



# Record Statistics

Mild taste for beginners

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# What is record event?

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## 1. Record

: when the new highest value appears, it is called, “A record event occurs.”.

➤ For example : today’s highest temperature is the new record value until 10 years.

## 2. Event

: all of the observable values can be events.

➤ For example : restaurant’s servings also can be events. (when a new food comes out, it can be called, “A new serving event occurs.”.)

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- Extreme weather in Alaska in December 2021.



<https://www.newspenguin.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=10334>

# What is main concern of this study?

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1. How can we analyze time series data more exactly?
2. Let's borrow "Record statistics" and try analyze time series data!
3. Analyzing Method
  - ① Prepare real time series data and lots of random walk simulation data.
  - ② Measure record statistics' variables of real data and simulation data.
  - ③ Compare the record statistics of real data with random walk simulation data.
  - ④ Find real data's parameters' regime.

Persistence (parameter examples : constant bias, levy exponent  $\alpha$ )

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# Simulation Methods

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## 1. Simulation Method (Discrete-time Random walk)

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- $x_0 = 0$  (origin),  $\eta$  : jump length
- $n$  : each discrete time step,  $N$  : the number of total random walk steps
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# What is record event? (renewed..)

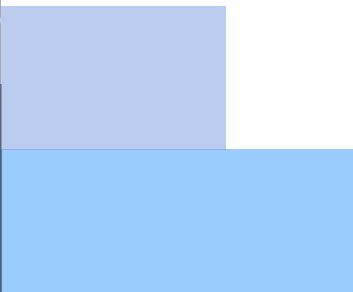
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## Record event's definition

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# What are main concerns of record statistics?

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## Record Statistics' variables

- ① Persistence :  $Q_n$  (the probability that a walker is always under the origin until step  $n$ )
- ② Record rate :  $r_n$  (the rate that a record event occurs at step  $n$ . By convention,  $r_0 = 1$ )
- ③ Record number :  $R_n$  (the number of record events)
- ④ Average record number :  $\langle R_n \rangle$  (the sample average number of record events)
- ⑤ Variance of record number :  $V_n$  (the variance of record number)
- ⑥ Age statistics :  $\min(\{l_i\}), \max(\{l_i\}), \quad i \in [0, \sum_{i=1}^{N_s} R_N^i]$  (inter-record time's statistics)

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# Definitions of record statistics' variables

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②  $y_n = y_{n-1} + \eta_n + c$  (same with  $y_n = x_n + cn$ )

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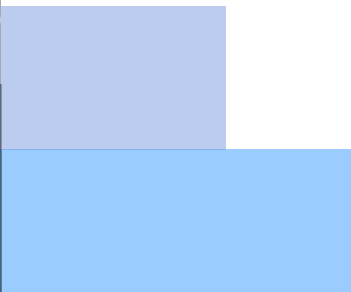
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# How to calculate?

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Materials for calculation...

- ① Sparre-Andersen Theorem ( $Q_n$  from  $\phi(\eta)$ )
- ② First-passage probability  $f_n$  from survival probability  $Q_n$  (=persistence)
- ③ Using generating functions of  $Q_n$  and  $f_n$ , we can get average record number  $\langle R_n \rangle$

## generating function  $\tilde{Q}_z$  of  $Q_n$   
:  $\tilde{Q}_z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Q_n z^n$ . ( $|z| < 1$ .)

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# Sparre-Andersen Theorem (non-biased case)

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$$\tilde{Q}_z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Q_n z^n = \exp \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} p_n z^n \right)$$

- $p_n \equiv \text{Proba.}[x_i < x_0 \text{ for any } i = 1, 2, \dots, n]$
- $\tilde{\phi}(k) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(\eta) e^{ik\eta} d\eta$
- $P_n(x) \equiv \text{Proba.}[x_n = x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_{n-1}(x') \phi(x - x') dx' = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dk}{2\pi} [\tilde{\phi}(k)]^n e^{-ikx}$
- For the Normal jump length distribution, (with  $\langle \eta \rangle = 0$ )
  - $\phi(\eta) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{\eta^2}{2\sigma^2}\right), \quad \tilde{\phi}(k) = \exp\left(-\frac{k^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$
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- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n} z^n = -\frac{1}{2} \ln(1-z)$  (from [generating function table by Ziff.](#))
- $\tilde{Q}_z = \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \ln(1-z) \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-z}}$
- $Q_n = \binom{2n}{n} 2^{-2n}$  (from [generating function table by Ziff.](#))

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# First-passage probability (non-biased case)

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- $f_n = -\frac{\partial}{\partial n} Q_n$  (from *A Guide to First-Passage Processes* by Sidney Redner)
- For discrete time step  $n$ ,  $f_n = Q_{n-1} - Q_n$ .
- $\tilde{f}_z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n z^n = Q_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (Q_{n-1} - Q_n) z^n = Q_0 + z \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Q_n z^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Q_n z^n = 1 - (1 - z) \tilde{Q}_z$   
by definition of persistence (of survival probability),  $Q_0 = 1$ .
- $\tilde{f}_z = 1 - \sqrt{1 - z}$

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# Average record number (non-biased case)

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- $\tilde{Q}_z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-z}}$
- $\tilde{f}_z = 1 - \sqrt{1-z}$
- $P(R|n) \equiv \text{Proba.}[R_n = R]$
- $\tilde{P}(z, n) = \sum_{m=n}^{\infty} P(m|n) z^n = \tilde{f}_z^{m-1} \tilde{Q}_z$  (skip so many details..)
- $\langle R_n \rangle = n P(R|n)$
- $\tilde{R}_z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \langle R_n \rangle z^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n P(R|n) z^n = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m \sum_{n=m-1}^{\infty} z^n P(m|n) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m \tilde{f}_z^{m-1} \tilde{Q}_z = \frac{\tilde{Q}_z}{(1-\tilde{f}_z)^2}$
- $\tilde{R}_z = (1-z)^{-1.5}$
- $R_n = \binom{n+\frac{1}{2}}{n}$  (from [generating function table by Ziff.](#))

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# GG...

## 자세한 설명은 생략...

참고로 biased case 에서는 generating function table으로 해결 안 됨...

Keywords : Cauchy Integral (Cauchy Inversion Formula), Inverse Laplace transform (Bromwich Integral) ...

# References

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Biased case : [Satya N Majumdar \*et al\* 2012 J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. \*\*45\*\* 355002](#)

So many papers studied by Satya N Majumdar...

[Generating Function Table by Robert Ziff.](#)