

# Infinite-time Ruin Probability of a Discrete-time Risk Model with Dependent Claims

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**Abstract.** The infinite-time ruin probability of a discrete-time risk model with dependent claims and heavy-tailed innovations is investigated in this paper. The claims are assumed to follow a one-sided linear process with independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) innovations. Stochastic discount factors, which are independent of the innovations, and constant premium rate are taken into account. As a result, we establish an asymptotic estimate for the infinite-time ruin probability.

## Introduction

Consider a discrete-time risk model as follows:

$$U_0 = x, U_n = U_{n-1}q_n^{-1} + c - X_n, n \geq 1. \quad (1.1)$$

$x > 0$  stands for the initial wealth of an insurer, the constant  $c > 0$  stands for the premium rate and the nonnegative random variable (r.v.)  $X_n$  stands for the total claim amount within period  $n$ . The investment of the surplus at time  $n-1$  causes the nonnegative and stochastic discount factor  $q_n$  from time  $n$  to time  $n-1$ . Thus,  $U_n$  is interpreted as the surplus of the insurer at time  $n$ . In the terminology of Norberg[1], we call  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  insurance risks and call  $\{q_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  financial risks.

Now we can define the infinite-time ruin probability by

$$\Psi(x) = P\{\min_{1 \leq m < \infty} U_m < 0 \mid U_0 = x\}. \quad (1.2)$$

Many papers discussed the asymptotic behavior of  $\Psi(x)$  under the assumption that  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  and  $\{q_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  are two independent sequences of i.i.d. random variables (r.v.s) ([2] and [3], among many others). With the increasing complexity of insurance and reinsurance products, the assumption of independence among  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is not enough to depict the real circumstances. Thus, the models of dependent insurance risks are attracting more and more attentions (for examples, [4], [5], [6] and [7]).

In the present paper, we suppose that  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  and  $\{q_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  are two independent sequences and  $\{q_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a i.i.d. sequence. To depict the dependence structure of the claims, we use the following one-sided linear process to describe  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ . Let

$$X_n = \sum_{j=1}^n j_{n-j} e_j + j_n e_0, n \geq 1, \quad (1.3)$$

where  $\{j_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  and  $e_0$  are nonnegative constants with  $j_0 > 0$ ,  $\{e_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a sequence of i.i.d. and nonnegative r.v.s with common distribution  $F$ . Assume that  $\{e_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ , the innovations of  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ , is independent of  $\{q_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ . Please see [5] and [8] for more examples of linear processes. We obtain an asymptotic estimate for  $\Psi(x)$  when the distribution  $F$  belongs to the intersection of the dominated variation class ( $D$ ) and the long-tailed class ( $L$ ).

## Notations and main result

$C$  represents a positive constant without relation to  $x$  and may vary from place to place and all limit relations are for  $x \rightarrow \infty$  unless stated otherwise. For two positive functions  $a(\cdot)$  and  $b(\cdot)$ , we write  $a(x) \mathbf{f}p b(x)$  if  $0 < \liminf a(x)/b(x) \leq \limsup a(x)/b(x) < \infty$ .

By convection, an empty sum is 0 and an empty product is 1. In order to facilitate subsequent expression, we denote

$$q_{n,m} = \prod_{k=n}^m q_k, 1 \leq n \leq m \leq \infty; Z_\infty = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} q_{1,i};$$

$$W_{j,\infty} = \prod_{i=j}^{\infty} q_{1,i} j_{i-j}, 1 \leq j < \infty; W_{0,\infty} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} q_{1,i} j_i.$$

A distribution  $F$  on  $R$  has right tail function  $\bar{F}$ .  $F$  belongs to the dominated variation class ( $D$ ) if

$$\limsup \frac{\bar{F}(xy)}{\bar{F}(x)} < \infty \text{ for any } 0 < y < 1.$$

$F$  belongs to the long-tailed class ( $L$ ) if

$$\lim \frac{\bar{F}(x+y)}{\bar{F}(x)} = 1 \text{ for any } y > 0.$$

Besides that, the upper Matuszewska index  $J_F^+$  and lower Matuszewska index  $J_F^-$  (see[9],Ch 2.1.) are used. It is well known that  $J_F^+ < \infty$  if  $F \in D$ . Now, we are ready to state the main result.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ ,  $\{q_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be mutually independent,  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a one-sided linear process introduced in (1.3), and  $\{q_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be i.i.d. and nonnegative. If the common distribution function  $F$  of the innovations  $\{e_j\}_{j \geq 1}$ , belongs to  $D \cap L$ ,  $\sup_{n \geq 0} j_n < \infty$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} E q_i^{p_i} < \infty$  for some  $J_F^+ < p \leq 1$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} E W_{j,\infty}^{p_i} < \infty, i = 1, 2$  for some  $0 < p_1 < J_F^- \leq J_F^+ < p_2 < p$ , then it holds that

$$\lim \left| \frac{\Psi(x)}{\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\}} - 1 \right| = 0. \quad (2.1)$$

## Proof of the main result

### Some lemmas

By Proposition 2.2.1 in [9], for a distribution  $F \in D$ , it holds that

$$x^{-p} = o(\bar{F}(x)) \text{ for any } p > J_F^+. \quad (3.1)$$

From Lemma 3.2 in [10], Lemma 3 in [6] and Lemma 4.1.2 in [3], we have three lemmas.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two independent and nonnegative random variables, where  $X$  is distributed by  $F$ . If  $F \in D$ , then for any fixed  $\delta > 0$  and  $p > J_F^+$ , there exists a positive constant  $C$  without relation to  $\delta$  and  $Y$  such that for all large  $x$ ,

$$P(XY > dx | Y) \leq C \bar{F}(x) [d^{-p} Y^p + 1_{\{Y < d\}}].$$

**Lemma 3.2.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two independent and nonnegative random variables, where  $X$  is distributed by  $F$ . If  $F \in D$ , then for any fixed  $\delta > 0$  and  $0 < p_1 < J_F^- \leq J_F^+ < p_2 < \infty$ , there exists a positive constant  $C$  without relation to  $\delta$  and  $Y$  such that for all large  $x$ ,

$$P(XY > dx | Y) \leq C \bar{F}(x) [d^{-p_1} Y^{p_1} + d^{-p_2} Y^{p_2}].$$

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two independent and nonnegative random variables, where  $X$  is distributed by  $F$  and  $Y$  is nondegenerate at 0. If  $F \in D \cap L$  and  $EY^p < \infty$  for some  $p > J_F^+$ , then the distribution of  $XY$  belongs to  $D \cap L$  and  $P(XY > x) \mathbf{f}p \bar{F}(x)$ .

The following lemma will play crucial role in the proof of Theorem 2.1.

**Lemma 3.4.** Under the conditions of Theorem 2.1, for any  $c_0 \geq 0$ , it holds that

$$\lim \left| \frac{P\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} - c_0 Z_{\infty} > x\right\}}{\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\}} - 1 \right| = 0. \quad (3.2)$$

**Proof.** Under the conditions of Theorem 2.1 and by Cr inequality, we can get

$$EZ_{\infty}^p = E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} q_{1,i}\right)^p\right] \leq C\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} E q_{1,i}^p\right) < \infty, \quad (3.3)$$

$$EW_{j,\infty}^p \leq (\sup_{n \geq 0} j_n)^p E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} q_{1,i}\right)^p\right] < \infty, j \geq 0. \quad (3.4)$$

Firstly, we deal with the upper bound. For any fixed  $0 < L < \infty$  and  $k$ , we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} - c_0 Z_{\infty} > x\right\} \\ & \leq P\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\right\} \\ & \leq P\left\{\mathbf{U}_{j=0}^{\infty} \{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x - L\}\right\} + P\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} > x, \mathbf{I}_{j=1}^k \{e_j W_{j,\infty} \leq x - L\}\right\} \\ & := I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

By Lemma 3.3 and (3.4), the distribution of  $e_j W_{j,\infty}$  belongs to  $D \cap L$  and

$$P\{e_j W_{j,\infty}\} \mathbf{f} \mathbf{p} \bar{F}(x). \quad (3.6)$$

Then, by Chebyshev's inequality and (3.1), we can get

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 & \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x - L\} + P\{e_0 W_{0,\infty} > x - L\} \\ & \leq (1 + o(1)) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\} + \frac{e_0^p E W_{0,\infty}^p}{(x - L)^p} \\ & \leq (1 + o(1)) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\} + o(\bar{F}(x)). \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

By Lemma 3.1, we can obtain that for all large  $x$  and any fixed  $k$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 & \leq P\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} > x, \mathbf{I}_{j=1}^k \{e_j W_{j,\infty} \leq x - L\}, \mathbf{U}_{i=1}^k \left\{e_i W_{i,\infty} > \frac{x}{k}\right\}\right\} \\ & \leq \sum_{i=1}^k P\left\{e_i W_{i,\infty} > \frac{x}{k}, \sum_{j=0, j \neq i}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} > L\right\} \\ & \leq \sum_{i=1}^k C \bar{F}(x) E\left[k^p W_{i,\infty}^p 1_{\{\sum_{j=0, j \neq i}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} > L\}} + 1_{\{\sum_{j=0, j \neq i}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} > L\}}\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by (3.4), there exists  $L^*$  such that for any fixed  $L \geq L^*$ ,

$$I_2 \leq o(\bar{F}(x)). \quad (3.8)$$

Combining (3.5), (3.7) and (3.8), we can get

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} - c_0 Z_{\infty} > x\right\} \\ & \leq (1 + o(1)) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\} + o(\bar{F}(x)) \\ & \leq (1 + o(1)) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\}, \end{aligned}$$

where we used (3.6) in the last step.

Secondly, we deal with the lower bound. For any fixed  $0 < D < \infty$  and  $k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& P\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} - c_0 Z_{\infty} > x\right\} \\
& \geq P\left\{\sum_{j=1}^k e_j W_{j,\infty} - c_0 Z_{\infty} > x\right\} \\
& \geq P\left\{\mathbf{U}_{j=1}^k \left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x + c_0 Z_{\infty}\right\}\right\} \\
& \geq \sum_{j=1}^k P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x + c_0 Z_{\infty}, Z_{\infty} \leq D\right\} - \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{1 \leq j \leq k, j \neq i} P\left\{e_i W_{i,\infty} > x, e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\right\} \\
& \geq \sum_{j=1}^k P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x + c_0 D\right\} - \sum_{j=1}^k P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x + c_0 D, Z_{\infty} > D\right\} \\
& \quad - \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{1 \leq j \leq k, j \neq i} P\left\{e_i W_{i,\infty} > x, e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\right\} \\
& := L_1 - L_2 - L_3.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

Because the distribution of  $e_j W_{j,\infty}$  belongs to  $D \cap L$ , we can get

$$L_1 \geq (1 - o(1)) \sum_{j=1}^k P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\right\}. \tag{3.10}$$

By Lemma 3.1, we can obtain that for all large  $x$ ,

$$L_2 \leq \sum_{j=1}^k P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x, Z_{\infty} > D\right\} \leq \sum_{j=1}^k C\bar{F}(x) \mathbb{E}\left[W_{j,\infty}^p 1_{\{Z_{\infty} > D\}} + 1_{\{Z_{\infty} > D\}}\right].$$

Then, by (3.4), there exists  $D^*$  such that for any fixed  $D \geq D^*$ ,

$$L_2 \leq o(\bar{F}(x)). \tag{3.11}$$

By Lemma 3.1 and (3.4), we can get

$$L_3 \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{1 \leq j \leq k, j \neq i} C\bar{F}(x) \mathbb{E}\left[W_{i,\infty}^p 1_{\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\}} + 1_{\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\}}\right] \leq o(\bar{F}(x)). \tag{3.12}$$

Hence, combining (3.9)-(3.12), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& P\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} - c_0 Z_{\infty} > x\right\} \\
& \geq (1 - o(1)) \sum_{j=1}^k P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\right\} - o(\bar{F}(x)) \\
& = (1 - o(1)) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} - \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty}\right) P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\right\} - o(\bar{F}(x)).
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 3.2 and condition, there exists  $k^*$  such that for  $k \geq k^*$  and any  $0 < p_1 < J_F^- \leq J_F^+ < p_2 < p$ ,

$$\sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\right\} \leq C\bar{F}(x) \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}\left[W_{j,\infty}^{p_1} + W_{j,\infty}^{p_2}\right] \leq o(\bar{F}(x)).$$

Thus, we can derive

$$\begin{aligned}
& P\left\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e_j W_{j,\infty} - c_0 Z_{\infty} > x\right\} \\
& \geq (1 - o(1)) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\right\} - o(\bar{F}(x)) \\
& \geq (1 - o(1)) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P\left\{e_j W_{j,\infty} > x\right\},
\end{aligned}$$

where we used (3.6) in the last step.

### Proof of Theorem 2.1

**Proof.** From (1.1), we get that for  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$U_n = xq_{1,n}^{-1} + \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ q_{i+1,n}^{-1} (c - X_i) \right]. \tag{3.13}$$

Substituting (3.13), (1.3) into (1.2) and rewriting the expression, we can derive

$$\begin{aligned}
\Psi(x) &= P\{\min_{0 \leq m < \infty} U_m \mathbf{q}_{1,m} < 0\} \\
&= P\{\max_{0 \leq m < \infty} \sum_{i=1}^m [\mathbf{q}_{1,i} (X_i - c)] > x\} \\
&= P\{\max_{0 \leq m < \infty} \left( \sum_{j=0}^m \mathbf{e}_j W_{j,m} - cZ_m \right) > x\}.
\end{aligned}
\tag{3.14}$$

It is clear that

$$P\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{e}_j W_{j,\infty} - cZ_{\infty} > x\} \leq \Psi(x) \leq P\{\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{e}_j W_{j,\infty} > x\}.$$

Then, by Lemma 3.4, we can get (2.1).

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