

A Reinsurance Approach in a Two-Dimensional Model with Dependent Risks

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Abstract

We consider an insurer having two classes of insurance risks dependent through the number of claims of each risk in a given period of time. We assume that the insurer chooses a reinsurance strategy related to the first class of risk by means a proportional reinsurance contract; we also assume that the reinsurance strategy related to the second class of risk is of Excess of Loss reinsurance type. Within this paper, we study the possible optimal couples of proportional retention level and Excess of Loss retention limit.

Keywords

Reinsurance, Proportional Reinsurance, Excess of Loss Reinsurance, Dependent Risks, Two Dimensional Risk Process

1. Introduction

In recent years, several authors have studied two-dimensional risk processes where an insurer has two classes of business or insurance risks and in each of these two classes there is a surplus process similar to that one of the classical model of risk theory. In [1] [2], and [3], it is possible to find results relating to the definition and to the determination of the ruin probability. In [4] and [5], two-dimensional risk models are considered in the presence of two insurers and under these assumptions, models where the two insurers can be considered as an insurer and a reinsurer are studied. In the literature, further relevant models are: the model presented in [6] where the authors consider a two dimensional ruin problem for two insurance companies that divide between them both claims and premia in some specified proportions and the model presented in [7] where the authors considers two insurance companies, each one with two independent risk processes, having a mutual agreement of deficit coverage such that each company agree to cover the deficit of the other.

In this paper, we always consider only one insurer who has two classes of insurance risks; we therefore consider a two-dimensional risk model process where we assume that an insurer has two classes of insurance business. We assume that these two classes are dependent through the number of claims. The risks of the two dependent classes of insurance risks are sometimes of very different kinds (for example the risk class connected to the insurance of the current damages that can happen to the building and the class of risk connected to the insurance of damages related to an earthquake) therefore, in the insurance practice, it may be more suitable the proportional reinsurance for the first class and the Excess of Loss reinsurance for the second. Hence, we present a new model involving these two different kinds of reinsurance: we assume that the insurer reinsures each of the classes with a quota-share and with an Excess of Loss reinsurance, respectively. We address the problem of determining the proportional retention level (*a*) and the optimal Excess of Loss retention limit (*b*) that in a given period of time maximize the expected utility of the total wealth of the insurer; that is, our aim is to calculate the couple (*a*, *b*) in order to maximize the expected utility of the total terminal wealth after reinsurance. Therefore, inspired by [8], we face in the paper a new problem. This paper can improve the reinsurance policies of the company which could thus improve its insurance offer.

The paper is organized as follows: Section 2 is devoted to the presentation of the model.

Section 3 contains the optimization problem and Section 4 presents the Theorem and resumes the results; Section 5 concludes.

2. The Model

We consider only one insurer having two classes of insurance risks dependent through the number of claims. Let $\{X_{ij}\}, j=1,2,\dots$ be the claim size random variable for risk $i, i=1,2$. We assume that the $X_{ij}, j=1,2,\dots$ have the same distribution function $F_i \in C^1$ with $F_i' = f_i, f_i(x) > 0, \forall x \in (0, +\infty)$, and such that $F_i(x) = 0$ for $x \leq 0$. We therefore assume that:

- $E[X_{ij}] = \mu_i < +\infty, i=1,2,$
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x[1 - F(x)] = 0, i=1,2,$
- the moment generating functions $M_{X_{ij}}, i=1,2,$ exist.

As done in [2], we consider a given period of time. Let N_i be the number of claims, for classes $i, i=1,2$, in the given period of time considered; we assume:

$$N_i = Q_i + Q_0, \quad i=1,2, \quad (1)$$

where Q_1, Q_2 and Q_0 are independent Poisson random variables with positive parameters θ_1, θ_2 and θ_0 , respectively. Hence (N_1, N_2) is a bivariate Poisson distribution (see [9]).

As usually stated, the random variables X_{ij} are mutually independent for each $j=1,2,\dots$, and are independent of $N_i, i=1,2$.

Let $S_i, i=1,2$ be the aggregate claim amount for the risk i^{th} ; it results that

$$S_i = \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} X_{ij}, \quad i=1,2.$$

The above risks are dependent risks since the aggregate claim amounts are correlated through the parameter θ_0 .

We denote by $U_i, i = 1, 2$, the value of the i^{th} surplus process at the end of the given period. Stating with $u_i \geq 0$ the value of the i^{th} surplus process at the beginning of the given period, and with c_i the corresponding insurance premium, it results that:

$$U_i = u_i + c_i - S_i, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

We assume that the insurer reinsures the risk of the first class with a proportional insurance contract with a retention level a , $a \in [0, 1]$, and that he reinsures the risk of the second class with an Excess of Loss insurance contract with a retention limit b , $b \in [0, +\infty)$.

After the reinsurances, the insurer is required to pay $Y_{1j} = aX_{1j}$ for each claim of the first class and $Y_{2j} = \min\{X_{2j}, b\}$ for each claim of the second class, $j = 1, 2, \dots$.

Therefore, the aggregate claims paid by the insurer are:

$$\bar{S}_1(a) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_1} aX_{1j} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_1} Y_{1j} \quad (2)$$

and

$$\bar{S}_2(b) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} \min(X_{2j}, b) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} Y_{2j}. \quad (3)$$

To obtain the above reinsurance policies, the insurer pays the corresponding insurance premiums, $c_1(a)$ and $c_2(b)$, respectively. The reinsurer is required to pay $(1-a)X_1$ for each claim of the first class and $\max\{X_2 - b, 0\}$ for each claim of the second class. It follows that, assuming the Expected Value principle as premium calculation principle, with loading coefficients $\zeta_i > 0, i = 1, 2$, respectively, it results:

$$c_1(a) = (1 + \zeta_1)E[N_1]E[(1-a)X_1] = (1 + \varepsilon_1)(\theta_1 + \theta_0)(1-a)\mu_1 \quad (4)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} c_2(b) &= (1 + \zeta_2)E[N_2]E[\max\{X_2 - b, 0\}] \\ &= (1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) \int_b^{+\infty} (1 - F_2(x)) dx \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Therefore, after reinsurances, the value of each reinsurer surplus, that we denote by $\bar{U}_i, i = 1, 2$, is:

$$\bar{U}_1 = u_1 + c_1 - c_1(a) - \bar{S}_1(a) \quad (6)$$

$$\bar{U}_2 = u_2 + c_2 - c_2(b) - \bar{S}_2(b) \quad (7)$$

For which, the total surplus is:

$$\bar{U} = \bar{U}_1 + \bar{U}_2. \quad (8)$$

3. The Problem

As we have stated before, our goal is to maximize the expected utility of the total wealth of the insurer. According to several Authors, we assume that the insurer's

utility function, u , is defined as follows: $u(x) = -(1/\beta)e^{-\beta x}$.

We therefore aim to find the $\max_{a \in [0,1], b \in [0,+\infty)} \left\{ E \left[-(1/\beta)e^{-\beta U} \right] \right\}$ that is, remembering (2)-(7) and (8):

$$\max_{a \in [0,1], b \in [0,+\infty)} \left\{ E \left[-(1/\beta)e^{-\beta [u_1+u_2+c_1+c_2-(c_1(a)+c_2(b))-(\bar{S}_1(a)+\bar{S}_2(b))]} \right] \right\}.$$

Avoiding the constant terms respect to a and b , our objective function is:

$$\min_{a \in [0,1], b \in [0,+\infty)} \left\{ e^{\beta(c_1(a)+c_2(b))} E \left[e^{\beta(\bar{S}_1(a)+\bar{S}_2(b))} \right] \right\}. \tag{9}$$

In the following, we will consider the variables $X_i, i = 1, 2$, identically distributed to $X_{ij}, j = 1, 2, \dots$ and the variables Y_1 and Y_2 identically distributed to Y_{1j} and $Y_{2j} \quad j = 1, 2, \dots$, respectively. Remembering that, for assumption (1), (N_1, N_2) has the bivariate Poisson distribution and therefore the moment generating function of $(\bar{S}_1(a) + \bar{S}_2(b))$ is (see [8] and [9]):

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[e^{\beta(\bar{S}_1(a)+\bar{S}_2(b))} \right] &= E \left[(M_{Y_1}(\beta))^{N_1} (M_{Y_2}(\beta))^{N_2} \right] \\ &= e^{(\theta_1+\theta_0)(M_{Y_1}(\beta)-1) + (\theta_2+\theta_0)(M_{Y_2}(\beta)-1) + \theta_0(M_{Y_1}(\beta)-1)(M_{Y_2}(\beta)-1)} \end{aligned}$$

and therefore, if it is:

$$\begin{aligned} h(a,b) &= (\theta_1 + \theta_0) \left[\int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta ax} f_1(x) dx - 1 \right] + (\theta_2 + \theta_0) \beta \left[\int_0^b e^{\beta x} [1 - F_2(x)] dx \right] \\ &\quad + \theta_0 \beta \left[\int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta ax} f_1(x) dx - 1 \right] \int_0^b e^{\beta x} [1 - F_2(x)] dx, \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

it results:

$$E \left[e^{\beta(\bar{S}_1(a)+\bar{S}_2(b))} \right] = e^{h(a,b)}.$$

It follows that the problem (9) can be written as:

$$\min_{a \in [0,1], b \in [0,+\infty)} \left\{ e^{\beta \left(c_1(a)+c_2(b) + \frac{h(a,b)}{\beta} \right)} \right\},$$

that is, if it is:

$$-\left(c_1(a) + c_2(b) + \frac{h(a,b)}{\beta} \right) = k(a,b),$$

then:

$$\min_{a \in [0,1], b \in [0,+\infty)} \left\{ e^{-\beta k(a,b)} \right\}. \tag{11}$$

Remembering (4), (5) and (10), it results:

$$\begin{aligned} k(a,b) &= -\left\{ (1+\zeta_1)(\theta_1 + \theta_0)(1-a)\mu_1 + (1+\zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) \int_b^{+\infty} (1-F_2(x)) dx \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\theta_1 + \theta_0}{\beta} \left[\int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta ax} f_1(x) dx - 1 \right] + \int_0^b e^{\beta x} [1 - F_2(x)] dx \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \theta_0 \left[\int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta ax} f_1(x) dx - 1 \right] \int_0^b e^{\beta x} [1 - F_2(x)] dx \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Finally, we observe that minimizing $e^{-\beta k(a,b)}$ is equivalent to the maximizing

$k(a, b)$. We therefore have the problem:

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{cases} \max \{k(a, b)\} \\ \text{with the constraints :} \\ -a \leq 0 \\ a - 1 \leq 0 \\ -b \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

We consider the problem (13) using Kuhn-Tucker conditions and we state:

$$L(a, b, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3) = k(a, b) - \lambda_1(-a) - \lambda_2(a - 1) - \lambda_3(-b).$$

The K-T conditions are:

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial a} + \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 = 0 \\ \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial b} + \lambda_3 = 0 \\ \lambda_s \geq 0, s = 1, 2, 3 \\ a \geq 0 \\ a - 1 \leq 0 \\ b \geq 0 \\ \lambda_1 a = 0 \\ \lambda_2 (a - 1) = 0 \\ \lambda_3 b = 0 \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

We observe that it results:

$$\frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial a} = (1 + \zeta_1)(\theta_1 + \theta_0)\mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta a x} f_1(x) dx\right) \times \left(\theta_1 + \theta_0 + \beta \theta_0 \int_0^b e^{\beta x} [1 - F_2(x)] dx\right), \quad (15)$$

$$\frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial b} = (1 - F_2(b)) \left[(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - e^{\beta b} \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta a x} f_1(x) dx \right) \right]. \quad (16)$$

Let

$$b = b(a) = \frac{1}{\beta} \ln \frac{(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0)}{\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta a x} f_1(x) dx}, \quad a \in [0, 1]. \quad (17)$$

We observe that $b = b(0)$ nullifies (16) and it is decreasing when a increases.

We consider the following cases of which (a, b) would be solution of the system (14).

- Case I

$$a = 0 \text{ and } b = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = 0.$$

The following conditions must be fulfilled:

$$\left. \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial a} \right|_{a=0, b=0} = -\lambda_1 \leq 0 \text{ and } \left. \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial b} \right|_{a=0, b=0} = -\lambda_3 \leq 0,$$

that is:

$$\zeta_1(\theta_1 + \theta_0)\mu_1 \leq 0 \quad (I_1)$$

$$\zeta_2(\theta_2 + \theta_0) \leq 0 \quad (I_2)$$

and we observe that both (I₁) and (I₂) are impossible.

- Case II

$$a = 0 \text{ and } b > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0.$$

The following conditions must be fulfilled:

$$\left. \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial a} \right|_{a=0, b>0} = -\lambda_1 \leq 0 \text{ and } \left. \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial b} \right|_{a=0, b>0} = 0,$$

that is it must exist $b_1 > 0$ satisfying the conditions:

$$\zeta_1(\theta_1 + \theta_0) - \beta\theta_0 \int_0^{b_1} e^{\beta x} [1 - F_2(x)] dx \leq 0 \quad (II_1)$$

$$(1 + \zeta_2) - e^{\beta b_1} = 0. \quad (II_2)$$

We observe that it exists $b_1 > 0$ satisfying condition (II₂); it is:

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{\beta} \ln(1 + \zeta_2). \quad (18)$$

- Case III

$$a = 1 \text{ and } b = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 0.$$

The following conditions must be fulfilled:

$$\left. \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial a} \right|_{a=1, b=0} = \lambda_2 \geq 0 \text{ and } \left. \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial b} \right|_{a=1, b=0} = -\lambda_3 \leq 0,$$

that is:

$$(1 + \zeta_1)\mu_1 - \int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \geq 0 \quad (III_1)$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) \leq 0. \quad (III_2)$$

- Case IV

$$0 < a < 1 \text{ and } b = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0.$$

The following conditions must be fulfilled:

$$\left. \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial a} \right|_{0 < a < 1, b=0} = 0 \text{ and } \left. \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial b} \right|_{0 < a < 1, b=0} = -\lambda_3 \leq 0,$$

that is, it must exist $a(b) = a(1) = a_1 \in (0, 1)$ satisfying the following conditions:

$$(1 + \zeta_1)\mu_1 - \int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta a_1 x} f_1(x) dx = 0 \quad (IV_1)$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta a_1 x} f_1(x) dx \right) \leq 0. \quad (IV_2)$$

We observe that, if and only if condition (III₁) is not verified, that is if and only if it results:

$$(1 + \zeta_1)\mu_1 - \int_0^{+\infty} xe^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx < 0, \tag{19}$$

then, $\exists! a_1 \in (0,1)$ satisfying condition (IV₁). Indeed, considering

$$G(a) = (1 + \zeta_1)\mu_1 - \int_0^{+\infty} xe^{\beta a x} f_1(x) dx, \quad 0 \leq a \leq 1$$

it results:

$$G'(a) < 0, a \in (0,1), \quad G(0) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad G(1) < 0 \quad \text{because of (19).}$$

- Case V

$$a = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad b > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_3 = 0.$$

The following conditions must be fulfilled:

$$\left. \frac{\partial k(a,b)}{\partial a} \right|_{a=1,b>0} = \lambda_2 \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left. \frac{\partial k(a,b)}{\partial b} \right|_{a=1,b>0} = 0,$$

that is, it must exist $b_2 > 0$ satisfying the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + \zeta_1)(\theta_1 + \theta_0)\mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} xe^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) \\ & \times \left(\theta_1 + \theta_0 + \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b_2} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx \right) \geq 0 \end{aligned} \tag{V_1}$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - e^{\beta b_2} \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) = 0. \tag{V_2}$$

We observe that, if and only if condition (III₂) is not verified, that is if and only if it results:

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) > 0, \tag{20}$$

it exists $b_2 > 0$ satisfying condition (V₂), it is:

$$b_2 = \frac{1}{\beta} \ln \frac{(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0)}{\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx}. \tag{21}$$

- Case VI

$$0 < a < 1 \quad \text{and} \quad b > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0.$$

The following conditions must be fulfilled:

$$\left. \frac{\partial k(a,b)}{\partial a} \right|_{0<a<1,b>0} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left. \frac{\partial k(a,b)}{\partial b} \right|_{0<a<1,b>0} = 0,$$

that is, it must exist $a_2 \in (0,1)$ and $b_3 > 0$ satisfying the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + \zeta_1)(\theta_1 + \theta_0)\mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} xe^{\beta a_2 x} f_1(x) dx \right) \\ & \times \left(\theta_1 + \theta_0 + \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b_3} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx \right) = 0 \end{aligned} \tag{VI_1}$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - e^{\beta b_2} \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta a_2 x} f_1(x) dx \right) = 0. \quad (VI_2)$$

We observe that, if conditions (III₁), (II₁) and (IV₂) are not verified, that is if (19) holds and if moreover it results:

$$\zeta_1(\theta_1 + \theta_0) - \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b_1} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx > 0, \quad (22)$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta a_1 x} f_1(x) dx \right) > 0, \quad (23)$$

then, there exist $a_2 \in (0, a_1)$ and $b_3 > 0$ satisfying the conditions (VI₁) and (VI₂). Instead, as we have observed before, from (19) it follows that it exist unique $a_1 \in (0, 1)$ fulfilling condition (IV₁). Furthermore, being (23) satisfied, it results that, for all $a \in [0, a_1]$, it is possible to find the following $b = b(a) > 0$, fulfilling condition (VI₂):

$$b = b(a) = \frac{1}{\beta} \ln \frac{(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0)}{\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta a x} f_1(x) dx} > 0, a \in [0, a_1]. \quad (24)$$

Placing:

$$\left. \frac{\partial k(a, b)}{\partial a} \right|_{a \in [0, a_1], b = b(a)} = H(a, b(a)) = \bar{H}(a), \quad (25)$$

since (22) is satisfied, it results:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{H}(0) &= H(0, b(0)) = H(0, b_1) \\ &= \mu_1 \left[\zeta_1(\theta_1 + \theta_0) - \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b_1} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx \right] > 0 \end{aligned}$$

while, remembering (IV₁), it is:

$$\bar{H}(a_1) = H(a_1, b(a_1)) = -(1 + \zeta_1) \mu_1 \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b(a_1)} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx < 0.$$

It follows that it exists $a_2 \in (0, a_1)$ such that $H(a_2, b(a_2)) = 0$ and therefore, there exist $a_2 \in (0, a_1)$ and $b_3 = b(a_2) = \frac{1}{\beta} \ln \frac{(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0)}{\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta a_2 x} f_1(x) dx} > 0$, satisfying conditions (VI₁) and (VI₂).

Finally, we observe that if conditions (III₂), (II₁) and (V₁) are not valid, that is if (20) and (22) hold, and if moreover it results:

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + \zeta_1)(\theta_1 + \theta_0) \mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) \\ \times \left(\theta_1 + \theta_0 + \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b_2} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx \right) < 0 \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

then there exist $a_2 \in (0, 1)$ and $b_3 > 0$, fulfilling (VI₁) and (VI₂).

In fact, as we have observed before, from (20) it follows that it exists $b_2 = b(1) > 0$ fulfilling (V₂). It follows that, remembering (17), for all $a \in (0, 1)$, it exists:

$$0 < b_2 = b(1) < b(a) < b(0) = b_1$$

fulfilling condition (VI₂).

We recall (25) and we have, since (22) is fulfilled: $\bar{H}(0) = H(0, b(0)) > 0$ and since (26) is fulfilled:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{H}(1) = H(1, b(1)) &= (1 + \zeta_1)(\theta_1 + \theta_0)\mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) \\ &\quad \times \left(\theta_1 + \theta_0 + \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b(1)-b_2} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx \right) < 0 \end{aligned}$$

As a consequence, it exists $a_2 \in (0, 1)$ such that $H(a_2, b(a_2)) = 0$ and therefore there exist $a_2 \in (0, 1)$ and $b_3 = b(a_2)$ fulfilling (VI₁) and (VI₂).

4. The Results

The results obtained allow us to show the following:

Theorem

Let (\bar{a}, \bar{b}) a Kuhn-Tucker point, solution of the system (14).

1) The following statements are hold:

1) $\bar{a} = 0$ and $\bar{b} = 0$ is impossible.

2) Let $b_1 = b(0)$ fulfilling condition (II₂). If it is:

$$\zeta_1(\theta_1 + \theta_0) - \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b_1} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx \leq 0,$$

that is if condition (II₁) is satisfied, it is:

$$\bar{a} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{b} = b_1 = b(0) > 0. \quad (\text{case (II)})$$

In the following we suppose that condition (II₁) is not satisfied, that is (22) holds and that moreover it results:

$$\zeta_1(\theta_1 + \theta_0) - \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b_1} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx > 0.$$

3) If it also turns out:

$$(1 + \zeta_1)\mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) \geq 0$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) \leq 0,$$

that is if (III₁) and (III₂) are fulfilled, it results:

$$\bar{a} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{b} = 0. \quad (\text{case (III)})$$

4) If it also turns out:

$$(1 + \zeta_1)\mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) < 0$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta a(1)} f_1(x) dx \right) \leq 0,$$

that is if (III₁) is not fulfilled, that is (19) holds, and (IV₂) is satisfied, it results:

$$\bar{a} = a(1) = a_1 \in (0, 1) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{b} = 1. \quad (\text{case (IV)})$$

5) If it also turns out:

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) > 0,$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_1)(\theta_1 + \theta_0) \mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) \\ \times \left(\theta_1 + \theta_0 + \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b(1)} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx \right) \geq 0$$

that is if (III₂) is not fulfilled, that is (20) holds, and (V₁) is satisfied, it results:

$$\bar{a} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{b} = b(1) = b_2 > 0. \quad (\text{case (V)})$$

6) F₁) If it also turns out:

$$(1 + \zeta_1) \mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) < 0$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta a(1)} f_1(x) dx \right) > 0,$$

that is if (III₁) and (IV₂) are not satisfied, that is (19) and (23) hold, it results:

$$\bar{a} = a_2 \in (0, a_1) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{b} = b(a_2) = b_3 > 0,$$

where a_2 and b_3 fulfill conditions (VI). (case (VI)).

F₂) If it also turns out:

$$(1 + \zeta_2)(\theta_2 + \theta_0) - \left(\theta_2 + \theta_0 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) > 0$$

and

$$(1 + \zeta_1)(\theta_1 + \theta_0) \mu_1 - \left(\int_0^{+\infty} x e^{\beta x} f_1(x) dx \right) \\ \times \left(\theta_1 + \theta_0 + \beta \theta_0 \int_0^{b(1)} e^{\beta x} (1 - F_2(x)) dx \right) < 0$$

that is if (III₂) and (V₁) are not satisfied, that is (20) and (26) hold, it results:

$$\bar{a} = a_2 \in (0, 1) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{b} = b_3 = b(a_2),$$

where a_2 and b_3 fulfill conditions (VI). (case (VI)).

Proof

1), 2) and 3): see cases (I), (II) and (III) previously mentioned, respectively.

4): as proved in the case (IV), (19) ensures that exists $a(1) = a_1 \in (0, 1)$ satisfying (IV₁) and then, if also (IV₂) is fulfilled, it is case (IV).

5): as proved in the case (V), (20) ensures that exists $b(1) = b_2 > 0$ satisfying (V₂) and then, if also (V₁) is fulfilled, we are in the case (V).

6): see case (VI).

5. Final Conclusions

In this paper, we presented a two dimensional risk model where the claim counting processes of the two classes of insurance business are dependent through the

number of claims. We have assumed that the insurer reinsures each of the classes with a quota-share and with an excess of loss reinsurance, with a retention level a , $a \in [0,1]$ and a retention limit b , $b \in [0, +\infty)$, respectively.

Fixed a given period of time, we have considered the expected utility of the insurer's wealth and we have assumed that the insurer looks for the pair (a, b) that maximizes this utility. In the paper, we have constructed the model that describes the above problem and we have assumed, according with several authors, an exponential utility function and the expected value principle for the computation of the insurance premiums. We therefore have considered the possible pairs (a, b) candidates to solve the problem, deriving the conditions under which each pair exists.

We are currently dealing with the possible application of the model presented in this article to a particular case of social significance. Furthermore, as well as other authors have done in models different from the model presented in this paper, a natural development of our study could be consider more than two classes of insurance business with two or more reinsurance types.

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