

# Factor Copula Models for Replicated Spatial Data

## Supplementary Material

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## S.1 Proof of Proposition 2 in Section 2.1

In the model, we have  $F_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z) = \Phi(z) - \exp(\theta_1^2/2 - \theta_1 z)\Phi(z - \theta_1)\theta_2/(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + \exp(\theta_2^2/2 + \theta_2 z)\Phi(-z - \theta_2)\theta_1/(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$ . As  $z \rightarrow \infty$ , we have:  $F_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z) = 1 - \theta_2 \exp(\theta_1^2/2 - \theta_1 z)/(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + o(\exp(-z^2/2))$ . Define  $z_q^j$  as the solution to the equation:

$$1 - \theta_2 \exp(\theta_1^2/2 - \theta_1 z_q^j)/(\theta_1 + \theta_2) = 1 - qx_j \quad (j = 1, 2).$$

It implies  $z_q^j = \theta_1/2 + (1/\theta_1)\{\log \theta_2 - \log(\theta_1 + \theta_2)\} - (\log q + \log x_j)/\theta_1$ , and  $F_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z_q^j) = 1 - qx_j + o\{q^{-(\log q)/2}\}$ . The distribution for the common factor is  $F_0(z) = \exp\{-\theta_2(-z)_+\}\{1 - \theta_2 \exp(-\theta_1 z_+)/(\theta_1 + \theta_2)\}$ . Similar to the proof of Proposition 1, we find that

$$F_2^{\mathbf{W}}(z_q^1, z_q^2) = \psi(z_q^1, z_q^2) + \psi(z_q^2, z_q^1),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(z_q^1, z_q^2) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^1} F_0(z_q^1 - w)\phi(w)\Phi\left\{\left(\frac{1-\rho}{1+\rho}\right)^{1/2}(w-K)\right\}dw \\ &= \Phi_K - \frac{\theta_2 \exp(-\theta_1 z_q^1 - K^2/2 + \theta_1 K + (\theta_1 - K)^2/2)}{\theta_1 + \theta_2} \Phi\left\{(\theta_1 - K)\left(\frac{1-\rho}{2}\right)^{1/2}\right\} + o(q^{-\log q/2}) \\ &= \Phi_K - qx_1 \Phi\left\{(\theta_1 - K)\left(\frac{1-\rho}{2}\right)^{1/2}\right\} + o(q^{-\log q/2}) \quad \left(K = \frac{z_q^1 - z_q^2}{1-\rho} = \frac{\log(x_2/x_1)}{\theta_1(1-\rho)}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Phi_K = \Phi\left(-K\sqrt{\frac{1-\rho}{2}}\right)$ . It implies that  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} \ell_q(x_1, x_2) = x_1 \Phi\{\lambda/2 + \log(x_1/x_2)/\lambda\} + x_2 \Phi\{\lambda/2 + \log(x_2/x_1)/\lambda\}$  where  $\lambda = \theta_1\{2(1-\rho)\}^{1/2}$ .  $\square$

## S.2 The gradient of the log-likelihood (5) in Section 3.1

We obtain derivatives of the log-likelihood with respect to model parameters. Let  $f_{V_0}$  be the pdf of  $V_0$ ,  $\mathbf{z}_i = (z_{i1}, \dots, z_{in})^T$ , and  $z_{ij} = (F_1^{\mathbf{W}})^{-1}(u_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $j = 1, \dots, d$ . The original data can be transformed to uniform scores  $u_{ij}$  either non-parametrically or using the integral transform as explained in Section 3.1. We have:

$$\frac{\partial \ell(\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_N)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial f_n^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{z}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma)/\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}{f_n^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{z}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma)} - \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)/\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}{f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}, \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\theta}_F^T, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma^T)^T. \quad (1)$$

It follows that  $\partial f_n^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{z}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) / \partial \boldsymbol{\theta} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbb{F}_n^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{z}_i, v_0; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) dv_0$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_n^{\mathbf{W}} = (f_{F,n}^{\mathbf{W}}, f_{\Sigma,n}^{\mathbf{W}})^{\mathbf{T}}$ , and

$$f_{F,n}^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{z}_i, v_0; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) = \sum_{j=1}^n \partial^j \phi_{\Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}(\mathbf{z}_i - v_0) \cdot \frac{\partial (F_1^{\mathbf{W}})^{-1}(u_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} f_{V_0}(v_0; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F) \\ + \phi_{\Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}(\mathbf{z}_i - v_0) \cdot \frac{\partial f_{V_0}(v_0; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F},$$

$$f_{\Sigma,n}^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{z}_i, v_0; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) = \frac{\partial \phi_{\Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}(\mathbf{z}_i - v_0)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma} \cdot f_{V_0}(v_0; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F) = -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_i^{\mathbf{T}} \frac{\partial \Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_i \cdot \phi_{\tilde{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}}}(\mathbf{z}_i - v_0) \cdot f_{V_0}(v_0; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F) \\ - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left( \Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}^{-1} \frac{\partial \Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma} \right) \cdot \phi_{\Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}(\mathbf{z}_i - v_0) \cdot f_{V_0}(v_0; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F),$$

where  $\partial^j$  denotes the derivative with respect to the  $j$ -th argument ( $j = 1, \dots, n$ ),  $\tilde{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}} :=$

$\partial \Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}^{-1} / \partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma = -\Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}} \frac{\partial \Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma} \Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}}_i = \Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}^{-1}(\mathbf{z}_i - v_0)^{\mathbf{T}}$ . Also,

$$\frac{\partial f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} = \partial^1 f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F) \cdot \frac{\partial (F_1^{\mathbf{W}})^{-1}(u_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} + \left. \frac{\partial f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^*)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}^*} \right|_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^* = \boldsymbol{\theta}_F}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$\partial^j \phi_{\Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}(\mathbf{z}_i - v_0) = -\phi_{\Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}(\mathbf{z}_i - v_0) \cdot \tilde{z}_{ij}, \quad \frac{\partial (F_1^{\mathbf{W}})^{-1}(u_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} = -\frac{\partial F_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F) / \partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F}{f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}.$$

Therefore, to calculate the gradient of  $l(\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_n)$ , the following derivatives are needed:

$$\frac{\partial f_{V_0}(v; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F}, \quad \frac{\partial F_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F}, \quad \frac{\partial f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial z}, \quad \frac{\partial f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F}, \quad \frac{\partial \Sigma_{\mathbf{Z}}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma}.$$

We use these analytical derivatives to calculate the gradient for the likelihood as given by (1). To compute the maximum likelihood estimates for the parameters,  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma$ , we use the function `nlm()` from R statistical software to minimize the negative log-likelihood with a given gradient.

### S.3 The log-likelihood for the exponential common factor model

We assume model (2) with  $V_0 = V_1 - V_2$  where  $V_1 \sim \text{Exp}(\theta_1)$ ,  $V_2 \sim \text{Exp}(\theta_2)$  are independent exponential random factors. The likelihood function and its derivatives can be obtained in closed form in this case. One can check that, for any  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n)^{\mathbf{T}}$ ,

$$f_d^{\mathbf{W}}(z_1, \dots, z_n; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) = M(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) \times \left[ \exp \left\{ \frac{-m_1 + (m_1^*)^2}{2} \right\} \Phi(m_1^*) + \exp \left\{ \frac{-m_1 + (m_2^*)^2}{2} \right\} \Phi(-m_2^*) \right]$$

where

$$M(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) = \frac{\theta_1 \theta_2}{\theta_1 + \theta_2} \cdot \frac{m_3^{-1/2}}{(2\pi)^{n-1} \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}})^{1/2}},$$

$$m_1 = \mathbf{z}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}}^{-1} \mathbf{z}, \quad m_2 = \sum_{j=1}^n (\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}}^{-1} \mathbf{z})_j, \quad m_3 = \sum_{j_1, j_2=1}^n (\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}}^{-1})_{j_1, j_2}, \quad m_1^* = \frac{m_2 - \theta_1}{(m_3)^{1/2}}, \quad m_2^* = \frac{m_2 + \theta_2}{(m_3)^{1/2}}.$$

This implies that

$$\log f_d^{\mathbf{W}}(z_1, \dots, z_n; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) = M^*(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) + \log \left[ \exp \left\{ \frac{(m_1^*)^2}{2} \right\} \Phi(m_1^*) + \exp \left\{ \frac{(m_2^*)^2}{2} \right\} \Phi(-m_2^*) \right],$$

where the function  $M^*(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) = -(n-1) \log(2\pi) - 0.5 \log\{\det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}})\} - 0.5 \log m_3 - 0.5 m_1 + \log \theta_1 + \log \theta_2 - \log(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$ . It is easy to see that for any parameter  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ ,

$$\frac{\partial \log f_d^{\mathbf{W}}(z_1, \dots, z_n; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} = \frac{\partial M^*(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} + \frac{N(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma)}{\exp \left\{ \frac{(m_1^*)^2}{2} \right\} \Phi(m_1^*) + \exp \left\{ \frac{(m_2^*)^2}{2} \right\} \Phi(-m_2^*)},$$

$$N(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F, \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma) = \left[ m_1^* \frac{\partial m_1^*}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \exp \left\{ \frac{(m_1^*)^2}{2} \right\} \Phi(m_1^*) + m_2^* \frac{\partial m_2^*}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \exp \left\{ \frac{(m_2^*)^2}{2} \right\} \Phi(-m_2^*) \right] + (2\pi)^{-1/2} \left[ \frac{\partial m_1^*}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} - \frac{\partial m_2^*}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \right].$$

The chain rule can then be applied to calculate the gradient using the following equalities:

$$\frac{\partial m_1}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} = 2 \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} \right)^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}}^{-1} \mathbf{z}, \quad \frac{\partial m_1}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma} = \mathbf{z}^T \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{z}, \quad \frac{\partial m_2}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} \right)_i, \quad \frac{\partial m_2}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{z} \right)_i,$$

$$\frac{\partial m_3}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_\Sigma} = \sum_{j_1, j_2=1}^n \left( \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{\mathbf{Z}} \right)_{j_1, j_2}, \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} = \frac{\partial (F_1^{\mathbf{W}})^{-1}(\mathbf{u}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F} = - \frac{\partial F_1^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F) / \partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_F}{f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}.$$

With  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_F = (\theta_1, \theta_2)^T$ , we get:

$$\frac{\partial f_{V_0}(v; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \theta_i} = \left( \frac{\theta_{3-i}}{\theta_1 + \theta_2} \right)^2 \exp\{-\theta_1 v^+ - \theta_2 (-v)^+\} - \{(-1)^{i+1} v\}^+ f_{V_0}(v; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F) \quad (i = 1, 2).$$

Also denote  $\xi_1 = \exp(\theta_1^2/2 - z\theta_1) \cdot \Phi(z - \theta_1)$ ,  $\xi_2 = \exp(\theta_2^2/2 + z\theta_2) \cdot \Phi(-z - \theta_2)$ . We have:

$$\frac{\partial F_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \theta_i} = \frac{\theta_{3-i}}{\theta_1 + \theta_2} [\{z + (-1)^i \theta_i\} \xi_1 + (-1)^{i+1} \phi(z)] + \frac{\theta_{3-i}}{(\theta_1 + \theta_2)^2} (\xi_1 + \xi_2) \quad (i = 1, 2),$$

$$\frac{\partial f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial \theta_i} = \left( \frac{\theta_{3-i}}{\theta_1 + \theta_2} \right)^2 (\xi_1 + \xi_2) + \frac{\theta_1 \theta_2}{\theta_1 + \theta_2} [\{\theta_i + (-1)^i z\} \xi_i - \phi(z)] \quad (i = 1, 2),$$

$$\frac{\partial f_1^{\mathbf{W}}(z; \boldsymbol{\theta}_F)}{\partial z} = \frac{\theta_1 \theta_2}{\theta_1 + \theta_2} (\theta_2 \xi_2 - \theta_1 \xi_1).$$