -1 and 1. When A(t) = 1, Equation (1) yields independence and when in Equation (1) we choose $A(t) = \max\{t, 1-t\}$, then complete dependence obtain. These copulas are useful to model componentwise maxima.

Let (X,Y) be a random vector (rv) with values in $(-\infty,0)^2$, whose df H(x, y) coincides, for $x, y \le 0$ close to 0, with a max-stable or extreme value df (EV) *G* with reverse exponential margins, i.e.,

$$G(x, 0) = G(0, x) = exp(x), \quad x \le 0,$$
(2)

and

$$G^n\left(\frac{x}{n},\frac{y}{n}\right) = G(x,y), \quad x,y \le 0, n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Suppose that $(X_1, Y_1), ..., (X_n, Y_n)$ are independent copies of (X, Y). If diagnostic checks of $(X_1, Y_1), ..., (X_n, Y_n)$ suggest X, Y to be independent in their upper tail, then modeling with dependencies leads to the over estimation of probabilities of extreme joint events. Some inference problems caused by model mis-specification are, for example, discussed in Dupuis and Tawn (2001). Testing for tail independence is, therefore, mandatory in a data analysis of extreme values.

Falk and Michel (2006) showed that the conditional df of X + Y, given that X + Y > c, has a limiting df $F(t) = t^2$, $t \in [0,1]$, as $c \uparrow 0$ if and only if X, Y are tail independent. Otherwise, the limiting df is uniform distribution on [0,1], i.e., $F(t) = t, t \in [0,1]$. This result will be utilized to define tests for the tail independence of X, Y which are suggested by the Neyman-Pearson lemma as well as via the goodness-of-fit tests that are based on Fisher's κ , on the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test as well as on the chi-square goodness-of-fit test, applied to the exceedances $X_i + Y_i > c$ in the sample $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$. Using this approach we recommend Cramer-von Mises and Anderson-Darling tests for tail independence.

The organization of the paper is as follows. The next section briefly presents the approach of Falk and Michel (2006) and then expresses their tests for tail independence in extreme value models. Also, we introduce the two proposed tests based on the Cramer-von Mises and Anderson-Darling statistics. Section 3 compares the size and power of the proposed tests as well as the traditional tests for tail independence using Monte Carlo experiments. In Section 4, all tests mentioned in Section 2, are implemented on two real datasets. Finally, conclusions are given in the last section. In this paper, for computation and simulation, we use the R statistical software.

2. Tail Independence Tests

In the following, we assume that the rv (*X*, *Y*) has a df H(x,y), which coincides, for $x, y \le 0$ close to 0, with a max-stable or extreme value df (EV) *G* with reverse exponential margins (Equation (2)). The following theorem from Falk and Michel (2006) is the basis of the tail independence tests in this paper.

Theorem 1. We have uniformly for $t \in [0,1]$ as $c \uparrow 0$ as

$$P(X+Y>ct \mid X+Y>c) = \begin{cases} t^2(1+O(c)), \text{ Tail Independence,} \\ t(1+O(c)), \text{ elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Based on this theorem, Falk and Michel (2006) introduced four tests for tail independence in extreme value models, which can be grouped into two different classes: one based on Neyman-Pearson lemma and the other tests based on Fisher's κ , Kolmogorov-Smirnov and chi-square goodness-of-fit tests. These tests are presented below.

2.1. Proposed tests by Falk and Michel

Suppose that $(X_1, Y_1), ..., (X_n, Y_n)$ are independent copies of (X, Y). Fix c < 0 and consider only those observations X_i, Y_i among the sample that satisfy $X_i + Y_i > c$. Denote these by $C_1, C_2, ..., C_{K(n)}$ in the order of their outcome. If *c* is large enough, then C_i / c , i = 1, 2, ... are iid with a common df F_c and are independent of K(n), which is binomial B(n, q) distributed with $q = 1 - (1 - c)\exp(c)$.

Neyman-Pearson Test. The first test Falk and Michel (2006) introduced is based on Neyman-Pearson lemma. We have to decide, roughly, whether the df of $V_i := C_i / c$, i = 1, 2,... is equal to either the null hypothesis $F_{(0)}(t) = t^2$ or the alternative $F_{(1)}(t) = t$, $0 \le t \le 1$. Assuming that these approximations of the df of $V_i := C_i / c$ are exact and that K(n) = m > 0, the optimal test for testing $F_{(0)}$ against $F_{(1)}$ is based on the loglikelihood ratio

$$T_{NP} \coloneqq \log\left(\prod_{i=1}^{m} \frac{1}{2V_i}\right) = -\sum_{i=1}^{m} \log(V_i) - m\log(2),$$

if m is large enough, the p-value of this test obtained by using the central limit theorem, that is equal to

$$p_{NP} = \Phi\left(\frac{2\sum_{i=1}^{m} log(V_i) + m}{m^{1/2}}\right),$$

where Φ denotes the df of the standard normal distribution.

The other three tests of Falk and Michel (2006) are goodness-of-fit tests based on C_i / c .

Fisher's K Test. Conditioning on K(n) = m > 0, we consider the rvs

$$U_i := F_c(C_i / c) = \frac{1 - (1 - C_i) \exp(C_i)}{1 - (1 - c) \exp(c)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$$

if X and Y are tail independent and c is close to 0, according to Theorem 1, rvs U_i (i=1,...,m) are iid from uniform distribution on (0,1). Consider the corresponding order statistics $U_{1:m} \leq ... \leq U_{m:m}$ and define

$$S_j := U_{j:m} - U_{j-1:m}, \quad j = 2, \dots, m,$$

and let $S_1 = U_{1:m}$, $S_{m+1} = 1 - U_{m:m}$. Suppose that

$$M_m := \max_{1 \le j \le m+1} S_j,$$

then, the Fisher's κ test statistic is

$$\kappa_m := (m+1) M_m$$

A table of the critical values of Fisher's κ test is given in Fuller (1976). The p-value of this test is equal to

$$p_{\kappa} \coloneqq 1 - G_{m+1}\left(\frac{\kappa_m}{m+1}\right) = 1 - G_{m+1}(M_m),$$

where

$$G_{m+1}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{m+1} (-1)^j \binom{m+1}{j} (\max(0, 1-jx))^m, \quad x > 0.$$

Kolmogorov-Smirnov Test. Conditioning on K(n) = m > 0, we can apply the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test to rvs U_i (i = 1,...,m). Denote $\hat{F}_m(t) \coloneqq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m I_{[0,t]}(U_i)$ be the empirical df of rvs U_i (i = 1,...,m), then the Kolmogorov-Smirnov statistic is

$$T_{KS} := m^{1/2} \sup_{t \in [0,1]} |\hat{F}_m(t) - t|.$$

The approximate p-value of Kolmogorov-Smirnov test is equal to

$$p_{KS} := 1 - K(T_{KS}),$$

where *K* is the df of the Kolmogorov distribution.

Chi-square Test. Conditioning on K(n) = m > 0, we can apply the chi-square goodness-of-fit test to rvs U_i (i = 1, ..., m). For this purpose, we divide the interval [0,1] into k consecutive and disjoint intervals $I_1, ..., I_k$ and consider the chi-square statistic

$$\chi^2_{m,k} \coloneqq \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(m_i - mp_i)^2}{mp_i},$$

where m_i is the number of observations among $U_1, ..., U_m$ that fall into the interval I_i and p_i is the length of $I_i, 1 \le I \le k$. If *m* is large, such that for all i = 1, ..., k we have $mp_i > 5$, then the statistic $\chi^2_{m,k}$ have chi-square distribution with k-1 degrees

of freedom. Therefore, the approximate p-value of this test is equal to

$$p_{\chi^2} \coloneqq 1 - \chi^2_{k-1}(\chi^2_{m,k}).$$

2.2. The proposed tests

Based on Theorem 1 from Falk and Michel (2006) we propose two new tests for tail independence in extreme value models. These tests are based on Cramervon Mises and Anderson-Darling statistics.

Cramer-von Mises Test. Conditioning on K(n) = m > 0, we can apply the Cramer-von Mises test to rvs U_i (i = 1, ..., m). Consider the corresponding order statistics $U_{1:m} \le ... \le U_{m:m}$, then the Cramer-von Mises statistic is

$$T_{CM} := \frac{1}{12m} + \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left[U_{i:m} - \frac{2i-1}{2m} \right]^2.$$

Csorgo and Faraway (1996) obtained the exact and asymptotic dfs of Cramervon Mises statistic, where we can use them to calculate p-value of this test. Therefore, approximate p-value of Cramer-von Mises test is equal to

$$p_{CM} := 1 - K(T_{CM}),$$

where K is the df proposed by Csorgo and Faraway (1996).

Anderson-Darling Test. Conditioning on K(n) = m > 0, we can apply the Anderson-Darling test to rvs U_i (i = 1, ..., m). Consider the corresponding order statistics $U_{1:m} \le ... \le U_{m:m}$, then the Anderson-Darling statistic is

$$T_{AD} := -m - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (2i - 1) [\log(U_{i:m}) + \log(1 - U_{m-i+1:m})].$$

Anderson and Darling (1954) found the limiting df of this statistic. The mean of this limiting df is 1 and the variance is $2(\pi^2-9)/3\sim0.57974$. Using the limiting df, we can obtain approximate p-value of Anderson-Darling test as below

$$p_{AD} := 1 - A(T_{AD}),$$

where A is the limiting df proposed by Anderson and Darling (1954).

3. Monte Carlo Experiments

In this section, we carried out to evaluate the performance of all above tests for the tail independence by using Monte Carlo experiments. The joint behavior of rv(X,Y) is assumed to be adequately represented by three one-parameter families of extreme value copulas with dependence parameter θ , namely Gumbel copula, Galambos copula and Husler-Reiss copula. Also, we considered Frank copula does not belong to extreme value copulas. The Gumbel copula is defined as

$$C_{\theta}(u,v) = \exp\left\{-\left[\left(-\ln u\right)^{\theta} + \left(-\ln v\right)^{\theta}\right]^{\frac{1}{\theta}}\right\}, \quad \theta \in [1,\infty),$$

Galambos copula is expressed as

$$C_{\theta}(u,v) = uv \exp\left\{-\left[\left(-\ln u\right)^{-\theta} + \left(-\ln v\right)^{-\theta}\right]^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}\right\}, \quad \theta \in [0,\infty),$$

for $\theta \in [0, \infty)$ Husler-Reiss copula is

$$C_{\theta}(u,v) = \exp\left\{\ln u \,\Phi\left(\frac{1}{\theta} + \frac{\theta}{2}\ln\left(\frac{\ln u}{\ln v}\right)\right) + \ln v \,\Phi\left(\frac{1}{\theta} + \frac{\theta}{2}\ln\left(\frac{\ln v}{\ln u}\right)\right)\right\},\,$$

and Frank copula is specified by

$$C_{\theta}(u,v) = -\frac{1}{\theta} log \left[1 + \frac{(e^{-\theta u} - 1)(e^{-\theta v} - 1)}{(e^{-\theta} - 1)} \right], \quad \theta \in (-\infty,\infty) \setminus \{0\}.$$

For more details about these copulas see Joe (2014).

The Monte Carlo experiments are conducted for the threshold c = -0.5, -0.1, -0.05, and based on K(n) = m = 25 exceedances under the hypothesis H_0 of the independence of X and Y.

The chi-square statistic uses k=4 intervals of equal length. 10000 replications are performed and we compute the percentage of rejection of H_0 . Two characteristics of the tests were of interest: their ability to maintain their nominal level, arbitrarily fixed at 5% throughout the study, and their power under a variety of alternatives. It should be noted that, conditioning on K(n) = m = 25, when the threshold *c* increases to zero, the required sample size increases too.

Tables 1-3 give the percentage of rejection of the hypothesis of the independent tails of X and Y in sampling from different extreme value copulas. In Gumbel, Galambos and Husler-Reiss copulas, the TDC are equal to $2 - 2^{1/\theta}$, $2^{-1/\theta}$ and $2[1-\Phi(1/\theta)]$ respectively. Therefore, in each table, the first row of each test shows the empirical size of the test under the null hypothesis of the tail independence of rv (X,Y) and other rows present the power of these tests under the tail dependence.

Test	Dependence	Threshold			
	Parameter θ	-0.5	-0.1	-0.05	
	1	0.1550	0.0797	0.0672	
	2	0.9704	0.9641	0.9703	
Neyman-Pearson	5	0.9852	0.9726	0.9698	
-	10	0.9843	0.9740	0.9701	
	1	0.0500	0.0531	0.0494	
Fisher's κ	2	0.1991	0.2388	0.2450	
Fisher s k	5	0.2290	0.2405	0.2501	
-	10	0.2299	0.2486	0.2494	
	1	0.0467	0.0515	0.0521	
Kolmogorov-	2	0.6236	0.7267	0.7513	
Smirnov	5	0.7140	0.7485	0.7586	
	10	0.7222	0.7542	0.7604	
	1	0.0365	0.0423	0.0407	
Chi aguara	2	0.4720	0.5841	0.6066	
Chi-square	5	0.5682	0.6050	0.6161	
	10	0.5750	0.6077	0.6060	
	1	0.0477	0.0492	0.0536	
Common Minor	2	0.6841	0.7839	0.8050	
Cramer-von Mises	5	0.7702	0.8050	0.8112	
	10	0.7742	0.8042	0.8072	
	1	0.0468	0.0490	0.0537	
	2	0.7960	0.8694	0.8879	
Anderson-Darling	5	0.8622	0.8858	0.8893	
	10	0.8647	0.8898	0.8913	

Table 1. Percentage of rejection of H_0 by various tests with the underlying Gumbel copula with degrees of dependence θ and 25 exceedances over the threshold c

As seen in tables regardless of the threshold value, except for the Neyman-Pearson test, the size of all tests is close to nominal level 5%, this is shown Bold in Tables 1-3. Of course, by choosing the small threshold close to 0 we ensure that the size of the Neyman-Pearson test also controls. This is inspected in Lemma 3.1 of Falk and Michel (2006).

	Dependence	Threshold			
Test	Parameter θ	-0.5	-0.1	-0.05	
	0	0.1688	0.0906	0.0917	
	2	0.9805	0.9674	0.9713	
Neyman-Pearson	5	0.9856	0.9713	0.9708	
-	10	0.9853	0.9729	0.9721	
	0	0.0485	0.0528	0.0523	
Fisher's ĸ	2	0.2104	0.2351	0.2424	
Fisher S K	5	0.2304	0.2415	0.2460	
	10	0.2335	0.2386	0.2415	
	0	0.0510	0.0500	0.0498	
Kolmogorov-	2	0.6742	0.7392	0.7571	
Smirnov	5	0.7132	0.7453	0.7535	
	10	0.7165	0.7509	0.7557	
	0	0.0434	0.0400	0.0368	
Chierman	2	0.5266	0.5938	0.6083	
Chi-square	5	0.5758	0.6064	0.6130	
-	10	0.5671	0.6100	0.6119	
	0	0.0536	0.0502	0.0523	
	2	0.7282	0.7918	0.8058	
Cramer-von Mises	5	0.7698	0.8013	0.8068	
	10	0.7698	0.8106	0.8063	
	0	0.0550	0.0527	0.0545	
	2	0.8306	0.8771	0.8896	
Anderson-Darling	5	0.8616	0.8878	0.8886	
	10	0.8622	0.8873	0.8872	

Table 2. Percentage of rejection of H_0 by various tests with the underlying Galambos copula with degrees of dependence θ and 25 exceedances over the threshold c

Comparison of the power of the tests shows that the Neyman-Pearson test having the largest power followed by the Anderson-Darling, Cramer-von Mises, Kolmogorov-Smirnov and chi-square tests, respectively.

Table 3. Percentage of rejection of H_0 by various tests with the underlying Husler-Reiss copula with degrees of dependence θ and 25 exceedances over the threshold c

Test	Dependence	Threshold			
Test	Parameter θ	-0.5	-0.1	-0.05	
	0	0.1652	0.0737	0.0633	
N	2	0.9774	0.9716	0.9705	
Neyman-Pearson	5	0.9847	0.9700	0.9701	
-	10	0.9870	0.9723	0.9684	
	0	0.0487	0.0507	0.0497	
-	2	0.1974	0.2348	0.2509	
Fisher's K	5	0.2251	0.2485	0.2496	
-	10	0.2288	0.2438	0.2421	
	0	0.0484	0.0497	0.0522	
Kolmogorov-	2	0.6602	0.7382	0.7509	
Smirnov	5	0.7118	0.7464	0.7556	
	10	0.7245	0.7398	0.7577	
	0	0.0373	0.0389	0.0391	
Chierman	2	0.5111	0.5895	0.6047	
Chi-square	5	0.5603	0.6049	0.6119	
-	10	0.5810	0.5994	0.6121	
	0	0.0526	0.0485	0.0532	
Common Miner	2	0.7186	0.7886	0.8013	
Cramer-von Mises	5	0.7641	0.8000	0.8067	
	10	0.7801	0.7984	0.8155	
	0	0.0512	0.0496	0.0524	
Anderson Dorlin -	2	0.8234	0.8774	0.8846	
Anderson-Darling	5	0.8599	0.8832	0.8850	
	10	0.8684	0.8811	0.8885	

As Falk and Michel (2006) pointed out the distribution of p_{κ} is almost not affected, therefore the test for the independence of *X* and *Y* based on Fisher's κ fails. These results are viewable in Tables 1-3.

	Dependence	Threshold			
Test	Parameter θ	-0.5	-0.1	-0.05	
	0	0.1589	0.0739	0.0621	
N. D.	2	0.3928	0.1094	0.0804	
Neyman-Pearson	5	0.6683	0.1626	0.1053	
	10	0.8722	0.2726	0.1564	
	0	0.0502	0.0479	0.0471	
Fisher's κ	2	0.0655	0.0547	0.0512	
Fisher s k	5	0.1021	0.0548	0.0552	
	10	0.1550	0.0703	0.0525	
	0	0.0502	0.0494	0.0447	
Kolmogorov-	2	0.0997	0.0572	0.0491	
Smirnov	5	0.2434	0.0737	0.0557	
	10	0.4726	0.1161	0.0729	
	0	0.0403	0.0424	0.0374	
Chiarman	2	0.0664	0.0437	0.0372	
Chi-square	5	0.1592	0.0519	0.0433	
	10	0.3329	0.0760	0.0518	
	0	0.0521	0.0491	0.0439	
Commence	2	0.1086	0.0577	0.0507	
Cramer-von Mises	5	0.2829	0.0763	0.0584	
	10	0.5252	0.1322	0.0786	
Anderson-Darling	0	0.0505	0.0507	0.0458	
	2	0.1161	0.0604	0.0499	
	5	0.3050	0.0783	0.0577	
	10	0.5660	0.1389	0.0806	

Table 4. Percentage of rejection of H_0 by various tests with the underlying Frank copula with degrees of dependence θ and 25 exceedances over the threshold c

Table 4 illustrates the percentage of rejection of the hypothesis of the independent tails of *X* and *Y* in sampling from Frank copula. In Frank copula, for all values of the dependence parameter θ , TDC is equal to zero; i.e. *X* and *Y* are tail independent. Therefore, this table shows the empirical size of the test under the null hypothesis of the tail independence of rv (*X*,*Y*). As seen in Table 4, when the dependence parameter θ is zero (i.e. data does not have any dependency), except for the Neyman-Pearson test, the size of all tests is close to nominal level 5% and by choosing the small threshold the size of the Neyman-Pearson test also controls. By increasing the dependence parameter, although *X* and *Y* do not have tail dependence, the empirical size of the tests are violated. Looking at Table

4, we observe that in this case if the threshold value is close to 0, the empirical level approaches the nominal level, this is shown Bold in Table 4. The results of Table 4 show that, even if rv(X,Y) does not belong to extreme value model, tail independence tests for a small threshold still have good performance.

4. Data Analysis

In this section, the application of tail independence tests is illustrated using two different datasets. The first one is due to Cornwell and Trumbull (1994), who prepared based on the transcript of crime in North Carolina regarding 24 variables. The dataset included a panel of 90 observational units (counties) from 1981 to 1987, i.e. total number of observations is 630. We consider the two variables density (people per square mile) and crmrte (crimes committed per person) and other variables are ignored. We consider this dataset as Crime data. The second dataset, reported from "Investing.com." This site is a global financial portal and internet brand composed of 28 editions in 21 languages and mobile apps for Android and iOS that provide news, analysis, streaming quotes and charts, technical data and financial tools about the global financial markets. We consider stock price pairs from two Japanese multinational automaker: Honda Motor and Mazda Motor. Our sample period covers a total 758 observations from 10 Sep. 2014 to 16 Oct. 2017. We call this dataset as Stock data. In Figure 1, we draw scatter plots of empirical df of pairs for two datasets.

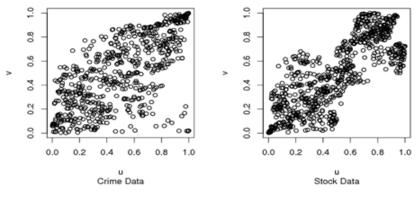


Figure 1. Scatter Plots of Empirical df of Pairs

We use a specific copula method for estimating TDC. For this purpose, we fitted three famous Archimedean copulas to the two datasets and obtained Cramervon Mises statistic $S_n^{(B)}$ introduced by Genest et al. (2009), where is based on Rosenblatt's transform. It should be noted that the margins are estimated by empirical dfs. The results are shown in Table 5.

Copula Crime Data		Stock Data						
under H_0	p.value	AIC	$\hat{ heta}$	TDC	p.value	AIC	$\hat{ heta}$	TDC
Clayton	0	-313.88	1.909		0	-556.56	2.620	
Frank	0.097	-368.61	5.528		0.093	-644.07	7.112	0
Gumbel	0.24	-375.09	1.954	0.574	0.032	-580.55	2.310	

Table 5. Copula goodness-of-fit test for two datasets

According to the p-values of tests, we conclude that Gumbel copula and Frank copula have best fit to the two datasets respectively. Therefore Crime data are tail dependent, where TDC is equal to 0.574 and Stock data are tail independent. In the following, all proposed tests in Section 2 are performed on the two datasets and the results are displayed in Table 6. It should be noted that in carrying out these tests, for each dataset, the threshold c is chosen to have at least 30 observations greater than of the threshold value. Therefore, in two datasets, the thresholds are equal to -0.15 and -0.25 respectively.

Table 0. Independence tests for two datasets				
Trat	<i>p</i> .value			
Test	Crime Data	Stock Data		
Neyman-Pearson	4.891685e-09	0.7543855		
Fisher's κ	4.364887e-02	0.2194695		
Kolmogorov-Smirnov	1.245545e-03	0.4993588		
Chi-square	1.514254e-02	0.6754989		
Cramer-von Mises	1.027966e-03	0.7278006		
Anderson-Darling	3.082995e-04	0.6549564		

Table 6. Independence tests for two datasets

In Crime data, all tests reject the null hypothesis of the tail independence of variables density and crmrte at 0.05 level, i.e., two variables density and crmrte are tail dependent; therefore, if the density of people per square mile exceeds a certain threshold, then crimes committed per person will exceed that specific threshold.

In Stock data, tail independence is not rejected by any of the tests at 0.05 level, i.e., stock prices of the two Japanese automakers Honda and Mazda are tail independent. Therefore tail independence tests confirmed the results of Table 5. It is noteworthy that if the TDC is estimated using the unsuitable copula function, the tail independence tests show this matter; this indicates the importance of using the test to verify the existence of tail dependence in the data.

5. Conclusion

In this paper, we recommended two new statistics Cramer-von Mises and Anderson-Darling for tail independence in extreme value models-based approach of Falk and Michel (2006). Simulations show that two tests are better than the proposed tests by Falk and Michel. Also, we illustrated the importance of using these tests by using two real datasets, while the tail dependence maybe is estimated incorrectly and this wrong is shown by tests.

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