

Vertical Mixtures of Copulas

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2-Copula

Binary operation $C: [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$

- 0 as an **annihilator**
- 1 as a **neutral element**
- for all $u_1 \leq u_2$ and $v_1 \leq v_2$ from $[0, 1]$

$$C(u_1, v_1) - C(u_1, v_2) - C(u_2, v_1) + C(u_2, v_2) \geq 0$$

Quasi-Copula

Binary operation $Q: [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$

- nondecreasing in both operands
- 1 as a neutral element
- for all u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2 in $[0, 1]$

$$|Q(u_1, v_1) - Q(u_2, v_2)| \leq |u_1 - u_2| + |v_1 - v_2|$$

Theorem (Sklar)

A mapping $F_{XY}: [-\infty, \infty]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a joint distribution function of a random vector (X, Y) with marginal distributions F_X and F_Y respectively **iff** there exists a copula C_{XY} such that

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = C_{XY}(F_X(x), F_Y(y))$$

holds for all $x, y \in [-\infty, \infty]$.

Corollary

Copulas are $[0, 1]^2$ -restrictions of probability distribution functions of random vectors with components distributed uniformly on $[0, 1]$.

Copula and its Induced Measure

C-volume of a rectangle

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$$V_C(R) = C(u_1, v_1) - C(u_1, v_2) - C(u_2, v_1) + C(u_2, v_2).$$

For any two rectangles R_1, R_2 with a common edge if $R_1 \cup R_2$ is a rectangle again, then

$$V_C(R_1 \cup R_2) = V_C(R_1) + V_C(R_2).$$

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- every copula is a quasi-copula
- given two (quasi-)copulas A, B and $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ the operation $\alpha A + (1 - \alpha)B$ is a (quasi-)copula again
- quasi-copulas are nondecreasing in each variable
- quasi-copulas are continuous
- quasi-copulas admit first partial derivatives λ -almost everywhere

Prototypical examples

- $M(u, v) = \min\{u, v\}$
- $\Pi(u, v) = uv$
- $W(u, v) = \max\{u + v - 1, 0\}$

1 Vertical mixtures

Definition

For a binary operation $O: [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$ we define its **residual transform**

$$\mathcal{R}[O](u, v) = \sup\{z \in [0, 1] \mid O(u, z) \leq v\}.$$

and its **deresidualization**

$$\bar{\mathcal{R}}[O](u, v) = \inf\{z \in [0, 1] \mid O(u, z) \geq v\}.$$

Lemma

Every quasi-copula Q satisfies

$$\bar{\mathcal{R}}[\mathcal{R}[Q]] = (\bar{\mathcal{R}} \circ \mathcal{R})[Q] = Q.$$



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- $A, B: [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$

Operation

$$A *_\alpha B = \bar{\mathcal{R}}[(1 - \alpha)\mathcal{R}[A] + \alpha\mathcal{R}[B]]$$

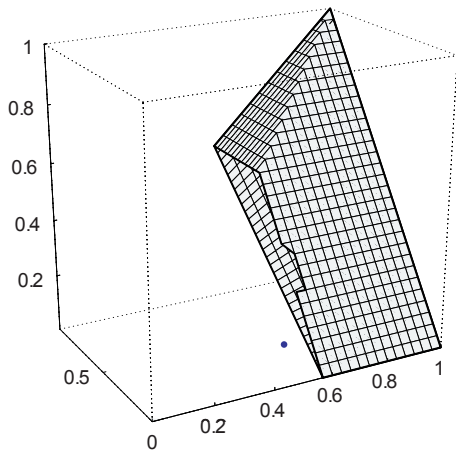
is the **vertical α -mixture** of A and B .

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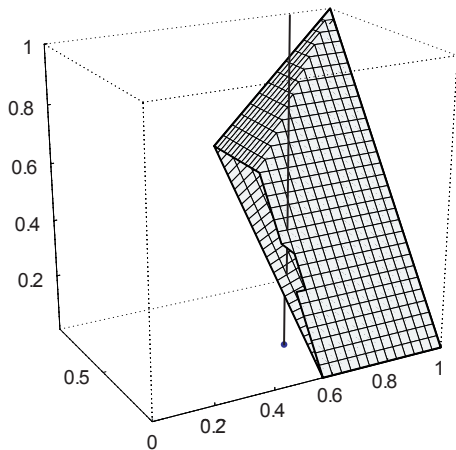
For quasi-copulas A and B

- $A *_0 B = A$ and $A *_1 B = B$
- $(A *_\alpha B)_{\alpha \in [0,1]}$
- $A *_\alpha B$ often violates **commutativity** even if A and B do not

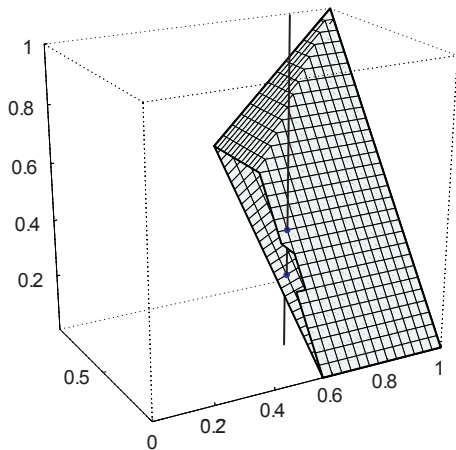
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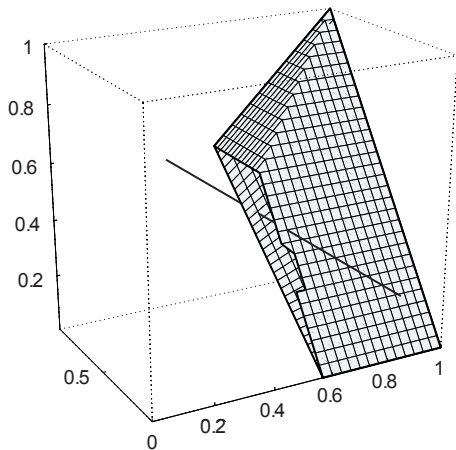
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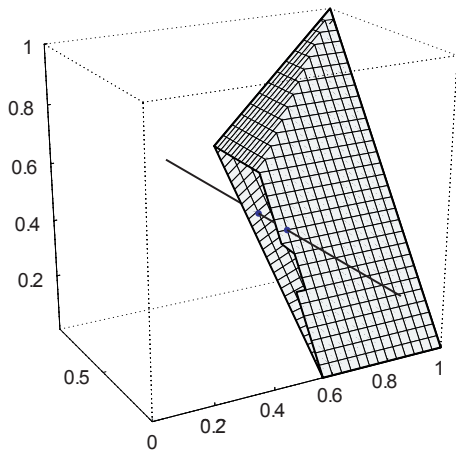
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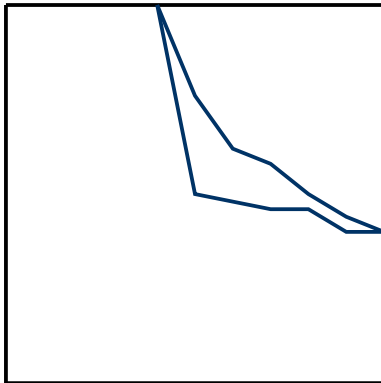
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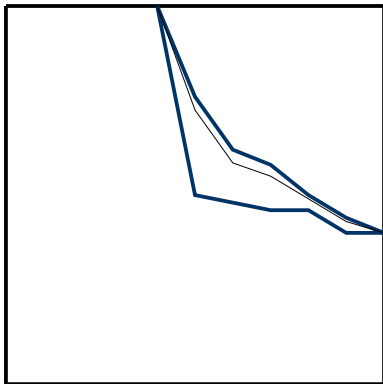
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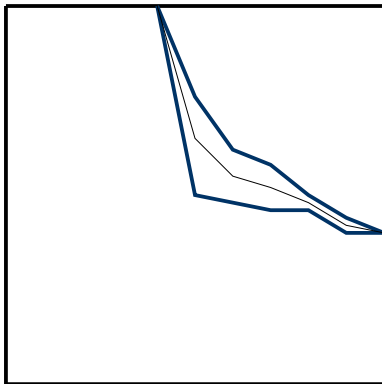
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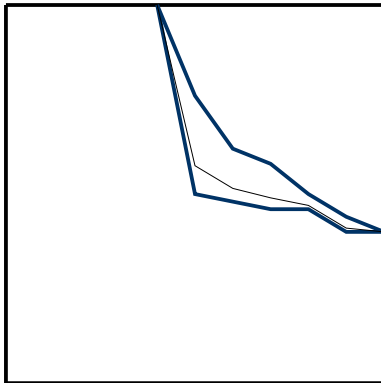
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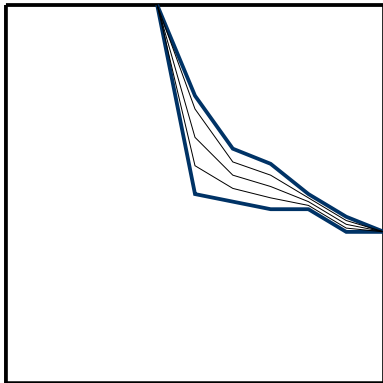
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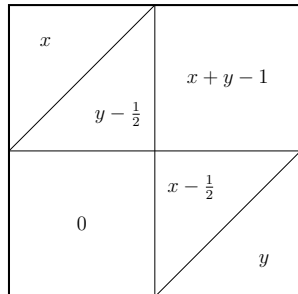
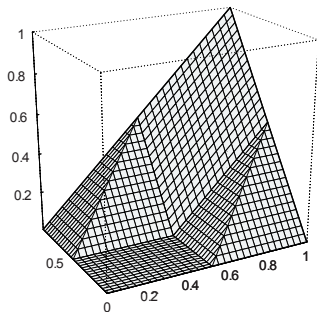


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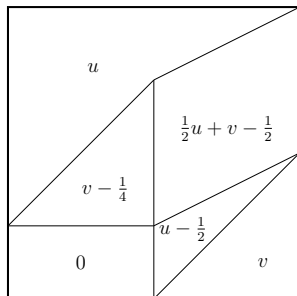
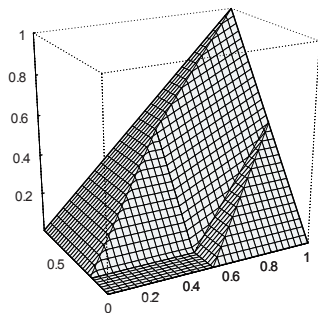
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C



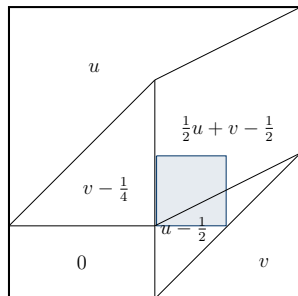
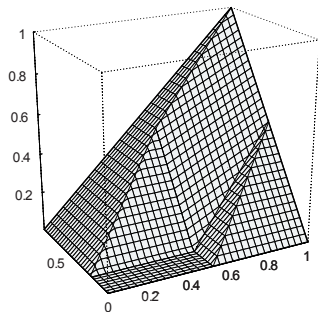
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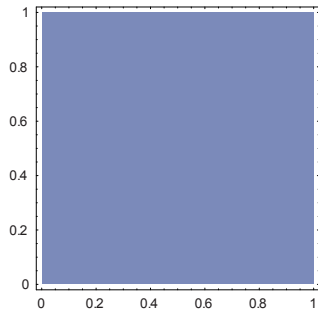
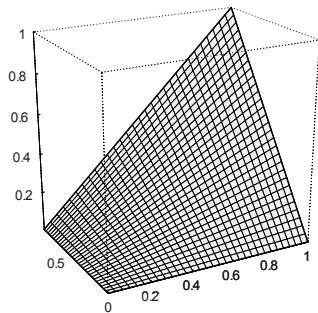
Put $C_\alpha = \Pi *_{\alpha} M$. Then

$$C_\alpha(u, v) = \min \left\{ u, \frac{uv}{1 - \alpha + \alpha u} \right\}$$

- C_α is a **copula** regardless of $\alpha \in [0, 1]$
- up to the case $\alpha \in \{0, 1\}$ the copula C_α is **noncommutative**
- the family $(C_\alpha)_{\alpha \in [0,1]}$ is increasing in α

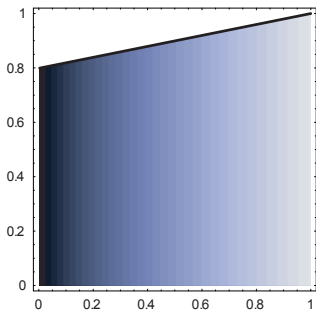
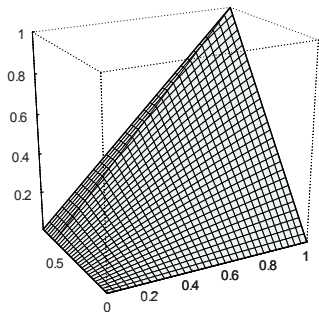
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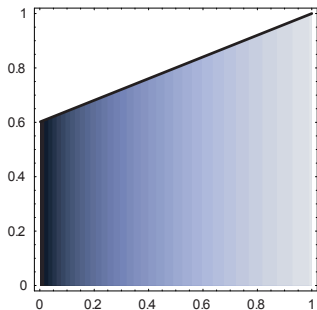
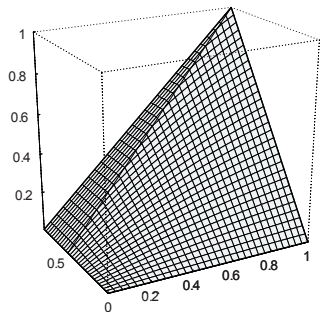
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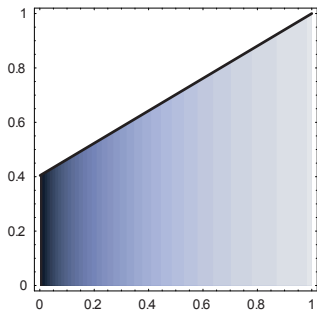
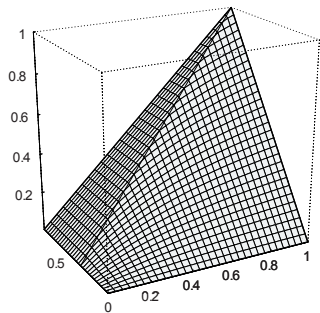
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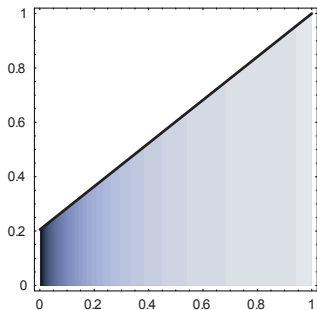
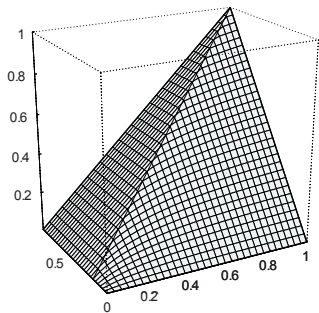
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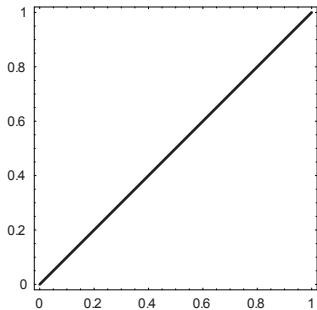
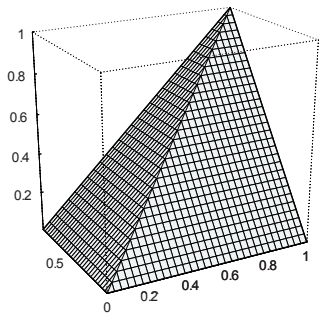
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$$\Pi *_{1.0} M$$



Example 3

Put $C_\alpha = M *_\alpha W$. Then

$$C_\alpha(u, v) = \text{Glue}(\langle W, 0, \alpha \rangle, \langle M, \alpha, 1 \rangle)$$

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- the family $(C_\alpha)_{\alpha \in [0, 1]}$ is decreasing in α
- every member of the family is singular

Convention

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Characterisation of vertically mixable copulas

Theorem

A copula A is vertically α -mixable with a copula B iff the mappings

$$v \mapsto \partial_1 A(u, v) + \frac{\alpha \partial_1 A_B(u, v) \partial_2 A(u, v)}{1 - \alpha + \alpha \partial_2 A_B(u, v)}$$

where

$$A_B(u, v) = \sup\{z \in [0, 1] \mid A(u, v) = B(u, z)\}$$

are **nondecreasing** for almost all $u \in [0, 1]$.

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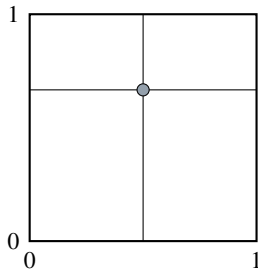
- $A_M = A(u, v)$
- $A_\Pi = \frac{A(u, v)}{u}$
- $A_W = 1 - u + A(u, v)$

Corollary

Let $\alpha \in]0, 1[$. A copula A is vertically α -mixable with M iff the mappings

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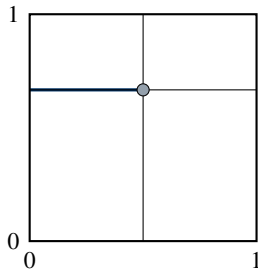


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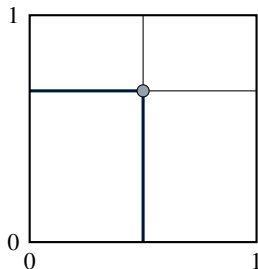


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Every copula with **convex vertical sections** is vertically mixable with M . In particular every **stochastically increasing** copula is vertically mixable with M .

Is there a probabilistic interpretation?

Theorem (folklore)

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$$Q_{\alpha X + (1-\alpha)Y} = \alpha Q_X + (1 - \alpha)Q_Y.$$

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Let X, Y, Z be three random variables distributed uniformly over the unit interval. If there exists $\alpha \in]0, 1[$ for which the joint distribution function of $(X, \alpha Y + (1 - \alpha)Z)$ is a copula, then $Y =_P Z$.

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