

Invariance Problem

In order to visualize the invariance problem of the mean-centred first-order second-moment reliability method, considering the following limit-state functions:

$$\begin{aligned} g1 &= R - S; \\ g2 &= \text{Log}\left[\frac{R}{S}\right]; \\ g3 &= 1 - \frac{S}{R}; \end{aligned}$$

Gradient vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla g1 &= \{D[g1, R], D[g1, S]\}; \\ \nabla g2 &= \{D[g2, R], D[g2, S]\}; \\ \nabla g3 &= \{D[g3, R], D[g3, S]\}; \end{aligned}$$

Covariance matrix:

$$\Sigma = \{\{sR^2, \rho RS sR sS\}, \{\rho RS sR sS, sS^2\}\};$$

Second-moment information:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu R &= 30; \\ \mu S &= 20; \\ \sigma R &= 5; \\ \sigma S &= 10; \\ \rho &= 0.5; \\ \text{info} &= \{R \rightarrow \mu R, S \rightarrow \mu S, sR \rightarrow \sigma R, sS \rightarrow \sigma S, \rho RS \rightarrow \rho\}; \end{aligned}$$

MCFOSM reliability indices:

$$\beta1 = \left(\frac{g1}{\sqrt{\nabla g1 \cdot \Sigma \cdot \nabla g1}} \right) / . \text{info} // N$$

which yields: 1.1547

$$\beta_2 = \left(\frac{g_2}{\sqrt{\nabla g_2 \cdot \Sigma \cdot \nabla g_2}} \right) / . \text{info} // N$$

which yields: 0.919508

$$\beta_3 = \left(\frac{g_3}{\sqrt{\nabla g_3 \cdot \Sigma \cdot \nabla g_3}} \right) / . \text{info} // N$$

which yields: 1.13389

Linearized limit-state functions:

$$\begin{aligned} g1Lin &= (g1 + \nabla g1 \cdot (\{r, s\} - \{R, S\})) / . \text{info} / . \{r \rightarrow R, s \rightarrow S\}; \\ g2Lin &= g2 + \nabla g2 \cdot (\{r, s\} - \{R, S\}) / . \text{info} / . \{r \rightarrow R, s \rightarrow S\}; \\ g3Lin &= g3 + \nabla g3 \cdot (\{r, s\} - \{R, S\}) / . \text{info} / . \{r \rightarrow R, s \rightarrow S\}; \end{aligned}$$

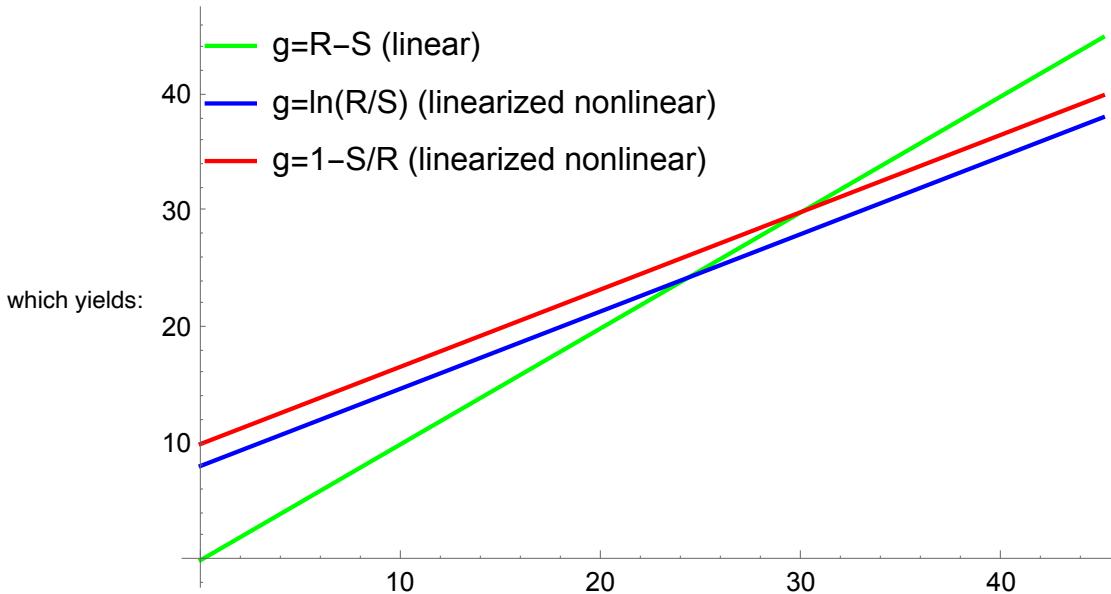
Solve linearized limit-state functions for S:

$$\begin{aligned} s1 &= \text{Solve}[g1Lin == 0, S]; \\ s2 &= \text{Solve}[g2Lin == 0, S]; \\ s3 &= \text{Solve}[g3Lin == 0, S]; \end{aligned}$$

Plot limit-state surfaces in the original variable space:

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Plot[{S /. s1, S /. s2, S /. s3}, {R, 0, 1.5 μR},
  PlotStyle → {Green, Blue, Red},
  PlotLegends →
  Placed[
  LineLegend[{"g=R-S (linear)", "g=ln(R/S) (linearized nonlinear)",
  "g=1-S/R (linearized nonlinear)"}], {Left, Top}]]
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Prepare for transformation into standard space, by first establishing the mean vector:

$$\mathbf{M} = \{\mu\mathbf{R}, \mu\mathbf{S}\};$$

Then the Cholesky decomposition of the covariance matrix:

$$\mathbf{L} = \text{CholeskyDecomposition}[\Sigma /. \text{info}]^T;$$

Second-moment transformation:

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{M} + \mathbf{L} \cdot \{\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2\};$$

Transform limit-state functions into the standardized space:

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G1 = g1 /. {R -> X[[1]], S -> X[[2]]};  
G2 = g2 /. {R -> X[[1]], S -> X[[2]]}  
G3 = g3 /. {R -> X[[1]], S -> X[[2]]};
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which yields: $\text{Log} \left[\frac{30. + 5. Y_1}{20 + 5. Y_1 + 8.66025 Y_2} \right]$

Gradient vectors:

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 $\nabla G_1 = \{D[G_1, Y_1], D[G_1, Y_2]\};$   
 $\nabla G_2 = \{D[G_2, Y_1], D[G_2, Y_2]\}$   
 $\nabla G_3 = \{D[G_3, Y_1], D[G_3, Y_2]\};$ 
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which yields:
$$\left\{ \frac{(20 + 5. Y_1 + 8.66025 Y_2) \left(-\frac{5. (30. + 5. Y_1)}{(20+5. Y_1+8.66025 Y_2)^2} + \frac{5.}{20+5. Y_1+8.66025 Y_2} \right)}{30. + 5. Y_1}, \right.$$

$$\left. -\frac{8.66025}{20 + 5. Y_1 + 8.66025 Y_2} \right\}$$

Linearize the limit-state functions in the standardized space:

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G1Lin = (G1 +  $\nabla G_1 \cdot (\{y_1, y_2\} - \{Y_1, Y_2\})$ ) /. {Y1 -> 0, Y2 -> 0};  
G2Lin = (G2 +  $\nabla G_2 \cdot (\{y_1, y_2\} - \{Y_1, Y_2\})$ ) /. {Y1 -> 0, Y2 -> 0};  
G3Lin = (G3 +  $\nabla G_3 \cdot (\{y_1, y_2\} - \{Y_1, Y_2\})$ ) /. {Y1 -> 0, Y2 -> 0};
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Solve standardized limit-state functions for Y2:

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s1s = Solve[G1Lin == 0, y2];  
s2s = Solve[G2Lin == 0, y2];  
s3s = Solve[G3Lin == 0, y2];
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which yields: $\{y_2 \rightarrow -2.3094 (-0.405465 + 0.0833333 y_1)\}$

Plot limit-state surfaces in the standardized variable space:

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plotBound = 1.5;
Plot[{y2 /. s1s, y2 /. s2s, y2 /. s3s}, {y1, -plotBound, plotBound},
  PlotRange -> {{-plotBound, plotBound}, {-plotBound, plotBound}} ,
  PlotStyle -> {Green, Blue, Red} ,
  PlotLegends -> Placed[LineLegend[{"g=R-S", "g=ln(R/S)", "g=1-S/R"}], {Left, Bottom}]]
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