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Stein Type Lemmas for Location-Scale Mixture of Generalized Skew-Elliptical Random Vectors

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Inspired by the work of Adcock, Landsman, and Shushi (2019) which established the Stein's lemma for generalized skew-elliptical random vectors, we derive Stein type lemmas for location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical random vectors. Some special cases such as the location-scale mixture of elliptical random vectors, the location-scale mixture of generalized skew-normal random vectors, and the location-scale mixture of normal random vectors are also considered. As an application in risk theory, we give a result for optimal portfolio selection.

1. Introduction and Motivation

Since Stein [1] provides an expression $E[h(X)(X - \mu)]$ for normal random variable X , where $h(x)$ is an almost differentiable function, and a number of scholars have generalized the formula. For example, Landsman [2] gives Stein's lemma for 2-dimensional elliptical distributions; Landsman and Nešlehová [3] and Landsman et al. [4] derive Stein's lemma for multivariate elliptical distributions; Landsman et al. [5] establish Stein-type inequality for symmetric generalized hyperbolic distributions; Adcock et al. [6] derive Stein's lemma for generalized skew-elliptical distributions. The result has been applied in statistics, insurance, and finance. For example, Landsman et al. [5] and Landsman et al. [7] apply this lemma in risk theory.

In the study by Kim and Kim [8], the class of normal mean-variance mixture distributions is introduced. The random vector \mathbf{X} is said to be an n -dimensional normal mean-variance mixture variable if $\mathbf{X} = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \Theta\boldsymbol{\gamma} + \Theta^{(1/2)}\mathbf{AZ}$, where $\mathbf{Z} \sim N_k(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_k)$, the k -dimensional normal random vectors with the identity covariance matrix; \mathbf{A} is an $n \times k$ matrix; Θ is a scalar random variable that follows a

nonnegative distribution with the density $\pi(\theta)$, independent of \mathbf{Z} ; and the following are constant vectors in R^n :

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\mu} &= (\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n)^T, \\ \boldsymbol{\gamma} &= (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n)^T.\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

These specification implies that conditionally, $\mathbf{X}|\Theta = \theta \sim N_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta\boldsymbol{\gamma}, \theta\boldsymbol{\Sigma})$, where $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{AA}^T$. Inspired by this, we consider a class of location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical distributions, which is generalization of the class of normal mean-variance mixture distributions. In this paper, we generalize Stein's lemma by Adcock et al. [6] to the case of location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical random vectors.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. Section 2 introduces the definitions and properties of the location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical distributions. In Section 3, we derive three Stein-type lemmas. In Section 4, we give several special cases. An optimal portfolio selection (a three-fund theorem) for location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical random vectors is given in Section 5.

2. Mixture of Generalized Skew-Elliptical Distributions

In this section, we introduce the class of location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical (LSMGSE) distributions and some of its properties.

Let \mathbf{Y} be an n -dimensional generalized skew-elliptical random vector and denoted by $\mathbf{Y} \sim \text{GSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, g_n, \pi(\cdot))$. If its probability density function exists, the form will be (see [6])

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|}} g_n \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right\} \pi(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-(1/2)} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})), \quad \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad (2)$$

where

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|}} g_n \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right\}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad (3)$$

is the density of n -dimensional elliptical random vector $\mathbf{X} \sim E_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, g_n)$. Here, $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ is an $n \times 1$ location vector, $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ is an $n \times n$ scale matrix, and $g_n(u)$, $u \geq 0$, is the density generator of \mathbf{X} . $\pi(\mathbf{x})$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, is called the skewing function satisfying $\pi(-\mathbf{x}) = 1 - \pi(\mathbf{x})$ and $0 \leq \pi(\mathbf{x}) \leq 1$. The characteristic function of \mathbf{X} takes the form $\varphi_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{t}) = \exp\{i\mathbf{t}^T \boldsymbol{\mu}\} \psi((1/2)\mathbf{t}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{t})$, $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, with function $\psi(t): [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, called the characteristic generator (see [9]). Suppose \mathbf{A} be an $n \times n$ matrix and \mathbf{b} be an $n \times 1$ vector. Then,

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{b} \sim \text{GSE}_n(\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{A}, g_n, \pi(\cdot)). \quad (4)$$

To establish Stein's lemma for n -dimensional generalized skew-elliptical distributions, we use the cumulative generator $\overline{G}_n(u)$. It takes the following form (see [7] or [10]):

$$\overline{G}_n(u) = \int_u^\infty g_n(v) dv. \quad (5)$$

Let $\mathbf{X}^* \sim E_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \overline{G}_n)$ be an elliptical random vector with generator $\overline{G}_n(u)$, whose density function (if it exists) is

$$f_{\mathbf{X}^*}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{-1}{\psi'(0)\sqrt{|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|}} \overline{G}_n \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right\}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n. \quad (6)$$

Let $\mathbf{Y}^* \sim \text{GSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \overline{G}_n, \pi(\cdot))$ be a generalized skew-elliptical random vector.

We call $\mathbf{Z} \sim \text{LSMGSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \Theta, g_n, \pi(\cdot))$ as an n -dimensional LSMGSE distribution with location parameter $\boldsymbol{\mu}$, positive definite scale matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$, and skew function $\pi(\cdot)$, if

$$\mathbf{Z} = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \Theta \boldsymbol{\beta} + \Theta^{(1/2)} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{(1/2)} \mathbf{Y}, \quad (7)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\mathbf{Y} \sim \text{GSE}_n(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_n, g_n, \pi(\cdot))$. Assume that \mathbf{Y} is independent of nonnegative scalar random variable Θ . We have

$$\mathbf{Z}|\Theta = \theta \sim \text{GSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}, \theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, g_n, \pi(\cdot)). \quad (8)$$

3. Main Result

In this section, we consider a random vector

$$\mathbf{Z} \sim \text{LSMGSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \Theta, g_n, \pi(\cdot)), \quad (9)$$

with location parameter $\boldsymbol{\mu}$, positive definite scale matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$, and skew function $\pi(\cdot)$ as (7).

Let $\omega: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $1 \leq m \leq n$, be an almost everywhere differentiable function, and we write

$$\nabla \omega(\mathbf{z}_{(1)}) = \left(\frac{\partial \omega(\mathbf{z}_{(1)})}{\partial z_1}, \frac{\partial \omega(\mathbf{z}_{(1)})}{\partial z_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial \omega(\mathbf{z}_{(1)})}{\partial z_n} \right)^T. \quad (10)$$

We derive a Stein-type lemma for location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical random vectors below. Partition $\mathbf{Z} = (\mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^T, \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^T)^T$, where $\mathbf{Z}_{(1)} = (Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_m)^T$ and $\mathbf{Z}_{(2)} = (Z_{m+1}, Z_{m+2}, \dots, Z_n)^T$. $\boldsymbol{\mu} = (\boldsymbol{\mu}_{(1)}^T, \boldsymbol{\mu}_{(2)}^T)^T$ and $\boldsymbol{\mu} = (\boldsymbol{\mu}_{(1)}^T, \boldsymbol{\mu}_{(2)}^T)$ are also of similar partition.

Theorem 1. Let $\mathbf{Z} \sim \text{LSMGSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \Theta, g_n, \pi(\cdot))$ be an n -dimensional location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical random vector defined as (7). Assume that function ω satisfies $E[\nabla_1 \omega(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})] < \infty$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & E[\omega(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)}) (\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] \\ &= E_\theta \{ \text{Cov}(\mathbf{M}) [E[\nabla \omega(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})] + 2E[\omega(\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^*) \nabla \pi \\ & \quad ((\theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{-(1/2)} (\mathbf{M}^* - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}))]] \} \\ & \quad + E_\theta \{ E[\omega(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})] \theta \boldsymbol{\beta} \}, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S} &= (\mathbf{S}_{(1)}^T, \mathbf{S}_{(2)}^T)^T = \mathbf{Z}|\Theta = \theta \sim \text{GSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}, \theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, g_n, \pi(\cdot)), \\ \mathbf{M} &= (\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^T, \mathbf{M}_{(2)}^T)^T \sim E_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}, \theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, g_n), \\ \mathbf{S}^* &= (\mathbf{S}_{(1)}^{*T}, \mathbf{S}_{(2)}^{*T})^T \sim \text{GSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}, \theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \overline{G}_n, \pi(\cdot)), \\ \mathbf{M}^* &= (\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^{*T}, \mathbf{M}_{(2)}^{*T})^T \sim E_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}, \theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \overline{G}_n). \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Proof. Using tower property of expectations, we obtain while

$$E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] = E_{\Theta}[E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) | \Theta]]. \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) | \Theta = \theta] &= E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)} | \Theta = \theta)(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu} | \Theta = \theta)] \\ &= E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)} | \Theta = \theta)((\mathbf{Z} | \Theta = \theta) - (\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta\boldsymbol{\beta}) + \theta\boldsymbol{\beta})] \\ &= E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)} | \Theta = \theta)((\mathbf{Z} | \Theta = \theta) - (\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta\boldsymbol{\beta}))] + E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)} | \Theta = \theta)\theta\boldsymbol{\beta}] \\ &= E[\varpi(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})(\mathbf{S} - (\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta\boldsymbol{\beta}))] + E[\varpi(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})\theta\boldsymbol{\beta}] \\ &= \text{Cov}(\mathbf{M})[E[\nabla\varpi(\mathbf{S}_{(1)}^*)] + 2E[\varpi(\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^*)\nabla\pi((\theta\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{-(1/2)}(\mathbf{M}^* - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \theta\boldsymbol{\beta}))]] \\ &\quad + E[\varpi(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})\theta\boldsymbol{\beta}], \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where the last equality have used (4), (8), and Theorem 3 by Adcock et al. [6]. Therefore, we obtain (11), which completes the proof of Theorem 1. \square

Remark 1. From formula (8), we find that $E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) | \Theta]$ is a special case of Theorem 3 by Adcock et al. [6].

The following theorems give two special forms of Stein-type lemmas for location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical random vectors.

Theorem 2. Let $\mathbf{Z} \sim \text{LSMGSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \alpha, g_n, \pi(\cdot))$ be an n -dimensional location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical random vector with

$$\mathbf{Z} = \boldsymbol{\mu} + V^{-1}\boldsymbol{\beta} + V^{-(1/2)}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{(1/2)}\mathbf{Y}, \quad (15)$$

where $V \sim \text{beta}(\alpha, 1)$. Assume the function ϖ satisfies $E[\nabla_1\varpi(\mathbf{S}_{(1)}^*)] < \infty$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] &= E_v\{\text{Cov}(\mathbf{M})[E[\nabla\varpi(\mathbf{S}_{(1)}^*)] \\ &\quad + 2E[\varpi(\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^*)\nabla\pi((v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{-(1/2)}(\mathbf{M}^* - \boldsymbol{\mu} - v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\beta}))]]\} \\ &\quad + E_v\{E[\varpi(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})]v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\beta}\}, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S} &= (\mathbf{S}_{(1)}^T, \mathbf{S}_{(2)}^T)^T = \mathbf{Z}|V = v \sim \text{GSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\beta}, v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}, g_n, \pi(\cdot)), \\ \mathbf{M} &= (\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^T, \mathbf{M}_{(2)}^T)^T \sim E_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\beta}, v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}, g_n), \\ \mathbf{S}^* &= (\mathbf{S}_{(1)}^*T, \mathbf{S}_{(2)}^*T)^T \sim \text{GSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\beta}, v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \bar{G}_n, \pi(\cdot)), \\ \mathbf{M}^* &= (\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^*T, \mathbf{M}_{(2)}^*T)^T \sim E_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\beta}, v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \bar{G}_n). \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Proof. Letting $\Theta = V^{-1}$ in Theorem 1, we directly obtain (16). This completes the proof of Theorem 2. \square

Remark 2. Letting $\pi(\cdot) = (1/2)$ in Theorem 2, we obtain a Stein-type lemma for location-scale mixture of elliptical random vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] &= E_v\{\text{Cov}(\mathbf{M})E[\nabla\varpi(\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^*)]\} \\ &\quad + E_v\{E[\varpi(\mathbf{M}_{(1)})]v^{-1}\boldsymbol{\beta}\}. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Theorem 3. Let $\mathbf{Z} \sim \text{LSMGSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \Theta, g_n, \pi(\cdot))$ be an n -dimensional location-scale mixture of generalized skew-elliptical random vector defined as (7). Assume the function ϖ satisfies $E[\nabla_1\varpi(\mathbf{S}^*)] < \infty$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} E[\varpi(\mathbf{Z})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] &= E_{\theta}\{\text{Cov}(\mathbf{M})[E[\nabla\varpi(\mathbf{S}^*)] + 2E[\varpi(\mathbf{M}^*)\nabla\pi((\theta\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{-(1/2)}(\mathbf{M}^* - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \theta\boldsymbol{\beta}))]]\} \\ &\quad + E_{\theta}\{E[\varpi(\mathbf{S})]\theta\boldsymbol{\beta}\}. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Proof. Letting $\omega(\mathbf{z}_{(1)}) = \omega(\mathbf{z})$ in Theorem 1, we obtain (19). This completes the proof of Theorem 3. \square

Remark 3. Letting $\pi(\cdot) = (1/2)$ in Theorem 3, we obtain a Stein-type lemma for location-scale mixture of elliptical random vectors:

$$E[\omega(\mathbf{Z})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] = E_{\theta}\{\text{Cov}(\mathbf{M})E[\nabla\omega(\mathbf{M}^*)]\} + E_{\theta}\{E[\omega(\mathbf{M})]\theta\boldsymbol{\beta}\}. \quad (20)$$

4. Special Cases

In this section, we consider several special cases including the location-scale mixture of elliptical distribution, the location-scale mixture of generalized skew-normal distribution, the location-scale mixture of skew-normal distribution, and the location-scale mixture of normal distribution.

Example 1. Letting $\pi(\cdot) = (1/2)$ in Theorem 1, Stein-type lemma for location-scale mixture of elliptical random vector is given by

$$E[\omega(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] = E_{\theta}\{\text{Cov}(\mathbf{M})E[\nabla\omega(\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^*)]\} + E_{\theta}\{E[\omega(\mathbf{M}_{(1)})]\theta\boldsymbol{\beta}\}. \quad (21)$$

Remark 4. We find that (21) can be regarded as a special analogue case of Vanduffel and Yao [11].

Example 2. Suppose $\mathbf{Y} \sim \text{GSN}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \pi(\cdot))$ is an n -dimensional generalized skew-normal random vector with probability density function (pdf) as follows:

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|}(2\pi)^{n/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right\} \pi(\mathbf{y}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-(1/2)}(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})), \quad (22)$$

$\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where $\mathbf{y} = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n)^T$ and function $\pi(\cdot): \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Letting $G_n(u) = g_n(u) = (2\pi)^{-(n/2)} \exp\{-u\}$ and

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-(1/2)}(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})) = \pi(\mathbf{y}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-(1/2)}(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})), \quad (23)$$

in Theorem 1. Assuming that function ω satisfies $E[\nabla_1 \omega(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})] < \infty$, Stein-type lemma for location-scale mixture of generalized skew-normal random vector $\mathbf{Z} \sim \text{LSMGSN}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \Theta, \pi(\cdot))$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} E[\omega(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] &= E_{\theta}\{\theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma} E[\nabla \omega(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})] + 2(\theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{1/2} \boldsymbol{\gamma} E[\omega(\mathbf{M}_{(1)})\pi'] \\ &\quad (\boldsymbol{\gamma}^T (\theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{-1/2}(\mathbf{M} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}))]\} + E_{\theta}\{E[\omega(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})]\theta \boldsymbol{\beta}\}, \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

where $\pi'(\cdot)$ is the derivative of $\pi(\cdot)$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S} &= (\mathbf{S}_{(1)}^T, \mathbf{S}_{(2)}^T)^T = \mathbf{Z}|\Theta = \theta \sim \text{GSN}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}, \theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \pi(\cdot)), \\ \mathbf{M} &= (\mathbf{M}_{(1)}^T, \mathbf{M}_{(2)}^T)^T \sim N_n(\boldsymbol{\mu} + \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}, \theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}). \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Example 3. Letting $\pi(\cdot) = \Phi(\cdot)$ (the cdf of a standard normal distribution) in Example 2, Stein-type lemma for location-scale mixture of skew-normal random vector is given by

$$\begin{aligned} E[\omega(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] &= E_{\theta}\{\theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma} E[\nabla \omega(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})] + \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} (\theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{1/2} \boldsymbol{\gamma} E\left[\omega(\mathbf{M}_{(1)}) \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. (\boldsymbol{\gamma}^T (\theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^{-(1/2)}(\mathbf{M} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \theta \boldsymbol{\beta}))^2\right\}\right]\} + E_{\theta}\{E[\omega(\mathbf{S}_{(1)})]\theta \boldsymbol{\beta}\}. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Example 4. Letting $\pi(\cdot) = 1$ in Example 2, Stein-type lemma for location-scale mixture of normal random vector is given by

$$E[\omega(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)})(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] = E_{\theta}\{\theta \boldsymbol{\Sigma} E[\nabla \omega(\mathbf{M}_{(1)})]\} + E_{\theta}\{E[\omega(\mathbf{M}_{(1)})]\theta \boldsymbol{\beta}\}. \quad (27)$$

5. Application in Risk Theory

Considering n risky assets with stochastic returns that are modelled by the n -dimensional random vector,

$$\mathbf{Z} = (Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n)^T \sim \text{LSMGSE}_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \Theta, g_n, \pi(\cdot)). \quad (28)$$

A risk-free asset bearing a fixed rate of return $r > 0$ is also available. Denote by $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)^T$ the vector of proportions that are allocated to the different risky assets. The total portfolio return is

$$\mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{t}} = \sum_{i=1}^n t_i Z_i + \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right) r. \quad (29)$$

We define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{t}} &= \sum_{i=1}^n t_i S_i + \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right) r, \\ \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{t}}^* &= \sum_{i=1}^n t_i S_i^* + \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right) r, \\ \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{t}}^* &= \sum_{i=1}^n t_i M_i^* + \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i\right) r. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

To find an optimal allocation by maximizing the mean return for a given variance risk tolerance, we assume that the investor optimizes

$$L(\mathbf{t}) := E[U(\mathbf{Z}_t)], \quad (31)$$

where $U: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a concave utility function (see [11]).

Theorem 4. (Three-Fund Separation). Suppose $L(\mathbf{t})$ is a concave continuously differentiable function with $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The solution to problem (31) is given as

$$\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSMGSE}} = \frac{\Sigma^{-1}\delta_1}{\psi'(0)E_\theta\{\theta E[U''(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSMGSE}}^*})]\}} + \frac{\delta_2}{E_\theta\{\theta E[U''(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSMGSE}}^*})]\}}, \quad (32)$$

where $\mathbf{e} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T$ is an $n \times 1$ vector whose elements are all equal to 1, and

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_1 &= E_\theta\{E[U'(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSMGSE}}^*})]\theta\beta\} + E[U'(\mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSMGSE}}})](\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{r}\mathbf{e}), \\ \delta_2 &= E_\theta\{2\theta E[U'(\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSMGSE}}^*})]\nabla\pi((\theta\Sigma)^{-1/2}(\mathbf{M}^* - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \theta\beta))\}. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Proof. Letting $\nabla L(\mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{0}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E[U'(\mathbf{Z}_t)(\mathbf{Z} - \mathbf{r}\mathbf{e})] &= \mathbf{0}, \\ E[U'(\mathbf{Z}_t)(\mathbf{Z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] + E[U'(\mathbf{Z}_t)(\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{r}\mathbf{e})] &= \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Using (19), we get

$$\begin{aligned} E_\theta\{\text{Cov}(\mathbf{M})[E[\nabla U'(\mathbf{S}_t^*)] + 2E[U'(\mathbf{M}_t^*)\nabla\pi \\ ((\theta\Sigma)^{-1/2}(\mathbf{M}^* - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \theta\beta))]\}] \\ + E_\theta\{E[U'(\mathbf{S}_t)]\theta\beta\} + E[U(\mathbf{Z}_t)(\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{r}\mathbf{e})] &= \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Note that $E[\partial U'(\mathbf{Z}_t^*)/\partial Z_i^*] = E[t_i U''(\mathbf{Z}_t^*)]$ and $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{M}) = -\psi'(0)\theta\Sigma$; we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_\theta\{-\psi'(0)\theta\Sigma[E[tU''(\mathbf{S}_t^*)] + 2E[U'(\mathbf{M}_t^*)\nabla\pi \\ ((\theta\Sigma)^{-1/2}(\mathbf{M}^* - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \theta\beta))]\}] \\ + E_\theta\{E[U'(\mathbf{S}_t)]\theta\beta\} + E[U'(\mathbf{Z}_t)(\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{r}\mathbf{e})] &= \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

Therefore, we obtain (32), which completes the proof of Theorem 4. \square

Remark 5. When $L(\cdot)$ is only defined on a convex subset A of \mathbb{R}^n , a solution \mathbf{t} to (32) is only optimal when \mathbf{t} belongs to the interior of this set A . Otherwise, the optimum has to be found on the boundary of A (see [12] or [11]).

Corollary 1. Letting $\pi(\cdot) = 1$ in Theorem 4, we obtain

$$\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSME}} = \frac{\Sigma^{-1}\delta_1}{\psi'(0)E_\theta\{\theta E[U''(\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSME}}^*})]\}}, \quad (37)$$

where $\delta_1 = E_\theta\{E[U'(\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSME}}})]\theta\beta\} + E[U'(\mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{t}_{\text{LSME}}})](\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{r}\mathbf{e})$.

Data Availability

No data were used to support this study.

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