

Detection of the Conditional Extreme Value Model

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1. Introduction

- The conditional (multivariate) extreme value model (CEV).

- What is it?

Short, slightly crude answer (more later): (X, Y) satisfy a conditional extreme value model if

- * Y is in a domain of attraction of an extreme value distribution and
- * $\exists \alpha(t) > 0, \beta(t) \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$P\left[\frac{X - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)} \in \cdot \mid Y > t\right] \Rightarrow H(\cdot),$$

for a non-degenerate distribution H . Given Y is large, the distribution of X is approximately the type of H .

- How is it positioned vis a vis usual theory? What is its relationship to usual multivariate EVT and theory of multivariate regular variation.
- Is it really applicable? (Early days. Hopefully. Maybe...yea.)

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- Can we detect when the model is appropriate and plausible for a data set? (We think so and this is promising. See Hillish, Pickandsish, Kendall’s tau plots later.)
- Problems with traditional multivariate EVT.
 - Usual formulation of multivariate EVT has the observation vectors $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n$ iid random vectors in \mathbb{R}^d and each component of the d -dimensional vector \mathbf{X}_i should be in a one dimensional domain of attraction.

May not be true. See QQ plot later.
 - Even if traditional theory’s assumptions satisfied, may have asymptotic independence which hinders sensible estimates.
- So CEV model applicable if either
 - Not all components of a vector are in a domain of attraction.
 - Multivariate EVT applies but asymptotic independence prevents sensible estimates of the probability of risk events and a supplementary assumption of CEV useful.

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2. Background: Regular variation on cones.

Regular variation is a unifying idea providing a common framework for several theories.

Suppose CONE is a cone centered at $\mathbf{0}$:

$$\mathbf{x} \in \text{CONE} \Rightarrow t\mathbf{x} \in \text{CONE}, \quad t > 0.$$

Suppose \mathbf{Z}^* is a random vector. \mathbf{Z}^* has a regularly varying distribution **in standard form** on CONE if

$$tP\left[\frac{\mathbf{Z}^*}{t} \in \cdot\right] \xrightarrow{v} \nu^*(\cdot), \quad \text{in } M_+(\text{CONE}).$$

Here $M_+(\text{CONE})$ all Radon non-negative measures on CONE . A Radon measure is finite on compact sets.

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2.1. Different cones \Rightarrow different theories.

CONE	Application
$\mathbb{E} = [0, \infty] \setminus \{0\}$	multivariate extreme value theory
$\mathbb{E}_0 = (0, \infty]$	hidden regular variation, coefficient of tail dependence;
$\mathbb{E}_{\sqcap} = [0, \infty] \times (0, \infty]$	Conditioned limit theorems when one component is extreme.
$[-\infty, \infty] \setminus \{0\}$	weak conv to stable laws

Table 1: Theories stemming from standard multivariate regular variation on different cones.

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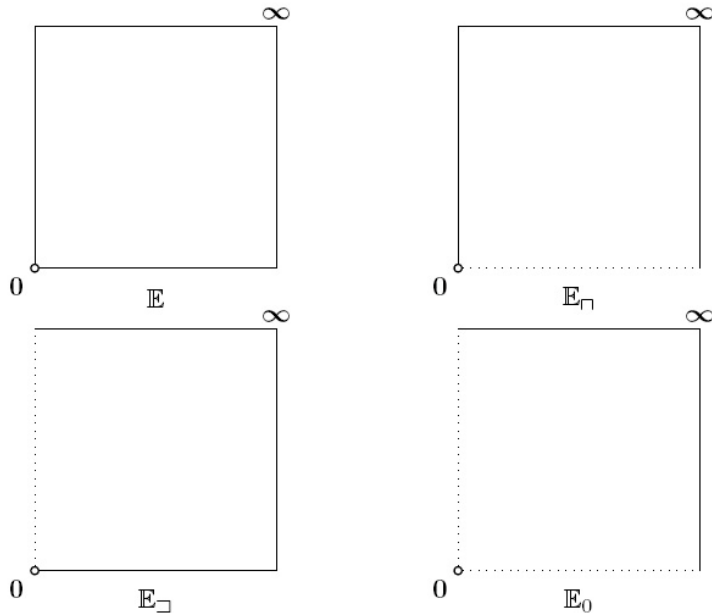


FIGURE 1. The different cones in 2-dimensions

The different cones have different compacta and hence *Radon* means something different on each space.

2.2. Consequences of the regular variation definition.

Recall the definition of standard regular variation:

$$tP\left[\frac{\mathbf{Z}^*}{t} \in \cdot\right] \xrightarrow{v} \nu^*(\cdot), \quad \text{in } M_+(\text{CONE}).$$

- For our cones, a scaling argument \Rightarrow

$$\nu^*(t\cdot) = t^{-1}\nu^*(\cdot), \quad t > 0.$$

- Translated scaling property via polar coordinates transform:

$$\mathbf{x} \xrightarrow{T} \left(\|\mathbf{x}\|, \frac{\mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} \right)$$

and we get

$$\nu^* \circ T^{-1} = \nu_1 \times S(\cdot)$$

where

$$\nu_1(r, \infty] = r^{-1}, \quad r > 0,$$

S is a measure on the unit sphere intersection CONE.

Depending on the cone, S is finite (pm) or not.

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3. Warmup: EVT, the cone $\mathbb{E} = [0, \infty] \setminus \{0\}$ and regular variation.

3.1. Formulate the domain of attraction problem in multivariate EVT

Central issue in multivariate EVT: Given $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n$ iid random vectors in \mathbb{R}^d with common distribution F .

3.1.1. Problems:

- When do there exist

$$\mathbf{a}(n) = (a^{(1)}(n), \dots, a^{(d)}(n)) \in \mathbb{R}_+^d, \quad \mathbf{b}(n) = (b^{(1)}(n), \dots, b^{(d)}(n)) \in \mathbb{R}^d,$$

and a probability distribution G such that [DOA]

$$\begin{aligned} P\left[\left(\bigvee_{j=1}^n \mathbf{X}_j - \mathbf{b}(n)\right) / \mathbf{a}(n) \leq \mathbf{x}\right] &= F^n(\mathbf{a}(n)\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}(n)) \\ &= P\left[\left(\bigvee_{j=1}^n X_j^{(i)} - b^{(i)}(n)\right) / a^{(i)}(n) \leq x^{(i)}; i = 1, \dots, d\right] \rightarrow G(\mathbf{x})? \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- What is the family of possible limits G ?

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- For a given G how do you characterize $\mathbf{a}(n)$ and $\mathbf{b}(n)$?
- For a given G in the family of possible limits, what properties does F have to satisfy in order for (1) to hold.

If (1) holds, we say F is in the domain of attraction of G and write $F \in MDA(G)$.

- The important message: \mathbf{X} is in the domain of attraction of the multivariate EV distribution $G(\mathbf{x})$ iff \exists monotone transformations $b^{(i)}(t)$, $i = 1, \dots, d$ (satisfying limiting properties) such that

$$\mathbf{Z}^* = ((b^{(i)})^{\leftarrow}(X^{(i)}), i = 1, \dots, d)$$

is standard regularly varying on $\mathbb{E} = [0, \infty) \setminus \{0\}$. Thus

$$\mathbf{X} = (b^{(i)}(Z^{*(i)}), i = 1, \dots, d).$$

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3.1.2. Harvest some quick facts.

- From (1), we take logarithms to get

$$n(1 - F(\mathbf{a}(n)\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}(n))) \rightarrow -\log G(\mathbf{x}), \quad (G(\mathbf{x}) > 0).$$

Re-write this as

$$nP\left\{\left[\frac{\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{b}(n)}{\mathbf{a}(n)} \leq \mathbf{x}\right]^c\right\} \rightarrow -\log G(\mathbf{x}),$$

or **DOA \equiv Measure**

$$nP\left[\frac{\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{b}(n)}{\mathbf{a}(n)} \in \cdot\right] \xrightarrow{v} \nu(\cdot), \quad (2)$$

where

$$\nu([-\infty, \mathbf{x}]^c) = -\log G(\mathbf{x}).$$

The measure ν is called the *exponent measure* of G or the *limit measure*, since

$$G(\mathbf{x}) = \exp\{-\nu([-\infty, \mathbf{x}]^c)\}.$$

- Equivalently (**DOA \equiv POT**)

$$P\left[\frac{\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{b}(n)}{\mathbf{a}(n)} \in \cdot \mid \bigcup_{i=1}^d [X_1^{(i)} > b^{(i)}(n)]\right] \xrightarrow{v} \nu(\cdot), \quad (3)$$

- Joint convergence implies marginal convergence (**marginal [DOA]**):

$$F_i^n(a^{(i)}(n)x^{(i)} + b^{(i)}(n)) \rightarrow G_i(x^{(i)}), \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

- So if we know how to find normalizing constants in one dimension, we can find them in d-dimensions.

- Finding the limiting properties of $b^{(i)}(n), a^{(i)}(n)$:

- Take $-\log$ in (marginal [DOA]) and instead of $-\log F_i$ put $1 - F_i$; take reciprocals to get

$$\frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{1 - F_i} (a^{(i)}(n)x^{(i)} + b^{(i)}(n)) \rightarrow \frac{1}{-\log G_i(x)}.$$

Invert to get

$$\frac{\left(\frac{1}{1-F_i}\right)^{\leftarrow}(ny) - b^{(i)}(n)}{a^{(i)}(n)} \rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{-\log G_i}\right)^{\leftarrow}(y).$$

Identify

$$b^{(i)}(t) = \left(\frac{1}{1 - F_i}\right)^{\leftarrow}(t),$$

and then

$$\frac{b^{(i)}(ty) - b^{(i)}(t)}{a^{(i)}(t)} \rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{-\log G_i}\right)^{\leftarrow}(y), \quad t \rightarrow \infty.$$

4. Standardization

Standardization is the process of marginally transforming

$$\mathbf{X} \mapsto \mathbf{Z}^*$$

so that the distribution of \mathbf{Z}^* is standard regularly varying on a cone **CONE**: For some Radon measure $\nu^*(\cdot)$

$$tP\left[\frac{\mathbf{Z}^*}{t} \in \cdot\right] \xrightarrow{v} \nu^*(\cdot), \quad \text{in } M_+(\mathbf{CONE}).$$

For EVT,

$$\mathbf{CONE} = \mathbb{E} = [\mathbf{0}, \infty] \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}.$$

In general, depending on the cone, this says one or more components of \mathbf{Z}^* are asymptotically Pareto. For the EVT case, each is asymptotically Pareto.

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4.1. Theoretical advantages of standardization:

- Standardization is analogous to the copula transformation but is better suited to studying limit relations (Klüppelberg and Resnick, 2008).
- In Cartesian coordinates, the limit measure has scaling property:

$$\nu^*(t \cdot) = t^{-1} \nu^*(\cdot), \quad t > 0.$$

- The scaling in Cartesian coordinates allows transformation to polar coordinates to yield a product measure: An angular measure exists allowing characterization of limits:

$$\nu^* \left\{ \mathbf{x} : \|\mathbf{x}\| > r, \frac{\mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} \in \Lambda \right\} = r^{-1} S(\Lambda),$$

for Borel subsets Λ of the unit sphere in CONE .

- For EVT, S is a finite measure (wlog taken to be a pm) but when $\text{CONE} = \mathbb{E}_r$, S is NOT necessarily finite.
- See de Haan and Resnick (1977), Resnick (1987), Mikosch (2005, 2006), de Haan and Ferreira (2006), Resnick (2007).

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4.2. How to Standardize?

Theoretical formulations in EVT often assume the *standard case*.

- Standard case almost never happens in practice.
- A vector which is standard regularly varying has each component having the same (asymptotically equivalent) tail.

How to transform to the standard case in practice?

- In heavy tail analysis, the simplest method: Hope $1 - F_{(i)}(x) \sim x^{-\alpha_i}$ for all i and then power up.
BUT: Must estimate α 's.
- More generally, for EVT: estimate marginals (somehow; POT?) and transform using the marginals.
BUT: Difficult to quantify the error made when estimating marginal distributions.
- Use ranks method (de Haan and de Ronde (1998), de Haan and Ferreira (2006), Huang (1992), Resnick (2007)).
BUT: Lose independence among observations; probably lose efficiency in favor of robustness.

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5. Asymptotic Independence in EVT

If (X, Y) is in a bivariate domain of attraction of a multivariate extreme value distribution $G(x, y)$,

$$tP\left\{\left[\frac{X - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)} \leq x, \frac{Y - b(t)}{a(t)} \leq y\right]^c\right\} \rightarrow -\log G(x, y), \quad t \rightarrow \infty,$$

then *asymptotic independence* of (X, Y) means the above plus

$$tP\left[\frac{X - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)} > x, \frac{Y - b(t)}{a(t)} > y\right] \rightarrow 0, \quad t \rightarrow \infty.$$

This says, (de Haan and Ferreira, 2006, Resnick, 1987)

- The probability of both X and Y being biggish is smallish.
- Componentwise maxima (normalized) of iid samples of (X, Y) are asymptotically distributed as a product measure.
- The limit measure concentrates on lines; for example, if $\mathbf{Z}^* \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$ has a standard regularly varying distribution, then asymptotic independence means

$$tP\left[\frac{\mathbf{Z}^*}{t} \in \cdot\right] \xrightarrow{v} \nu^*(\cdot)$$

where

$$\nu^*\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{E} : x^{(i)} \wedge x^{(j)} > 0, \text{ some } i, j\} = 0.$$

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5.1. Examples

5.1.1. Asymptotic independence with Pareto marginals:

Let $U \sim U(0, 1)$ and

$$(X, Y) = \left(\frac{1}{U}, \frac{1}{1-U} \right).$$

Then (X, Y) has a standard regularly varying distribution which possesses asymptotic independence.

5.1.2. Multivariate normal with correlations less than 1.

If (X, Y) are normal with $\rho(X, Y) < 1$, then asy indep holds.

5.2. Conclusion.

Asymptotic independence has little to do with

- independence
- rational nomenclature.

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5.3. Why asymptotic independence creates problems.

- Estimators of various parameters may behave badly under asymptotic independence; eg, estimator of the spectral measure S . Estimators may be asymptotically normal with an asymptotic variance of 0 (oops!).
- Estimators of risk probabilities given by asymptotic theory may be uninformative.

Scenario: Estimate the probability of simultaneous non-compliance.

Suppose $\mathbf{Z} = (Z^{(1)}, Z^{(2)})$ = concentrations of different pollutants. Environmental agencies set critical levels $\mathbf{t}_0 = (t_0^{(1)}, t_0^{(2)})$ which not be exceeded. Imagine simultaneous *non-compliance* creates a health hazard. Worry about

$$[\text{health hazard}] = [\mathbf{Z} > \mathbf{t}_0] = [Z^{(j)} > t_0^{(j)}; j = 1, 2].$$

Asymptotic independence might lead one to report an estimate one does not believe:

$$P[\text{health hazard}] = P[\mathbf{Z} > \mathbf{t}_0] = 0.$$

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6. Conditional EV model.

CEV model applicable if either

- Not all components of a vector are in a domain of attraction.
- Multivariate EVT applies but asymptotic independence prevents sensible estimates of the probability of risk events and a supplementary assumption of CEV useful.

Auckland

<http://pma.nlanr.net/traces/long/auck2.html>

- Packets transmitted to and from Auckland server; measure: packet size, arrival time, source & destination IP address, port numbers, Internet protocol.
- Cluster packets into e2e sessions. Definition: cluster packets with same source and destination IP address such that delay between 2 successive packets in a cluster is less than a threshold (≤ 2 seconds).
- Compute
 - F = # bytes in a session.
 - L = duration of a session.
 - R = average rate associated to a session; defined to be F/L .

The variable R does not appear to be in a domain of attraction and resists characterization of its distribution. Hence difficult to decide on the joint distribution of (F, L, R) .

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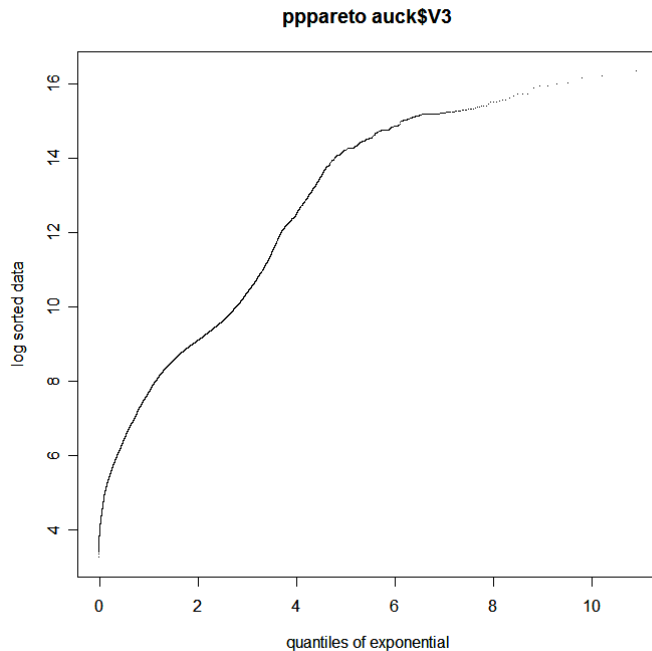


Figure 1: QQ plot for R ; quantiles of exponential vs quantiles of $\log R$.

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6.1. Conditional EV models; antecedents.

- Heffernan & Tawn models (Heffernan and Tawn, 2004):

$$P\left[\frac{X - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)} \leq x | Y = t\right] \rightarrow G(x), \quad t \rightarrow \infty. \quad (4)$$

- Alternate approaches to asymptotic independence consider

$$P[X \leq x | Y > t] \rightarrow G(x), \quad t \rightarrow \infty,$$

which comes from

$$tP\left[\left(X, \frac{Y}{t}\right) \in \cdot\right] \rightarrow H \times \nu_1$$

where H is a pm, $\nu_1(x, \infty] = x^{-1}$, $x > 1$. See Maulik et al. (2002).

- With Jan Heffernan, meld 2 approaches (Heffernan and Resnick, 2007) and reformulate as

$$tP\left[\left(\frac{X - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)}, \frac{Y - b(t)}{a(t)}\right) \in \cdot\right] \xrightarrow{v} \mu$$

where μ satisfies non-degeneracy assumptions. This relates to regular variation on the cone \mathbb{E}_{Γ} .

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6.2. Basic Convergence ($d = 2$)

Given a random vector (X, Y) with

$$F_Y(x) := P[Y \leq x] \in MDA(G_\gamma),$$

and $\exists b(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}, a(\cdot) > 0$ such that for some $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$, as $t \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\left(P \left[\frac{Y - b(t)}{a(t)} \leq x \right] \right)^t \rightarrow G_\gamma(x) = \exp\{-(1 + \gamma x)^{-1/\gamma}\}, \quad t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Further assume $\exists \beta(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha(\cdot) > 0$ and a Radon measure μ such that

$$tP \left[\left(\frac{X - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)}, \frac{Y - b(t)}{a(t)} \right) \in \cdot \right] \xrightarrow{v} \mu(\cdot), \quad (5)$$

in $M_+([-\infty, \infty] \times (-\infty, \infty])$, and where μ is non-null and satisfies **non-degeneracy conditions**: for each fixed $y \in \{x : (1 + \gamma x)^{-1/\gamma} > 0\}$,

1. $\mu((-\infty, x] \times (y, \infty])$ is not a degenerate distribution function in x ;
2. $\mu((-\infty, x] \times (y, \infty]) < \infty$.

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6.3. Observations:

- The **Basic Convergence (5)** implies the conditioned limit

$$P\left[\frac{X - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)} \leq x \mid Y > b(t)\right] \rightarrow \mu([-\infty, x] \times (0, \infty)),$$

where the limit is assumed to be a proper probability distribution in x .

- WLOG can assume Y is heavy tailed and reduce the basic convergence to a more **standard form**:

$$tP\left[\left(\frac{X - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)}, \frac{Y^*}{t}\right) \in \cdot\right] \xrightarrow{v} \mu^*(\cdot) \quad (6)$$

in $M_+([-\infty, \infty] \times (0, \infty])$ (μ^* is modified from μ). For instance,

$$Y^* = b^{\leftarrow}(Y) \quad \text{and} \quad b(t) = \left(\frac{1}{1 - F_Y}\right)^{\leftarrow}(t).$$

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- Suppose $(X, Y) \in MDA(G)$.
 - With no asymptotic independence in the EVT sense, **Basic Convergence** automatically holds and in this case

$DOA \Rightarrow$ Basic Convergence.

- With asymptotic independence in EVT sense, **Basic Convergence** with the same normalizing constants fails because non-degeneracy conditions fail. BUT, **Basic Convergence** with different normalizing constants could still hold.

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Example

Let X and Z be iid Pareto(1) random variables and define

$$Y = X^2 \wedge Z^2.$$

Then in \mathbb{E} and \mathbb{E}_{\cap} check convergence on representative relatively compact sets:

- In $M_+(\mathbb{E})$, asymptotic independence ($\mathbb{E} = [0, \infty] \setminus \{0\}$):

$$t\mathbb{P}\left[\left(\frac{X}{t}, \frac{Y}{t}\right) \in ([0, x] \times [0, y])^c\right] \rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}, \quad x \vee y > 0.$$

- In $M_+(\mathbb{E}_{\cap})$ ($\mathbb{E}_{\cap} = [0, \infty] \times (0, \infty]$):

$$t\mathbb{P}\left[\left(\frac{X}{t^{1/2}}, \frac{Y}{t}\right) \in [0, x] \times (y, \infty]\right] \rightarrow \frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \times \frac{1}{x \vee \sqrt{y}}, \quad x \geq 0, y > 0,$$

or in standard form,

$$t\mathbb{P}\left[\left(\frac{X^2}{t}, \frac{Y}{t}\right) \in [0, x] \times (y, \infty]\right] \rightarrow \frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} \vee \sqrt{y}}, \quad x \geq 0, y > 0.$$

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6.4. Other Consequences.

- A convergence to types argument implies variation properties of $\alpha(\cdot)$ and $\beta(\cdot)$: Suppose (X, Y^*) satisfy the condition (6). \exists two functions $\psi_1(\cdot), \psi_2(\cdot)$, such that for all $c > 0$,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha(tc)}{\alpha(t)} = \psi_1(c), \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta(tc) - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)} \rightarrow \psi_2(c). \quad (7)$$

locally uniformly.

- This means

$$\alpha(\cdot) \in RV_\rho, \quad \rho \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_1(c) = c^\rho, \quad c > 0.$$

- \exists important cases where $\psi_2 \equiv 0$ (bivariate normal). However, if $\psi_2 \not\equiv 0$, then ((Geluk and de Haan, 1987, page 16), Bingham et al. (1987))

$$\psi_2(x) = \begin{cases} k \frac{(x^\rho - 1)}{\rho}, & \text{if } \rho \neq 0, x > 0, \\ k \log x, & \text{if } \rho = 0, x > 0, \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

for $k \neq 0$.

6.5. When can both components in the basic convergence be standardized to get regular variation on \mathbb{E}_\square ?

- Can sometimes also standardize the X variable so that

$$\begin{aligned} tP\left[\frac{\beta^{\leftarrow}(X)}{t} \leq x, \frac{Y^*}{t} > y\right] &= tP\left[\frac{X^*}{t} \leq x, \frac{Y^*}{t} > y\right] \\ &\rightarrow \mu^*([-\infty, \psi_2(x)] \times (y, \infty]) \\ &= \mu^{**}([-\infty, x] \times (y, \infty]) \quad (t \rightarrow \infty), \quad (9) \end{aligned}$$

giving standard regular variation on \mathbb{E}_\square .

When?? Short version: When and only when μ^* (or μ) is not a product measure (Das and Resnick, 2008).

- When is μ^* a product measure?

Answer: $\mu^* = H \times \nu_1$ iff $\psi_1 \equiv 1$ ($\alpha(\cdot)$ is sv) and $\psi_2 \equiv 0$.

- If you can standardize, how do you do it?

- * One answer: If $\beta(t) \geq 0$ and β^{\leftarrow} is non-decreasing on the range of X , then (9) is possible (provided μ is NOT a product).
- * If the condition $\beta(t) \geq 0$ and β^{\leftarrow} is non-decreasing fails, then a transformation of X allows one to reduce the problem to the previous case.

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6.6. Form of the limit.

6.7. Case 1. Assume μ is not a product.

Then can standardize X and for the case that $\beta(t) \geq 0$ and $\beta(t) \uparrow$

$$tP\left[\frac{\beta^{\leftarrow}(X)}{t} \leq x, \frac{Y^*}{t} > y\right] = tP\left[\frac{X^*}{t} \leq x, \frac{Y^*}{t} > y\right]$$

$$\rightarrow \mu^*([0, \psi_2(x)] \times (y, \infty]) = \mu^{**}([0, x] \times (y, \infty]), \quad (t \rightarrow \infty)$$

on $[0, \infty] \times (0, \infty]$. This is standard regular variation on the cone $[0, \infty] \times (0, \infty]$ so

$$\mu^{**}(t\Lambda) = t^{-1}\mu^{**}(\Lambda), \quad t > 0.$$

\exists angular measure: Let

$$\|(x, y)\| = x + y, \quad \aleph = \{(w, 1 - w) : 0 \leq w < 1\}$$

and

$$\mu^{**}\left\{\mathbf{x} : \|\mathbf{x}\| > r, \frac{\mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|} \in A\right\} = r^{-1}S(A),$$

where S is a measure on \aleph or $[0, 1)$.

Warning:

S does not have to be finite

but to guarantee

$$P\left[\frac{X^*}{t} \leq x | Y^* > t\right] \rightarrow H^{**}(x) = \mu^{**}([0, x] \times (1, \infty))$$

is proper pm, need

$$\int_{[0,1)} (1-w)S(dw) = 1. \quad (10)$$

Conclusions for Case 1:

- Can write $\mu^{**}([0, x] \times (y, \infty])$ as function of S and get characterization of the class of limit measures.
- Hence, limit measures μ^{**} are in 1-1 correspondence with class of measures on $[0, 1)$ satisfying (10).
- Alternatively, a scaling argument gives class of μ^{**} with following description:

$$\mu^{**}([0, x] \times (y, \infty]) = y^{-1}H^{**}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right), \quad (x, y) \in [0, \infty] \times (0, \infty]$$

for any proper prob distribution H^{**} .

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6.8. Case 2: Assume μ is a product.

Any measure of the form

$$\mu^{**}([0, x] \times (y, \infty)) = y^{-1}H^{**}(x),$$

for a prob distribution H^{**} is a possible limit.

End of story for Case 2.

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- In practice, should one condition on X or Y ?
- What if one could do either?

Then the distribution is in the domain of attraction of an EV distribution.

Conclusion: So the conditioned limit theory is only different than classical EVT if we assume we can condition only on one variable but not on the other.

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8. Detecting when the model is appropriate

Estimators to help us decide if this model consistent with the data:

- Hillish (Hill-like).
- Pickandsish (suggested by the Pickands estimator of the EV index).
- Kendall's tau.

Rank based methods bypass need to estimate centering and scaling functions:

Notation:

- $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$; iid bivariate sample.
- $Y_{(1)} \geq \dots Y_{(n)}$; order statistics of Y 's in decreasing order.
- X_i^* , $1 \leq i \leq n$; X_i^* is the X -variable corresponding to $Y_{(i)}$;
concomitant of $Y_{(i)}$.
- R_i^k , $1 \leq i \leq k \leq n$; Rank of X_i^* among X_1^*, \dots, X_k^* ;
often write $R_i = R_i^k$.
- $X_{1:k}^* \leq X_{2:k}^* \leq \dots X_{2:k}^*$; The order statistics in increasing order
of X_1^*, \dots, X_k^* .

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Assume Basic Convergence:

$$tP \left[\left(\frac{X_1 - \beta(t)}{\alpha(t)}, \frac{Y_1 - b(t)}{a(t)} \right) \in \cdot \right] \rightarrow \mu(\cdot), \quad t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Leads to

$$\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon \left(\frac{X_i - \beta(n/k)}{\alpha(n/k)}, \frac{Y_i - b(n/k)}{a(n/k)} \right) (\cdot) \Rightarrow \mu(\cdot),$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and $k = k(n) \rightarrow \infty$ and $k/n \rightarrow 0$.

Assume the distribution of Y_1 is in $MDA(G_\gamma)$. Scaling and weak convergence arguments yield

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_n^*([0, x] \times (y, \infty)) &:= \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \epsilon \left(\frac{R_i}{k}, \frac{k+1}{i} \right) ([0, x] \times (y, \infty)) \\ &\Rightarrow \mu^*([-\infty, H^-(x)] \times (y, \infty)), \end{aligned}$$

for $0 < x < 1$ and $y > 1$; γ is the EV index for Y and

$$H(x) = \mu([-\infty, x] \times (0, \infty]),$$

assumed to be a pm, and

$$\mu^*([-\infty, x] \times (y, \infty)) = \mu\left([-\infty, x] \times \left(\frac{y^\gamma - 1}{\gamma}, \infty\right)\right).$$

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8.1. Hillish estimator.

Define

$$H_{k,n} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^k \log \frac{k}{R_j^k} \log \frac{k}{j}.$$

Then, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $k \rightarrow \infty$, $k/n \rightarrow 0$,

$$H_{k,n} \xrightarrow{P} I^*$$

where

$$I^* = \int_1^\infty \int_1^\infty \mu^* \left(\left[-\infty, H^{\leftarrow} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \right] \times (y, \infty) \right) \frac{dx}{x} \frac{dy}{y}.$$

Method:

Use

$$\mu_n^* \left([0, x] \times (y, \infty) \right) \Rightarrow \mu \left([0, x] \times (y, \infty) \right)$$

and integrate to limit.

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Detect product measure.

If μ is product measure then

$$H_{k,n} \xrightarrow{P} 1 = I^*,$$

and otherwise

$$H_{k,n} \xrightarrow{P} I^* \neq 1.$$

8.2. Pickandsish estimator.

Based on ratios of differences of order statistics of the concomitants.

Let $0 < p < 1$.

$$R_p = \frac{X_{pk:k}^* - X_{pk/2:k/2}^*}{X_{pk:k}^* - X_{pk/2:k}^*}.$$

Then

$$R_p \xrightarrow{P} \frac{H^{\leftarrow}(p)(1 - 2^{\rho}) - \psi_2(2)}{H^{\leftarrow}(p) - H^{\leftarrow}(p/2)}.$$

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Data example 1: e2e sessions; (R,L) top and (R,F) bottom

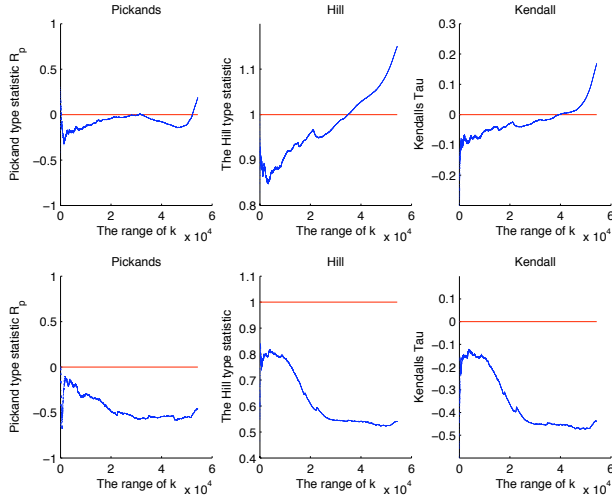


Figure 2: Pickandsish, Hillish, Kendall for (top) Auckland (R,L)-yech-and (bottom) (R,F)-not bad.

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Data example 2

- Model 0: X is $N(0,1)$, Y is $\text{Pareto}(1)$; $X \perp Y$. Theoretically Pickandsish, $R_p = 0$, Hillish, $H = 1$, Kendalls tau, $K = 0$.
- Model 1: X and Z are $\text{Pareto}(1)$, $X \perp Z$, $Y = X^2 \wedge Z^2$. Theoretically Pickandsish, $R_p = -3(\sqrt{(2)} - 1)$ Hillish, $H = 0.5$.

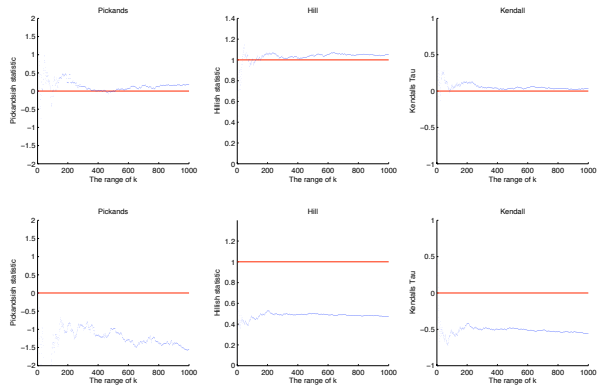


Figure 3: Pickandsish, Hillish, Kendall for (top) model0 and (bottom) model 1.

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9. Final thoughts

- How practical is all this?
- When should you try to use this theory rather than EVT or to supplement EVT. Need a couple of earth shaking examples.
- It would be nice to prove the Hillish and Pickandsish estimators are asymptotically normal or else think about bootstrap CI's.
- Crucial pact with the devil: We avoided having to estimate $\alpha(\cdot)$, $\beta(\cdot)$, $a(\cdot)$, $b(\cdot)$ by switching to the rank based methods. BUT

$$H(x) = \mu([-\infty, x] \times (0, \infty])$$

appears in the limits and $H(x)$ is, of course, unknown. Oy!

We are thinking about all this.

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