

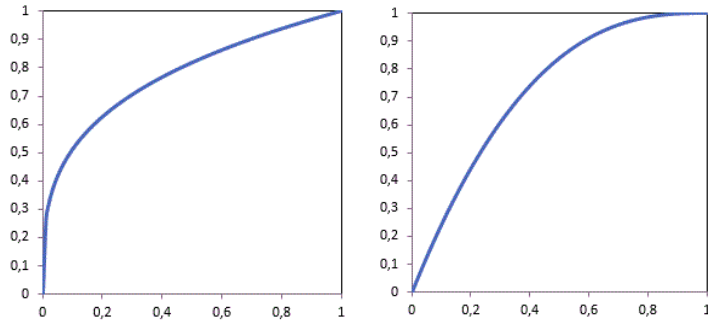
# Fractal ROC curves - a simple model for impact of Gini coefficient's improvement on credit losses

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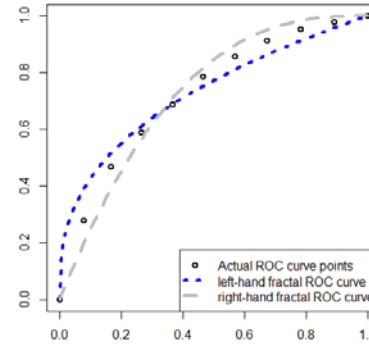
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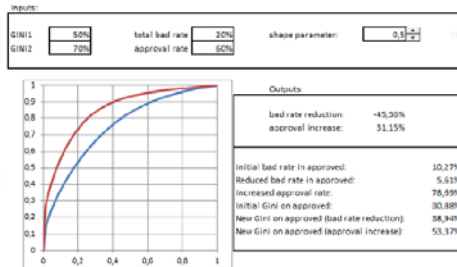
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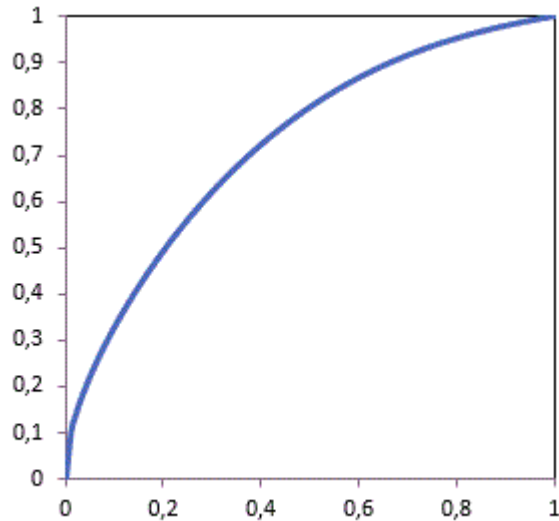


Example

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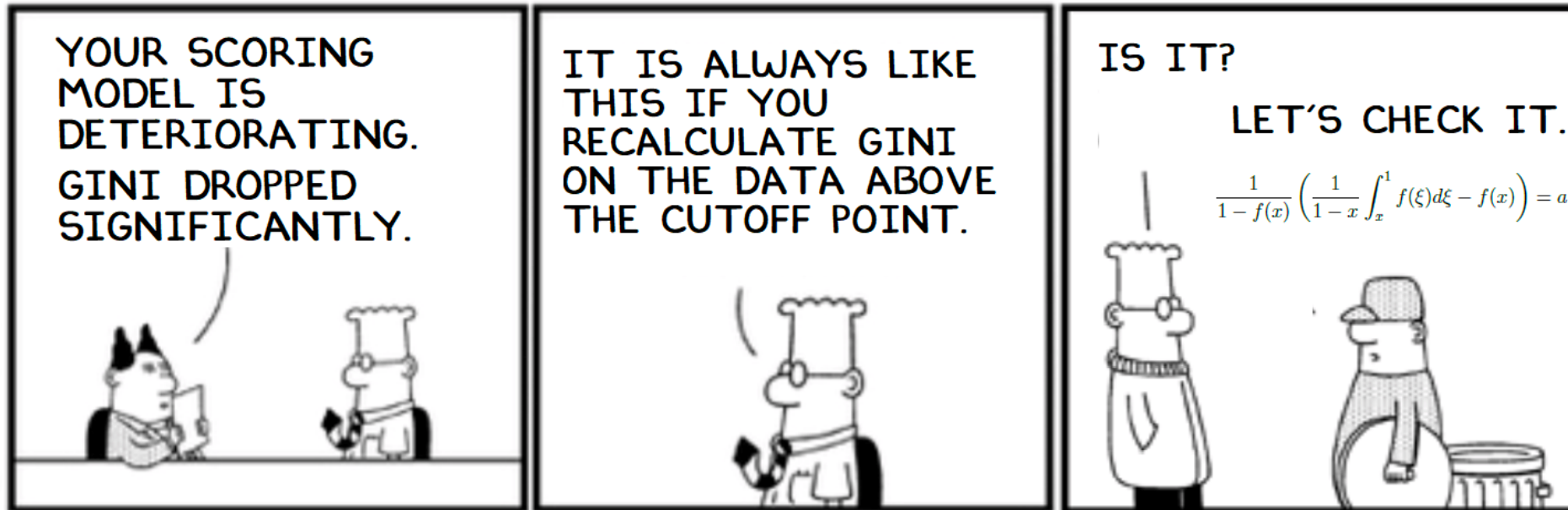
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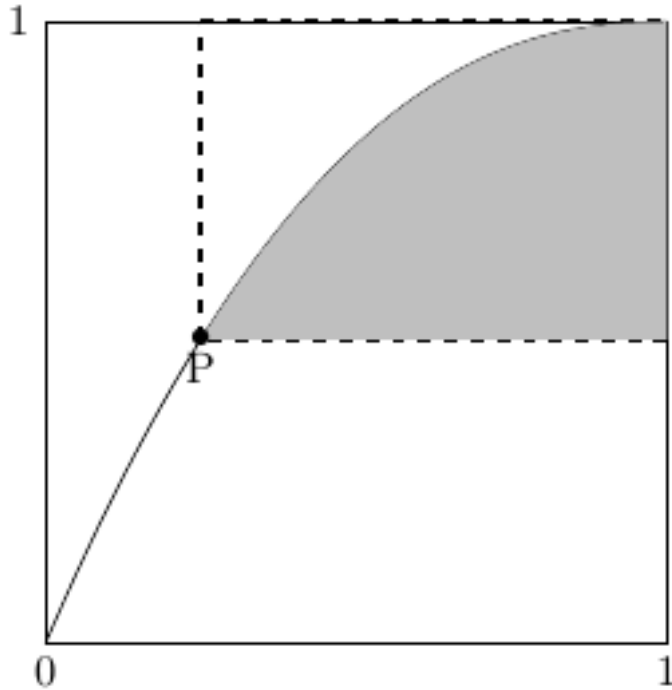
## Is it always that Gini drops after cut-off?

The idea of modelling Gini coefficient for scoring models with „fractal ROC curves” came with a question asked during one of the credit scoring workshops held in Poland.

An attendee of the workshop - risk modelling manager complained about recommendation he received from audit department in his bank...



\*unfortunately, this Dilbert comic strip is fake



## (Right-hand) fractal ROC curve:

Shaded area as a fraction of the dashed line rectangle should be equal to AUC (area under the curve) whatever cut-off point P we take.

In other words, we are looking for a (continuous) function  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $f(0) = 0$ ,  $f(1) = 1$ , and for all  $x \in [0, 1)$

$$\frac{1}{1 - f(x)} \left( \frac{1}{1 - x} \int_x^1 f(\xi) d\xi - f(x) \right) = a, \quad (1)$$

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$$F'(x)(1 - a) + \frac{F(x)}{1 - x} = \frac{F(1)}{1 - x} - a. \quad (2)$$

Let  $F(1) = c$ . Consequently, we have an ordinary differential equation with two parameters  $a, c$

$$F'(x)(1 - a) + \frac{F(x)}{1 - x} = \frac{c}{1 - x} - a. \quad (3)$$

A solution to equation (3) is given by

$$F(x) = B(1 - x)^{\frac{1}{1-a}} + c - (1 - x), \quad (4)$$

where  $B$  is a parameter. Since  $f = F'$  we obtain

$$f(x) = \frac{B}{1 - a}(1 - x)^{\frac{a}{1-a}} + 1. \quad (5)$$

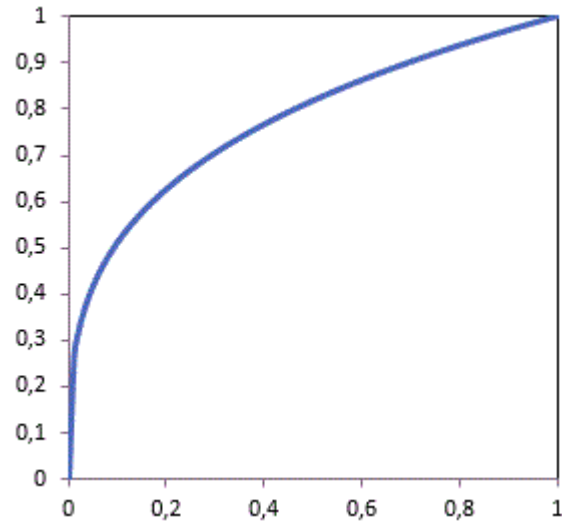
From an assumption  $f(0) = 0$  then  $\frac{B}{1-a} = -1$ .

$$f(x) = 1 - (1 - x)^{\frac{a}{1-a}}, x \in [0, 1]. \quad (6)$$

The function meets the initial condition  $f(1) = 1$  and has just one parameter  $a$  which is  $AUC^1$ . As Gini coefficient is  $2 \cdot AUC - 1$ , we can rewrite function  $f$  so that is a function of one parameter  $\gamma$  being equivalent to the Gini coefficient:

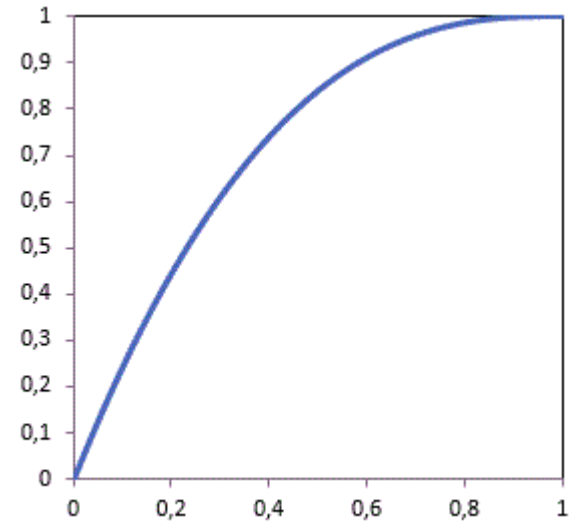
$$f(x) = 1 - (1 - x)^{\frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}}, x \in [0, 1]. \quad (7)$$

Left-hand fractal ROC curve:



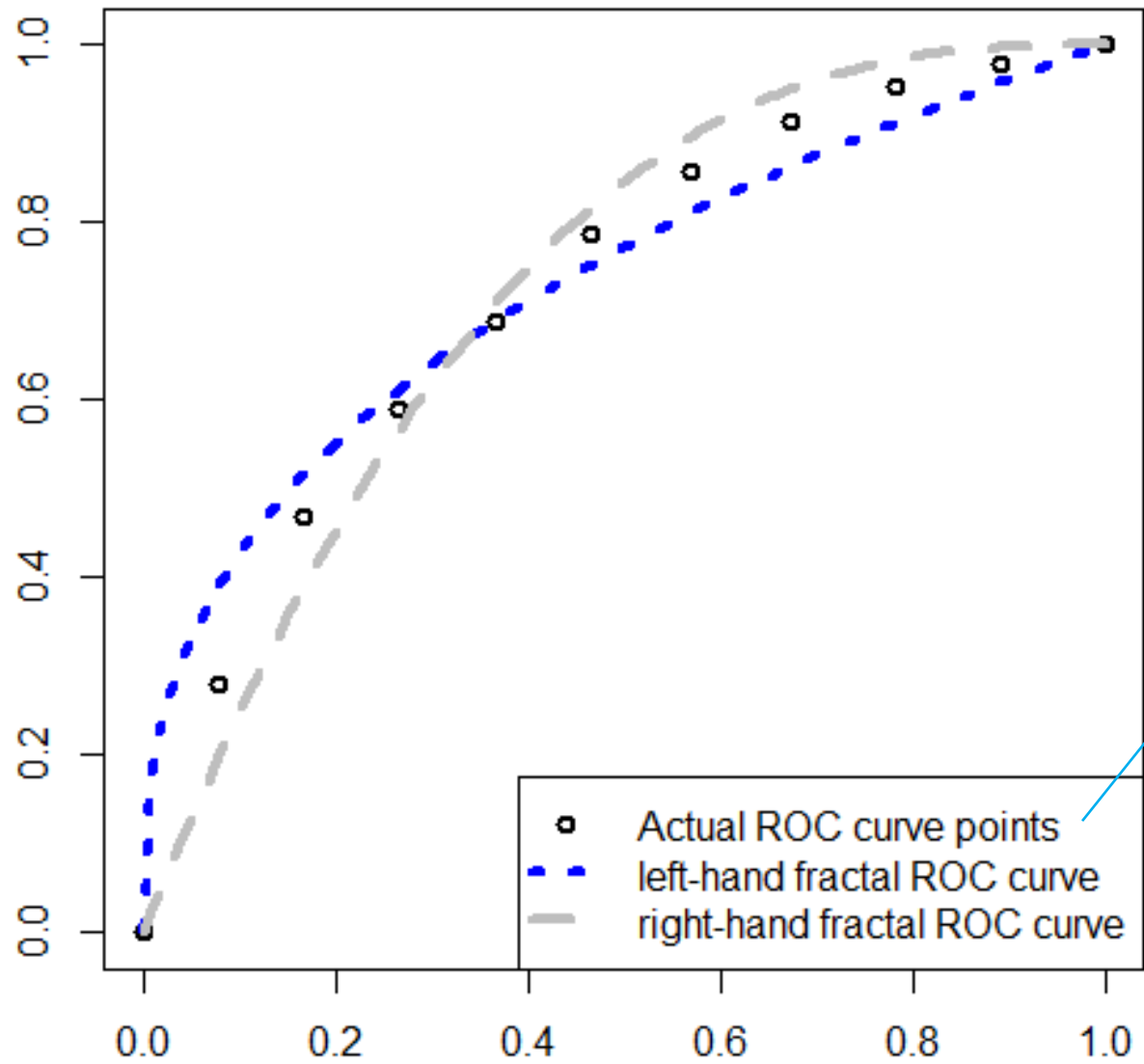
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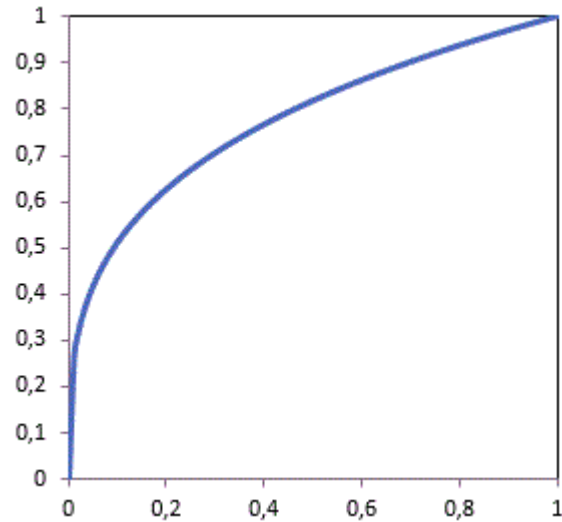
For each Gini coefficient (gamma) from [0,1)  
there is exactly one left-hand  
and one right-hand fractal ROC curve.



**Real-life ROC curves lie between the two fractal curves.**

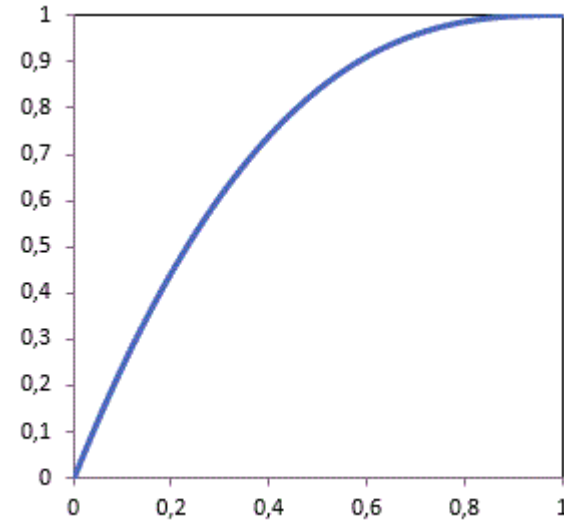
**Actual ROC curve points  
„from an unnamed European  
consumer finance institution”  
Rezac, Rezac [2011]**

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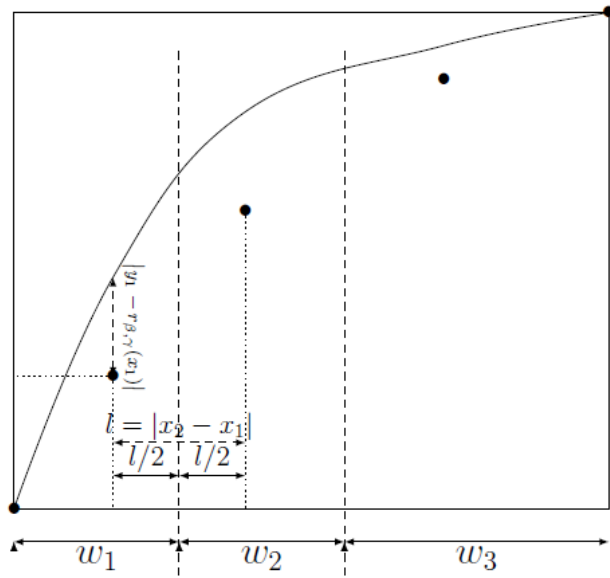


$$f(x) = 1 - (1 - x)^{\frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}}, x \in [0, 1].$$

linear combination (weighted with beta parameter)

$$r(x) = \beta f(x) + (1 - \beta)g(x) = \beta \left( 1 - (1 - x)^{\frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \right) + (1 - \beta)x^{\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}} \quad (10)$$

In this setup, a real-life ROC curve can be modelled with just two parameters. One of them ( $\gamma$ ) represents Gini coefficient, another, ( $\beta$ ) is responsible for the shape of the curve. Formula (10) returns a left-hand fractal ROC curve for  $\beta = 0$  and a right-hand fractal ROC curve for  $\beta = 1$ .



In order to use the combination of fractal curves for real-life ROC curves modelling, we need to find Beta and Gamma values that best match real life data.

Figure 5: Illustration of setting up weights for the BOBYQA objective function.

Once we introduced equation (10), we can fit the curve to the empirical data points. To fit the curve we are using function bobyqa (described by [6]) from the R package minqa [1]. We choose the following objective function to be minimized:

$$f_{obj}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \beta, \gamma) = \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - r_{\beta, \gamma}(x_i)| \cdot w_i, \quad (11)$$

where  $x_i, y_i$  are coordinates of points from the empirical ROC curve and  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$  are vectors containing those coordinates;  $r_{\beta, \gamma}(x_i)$  is a vertical coordinate of  $x_i$  point calculated with equation (10) and  $w_i$  are weights established based on vector  $\mathbf{x}$  in a way illustrated in figure 5.

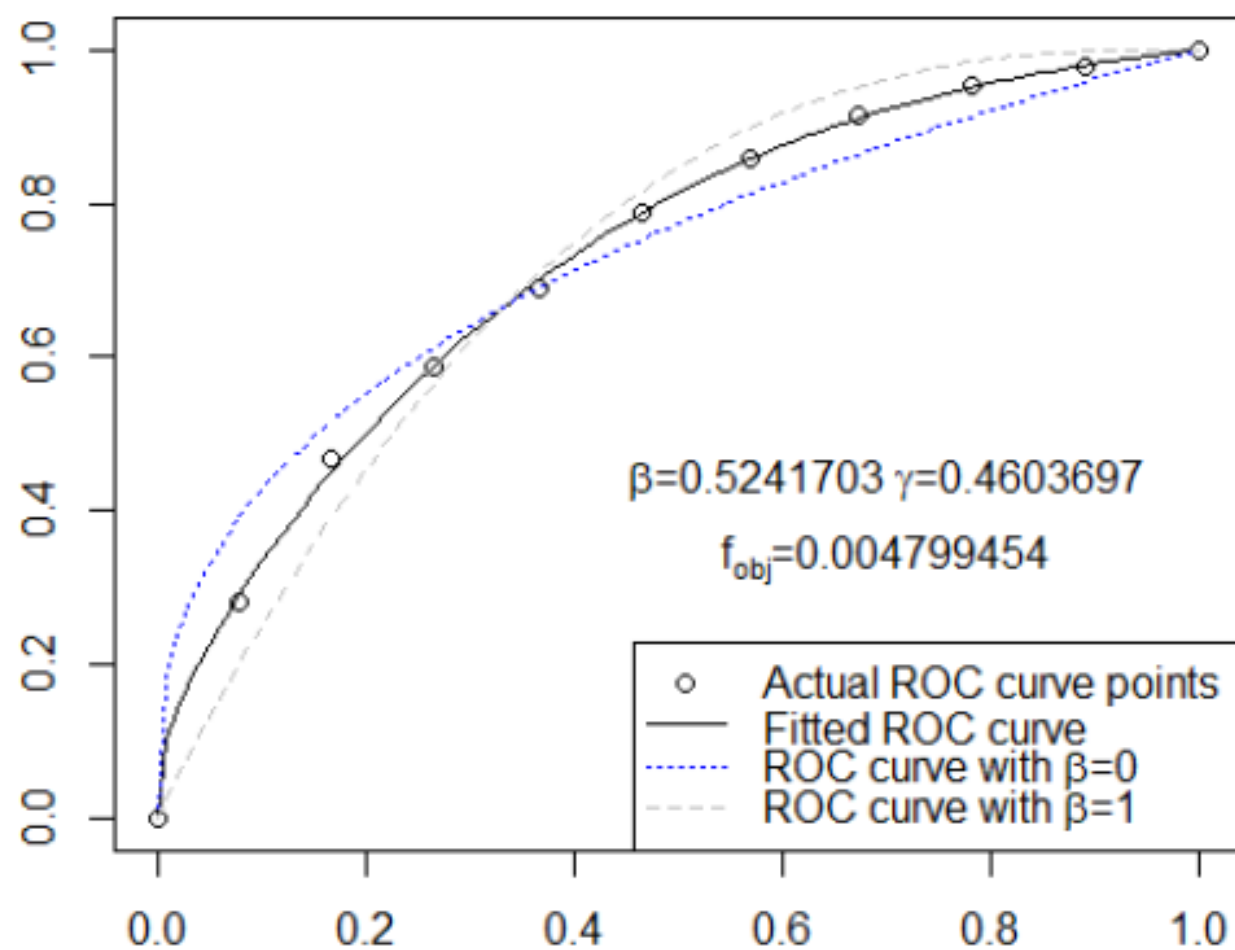


Figure 6: A model ROC curve from equation (10) fitted to the data from [7].

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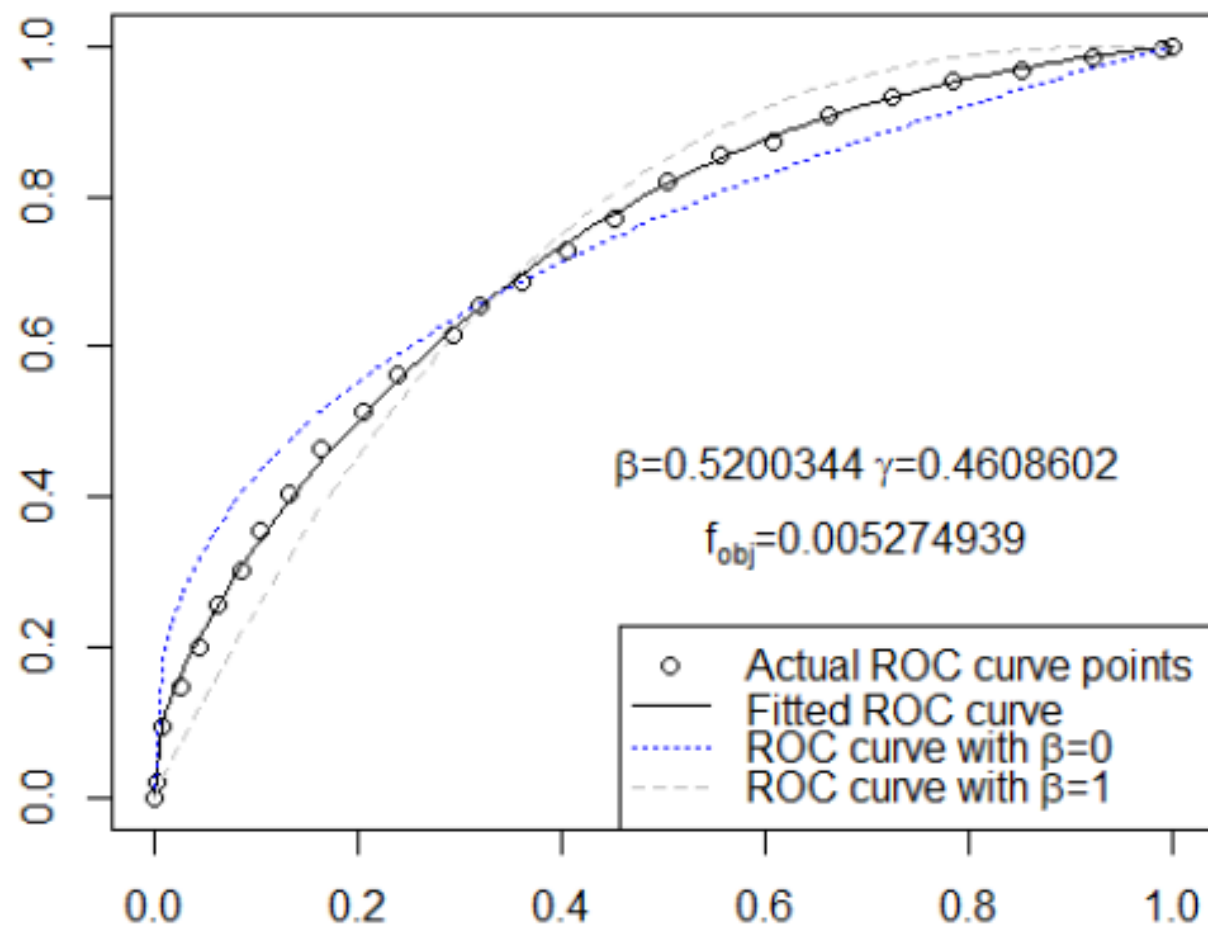


Figure 7: A curve fitted to more data points read from Lorenz curve in [7].

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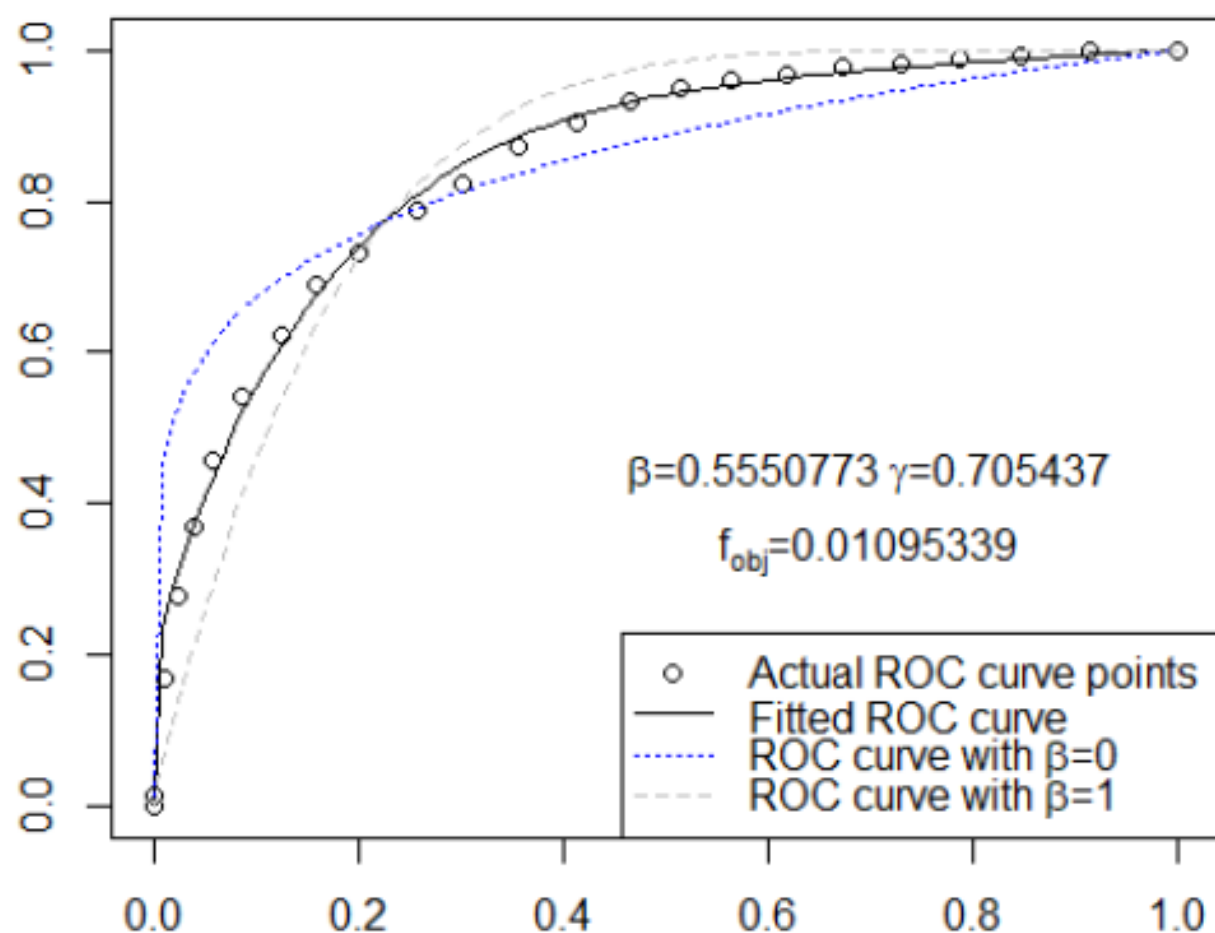


Figure 8: A curve fitted to the empirical ROC curve found in [9].

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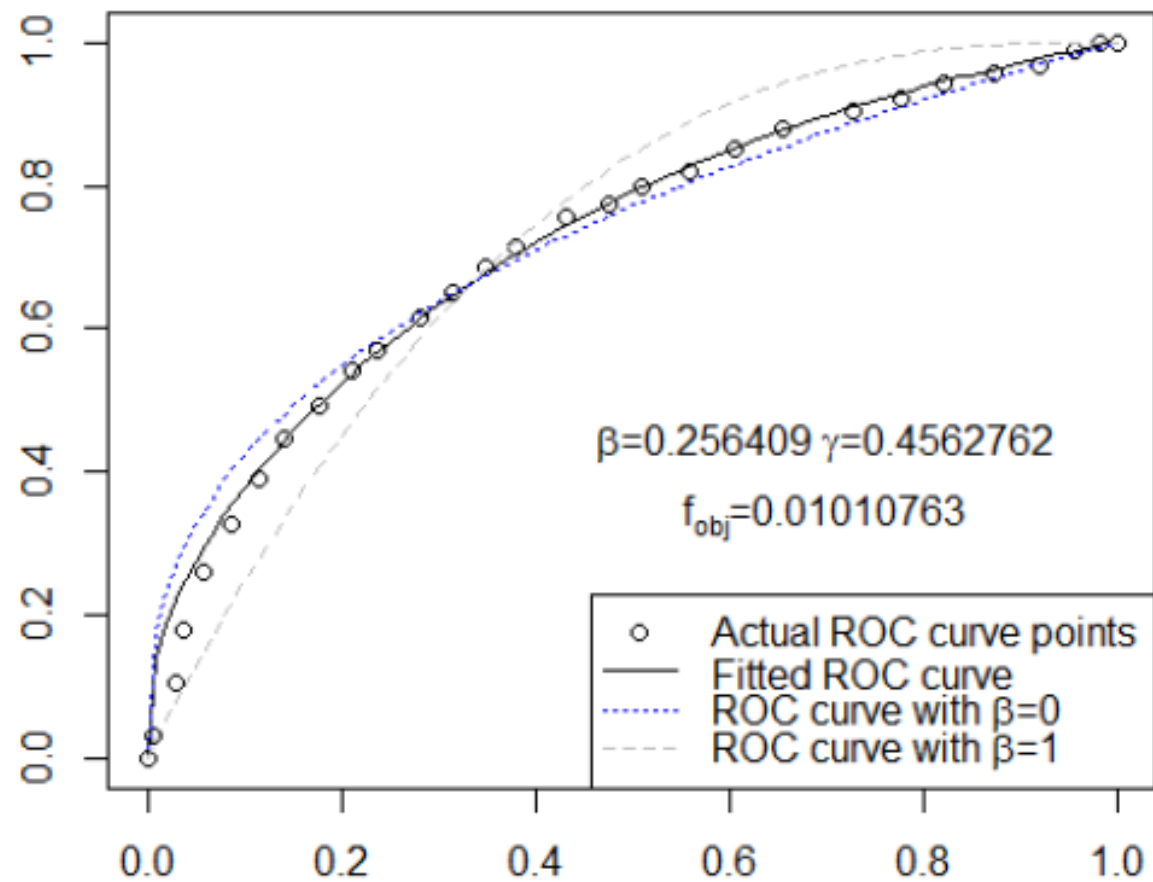


Figure 9: A curve fitted to the empirical data on Altman Z-score from [4].

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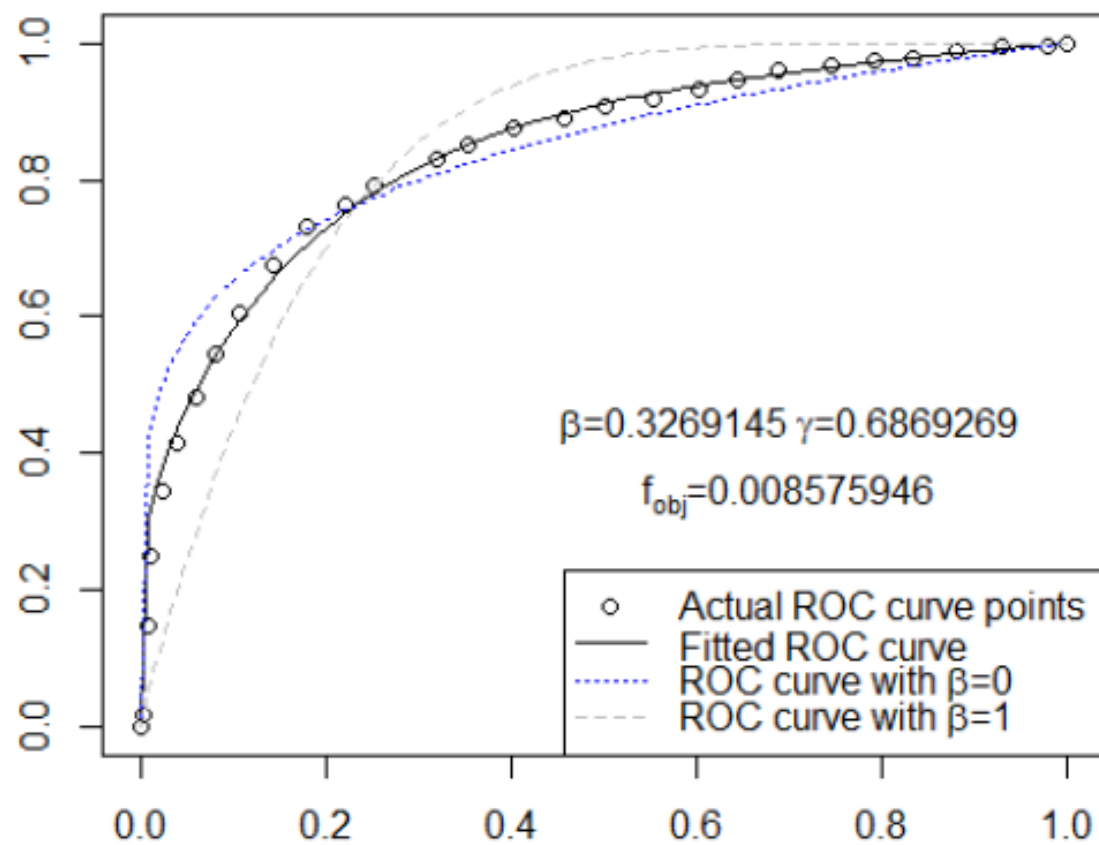


Figure 10: A curve fitted to the empirical data on a logit score from [4].

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Source	Shape param.	Gini param.	Objective function	Comments
	$(\beta)$	$(\gamma)$	$(f_{obj})$	
[9]	0.555	0.705	0.011	Polish anti-fraud model
[4]	0.327	0.687	0.009	German SME logit model
[4]	0.257	0.456	0.010	Altman's Z on German SMEs
[7]	0.524	0.460	0.005	Unnamed European institution
[7]	0.520	0.461	0.005	As above, but with more data read from a Lorenz curve graph
[2]	0.268	0.570	0.018	A "CB (Credit Bureau?) score" of unknown origin
[2]	0.736	0.552	0.005	An "App (application?) score" of unknown origin
[3]	0.221	0.608	0.023	Credit cards - genetic algorithm
[3]	0.317	0.671	0.014	Credit cards - neural networks
[5]	0.993	0.687	0.029	A model based on logistic regression small bank - indiv. entrepreneurs
[5]	0.657	0.451	0.014	As above - small businesses

Table 1: Results of fitting a linear combination of two fractal ROC curves to empirical ROC curves.

- [2] P. Beling, Z. Covaliu and R.M. Oliver (2005): Optimal scoring cutoff policies and efficient frontiers, *Journal of the Operational Research Society* (2005) 56, 1016–1029.
- [3] Dario Bernardo, Hani Hagrass, Edward Tsang (2013): A Genetic Type-2 fuzzy logic based system for financial applications modelling and prediction, *Conference Paper in IEEE International Conference on Fuzzy Systems*.
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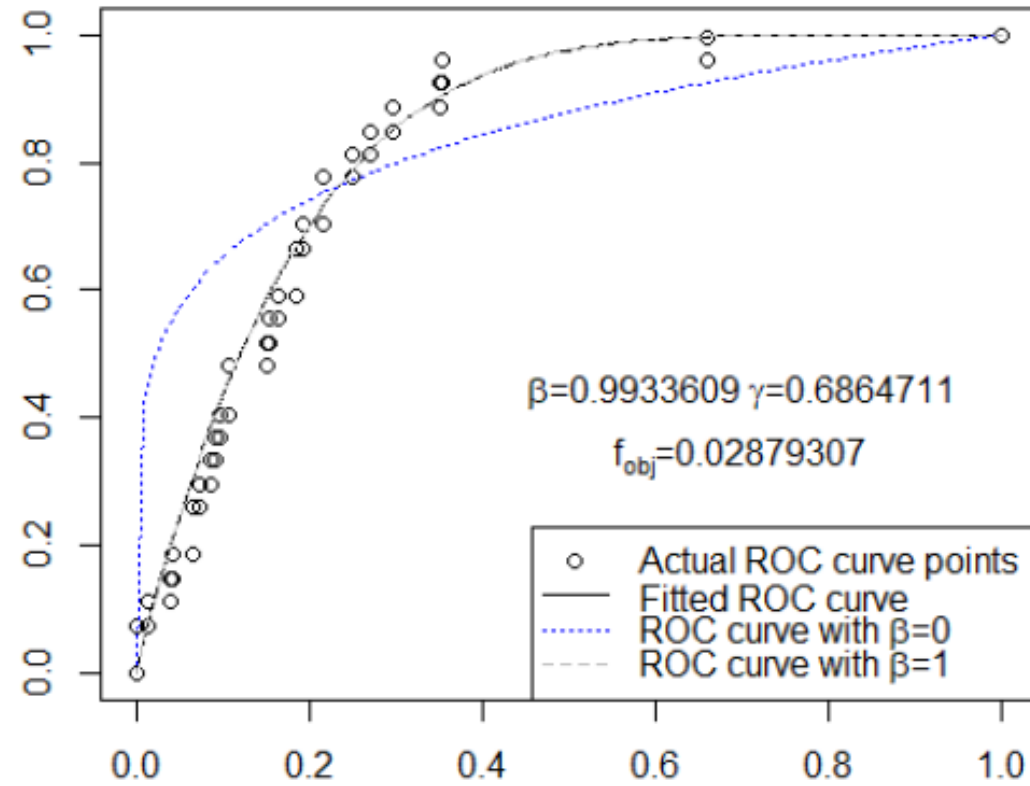
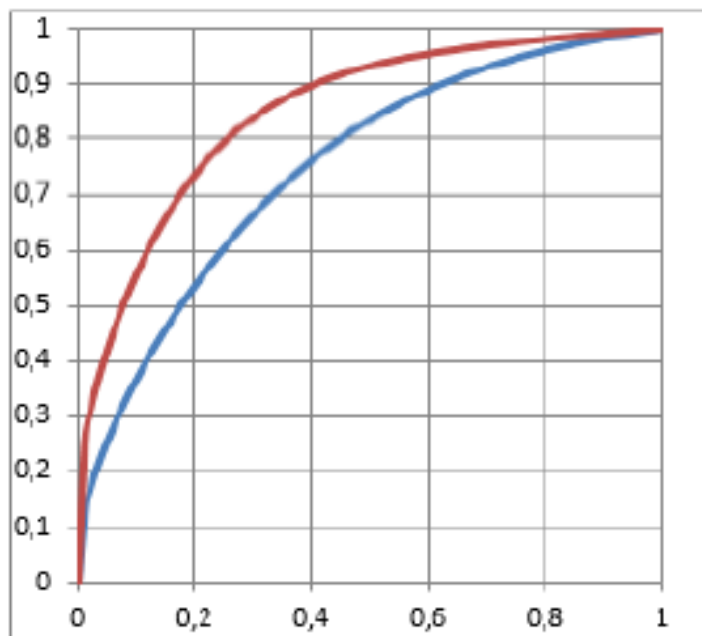


Figure 11: A curve fitted to the empirical data on a model for individual entrepreneurs from [5].

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Inputs:

GINI1	<input type="text" value="50%"/>	total bad rate	<input type="text" value="20%"/>	shape parameter:	<input type="text" value="0,5"/>	10
GINI2	<input type="text" value="70%"/>	approval rate	<input type="text" value="60%"/>			



Outputs:

bad rate reduction:	-45,36%
approval increase:	31,15%

Initial bad rate in approved:	10,27%
Reduced bad rate in approved:	5,61%
Increased approval rate:	78,69%
Initial Gini on approved:	30,88%
New Gini on approved (bad rate reduction):	38,94%
New Gini on approved (approval increase):	53,37%

Figure 12: Interface of MS Excel calculation engine enabling modelling impact of Gini change.



- Solving integral/differential equations



- ROC curve model (linear combination of two fractal ROC curves)



- BOBYQA-based code in R for fitting the model curve to real data point



- Fitting model ROC curve to real data



- C++/Excel calculation engine to model impact of Gini change



- Results from the calculation engine

Approval rate	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%
Bad rate	Bad rate reduction							
5%	-5.9%	-6.9%	-7.4%	-7.3%	-6.7%	-5.7%	-4.6%	-3.3%
10%	-5.9%	-6.9%	-7.3%	-7.1%	-6.3%	-5.3%	-4.1%	-2.9%
15%	-5.9%	-6.8%	-7.2%	-6.8%	-5.9%	-4.8%	-3.6%	-2.5%
20%	-5.9%	-6.8%	-7.0%	-6.4%	-5.4%	-4.3%	-3.2%	-2.1%
25%	-5.8%	-6.7%	-6.7%	-6.0%	-5.0%	-3.8%	-2.7%	-1.8%
30%	-5.8%	-6.6%	-6.4%	-5.6%	-4.5%	-3.3%	-2.3%	-1.5%
35%	-5.7%	-6.4%	-6.1%	-5.1%	-4.0%	-2.9%	-2.0%	-1.2%
40%	-5.7%	-6.2%	-5.7%	-4.6%	-3.5%	-2.5%	-1.7%	-1.0%
45%	-5.6%	-6.0%	-5.2%	-4.1%	-3.0%	-2.1%	-1.4%	-0.8%
50%	-5.5%	-5.6%	-4.7%	-3.6%	-2.6%	-1.8%	-1.1%	-0.7%

Table 2: Bad rate reduction resulting from Gini coefficient's increase from 0.5 to 0.52 for various combination of total bad rate and approval rate ( $\beta$  assumed to be 0.5) – simulated with C++ calculation engine.

Approval rate	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%
$\beta$	Bad rate reduction							
0,05	-4.7%	-4.6%	-4.5%	-4.2%	-3.9%	-3.5%	-3.0%	-2.3%
0,1	-4.8%	-4.8%	-4.6%	-4.4%	-4.1%	-3.6%	-3.0%	-2.3%
0,15	-4.9%	-4.9%	-4.8%	-4.6%	-4.2%	-3.6%	-2.9%	-2.2%
0,2	-4.9%	-5.1%	-5.0%	-4.8%	-4.3%	-3.6%	-2.9%	-2.1%
0,25	-5.1%	-5.3%	-5.3%	-5.0%	-4.4%	-3.7%	-2.9%	-2.1%
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0,45	-5.6%	-6.3%	-6.4%	-5.8%	-4.8%	-3.8%	-2.8%	-1.8%
0,5	-5.8%	-6.7%	-6.7%	-6.0%	-5.0%	-3.8%	-2.7%	-1.8%
0,55	-6.1%	-7.1%	-7.1%	-6.3%	-5.1%	-3.8%	-2.7%	-1.7%
0,6	-6.4%	-7.6%	-7.5%	-6.5%	-5.2%	-3.9%	-2.7%	-1.7%
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0,7	-7.2%	-8.8%	-8.5%	-7.1%	-5.4%	-3.9%	-2.6%	-1.6%
0,75	-7.8%	-9.6%	-9.0%	-7.3%	-5.5%	-3.9%	-2.6%	-1.6%
0,8	-8.7%	-10.7%	-9.6%	-7.7%	-5.7%	-4.0%	-2.6%	-1.6%
0,85	-10.0%	-11.9%	-10.4%	-8.0%	-5.8%	-4.0%	-2.6%	-1.5%
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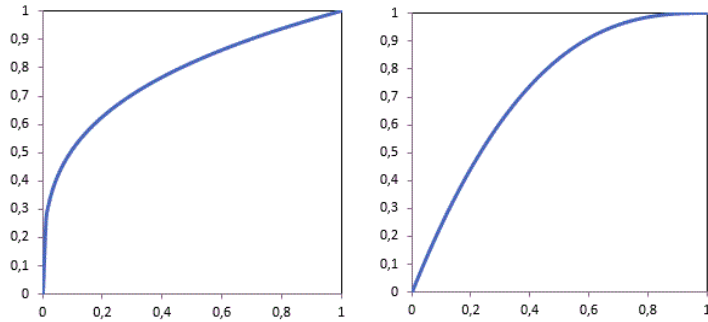
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0,45 → 0,49	-10.6%
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0,45 → 0,51	-15.9%
0,45 → 0,52	-18.5%
0,45 → 0,53	-21.1%
0,45 → 0,54	-23.6%
0,45 → 0,55	-26.2%

Table 4: Bad rate reduction resulting from Gini coefficient's increase from 0.45 (population bad rate assumed at 0.25, approval rate at 0.40,  $\beta$  at 0.5) – simulated with C++ calculation engine.

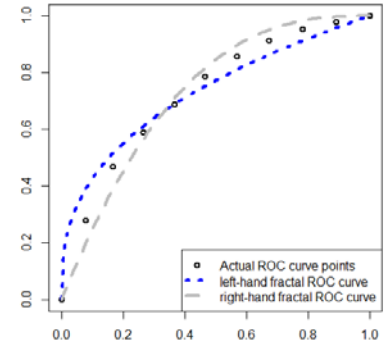
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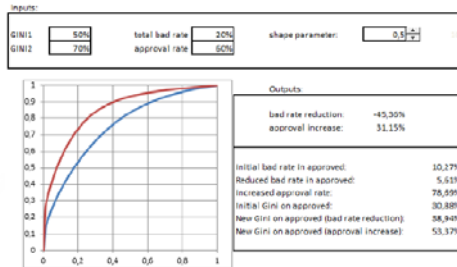
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