

Non-Life Insurance Mathematics (STK4540)

Solutions to the 2.mandatory assignment

Problem 1 By Theorem 6.3.1 in Mikosch we have that

$$\hat{\mu}_{LB} = (1 - w)\mu + w\bar{Y},$$

where

$$w = \frac{n\lambda}{\varphi + n\lambda} \text{ and } \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j.$$

By Exercises 5, Prob. 2 we know that

1.

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= E[p(\theta)] = E[P(X_1 > K | \theta)] = E[(\frac{\lambda'}{K})^\theta] \\ &= \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta - \log(\lambda'/K)} \right)^\gamma \approx 0.127466.\end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &= Var[p(\theta)] = Var[(\frac{\lambda'}{K})^\theta] \\ &= \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta - 2 \log(\lambda'/K)} \right)^\gamma - \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta - \log(\lambda'/K)} \right)^{2\gamma} \approx 0.030973.\end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi &= E[Var[X_1 | \theta]] = E[p(\theta)] - E[(p(\theta))^2] \\ &= \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta - \log(\lambda'/K)} \right)^\gamma - \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta - 2 \log(\lambda'/K)} \right)^\gamma \approx 0.0802453.\end{aligned}$$

So

$$w \stackrel{n=10}{=} \frac{10 \cdot 0.030973}{0.0802453 + 10 \cdot 0.030973} \approx 0.79423 \text{ and } \bar{Y} = 0.2.$$

Therefore, we get that

$$\hat{\mu}_{LB} = (1 - w)\mu + w\bar{Y} \approx 18.508\%$$

is the estimated probability for $X_1 > 55000$ NOK given θ .

The corresponding risk is given by

$$\rho(\hat{\mu}_{LB}) = (1 - w)\lambda \approx 0.00637331.$$

Problem 2 (i) We apply Theorem 6.3.1 in Mikosch and get that

$$\hat{\mu}_{LB} = (1 - w)\mu + w\bar{X},$$

where

$$w = \frac{n\lambda}{\varphi + n\lambda} \text{ and } \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j.$$

Here:

1.

$$\mu = E[\mu(\theta)] = E[\theta] \stackrel{\text{hint}}{=} \frac{1.75}{1.3} \approx 1.34615.$$

2.

$$\lambda = Var[\mu(\theta)] = Var[\theta] \stackrel{\text{hint}}{=} \frac{1.75}{(1.3)^2} \approx 1.0355.$$

3.

$$\varphi = E[Var[X_1 | \theta]] = E[\theta] \stackrel{\text{hint}}{=} \frac{1.75}{1.3} \approx 1.34615.$$

Thus

$$w \stackrel{n=10}{=} \frac{10 \cdot 1.0355}{1.34615 + 10 \cdot 1.0355} \approx 0.884956 \text{ and } \bar{X} = 1.2.$$

Therefore, we get that

$$\hat{\mu}_{LB} = (1 - w)\mu + w\bar{X} \approx 1.21681.$$

expected claim number (per year) given the observations.

The corresponding risk is given by

$$\rho(\hat{\mu}_{LB}) = (1 - w)\lambda \approx 0.119128.$$

(ii) We now assume in (i) that $\theta = \exp(Z)$ for $Z \sim Exp(3)$. Then

1.

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= E[\mu(\theta)] = E[\exp(Z)] = \int_0^\infty \exp(y) 3 \exp(-3y) dy \\ &= 3 \int_0^\infty \exp(-2y) dy = 3 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \exp(-2y) \right|_{y=0}^\infty = 1.5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= Var[\mu(\theta)] = E[(\mu(\theta))^2] - \mu^2 \\ &= E[e^{2Z}] - \mu^2 \\ &= \int_0^\infty \exp(2y) 3 \exp(-3y) dy - \mu^2 \\ &= 3 \int_0^\infty \exp(-y) dy - \mu^2 \\ &= 3(-\exp(-y)|_{y=0}^\infty) - \mu^2 \\ &= 3 - \mu^2 = 0.75. \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\varphi = E[Var[X_1 | \theta]] = E[\theta] = 1.5.$$

So

$$w \stackrel{n=10}{=} \frac{10 \cdot 0.75}{1.5 + 10 \cdot 0.75} \approx 0.833333 \text{ and } \bar{X} = 1.2.$$

Hence

$$\hat{\mu}_{LB} = (1 - w)\mu + w\bar{X} = 1.25.$$

Problem 3 (i) It follows from Lemma 5.2.3 (1) in Mikosch that

$$f_\theta(y | X = k) = \frac{f_\theta(y)P(X = k | \theta = y)}{P(X = k)},$$

where

$$P(X = k) = E[P(X = k | \theta)] = E[e^{-\theta} \frac{\theta^k}{k!}] = \int_0^\infty e^{-y} \frac{y^k}{k!} f_\theta(y) dy$$

and

$$P(X = k | \theta = y) = e^{-y} \frac{y^k}{k!}.$$

(ii) So by (i) we get that

$$\begin{aligned} m_k &= E[\theta | X = k] = \int_0^\infty y \frac{f_\theta(y)e^{-y} \frac{y^k}{k!}}{P(X = k)} dy \\ &= \frac{(k+1)!}{k! P(X = k)} \int_0^\infty e^{-y} \frac{y^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} f_\theta(y) dy \\ &= \frac{(k+1)}{P(X = k)} E[e^{-\theta} \frac{\theta^{k+1}}{(k+1)!}] \\ &= \frac{(k+1)}{P(X = k)} E[P(X = k+1 | \theta)] \\ &= \frac{(k+1)}{P(X = k)} P(X = k+1) \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Consider w.l.o.g. the case $l = 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} E[\theta^2 | X = k] &\stackrel{(i)}{=} \int_0^\infty y^2 \frac{f_\theta(y)e^{-y} \frac{y^k}{k!}}{P(X = k)} dy \\ &= \frac{(k+2)!}{k! P(X = k)} \int_0^\infty e^{-y} \frac{y^{k+2}}{(k+2)!} f_\theta(y) dy \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{P(X = k)} E[P(X = k+2 | \theta)] \\ &= (k+1) \frac{P(X = k+1)}{P(X = k)} (k+2) \frac{P(X = k+2)}{P(X = k+1)} \\ &= m_k m_{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4 Suppose that $E[X] < \infty$. Then for $X = X_1$ in Problem 1, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
E[X_1] &= \int_0^\infty P(X_1 \geq z) dz = \int_0^\infty E[P(X_1 \geq z | \theta)] dz \\
&= \int_0^\lambda E[P(X_1 \geq z | \theta)] dz + \int_\lambda^\infty E[P(X_1 \geq z | \theta)] dz \\
&= \int_0^\lambda 1 dz + \int_\lambda^\infty E[(\frac{\lambda}{z})^\theta] dz \\
&\stackrel{n \geq \lambda}{\geq} \int_\lambda^n E[(\frac{\lambda}{z})^\theta] dz
\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

On the other hand,

$$E[(\frac{\lambda}{z})^\theta] = \int_0^\infty \lambda^y z^{-y} f_{\Gamma(\gamma, \beta)}(y) dy.$$

So it follows from (1) by inter-changing integrals (Tonelli's theorem) that

$$\begin{aligned}
E[X_1] &\geq \int_0^{1/2} \lambda^y f_{\Gamma(\gamma, \beta)}(y) \int_\lambda^n z^{-y} dz dy \\
&= \int_0^{1/2} \lambda^y f_{\Gamma(\gamma, \beta)}(y) \frac{1}{1-y} (n^{1-y} - \lambda^{1-y}) dy \\
&\geq -2 \int_0^{1/2} \lambda^y f_{\Gamma(\gamma, \beta)}(y) \lambda^{1-y} dy \\
&\quad + n^{1-\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{1/2} \lambda^y f_{\Gamma(\gamma, \beta)}(y) \frac{1}{1-y} dy \\
&\xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

which leads to a contradiction. So $E[X] = \infty$.

Problem 5 Once more we see from Theorem 6.3.1 in Mikosch that

$$\hat{\mu}_{LB} = (1-w)\mu + w\bar{X},$$

where

$$w = \frac{n\lambda}{\varphi + n\lambda} \text{ and } \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j.$$

Here:

1.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu &= E[\mu(\theta)] = E[E[\exp(\theta + \tau Z_1) | \theta]] \\
&= E[\exp(\theta) E[\exp(\tau Z_1) | \theta]] \\
&\stackrel{\theta, Z_1 \text{ independent}}{=} E[\exp(\theta) E[\exp(\tau Z_1)]] \\
&\stackrel{\text{hint in Ex4, Prob.4}}{=} E[\exp(\theta) \exp(\frac{1}{2}\tau^2)] \\
&\stackrel{\text{hint in Ex4, Prob.4}}{=} \exp(\mu' + \frac{1}{2}(\tau^2 + \sigma^2)) \\
&\approx 1.70106.
\end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda &= \text{Var}[\mu(\theta)] = E[(\mu(\theta))^2] - \mu^2 \\
&= E[(\mu(\theta))^2] - \mu^2 \\
&= E[(\exp(\theta) \exp(\frac{1}{2}\tau^2))^2] - \mu^2 \\
&= E[(\exp(2\theta)) \exp(\tau^2) - \mu^2 \\
&= \exp(2\mu' + \tau^2 + 2\sigma^2) - \mu^2 \\
&\approx 1.87714.
\end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned}
\varphi &= E[\text{Var}[X_1 | \theta]] = E[E[X_1^2 | \theta]] - E[(E[X_1 | \theta])^2] \\
&= E[E[\exp(2\theta + 2\tau Z_1) | \theta]] - E[\exp(2\theta) \exp(\tau^2)] \\
&= E[\exp(2\theta) E[\exp(2\tau Z_1)]] - E[\exp(2\theta) \exp(\tau^2)] \\
&= E[\exp(2\theta) \exp(2\tau^2)] - E[\exp(2\theta) \exp(\tau^2)] \\
&= \exp(2\mu' + 2\sigma^2 + 2\tau^2) - \exp(2\mu' + 2\sigma^2 + \tau^2) \\
&\approx 3.60216.
\end{aligned}$$

So

$$w \approx \frac{8 \cdot 1.87714}{3.60216 + 8 \cdot 1.87714} \approx 0.806536$$

and

$$\hat{\mu}_{LB} = (1-w)\mu + w\bar{X} \approx 4.46259 \text{ (in 1000 NOK).}$$

Problem 6 (i) We know from Lemma 5.2.3 that

$$f_\theta(y | X = k) = \frac{f_\theta(y) P(X_1 = x_1 | \theta = y) \dots P(X_n = x_n | \theta = y)}{P(X = (x_1, \dots, x_n)'),}$$

where

$$f_\theta(y) = \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} y^{a-1} (1-y)^{b-1}, 0 < y < 1$$

and

$$P(X_1 = x_j | \theta = y) = \binom{k}{x_j} y^{x_j} (1-y)^{k-x_j} \text{ (cond. binomial distr.)},$$

$$j = 1, \dots, n, x_j = 0, \dots, k.$$

We find that

$$\begin{aligned}
P(X &= (x_1, \dots, x_n)') = \\
P(X_1 &= x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n) = \\
E[P(X_1 &= x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta)] &\stackrel{X_j, j \geq 1 \text{ i.i.d. given } \theta}{=} \\
E[P(X_1 &= x_1 | \theta) \dots P(X_n = x_n | \theta)] = \\
&E\left[\prod_{j=1}^n \binom{k}{x_j} \theta^{x_j} (1-\theta)^{k-x_j}\right] \\
&= \int_0^1 \prod_{j=1}^n \binom{k}{x_j} y^{x_j} (1-y)^{k-x_j} f_\theta(y) dy \\
&= \int_0^1 \prod_{j=1}^n \binom{k}{x_j} y^{x_j} (1-y)^{k-x_j} \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} y^{a-1} (1-y)^{b-1} dy \\
&= \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} \prod_{j=1}^n \binom{k}{x_j} \right\} \times \\
&\quad \times \int_0^1 y^{(a+\sum_{j=1}^n x_j)-1} (1-y)^{(b+nk-\sum_{j=1}^n x_j)-1} \frac{\Gamma(a'+b')}{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')} dy \frac{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')}{\Gamma(a'+b')} \\
&= \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')}{\Gamma(a'+b')} \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} \prod_{j=1}^n \binom{k}{x_j} \right\} \int_0^1 y^{a'-1} (1-y)^{b'-1} \frac{\Gamma(a'+b')}{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')} dy \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')}{\Gamma(a'+b')} \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} \prod_{j=1}^n \binom{k}{x_j},
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$a' := a + \sum_{j=1}^n x_j, b' := b + nk - \sum_{j=1}^n x_j > 0.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_\theta(y | X = k) &= \frac{f_\theta(y) P(X_1 = x_1 | \theta = y) \dots P(X_n = x_n | \theta = y)}{P(X = (x_1, \dots, x_n)')} \\
&= \frac{\frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} y^{a-1} (1-y)^{b-1} \prod_{j=1}^n \binom{k}{x_j} y^{x_j} (1-y)^{k-x_j}}{\frac{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')}{\Gamma(a'+b')} \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} \prod_{j=1}^n \binom{k}{x_j}} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(a'+b')}{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')} y^{a'-1} (1-y)^{b'-1},
\end{aligned}$$

which is the density of the Beta distribution for the parameters $a', b' > 0$.

(ii)

$$\widehat{\mu}_B = E[\mu(\theta) | X_1, \dots, X_n] = (E[\mu(\theta) | X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n])|_{x_1=X_1, \dots, x_n=X_n}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
& E[\mu(\theta) | X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n] \\
&= \int_0^1 E[X_1 | \theta = y] f_\theta(y | X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n) dy \\
&\quad \text{expectation of a binomial r.v.} \\
&= \int_0^1 (ky) \frac{\Gamma(a' + b')}{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')} y^{a'-1} (1-y)^{b'-1} dy \\
&= k \frac{\Gamma(a' + b')}{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')} \int_0^1 (y^{(a+1)-1} (1-y)^{b'-1}) \frac{\Gamma(a'' + b')}{\Gamma(a'')\Gamma(b')} dy \frac{\Gamma(a'')\Gamma(b')}{\Gamma(a'' + b')} \\
&= k \frac{\Gamma(a' + b')}{\Gamma(a')\Gamma(b')} \frac{\Gamma(a'')\Gamma(b')}{\Gamma(a'' + b')} \\
&\quad \Gamma(z+1)=z \Gamma(z), \Gamma(1)=1 \\
&= k \frac{a'}{a' + b'} \\
&= k \frac{a + \sum_{j=1}^n x_j}{a + b + nk}
\end{aligned}$$

where $a'' := a' + 1$.

As for the corresponding risk we know from Theorem 5.2.1 in Mikosch that

$$\rho(\hat{\mu}_B) = E[Var[\mu(\theta) | X_1, \dots, X_n]].$$

Since X_1 is binomially distributed given θ , we see that

$$\mu(\theta) = E[X_1 | \theta] = k\theta.$$

So

$$\rho(\hat{\mu}_B) = k^2 E[Var[\theta | X_1, \dots, X_n]].$$

From the hint and the fact that the conditional density of θ is that of a Beta distribution with parameters $a', b' > 0$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& Var[\theta | X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n] \\
&= a'b' / [(a' + b' + 1)(a' + b')^2] \\
&= (a + \sum_{j=1}^n x_j)(b + nk - \sum_{j=1}^n x_j) / [(a + b + nk + 1)(a + b + nk)^2].
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the latter implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho(\hat{\mu}_B) &= \frac{k^2}{[(a + b + nk + 1)(a + b + nk)^2]} E[(a + \sum_{j=1}^n X_j)(b + nk - \sum_{j=1}^n X_j)] \\
&= \frac{k^2}{[(a + b + nk + 1)(a + b + nk)^2]} \\
&\quad \times (a(b + nk) + (b - a)E[\sum_{j=1}^n X_j] - E[(\sum_{j=1}^n X_j)^2]).
\end{aligned}$$

Further,

$$E\left[\sum_{j=1}^n X_j\right] = nE[E[X_1 | \theta]] = nE[k\theta] \stackrel{\text{hint}}{=} nk\frac{a}{a+b}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & E[(\sum_{j=1}^n X_j)^2] \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n E[E[X_i X_j | \theta]] \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^n E[E[X_i | \theta] E[X_j | \theta]] + \sum_{i=1}^n E[E[X_i^2 | \theta]] \\ &= (n^2 - n)E[(E[X_1 | \theta])^2] + nE[Var[X_1 | \theta] + (E[X_1 | \theta])^2] \\ &= n^2E[(E[X_1 | \theta])^2] + nE[Var[X_1 | \theta]] \\ &= n^2E[(k\theta)^2] + nE[k\theta(1-\theta)] \\ &= (n^2k^2 - nk)E[\theta^2] + nkE[\theta] \\ &= (n^2k^2 - nk)(Var[\theta] + (E[\theta])^2) + nkE[\theta] \\ &\stackrel{\text{hint}}{=} (n^2k^2 - nk)(\{ab/[(a+b+1)(a+b)^2]\} + (\frac{a}{a+b})^2) \\ &\quad + nk\frac{a}{a+b}. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho(\hat{\mu}_B) \\ &= \frac{k^2}{[(a+b+nk+1)(a+b+nk)^2]} \\ &\quad \times (a(b+nk) + (b-a)nk\frac{a}{a+b} \\ &\quad - (n^2k^2 - nk)(\{ab/[(a+b+1)(a+b)^2]\} + (\frac{a}{a+b})^2) \\ &\quad - nk\frac{a}{a+b}). \end{aligned}$$

Problem 7 (i) Define the process

$$Y_t = 1 + \sum_{i=-\infty}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j, t \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

We want to show that $Y_t, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ solves the recurrence equation

$$Y_t = A_t Y_{t-1} + 1, t \in \mathbb{Z}, \tag{2}$$

and is strictly stationary.

We see that

$$\begin{aligned}
A_t Y_{t-1} + 1 &= A_t \left(1 + \sum_{i=-\infty}^{t-2} \prod_{j=i+1}^{t-1} A_j \right) + 1 \\
&= A_t + \sum_{i=-\infty}^{t-2} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j + 1 \\
&= \sum_{i=t-1}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j + \sum_{i=-\infty}^{t-2} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j + 1 \\
&= \sum_{i=-\infty}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j + 1 = Y_t
\end{aligned}$$

for all t .

Next, we have to check that the sum in the definition of Y_t converges with probability 1. For this purpose, let us choose a $c \in (0, 1)$ such that $E[\log A_1] < \log c < 0$ (since by our assumption $E[\log A_1] < 0$).

On the other hand, the *i.i.d.*-property of A_j and the SLLN imply that

$$|t-i|^{-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^t \log A_j \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow -\infty} E[\log A_1]$$

with probability 1, that is for a sure event Ω^* . Hence, for all $\omega \in \Omega^*$ there exists a $i_0(\omega)$ such that for all $i \leq i_0(\omega)$

$$|t-i|^{-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^t \log A_j < \log c.$$

So

$$\prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j = \exp(|t-i| (|t-i|^{-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^t \log A_j)) \leq \exp(|t-i| \log c) = c^{|t-i|}$$

for all $i \leq i_0(\omega)$. Therefore it follows for all $-m \leq i_0(\omega) (\leq t-1)$ that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=-m}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j &= \sum_{i=i_0(\omega)-1}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j + \sum_{i=-m}^{i_0(\omega)} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j \leq \sum_{i=i_0(\omega)-1}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j + \sum_{i=-m}^{i_0(\omega)} c^{|t-i|} \\
&\stackrel{\text{geometric series}}{\leq} \sum_{i=i_0(\omega)-1}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j + \sum_{r \geq 0} c^r \\
&= \sum_{i=i_0(\omega)-1}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j + \frac{1}{1-c} < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

So $\sum_{i=-\infty}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j$ converges with probability 1.

Next, we aim at verifying strict stationarity.

Claim: For all $n \geq 1$ and $m \leq t$ and $h \in \mathbb{Z}$ we have that

$$((A_s)_{m \leq s \leq t}, \dots, (A_s)_{m \leq s \leq t+n-1}) \stackrel{d}{=} ((A_s)_{m+h \leq s \leq t+h}, \dots, (A_s)_{m+h \leq s \leq t+h+n-1}). \quad (3)$$

Let us w.l.o.g. show this for $n = 2$ and $h > 0$: In this case the characteristic function of the left hand side of (3) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & E[\exp(i(\lambda_1 A_m + \dots + \lambda_{t-m+1} A_t + \mu_1 A_1 + \dots + \mu_{t-m+2} A_{t+1}))] \\ &= E[\exp(i(\lambda_1 + \mu_1) A_m)] \dots E[\exp(i(\lambda_{t-m+1} + \mu_{t-m+1}) A_t)] E[\exp(i\mu_{t-m+2} A_{t+1})] \\ &= E[\exp(i(\lambda_1 + \mu_1) A_{m+h})] \dots E[\exp(i(\lambda_{t-m+1} + \mu_{t-m+1}) A_{t+h})] E[\exp(i\mu_{t-m+2} A_{t+h+1})] \\ &= E[\exp(i(\lambda_1 A_{m+h} + \dots + \lambda_{t-m+1} A_{t+h} + \mu_1 A_1 + \dots + \mu_{t-m+2} A_{t+h+1}))] \end{aligned}$$

for all λ_i, μ_j because of the *i.i.d.-* property of $A_j, j \in \mathbb{Z}$. So (3) holds.

It follows from (3) that

$$\begin{aligned} (Y_t^m, Y_{t+1}^m) & : = \left(\sum_{i=-m}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_j, \sum_{i=-m}^t \prod_{j=i+1}^{t+1} A_j \right) \\ & \stackrel{d}{=} \left(\sum_{i=-m}^{t-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^t A_{j+h}, \sum_{i=-m}^t \prod_{j=i+1}^{t+1} A_{j+h} \right) \\ & = \left(\sum_{i=-m+h}^{t+h-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^{t+h} A_j, \sum_{i=-m+h}^{t+h} \prod_{j=i+1}^{t+h+1} A_j \right) \\ & \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{} (Y_{t+h}, Y_{t+h+1}) \end{aligned}$$

with probability 1. On the other hand, we know that

$$(Y_t^m, Y_{t+1}^m) \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{} (Y_t, Y_{t+1})$$

with probability 1. Hence,

$$(Y_t, Y_{t+1}) \stackrel{d}{=} (Y_{t+h}, Y_{t+h+1})$$

or (w.l.o.g.) more generally

$$(Y_t, \dots, Y_{t+n-1}) \stackrel{d}{=} (Y_{t+h}, \dots, Y_{t+h+n-1}), \quad (4)$$

which gives strict stationarity.

In the next step we want to show uniqueness (in the class of strictly stationary solutions): Assume another strictly stationary solution $Y'_t, t \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $Y_t - Y'_t$ solves the equation

$$Z_t = A_t Z_{t-1}.$$

Iteration of this equation entails that

$$Y_t - Y'_t = A_t \dots A_{t-i+1} (Y_{t-i} - Y'_{t-i})$$

for all $i \geq 1$. So

$$|Y_t - Y'_t| = A_t \dots A_{t-i+1} |Y_{t-i} - Y'_{t-i}|.$$

Using the SLLN, we can show as before that

$$A_t \dots A_{t-i+1} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

with probability 1. On the other hand by using (3) and a similar argument as in the case of the proof of strict stationarity we obtain that

$$A_t \dots A_{t-i+1} Y_{t-i} \xrightarrow{d} A_{t+i} \dots A_{t+1} Y_t.$$

Here again

$$A_{t+i} \dots A_{t+1} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

with probability 1. So for all $\varepsilon > 0$ we have that

$$P(A_t \dots A_{t-i+1} Y_{t-i} > \varepsilon) = P(A_{t+i} \dots A_{t+1} Y_t > \varepsilon) \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

So

$$A_t \dots A_{t-i+1} Y_{t-i} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

in probability. By assumption we know that $Y'_{t-i} \xrightarrow{d} Y'_t$ for all i . So

$$Y'_{t-i} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} Y'_t$$

in distribution. Since $A_{t+i} \dots A_{t+1} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0$ with probability 1 it follows that

$$A_t \dots A_{t-i+1} Y'_{t-i} \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

in distribution. Using the latter argument once more, we obtain that

$$A_t \dots A_{t-i+1} (Y_{t-i} - Y'_{t-i}) \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

in distribution. Since $|\cdot|$ is continuous, we see that

$$|Y_t - Y'_t| = A_t \dots A_{t-i+1} |Y_{t-i} - Y'_{t-i}| \xrightarrow{i \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

in distribution. Thus for all $\varepsilon > 0$

$$P(|Y_t - Y'_t| > \varepsilon) = 1 - P(|Y_t - Y'_t| \leq \varepsilon) = 0.$$

So

$$Y_t = Y'_t$$

with probability 1, which yields uniqueness.

(ii) Because of strict stationarity we know that

$$Y_t \stackrel{d}{=} Y_0 = 1 + \sum_{i=-\infty}^{-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^0 A_j.$$

On the other hand, since

$$(A_{-m+1}, \dots, A_0) \stackrel{d}{=} (A_1, \dots, A_m)$$

we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=-m}^{-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^0 A_j &\stackrel{d}{=} \sum_{i=-m}^{-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^0 A_{-j+1} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \prod_{j=1}^i A_j. \end{aligned}$$

So letting $m \rightarrow \infty$, we get that

$$Y_t \stackrel{d}{=} Y_0 \stackrel{d}{=} \sum_{i \geq 1} \prod_{j=1}^i A_j.$$

Therefore we have for $x > 0$ that

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y_t > x) &= P(Y_0 > x) \geq P\left(\sup_{n \geq 1} \prod_{j=1}^n A_j > x\right) \\ &= P\left(\sup_{n \geq 1} \sum_{j=1}^n \log A_j > \log x\right) \\ &= P\left(\sup_{n \geq 1} S_n > \log x\right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$S_n := \sum_{j=1}^n Z_j$$

for the *i.i.d.* random variables $Z_j := \log A_j$ such that $E[Z_1] < 0$, which corresponds to a NPC condition in ruin theory.

Then we can employ the proof of Theorem 3.2.3 (Lundberg's inequality) to the partial sum S_n and we get for $x \geq 1$ that

$$m(x) := P\left(\sup_{n \geq 1} S_n > \log x\right) \leq \exp(-r \log x) = x^{-r}.$$