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Multivariate Extremes

Classical Formulation:

$$X_i = (Y_{i1}, \dots, Y_{ip}) \quad i=1, 2, \dots \text{ i.i.d } p\text{-vectors}$$

$$M_{n,j} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} Y_{ij} \quad j=1, \dots, p$$

$$\underline{M}_n = (M_{n,1}, \dots, M_{n,p})$$

Find multivariate G , constants $\underline{a}_n, \underline{b}_n$ s.t.

$$\frac{\underline{M}_n - \underline{b}_n}{\underline{a}_n} \xrightarrow{d} G$$

meaning

$$P\left\{ \frac{M_{n,j} - b_{n,j}}{a_{n,j}} \leq x_j, j=1, \dots, p \right\} \rightarrow G(x_1, \dots, x_p) \quad (*)$$

$$\forall \underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_p) \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

Side comment: if (*) holds, each marginal distribution is GEV of G .

Special case of Sklar's Theorem

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Sklar (1959) : if G is any multivariable CDF
then we can write

$$G(x_1, \dots, x_p) = D_G(G_1(x_1), \dots, G_p(x_p))$$

where G_j is marginal CDF of x_j and D_G is copula.

For MEVD: necessary & sufficient that

$$D_G(u_1, \dots, u_p) = D_G(u_1^{1/k}, \dots, u_p^{1/k}), \text{ any } k \geq 1$$

equivalent to:

$$G^k(\underline{x}) = G(\underline{A}_k \underline{x} + \underline{B}_k)$$

characterizes all possible MEVDs.

Early literature: Gellroy (1958), Tiago de Oliveira (1958), Sibuya (1960), Gumbel (1960+...)

Later: Pichands (1976), de Haan & Resnick (1977), Deheuvels (1978) ... general representations

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Pickands representation

Pickands: recast as min-stable, $P(X_j > x) = e^{-x}$

Define $S(x_1, \dots, x_p) = P(X_1 > x_1, \dots, X_p > x_p)$

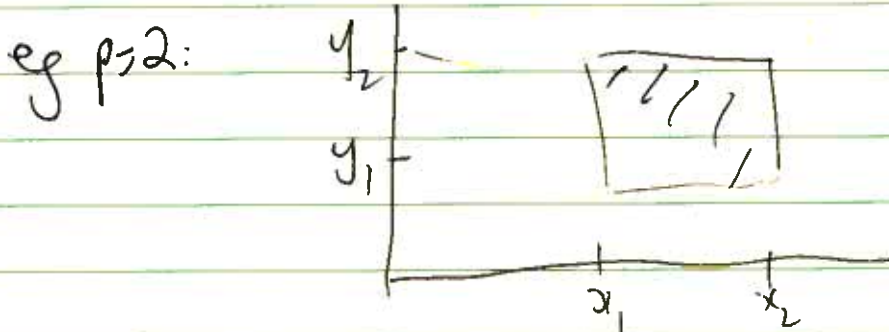
such that

$$(i) \quad S(0, \dots, 0, x, 0, \dots, 0) = e^{-x} \quad \text{for } j=1, \dots, p$$

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 x in j 'th position

$$(ii) \quad S^a(x_1, \dots, x_p) = S(ax_1, \dots, ax_p) \quad \text{any } a > 0$$

(iii) Non-neg condition: must give non-neg mass to any subset of \mathbb{R}^p



$$S(x_1, y_1) - S(x_2, y_1) - S(x_1, y_2) + S(x_2, y_2) \geq 0$$

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As an example, try

$$X_j = \min_{i=1, \dots, q} \frac{Z_i}{c_{ij}} \quad , j=1, \dots, p$$

where Z_1, \dots, Z_q ind. exp ($P(Z_i > z) = e^{-z} \quad \forall i, z \geq 0$,

$$0 \leq c_{ij} \leq 1, \quad \sum_i c_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall j$$

leads to

$$P(X_j > x_j \quad \forall j) = \exp \left[- \sum_{i=1}^q \max_{1 \leq j \leq p} c_{ij} x_j \right]$$

of form $S(x_1, \dots, x_p) = \exp \left[- \int_{\mathcal{S}_p} \max_j (w_j x_j) dH(w) \right]$ (A)

where $\mathcal{S}_p = \{w = (w_1, \dots, w_p), w_j \geq 0, \sum_{j=1}^p w_j = 1\}$

and H is a (discrete) non-neg measure on \mathcal{S}_p

satisfying $\int_{\mathcal{S}_p} w_j dH(w) = 1$ for $j=1, \dots, p$ (B)

Pickands rep: any MV function S satisfying (A) and (B) is the survivor function of a MEVD.

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Alternative representation:

$$S(x_1, \dots, x_p) = \exp\left[-\sum x_j A\left(\frac{x_1}{x_j}, \dots, \frac{x_p}{x_j}\right)\right]$$

A called "dependence function"

$p=2$: ~~$S(x, y)$~~ $S(x, y) = \exp\left[-(x+y) A\left(\frac{x}{x+y}\right)\right]$

A convex on $[0, 1]$, $A(0) = A(1) = 1$, $A(\frac{1}{2}) \geq \frac{1}{2}$.

Estimation: skip to parametric cases.

Assume A or S is differentiable

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Mixed Model $A(w) = \theta w^\theta - \theta w^{\theta+1}$ $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$

$$S(x, y) = \exp\left[-x - y + \frac{\theta xy}{x+y}\right]$$

Logistic $A(w) = \left\{ (1-w)^r + w^r \right\}^{1/r}$, $r \geq 1$

Hüsler-Reiss: $A(w) = (1-w) \Phi\left(\frac{a + \frac{1}{a} \log \frac{1-w}{w}}{w}\right) + w \Phi\left(\frac{a + \frac{1}{a} \log \frac{w}{1-w}}{1-w}\right)$

$0 \leq a \leq \infty$, Φ is standard normal cdf.

Tilted Dirichlet see p. 115-116 of text

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Asymptotic results: MLE is usually regular on interior of parameter space but may have non-standard properties on the boundary. (Tawn '88, '90)

Example: test $r=1$ in logistic model

$$G(x, y; r) = 1 - \exp\{- (x^r + y^r)^{1/r}\} \quad r \geq 1$$

$$\text{Density } g(x, y; r) = \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x \partial y}$$

Obs. (x_i, y_i) , $i=1, \dots, n$

$$\text{Let } \ell_n(r) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log g(x_i, y_i; r)$$

$$U_n(r) = \frac{d}{dr} \ell_n(r) \quad (\text{score statistic})$$

$$\text{When } r=1, \quad U_n(1) = \sum_{i=1}^n u(x_i, y_i)$$

$$\text{where } u(x, y) = \log(xy) + (x+y-2) \log(x+y) \\ - x \log x - y \log y + (x+y)$$

Check: $E u(X, Y) = 0$, $\text{var} = +\infty$
when (X, Y) indep-unit exponential

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We can show $\sqrt{\frac{2}{n \log n}} U_n(1) \xrightarrow{d} N[0,1]$

Create a test from this.

Many similar results in the literature.

Threshold method: Coles & Tawn (1991)

Convenient to transform to unit Fréchet

Assume IID sequence $\tilde{X}_i = (X_{i1}, \dots, X_{ip})$

$$P(X_{ij} \leq x) = e^{-1/x}, \quad 0 < x < \infty$$

Point process $P_n = \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \tilde{X}_i, i=1, \dots, n \right\}$

Convergence: $P_n \xrightarrow{d} P$ point process on $\mathbb{R}_+^p \setminus \{0\}$

Alternatively: $v_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^p X_{ij}, w_{ij} = \frac{X_{ij}}{n v_i}$

$$\tilde{w}_i = (w_{i1}, \dots, w_{ip}) \in \mathcal{S}_p$$

Intensity of P is $\mu(d\tilde{r} \times d\tilde{w}) = \frac{d\tilde{r}}{\tilde{r}} \cdot dH(\tilde{w})$

Ha measure on \mathcal{S}_p with $\int_{\mathcal{S}_p} w_j dH(\tilde{w}) = 1, j=1, \dots, p$

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If $M_{nj} = \max(X_{1j}, \dots, X_{nj})$, $j=1, \dots, p$ then

$$P\{M_{nj} \leq nx_j, j=1, \dots, p\} \rightarrow G(x) = e^{-V(x)}$$

$$V(x) = \int_{\mathcal{I}_p} \max_{i=1, \dots, p} \left(\frac{w_i}{x_i} \right) dH(w)$$

V is "exponent measure"

Estimation: Two approaches to parametric estimation

(a) original Coles-Tawn (1991) approach

uses point process representation directly.

(b) censored data approach

Based on Prop. 5.15 of Resnick

leads to explicit formulas for $F(x_1, \dots, x_p)$
when each $x_j >$ some high u_j

Formulas (4.40), (4.41) p. 124

Construct "censored data likelihood" from this