

# Determining the Structure and Estimation of HAC

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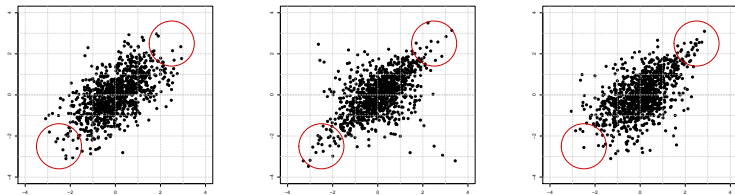


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# Introduction



Different distributions, however, the same margins and the same correlation coefficient !!!

## Theorem (Sklar, 1959)

*Let  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  be random variables with marginal distribution functions  $F_1, \dots, F_k$  and joint distribution function  $F$ . Then there exists a  $k$ -dimensional copula  $C : [0, 1]^k \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that*

*$\forall x_1, \dots, x_k \in \overline{\mathbb{R}} = [-\infty, \infty]$*

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_k) = C(F_1(x_1), \dots, F_k(x_k))$$

## Archimedean Copula

**Multivariate Archimedean copula**  $C : [0, 1]^d \rightarrow [0, 1]$  defined as

$$C(u_1, \dots, u_d) = \phi\{\phi^{-1}(u_1) + \dots + \phi^{-1}(u_d)\}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is continuous and strictly decreasing with  $\phi(0) = 1$ ,  $\phi(\infty) = 0$  and  $\phi^{-1}$  its pseudo-inverse.

**Example 1**

$$\phi_{\text{Gumbel}}(u, \theta) = \exp\{-u^{1/\theta}\}, \text{ where } 1 \leq \theta < \infty$$

$$\phi_{\text{Clayton}}(u, \theta) = (\theta u + 1)^{-1/\theta}, \text{ where } \theta \in [-1, \infty) \setminus \{0\}$$

**Disadvantages:** too restrictive, single parameter, exchangeable

# Hierarchical Archimedean Copula

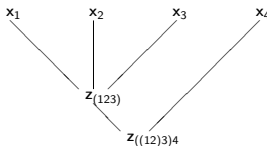
Simple AC with  $s=(1234)$

$$C(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) = C_1(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4)$$



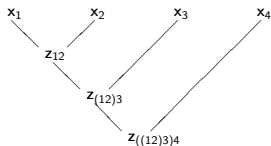
AC with  $s=((123)4)$

$$C(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) = C_1\{C_2(u_1, u_2, u_3), u_4\}$$



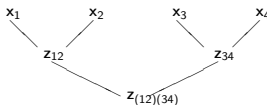
Fully nested AC with  $s=((((12)3)4))$

$$C(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) = C_1[C_2\{C_3(u_1, u_2), u_3\}, u_4]$$



Partially Nested AC with  $s=((12)(34))$

$$C(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) = C_1\{C_2(u_1, u_2), C_3(u_3, u_4)\}$$



$$C(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) = \phi(\phi^{-1}(\phi_{12}(\phi_{12}^{-1}(u_1) + \phi_{12}^{-1}(u_2))) + \phi^{-1}(\phi_{34}(\phi_{34}^{-1}(u_3) + \phi_{34}^{-1}(u_4))))$$

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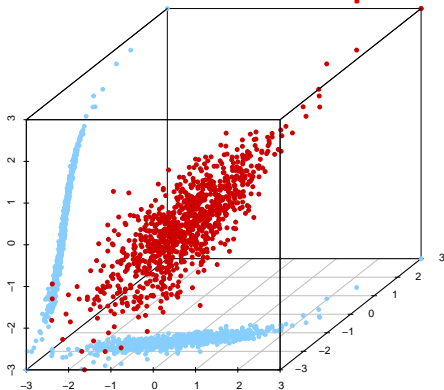


Abbildung 1: Scatterplot of the  $C_{\text{Gumbel}}[C_{\text{Gumbel}}\{\Phi(x_1), t_2(x_2); \theta_1 = 2\}, \Phi(x_3); \theta_2 = 10]$

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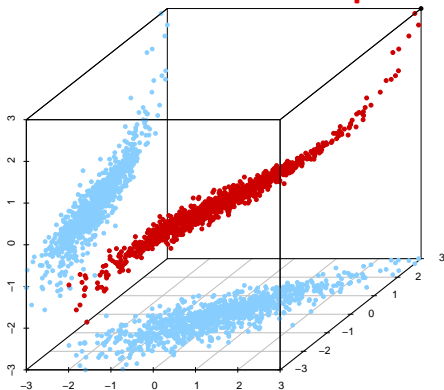


Abbildung 2: Scatterplot of the  $C_{Gumbel}[\Phi(x_2), C_{Gumbel}\{t_2(x_1), \Phi(x_3); \theta_1 = 2\}; \theta_2 = 10]$

# Hierarchical Archimedean Copula

## Advantages of HAC:

- flexibility and wide range of dependencies:  
for  $d = 10$  more than  $2.8 \cdot 10^8$  structures
- dimension reduction:  
 $d - 1$  parameters to be estimated
- subcopulas are also HAC



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**Estimation:** multistage MLE with nonparametric and parametric margins

**Criteria for grouping:** goodness-of-fit tests, parameter-based method, etc.

## Criteria for grouping: I

We need a criterion for grouping variables at each level of the copula.

### Alternatives:

- goodness-of-fit tests

- ▶ dimension dependent
- ▶ KS type tests are difficult to implement
- ▶ possible choice  $\rightsquigarrow$  Chen et al. (2004, WP of LSE), Fermanian (2005, JMA)

- distance measures

- ▶ dimension dependent

- parameter-based methods

Note that, if the true structure is (123) then

$$\theta_{(12)} = \theta_{(13)} = \theta_{(23)} = \theta_{(123)}$$

- ▶ heuristic methods
- ▶ test-based methods

- tests on exchangeability

## Criteria for grouping: II

To guarantee that  $C$  is a HAC we assume that  $\phi_{k-i}^{-1} \circ \phi_{k-j} \in \mathcal{L}^*$ ,  $i < j$  with

$$\mathcal{L}^* = \{\omega : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty) \mid \omega(0) = 0, \omega(\infty) = \infty, (-1)^{j-1} \omega^{(j)} \geq 0, j \geq 1\}.$$

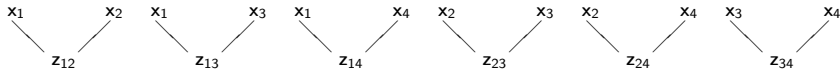
for most of the generator functions the parameters should decrease from the lowest level to the highest

### Theorem

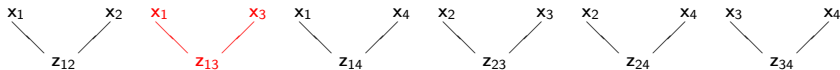
*Let  $F$  be an arbitrary multivariate distribution function based on HAC. Then  $F$  can be uniquely recovered from the marginal distribution functions and all bivariate copula functions.*



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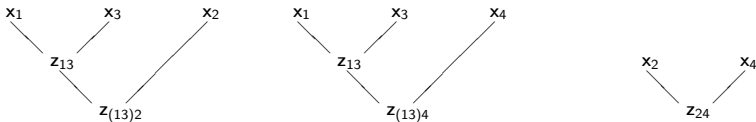


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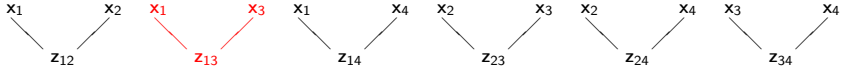
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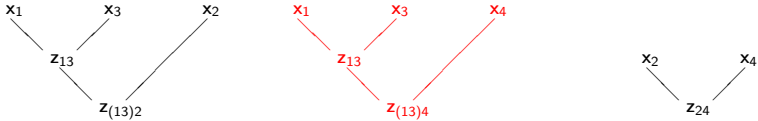
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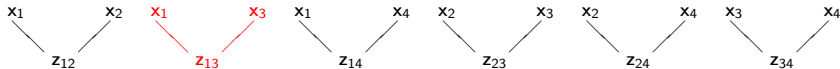


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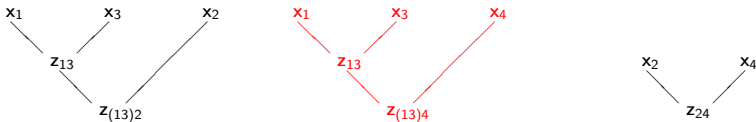


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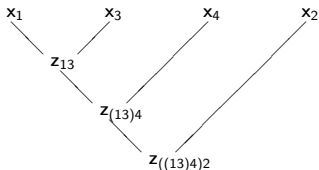
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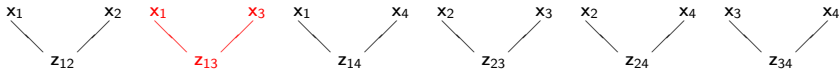
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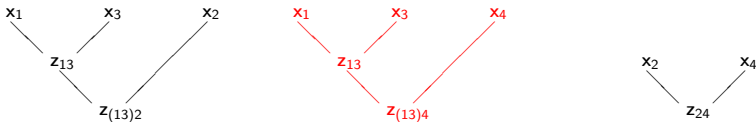
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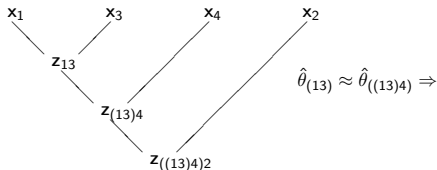
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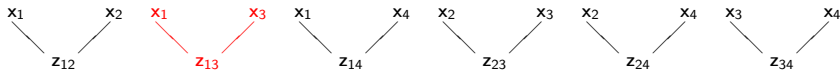
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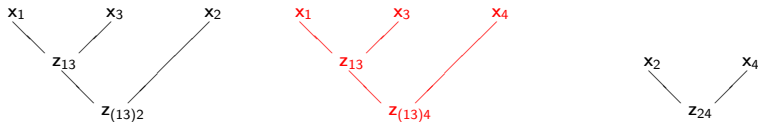
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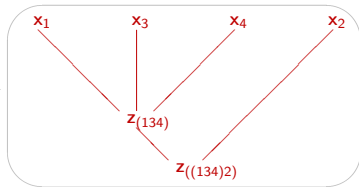
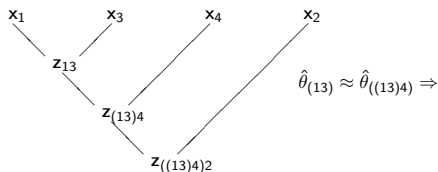
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## Estimation Issues (parametric margins)

### Multistage MLE

$$\left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_1}{\partial \alpha'_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_k}{\partial \alpha'_k}, \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{k+1}}{\partial \theta'_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{k+p}}{\partial \theta'_p} \right)' = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\text{where } \mathcal{L}_j = \sum_{i=1}^n l_j(\mathbf{X}_i), \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, k + p,$$

$$l_j(\mathbf{X}_i) = \log f_j(x_{ji}, \alpha_j), \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, k, i = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$l_{j+k}(\mathbf{X}_i) = \log \left[ c(\{\phi_\ell, \theta_\ell\}_{\ell=1, \dots, p}; s_j) (\{F_m(x_{mi}, \alpha_m)\}_{m \in s_j}) \right. \\ \left. \times \prod_{m \in s_j} f_m(x_{mi}, \alpha_m) \right] \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, p, i = 1, \dots, n$$

### Theorem

Let each marginal distribution  $f_r$  for  $r = 1, \dots, k$  and the copula density at each level of the hierarchy satisfy the regularity conditions of Theorem 5.2.2 of Sen and Singer (1993). Then

$$n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\tilde{\eta} - \eta) \overset{a}{\sim} N(0, \mathbf{B}^{-1} \circ \mathbf{B}^{-1}),$$



## Estimation Issues (nonparametric margins)

Canonical MLE

$$\hat{F}_j(x) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{I}(x_{ji} \leq x), \quad j = 1, \dots, k.$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_1}{\partial \theta'_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_p}{\partial \theta'_p} \right)' = \mathbf{0},$$

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### Theorem

Under regularity conditions, estimator  $\hat{\theta}$  is consistent and

$$n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) \overset{a}{\sim} N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{B}^{-1} \circ \mathbf{B}^{-1}),$$

## Data and Copula

- ▣ daily returns of Commerzbank (CBK), Merck (MRK), ThyssenKrupp (TKA) and Volkswagen (VOW)
- ▣ timespan = [13.11.1998 - 18.10.2007] ( $n = 2400$ )
- ▣  $\mathcal{M} = \{\phi = \exp(-u^{1/\theta})\}$  - Gumbel generator
- ▣ GARCH-residuals are conditionally distributed with estimated copula

$$\varepsilon \sim C\{F_1(x_1), \dots, F_d(x_d); \theta_t\}$$

where  $F_1, \dots, F_d$  are marginal distributions and  $\theta_t$  are the copula parameters.

# Fit in time: I

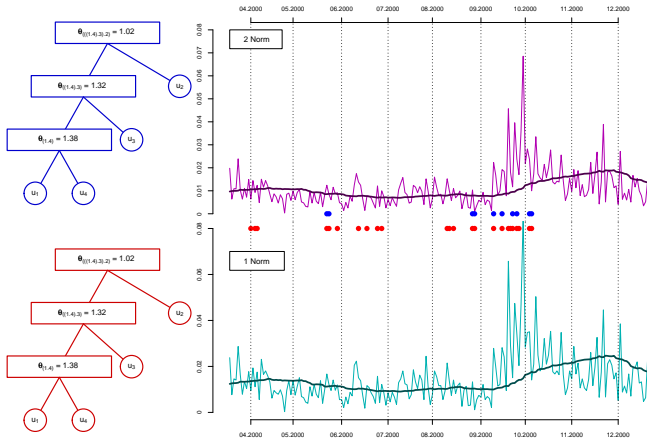


Abbildung 3: Film of time-varying HAC



## Fit in time: II

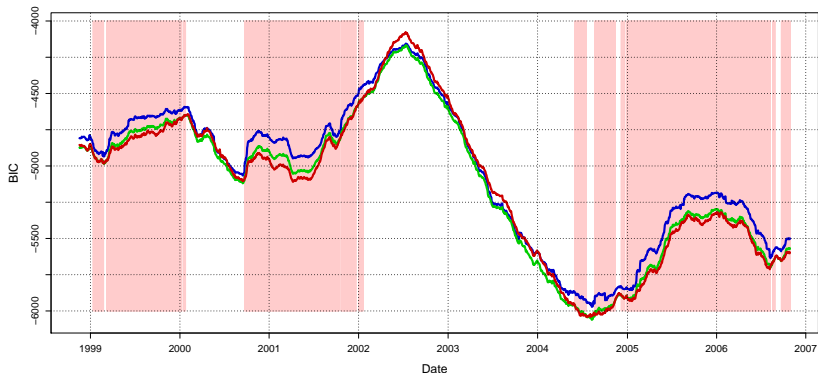


Abbildung 4: Time-varying HAC: BIC for the **multivariate  $t$  distribution**, **multivariate  $\mathcal{N}$  distribution** and **estimated HAC**. Shaded areas represents intervals where HAC-based distribution outperforms  $t$  and  $\mathcal{N}$

## Fit in time: III

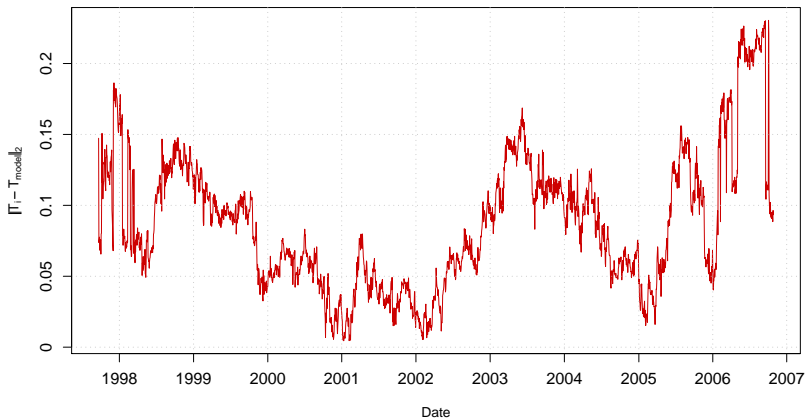


Abbildung 5: Norm of the difference between Kendall's matrices for the model and from the data

Abbildung 6: Model fit for the true structure (123)(45)

Averages of the Kullback-Leibler Divergence				
method	copula structure	Chen stat	$\mathcal{K}(\hat{\mu}_{\mathcal{K}})$	$\hat{\sigma}_{\mathcal{K}}^2$
$\tau \triangle \tau > 0$	$((1.2.3)_{3.946} \cdot (4.5)_{3.168})_{2.079}$	1.52258	-0.00279 (-0.00277)	0.00001
$\tau_{binary}$	$((((1.3)_{4.202} \cdot 2)_{4.15} \cdot (4.5)_{3.09})_{2.131}$	3.04989	-0.00296 (-0.00295)	0.00001
$\mathcal{N}$ with $\mathcal{N}$ margins			1.07443 (1.07364)	0.00413
$\mathcal{N}$ with $\mathcal{U}$ margins			0.28163 (0.28273)	0.00082
$t$ with $t$ margins			1.10359 (1.10362)	0.00323
$t$ with $\mathcal{U}$ margins			0.19891 (0.19909)	0.00050
sAC	(1.2.3.4.5)	85.53546	0.81056 (0.80909)	0.00319
CHEN	$((1.3)_{4.517} \cdot (2.4.5)_{2.341})_{2.34}$	31.43151	0.61117 (0.61318)	0.07814
$\theta$	$((1.3.4.5)_{2.288} \cdot 2)_{2.286}$	82.51007	0.69741 (0.56016)	0.14222
$\theta_{binary}$	$((((1.2.3)_{4.39} \cdot 4.282 \cdot 5)_{2.078} \cdot 4)_{2.077}$	3.92928	0.13221 (0.13256)	0.00038
$\theta_{binary} \text{ aggr.}$	$((((1.3)_{4.26} \cdot 2)_{3.868} \cdot (4.5)_{3.093})_{2.259}$	2.73659	0.02164 (0.02139)	0.00018
Averages of the Chen Statistics				
method	copula structure	Chen stat ( $\hat{\mu}_{Chen \text{ stat}}$ )	$\mathcal{K}$	$\hat{\sigma}_{Chen \text{ stat}}^2$
$\tau \triangle \tau > 0$	$((1.2.3)_{4.125} \cdot (4.5)_{3.054})_{2.085}$	1.86098 (1.85453)	-0.00089	1.42871
$\tau_{binary}$	$((((1.3)_{4.184} \cdot 2)_{4.104} \cdot (4.5)_{3.054})_{2.085}$	1.76319 (1.77912)	-0.00175	1.32981
sAC	(1.2.3.4.5)	88.84195 (88.85004)	0.70363	68.12699
CHEN	$((1.2)_{4.316} \cdot (3.4.5)_{2.256})_{2.255}$	31.55789 (32.41887)	0.58451	490.05904
$\theta$	$((1.2.4.5)_{2.376} \cdot 3)_{2.375}$	56.07732 (56.90958)	0.76863	1407.63193
$\theta_{binary}$	$(((((1.2)_{4.487} \cdot 3)_{4.469} \cdot 5)_{2.247} \cdot 4)_{2.246}$	4.78944 (4.82685)	0.11193	4.38843
$\theta_{binary} \text{ aggr.}$	$((((1.3)_{4.228} \cdot 2)_{3.68} \cdot (4.5)_{3.369})_{2.333}$	2.25313 (2.24800)	0.02068	1.91354

Abbildung 7: Model fit for the true structure (12(34))5

Averages of the Kullback-Leibler Divergence				
method	copula structure	Chen stat	$\mathcal{K}(\hat{\mu}_{\mathcal{K}})$	$\hat{\sigma}_{\mathcal{K}}^2$
$\tau \Delta \tau > 0$	$((((1.2.4)_{3.275.3})_{3.272.5})_{2.103})$	3.488708	0.06119 (0.06181)	0.00123
$\tau_{binary}$	$((((1.2.(3.4)_{4.039})_{3.087})_{3.085.5})_{1.961})$	1.29107	-0.00261 (-0.00259)	0.00001
$\mathcal{N}$ with $\mathcal{N}$ margins			1.08846 (1.08894)	0.00352
$\mathcal{N}$ with $\mathcal{U}$ margins			0.28895 (0.28947)	0.00081
$t$ with $t$ margins			1.11346 (1.11360)	0.00289
$t$ with $\mathcal{U}$ margins			0.20231 (0.20192)	0.00055
sAC	(1.2.3.4.5)	78.60395	0.50203 (0.50226)	0.00208
CHEN	$((((1.2)_{3.22.3})_{3.177.(4.5)_{2.116}})_{2.114})$	8.54422	0.30505 (0.30360)	0.02316
$\theta$	$((((1.2.3)_{3.207.4})_{3.205.5})_{2.15})$	5.74121	0.07867 (0.07856)	0.00022
$\theta_{binary}$	$((((1.(3.4)_{4.157})_{3.099.2})_{3.012.5})_{2.028})$	2.29313	0.00263 (-0.00265)	0.00001
$\theta_{binary\ aggr.}$	$((((3.4)_{4.32.1.2})_{3.268.5})_{1.83})$	1.22026	0.01939 (0.01930)	0.00009
Averages of the Chen Statistics				
method	copula structure	Chen stat ( $\hat{\mu}_{Chen\ stat}$ )	$\mathcal{K}$	$\hat{\sigma}_{Chen\ stat}^2$
$\tau \Delta \tau > 0$	$((((1.2.4)_{3.12.3})_{3.118.5})_{2.091})$	3.81102 (3.81492)	0.06809	6.82397
$\tau_{binary}$	$((((1.(3.4)_{4.122})_{3.155.2})_{3.07.5})_{2.027})$	1.93392 (1.95050)	0.00043	1.49485
sAC	(1.2.3.4.5)	86.24487 (86.27755)	0.47955	142.71385
CHEN	$((((1.3)_{2.835.5})_{1.987.(2.4)_{2.898}})_{1.986})$	16.26255 (16.51243)	0.45255	281.61467
$\theta$	$((((1.2.4)_{3.009.3})_{3.007.5})_{1.973})$	4.23520 (4.22160)	0.08314	6.22898
$\theta_{binary}$	$((((1.(3.4)_{4.122})_{3.155.2})_{3.07.5})_{2.027})$	1.93392 (1.95482)	0.00043	1.51995
$\theta_{binary\ aggr.}$	$((((3.4)_{4.195.1.2})_{3.305.5})_{1.724})$	2.56085 (2.52641)	0.01433	3.28738