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A Note on a Generalized Gerber–Shiu Discounted Penalty Function for a Compound Poisson Risk Model

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Abstract: In this paper, we propose a new generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function for a compound Poisson risk model, which can be used to study the moments of the ruin time. First, by taking derivatives with respect to the original Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function, we construct a relation between the original Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function and our new generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function. Next, we use Laplace transform to derive a defective renewal equation for the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function, and give a recursive method for solving the equation. Finally, when the claim amounts obey the exponential distribution, we give some explicit expressions for the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function. Numerical illustrations are also given to study the effect of the parameters on the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function.

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1. Introduction

The classical compound Poisson risk process $\{U(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ is defined by

$$U(t) = u + ct - \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i, \quad t \geq 0, \quad (1)$$

where u is the non-negative amount of initial reserves, and $c > 0$ denotes the constant premium rate per unit time. The counting process $\{N(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$, representing the total claim numbers up to time t , is a homogeneous Poisson processes with intensity λ . $\{X_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ is a sequence of independent and identically distributed non-negative random variables, where X_i is the i -th claim amount. Let $f(x)$ denote the density function of X , and let $E[X]$ and $\hat{f}(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-sx} f(x) dx$ denote the expectation and Laplace transform of X , respectively. To avoid ruin from being a certain event, we assume $c > \lambda E[X]$.

We say that ruin occurs whenever $U(t)$ becomes negative. The time to ruin of the insurance company is defined as

$$\tau = \inf\{t : U(t) < 0\}, \quad (2)$$

where $\tau = \infty$ if for all $t \geq 0, U(t) \geq 0$. For the initial reserves $U(0) = u$, the probability of ruin is defined as

$$\psi(u) = P(\tau < \infty | U(0) = u), \quad u \geq 0. \quad (3)$$

The probability of ruin is an important risk measure in the study of ruin in risk theory. It has been widely studied in actuarial science. In 1998, famous actuarial scholars Hans Gerber and Elias Shiu first proposed an expected discounted penalty function, which is also called Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function, to study ruin related problems. Recently, it has become a powerful risk measurement tool in ruin theory. Given the initial surplus $U(0) = u$, we define the classical Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function as follows:

$$\Phi(u, \delta) = E[e^{-\delta\tau} W(U(\tau-), |U(\tau)|) I(\tau < \infty) | U(0) = u], \quad u \geq 0, \quad (4)$$

where $\delta \geq 0$ is the force of interest, $W(x, y)$ is a non-negative measurable penalty function, and $I(\cdot)$ is the indicator function. It is clear that the Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function becomes the probability of ruin when $\delta = 0, W(x, y) = 1$. For the recent literature on the Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function, we can refer to work by Lin et al. [1], Zhang et al. [2], Yu [3,4], Wang et al. [5], Avram et al. [6], Zhang [7], Chi [8], Peng and Wang [9], Li et al. [10], Huang et al. [11], Preischl and Thonhauser [12], Zeng et al. [13,14], Yu et al. [15], Dickson and Qazvini [16], Zhang and Su [17,18], Li et al. [19], and Zhao and Yin [20], among others.

In recent years, Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function has been extended by many actuarial scholars, so that the new risk measures can be used to study more related quantities. For example, Cai et al. [21] studied the ruin-related Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty risk measures by bringing in the conception of path consumption. Cheung [22] extended the Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function by introducing the penultimate claim before ruin under a Sparre–Andersen renewal risk model. Chueng [23], Cheung and Woo [24] proposed a new Gerber–Shiu type function by incorporating the total claims up to ruin. Chueng and Feng [25] studied a new kind of generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function under the Markov arrival process. Wang and Li [26] extended the discount rate from constant to a random variable for the Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function in the classical risk model. Wang and Zhang [27] provided a smooth extension of the Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function by introducing an auxiliary function. As is known to all, the ruin time is also an important random variable in the study of risk theory. We can study the Laplace transform of the ruin time by the Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function, while other mathematical characteristics associated with the ruin time cannot be directly studied through Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function. In recent years, many actuarial scholars have paid attention to the moment of the ruin time. For instance, Egidio dos Reis [28], Lin and Willmot [29] and Drekcic and Willmot [30] studied the moment of the ruin time under the compound Poisson risk model. Pitts and Politis [31] proposed an approximation approach of the moment of ruin time. Yu et al. [32] studied the moment of ruin time under the Markov arrival risk model. The moment of ruin time was introduced in the Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function by Lee and Willmot [33]; then, they studied this new Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function Sparre–Andersen risk model [34]. Schmidli [35] considered a new Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function, which is modified with an additional penalty for reaching a level above the initial capital. Deng et al. [36] studied a generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function, in which the interest rates follow a Markov chain with finite state space. Li and Lu [37] studied the generalized expected discounted penalty function in a risk process with credit and debit interests.

In this paper, we introduce a new generalized Gerber–Shiu type function. For non-negative integer n , define

$$\Phi_n(u, \delta) = E[\tau^n e^{-\delta\tau} W(U(\tau-), |U(\tau)|) I(\tau < \infty) | U(0) = u], \quad u \geq 0. \quad (5)$$

We call $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$ a generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function. It is obvious that $\Phi_0(u, \delta) = \Phi(u, \delta)$. When $W(x, y) = 1$, $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$ is the discounted n th moment of ruin time, then we can use it to study the expectation and variance of ruin time. Note that the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function defined by formula (5) is different from the function studied in Lee and Willmot [34] since we bring in the surplus before ruin.

In this paper, we mainly discuss the calculation method of the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$. In Section 2, we propose a recursion method by Laplace transform to calculate $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$. In Section 3, we present an exact expression of $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$ when claim amounts are exponentially distributed. Numerical examples are also given to explain the effect of the related parameters. Finally, conclusions are given in Section 4.

2. Recursion Calculation of $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$

First, we define the Laplace transform of $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$ by

$$\hat{\Phi}_n(u, \delta) = \int_0^\infty e^{-su} \Phi_n(u, \delta) du, \quad \text{Re}(s) \geq 0.$$

For convenience, we introduce the Dickson–Hipp operator T_s , which, for any integral function h on $(0, +\infty)$, is defined as

$$T_s h(x) = \int_x^\infty e^{-s(y-x)} h(y) dy = \int_0^\infty e^{-sy} h(x+y) dy, \quad x \geq 0.$$

It is easily seen that $T_s h(0) = \int_0^\infty e^{-sy} h(y) dy = \hat{h}(s)$. The Dickson–Hipp operator has interchangeability, that is to say, for $s \neq r$,

$$T_s T_r h(x) = T_r T_s h(x) = \frac{T_s h(x) - T_r h(x)}{r - s}.$$

For more properties of the Dickson–Hipp operator, we refer interested readers to Dickson and Hipp [38] and Li and Garrido [39].

When $n = 0$, it follows from Gerber and Shiu [35] and Laplace transform that $\hat{\Phi}_0(s, \delta)$ satisfies the following equation:

$$\{cs - \lambda(1 - \hat{f}(s)) - \delta\} \hat{\Phi}_0(s, \delta) = \lambda \{ \hat{\omega}(\rho(\delta)) - \hat{\omega}(s) \}, \tag{6}$$

where

$$\omega(u) = \int_u^\infty W(u, x-u) f(x) dx,$$

$$\hat{\omega}(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-su} \omega(u) du,$$

and $\rho(\delta)$ is the positive root of the following equation

$$cs - \lambda(1 - \hat{f}(s)) - \delta = 0. \tag{7}$$

By Equation (6), we can obtain the renewal equation satisfied by Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$, and we can further derive the analytic expression of $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$. Now, we consider the case $n \geq 1$. The derivative of $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$ with respect to δ is given by

$$\Phi_n(u, \delta) = (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{d\delta^n} \Phi_0(u, \delta). \tag{8}$$

Applying Laplace transform on both sides of Equation (8) gives

$$\hat{\Phi}_n(s, \delta) = (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{d\delta^n} \hat{\Phi}_0(s, \delta). \tag{9}$$

Then, taking a derivative on both sides of Equation (6) with respect to δ yields

$$\{cs - \lambda(1 - \hat{f}(s)) - \delta\} \frac{d^n}{d\delta^n} \hat{\Phi}_0(s, \delta) - n \frac{d^{n-1}}{d\delta^{n-1}} \hat{\Phi}_0(s, \delta) = \lambda \frac{d^n}{d\delta^n} \hat{\omega}(\rho(\delta)).$$

In addition, by Equation(9), we have

$$\{cs - \lambda(1 - \hat{f}(s)) - \delta\} \hat{\Phi}_n(s, \delta) + n \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(s, \delta) = (-1)^n \lambda \frac{d^n}{d\delta^n} \hat{\omega}(\rho(\delta)). \tag{10}$$

Setting $s = \rho(\delta)$ in Equation (10) yields

$$(-1)^n \lambda \frac{d^n}{d\delta^n} \hat{\omega}(\rho(\delta)) = n \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(\rho(\delta), \delta).$$

Substituting the above result back into Equation (10) gives

$$\{cs - \lambda(1 - \hat{f}(s)) - \delta\} \hat{\Phi}_n(s, \delta) = n \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(\rho(\delta), \delta) - n \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(s, \delta). \tag{11}$$

Since $\rho(\delta)$ is the root of Equation (7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} cs - \lambda(1 - \hat{f}(s)) - \delta &= cs - \lambda(1 - \hat{f}(s)) - \delta - \{c\rho(\delta) - \lambda[1 - \hat{f}(\rho(\delta))] - \delta\} \\ &= c(s - \rho(\delta)) + \lambda[\hat{f}(s) - \hat{f}(\rho(\delta))] \\ &= (s - \rho(\delta)) \left[c + \lambda \frac{\hat{f}(s) - \hat{f}(\rho(\delta))}{s - \rho(\delta)} \right] \\ &= (s - \rho(\delta)) [c - \lambda T_s T_{\rho(\delta)} f(0)]. \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Plugging Equation (12) back into Equation (11) gives

$$(s - \rho(\delta)) [c - \lambda T_s T_{\rho(\delta)} f(0)] \hat{\Phi}_n(s, \delta) = n \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(\rho(\delta), \delta) - n \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(s, \delta).$$

We can rewrite the above equation to obtain

$$\left[1 - \frac{\lambda}{c} T_s T_{\rho(\delta)} f(0) \right] \hat{\Phi}_n(s, \delta) = \frac{n \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(\rho(\delta), \delta) - \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(s, \delta)}{s - \rho(\delta)} = \frac{n}{c} T_s T_{\rho(\delta)} \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(0, \delta). \tag{13}$$

Applying Laplace transform on both sides of Equation (13) gives

$$\Phi_n(u, \delta) = \int_0^\infty \frac{\lambda}{c} T_{\rho(\delta)} f(x) \Phi_n(u - x, \delta) dx + \frac{n}{c} T_{\rho(\delta)} \Phi_{n-1}(u, \delta), \tag{14}$$

where $g(x) = \frac{\lambda}{c} T_{\rho(\delta)} f(x), x \geq 0$. Since by Gerber and Shiu [40] we have $\int_0^\infty g(x) dx < 1$, then Equation (14) is a defective renewal equation.

Define

$$H(u) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty g^{*n}(u), \quad u \geq 0,$$

where g^{*n} denotes the n th convolution of g . Then, we can express the solution of Equation (14) as follows:

$$\Phi_n(u, \delta) = \frac{n}{c} T_{\rho(\delta)} \Phi_{n-1}(u, \delta) + \frac{n}{c} \int_0^u H(u-x) T_{\rho(\delta)} \Phi_{n-1}(x, \delta) dx. \tag{15}$$

The above equation gives a recursion algorithm for computing $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$, where the initial value is given by $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$.

3. Explicit Expressions for Exponential Claim Distribution and Numerical Examples

In this section, we suppose that the claim amounts are exponentially distributed, and the density function is given by

$$f(x) = \alpha e^{-\alpha x}, \quad \alpha, x > 0.$$

To obtain some explicit results, we assume the penalty function $W(x, y) = W_1(y)$. Then, we have

$$\omega(u) = \int_u^\infty W_1(x-u) \alpha e^{-\alpha x} dx = \beta e^{-\alpha u}, \tag{16}$$

where $\beta = \int_0^\infty W_1(x) \alpha e^{-\alpha x} dx$. Solving Equation (7), we obtain

$$\rho(\delta) = \frac{\lambda + \delta - c\alpha + \sqrt{(\lambda + \delta - c\alpha)^2 + 4c\alpha\delta}}{2c}. \tag{17}$$

We denote the other root of Equation (7) by $-R(\delta)$; then, it is easy to obtain

$$R(\delta) = -\frac{\lambda + \delta - c\alpha - \sqrt{(\lambda + \delta - c\alpha)^2 + 4c\alpha\delta}}{2c}. \tag{18}$$

Now, we derive an expression for $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$ by Laplace inverse transform. First, by Equation (6), we have

$$\frac{c}{s + \alpha} (s - \rho(\delta))(s + R(\delta)) \hat{\Phi}_0(s, \delta) = \frac{\lambda\beta}{\alpha + \rho(\delta)} - \frac{\lambda\beta}{\alpha + s}.$$

Then, we obtain

$$\hat{\Phi}_0(s, \delta) = \frac{\lambda\beta}{c(\alpha + \rho(\delta))(s + R(\delta))}.$$

Applying Laplace inverse transform in the above equation gives

$$\Phi_0(u, \delta) = \frac{\lambda\beta}{c(\alpha + \rho(\delta))} e^{-R(\delta)u}, \quad u \geq 0. \tag{19}$$

Next, we consider $n \geq 1$. Combining the derivative of formula (19) w.r.t δ and Equation (8), we find that $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$ has the following expression:

$$\Phi_n(u, \delta) = \sum_{k=0}^n A_{n,k} \frac{u^k}{k!} e^{-R(\delta)u}, \quad u \geq 0. \tag{20}$$

Finally, we discuss how to determine the coefficients $A_{n,k}$ in formula (20).

When $n = 0$, comparing Equations (19) and (20), we obtain

$$A_{0,0} = \frac{\lambda\beta}{c[\alpha + \rho(\delta)]}. \tag{21}$$

Taking the Laplace transform of formula (20) yields

$$\hat{\Phi}_n(s, \delta) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{A_{n,k}}{[s + R(\delta)]^{k+1}}. \tag{22}$$

By formulas (21) and (22), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\Phi}_n(s, \delta) &= \frac{n[\hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(\rho(\delta), \delta) - \hat{\Phi}_{n-1}(s, \delta)]}{cs - \lambda(1 - \hat{f}(s)) - \delta} \\ &= \frac{n(s + \alpha)}{c(s - \rho(\delta))(s + R(\delta))} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_{n-1,k} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{(\rho(\delta) + R(\delta))^{k+1}} - \frac{1}{(s + R(\delta))^{k+1}} \right] \\ &= \frac{L_n(s)}{[s + R(\delta)]^{n+1}}, \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

where

$$L_n(s) = \frac{n(s + \alpha)}{c(s - \rho(\delta))} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_{n-1,k} \cdot [s + R(\delta)]^{n-k-1} \frac{[s + R(\delta)]^{k+1} - [\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]^{k+1}}{[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]^{k+1}} \tag{24}$$

is an n -order polynomial.

By partial fraction expansion of formula (23), we obtain

$$A_{n,k} = \frac{1}{(n - k)!} \frac{d^{n-k}}{ds^{n-k}} L_n(s) \Big|_{s=-R(\delta)}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n. \tag{25}$$

Noting that the polynomial $L_n(s)$ only depends on $A_{n-1,k}$, we can calculate $A_{n,k}$ recursively from $A_{0,k}$.

Without losing generality, we give the explicit expressions of $\Phi_n(u, \delta)$ for $n = 1, 2$.

For $n = 1$, from formula (20), we have

$$\Phi_1(u, \delta) = A_{1,0} \cdot e^{-R(\delta)u} + A_{1,1} \cdot ue^{-R(\delta)u}, \quad u \geq 0. \tag{26}$$

From formula (24), we have

$$L_1(s) = \frac{A_{0,0} \cdot (s + \alpha)}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]}. \tag{27}$$

By formulas (25) and (27), we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_{1,0} &= \frac{d}{ds} L_1(s) \Big|_{s=-R(\delta)} = \frac{A_{0,0}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]}, \\ A_{1,1} &= L_1(-R(\delta)) = \frac{A_{0,0} \cdot (\alpha - R(\delta))}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by formula (26), we get

$$\Phi_1(u, \delta) = \frac{A_{0,0}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]} e^{-R(\delta)u} + \frac{A_{0,0} \cdot (\alpha - R(\delta))}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]} e^{-R(\delta)u}, \quad u \geq 0. \tag{28}$$

For $n = 2$, from formula (20), we have

$$\Phi_2(u, \delta) = A_{2,0} \cdot e^{-R(\delta)u} + A_{2,1} \cdot ue^{-R(\delta)u} + \frac{1}{2} A_{2,2} \cdot u^2 e^{-R(\delta)u}, \quad u \geq 0. \tag{29}$$

From formula (24), we have

$$L_2(s) = \frac{2A_{1,0}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]}(s + \alpha)(s + R(\delta)) + \frac{2A_{1,1}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]^2}(s + \alpha)(s + \rho(\delta) + R(\delta)), \tag{30}$$

$$L'_2(s) = \frac{2A_{1,0} \cdot [2s + R(\delta) + \alpha]}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]} + \frac{2A_{1,1} \cdot [2s + 2R(\delta) + \alpha + \rho(\delta)]}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]^2}, \tag{31}$$

$$L''_2(s) = \frac{4A_{1,0}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]} + \frac{4A_{1,1}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]^2}. \tag{32}$$

By formulas (25) and (30)–(32), we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_{2,0} &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{ds^2} L_2(s)|_{s=-R(\delta)} = \frac{2A_{1,0}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]} + \frac{2A_{1,1}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]^2}, \\ A_{2,1} &= \frac{d}{ds} L_2(s)|_{s=-R(\delta)} = \frac{2A_{1,0} \cdot [\alpha - R(\delta)]}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]} + \frac{2A_{1,1} \cdot [\alpha + \rho(\delta)]}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]^2}, \\ A_{2,2} &= L_2(s)|_{s=-R(\delta)} = \frac{2A_{1,1} \cdot [\alpha - R(\delta)]}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by formula (29), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_2(u, \delta) &= \left\{ \frac{2A_{1,0}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]} + \frac{2A_{1,1}}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]^2} \right\} e^{-R(\delta)u} \\ &+ \frac{2A_{1,0} \cdot [\alpha - R(\delta)]}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]} + \frac{2A_{1,1} \cdot [\alpha + \rho(\delta)]}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]^2} u e^{-R(\delta)u} \\ &+ \frac{A_{1,1} \cdot [\alpha - R(\delta)]}{c[\rho(\delta) + R(\delta)]} u^2 e^{-R(\delta)u}, \quad u \geq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

Next, we give the numerical simulation of $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$, $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$ and $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$ to illustrate the effect of the related parameters on the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function by Matlab (Version: matlab2016a; Manufacturer: The MathWorks, Inc.; Natick, Massachusetts 01760 USA)

Example 1. Suppose $W(x, y) = 1$, then $\beta = 1$. We give the influence of the relevant parameters on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$, $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$ and $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$. See Figures 1–4.

It is easy to see that the images we get from Figures 1–4 are the opposite of the images some scholars get from the traditional classical risk model. For example, in Figure 1, $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$ is the Laplace transform of the ruin time. $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$ goes down as c increases. This means that the higher the premium income rate c is, the smaller the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$ is. The reason is that $e^{-\delta\tau}$ is a decreasing function of τ . Increased premiums mean greater ruin time τ , which in turn leads to smaller functions $e^{-\delta\tau}$. Similarly, $\tau e^{-\delta\tau}$ and $\tau^2 e^{-\delta\tau}$ are also a subtractive function of τ when τ is large. Thus, $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$ and $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$ go down as c increases. The same conclusion appears in Figures 2–4. We are not explain it one more time in the following Figures 5–8.

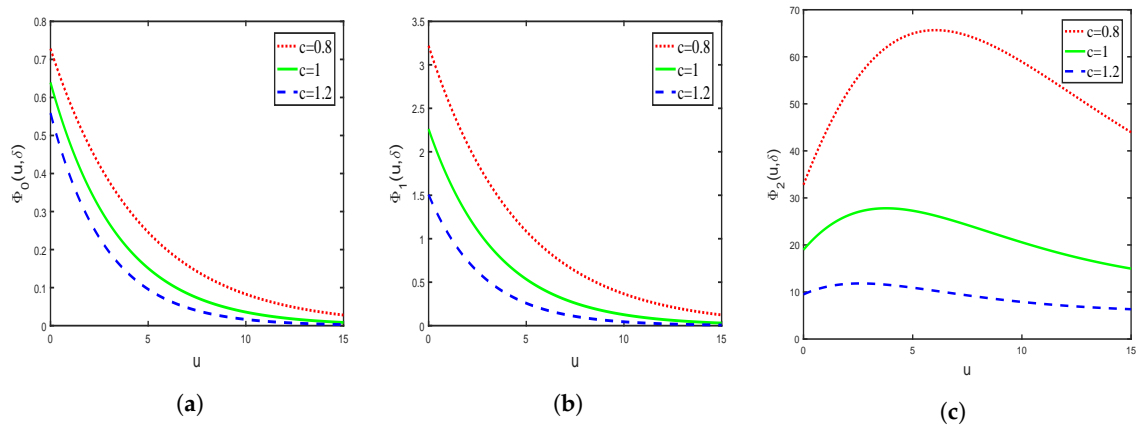


Figure 1. Set $\lambda = 0.6, \alpha = 0.8, \delta = 0.05$. (a) The influence of the parameter c on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$. (b) The influence of the parameter c on the function $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$. (c) The influence of the parameter c on the function $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$.

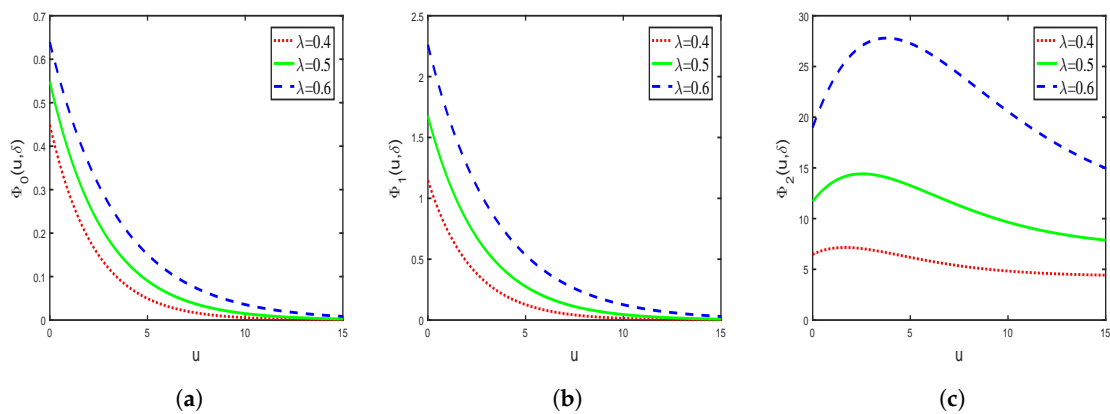


Figure 2. Set $c = 1, \alpha = 0.8, \delta = 0.05$. (a) The influence of the parameter λ on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$. (b) The influence of the parameter λ on the function $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$. (c) The influence of the parameter λ on the function $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$.

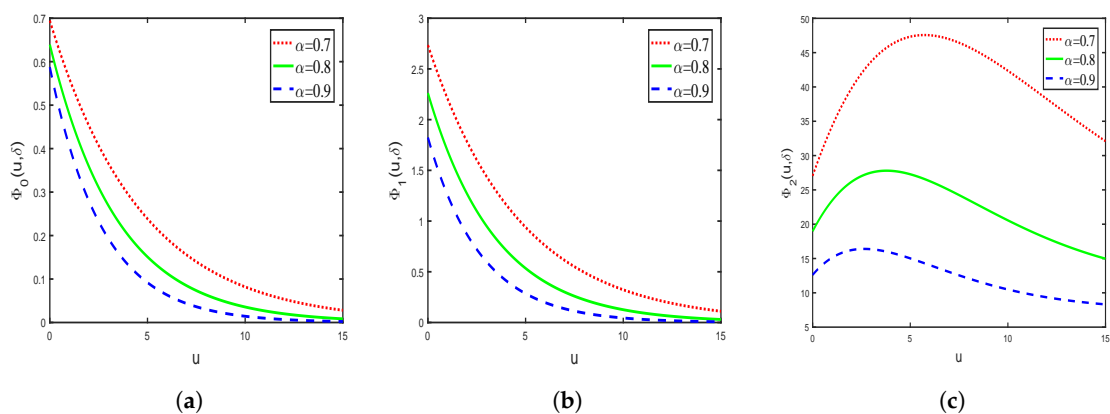


Figure 3. Set $c = 1, \lambda = 0.6, \delta = 0.05$. (a) The influence of the parameter α on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$. (b) The influence of the parameter α on the function $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$. (c) The influence of the parameter α on the function $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$.

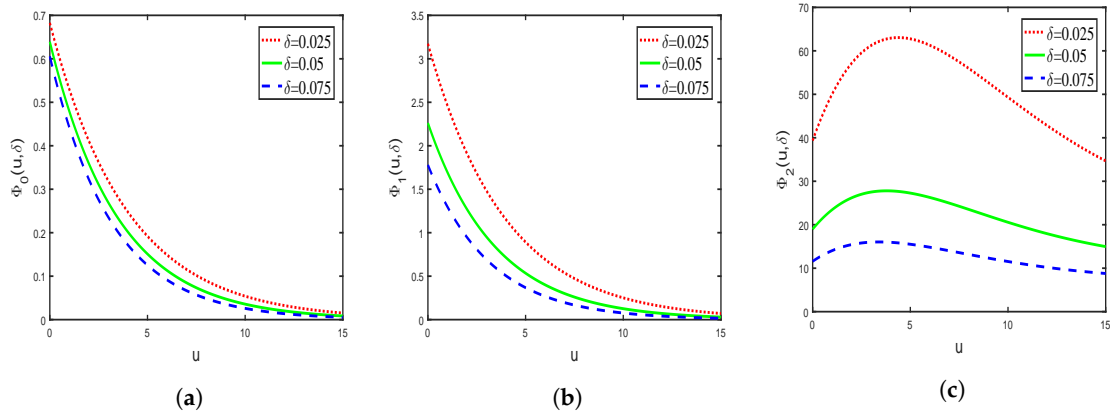


Figure 4. Set $c = 1, \lambda = 0.6, \alpha = 0.8$. (a) The influence of the parameter δ on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$. (b) The influence of the parameter δ on the function $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$. (c) The influence of the parameter δ on the function $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$.

Example 2. Suppose $W(x, y) = y$, then $\beta = \frac{1}{\alpha}$. We give the influence of the relevant parameters on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$, $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$ and $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$. See Figures 5–8.

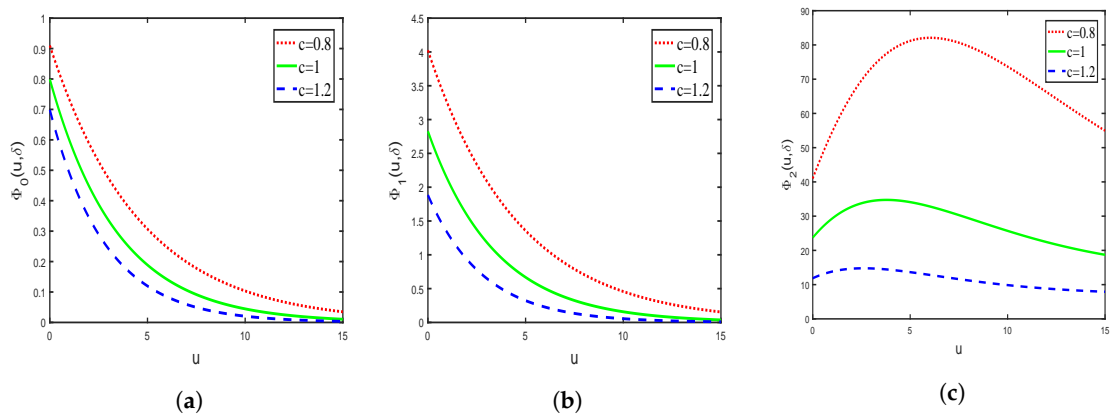


Figure 5. Set $\lambda = 0.6, \alpha = 0.8, \delta = 0.05$. (a) The influence of the parameter c on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$. (b) The influence of the parameter c on the function $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$. (c) The influence of the parameter c on the function $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$.

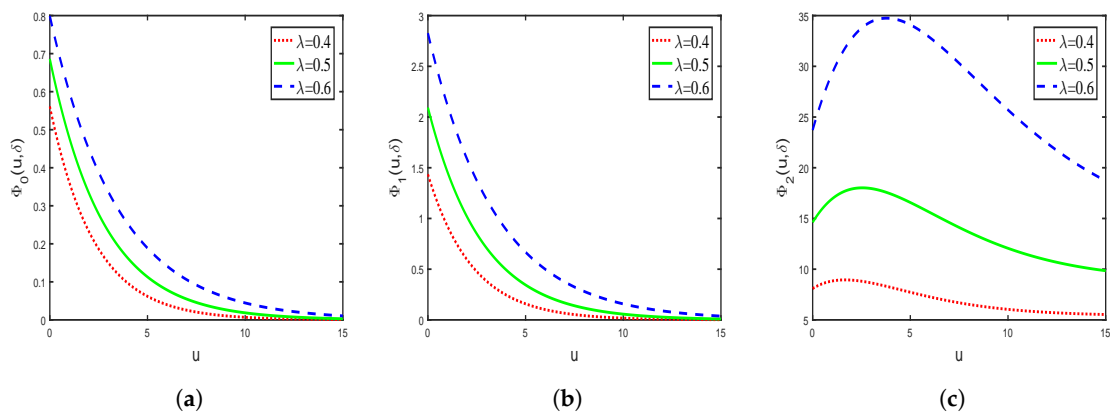


Figure 6. Set $c = 1, \alpha = 0.8, \delta = 0.05$. (a) The influence of the parameter λ on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$. (b) The influence of the parameter λ on the function $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$. (c) The influence of the parameter λ on the function $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$.

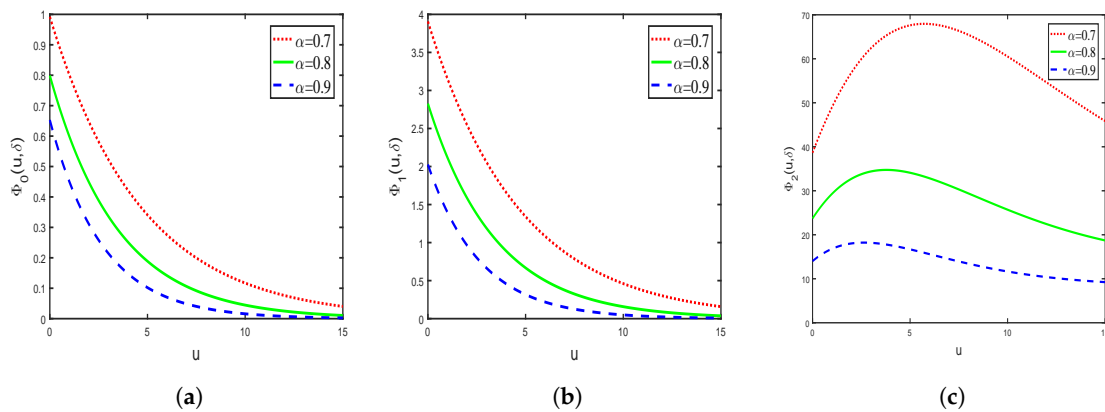


Figure 7. Set $c = 1, \lambda = 0.6, \delta = 0.05$. (a) The influence of the parameter α on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$. (b) The influence of the parameter α on the function $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$. (c) The influence of the parameter α on the function $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$.

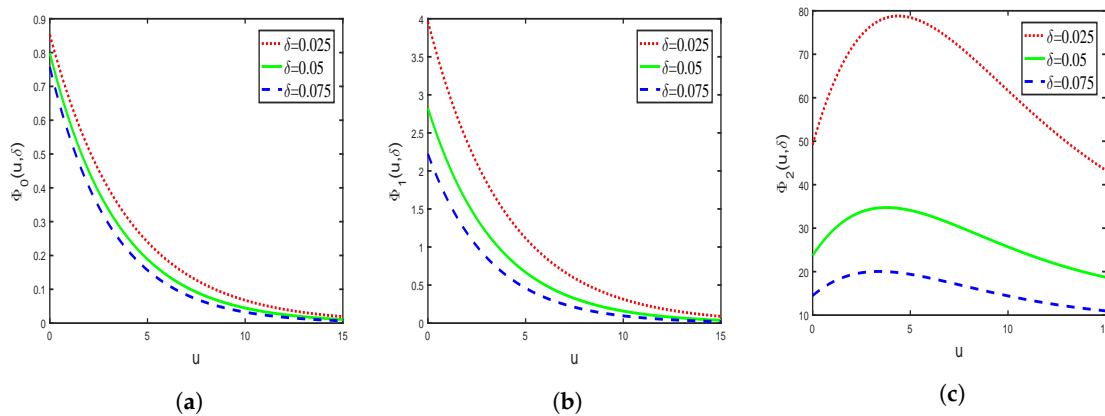


Figure 8. Set $c = 1, \lambda = 0.6, \alpha = 0.8$. (a) The influence of the parameter δ on the function $\Phi_0(u, \delta)$. (b) The influence of the parameter δ on the function $\Phi_1(u, \delta)$. (c) The influence of the parameter δ on the function $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$.

4. Conclusions

In this paper, we discuss a generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function, which relies on the moment of the time to ruin under the compound Poisson risk model. We present a recursion algorithm for calculating the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function by Laplace transform and renewal theory when the claim amounts are subject to an exponential distribution. Furthermore, we derive some explicit expressions of the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function for $n = 0, 1, 2$. In addition, we also give numerical examples to explain the effects of parameters c, λ, α and δ on the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function $\Phi_0(u, \delta), \Phi_1(u, \delta)$ and $\Phi_2(u, \delta)$. It is very easy to see the effects of these parameters on the generalized Gerber–Shiu discounted penalty function from Figures 1–8. The insurance company can bring the real claim data into the model for numerical simulation and obtain relevant parameters, so that the ruin probability, the Laplace transform of the ruin time and the discounted expected time to ruin can be calculated. The acquisition of these actuarial quantities will effectively improve the operating level of the insurance company.

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