

Computational Statistics (MA51109)

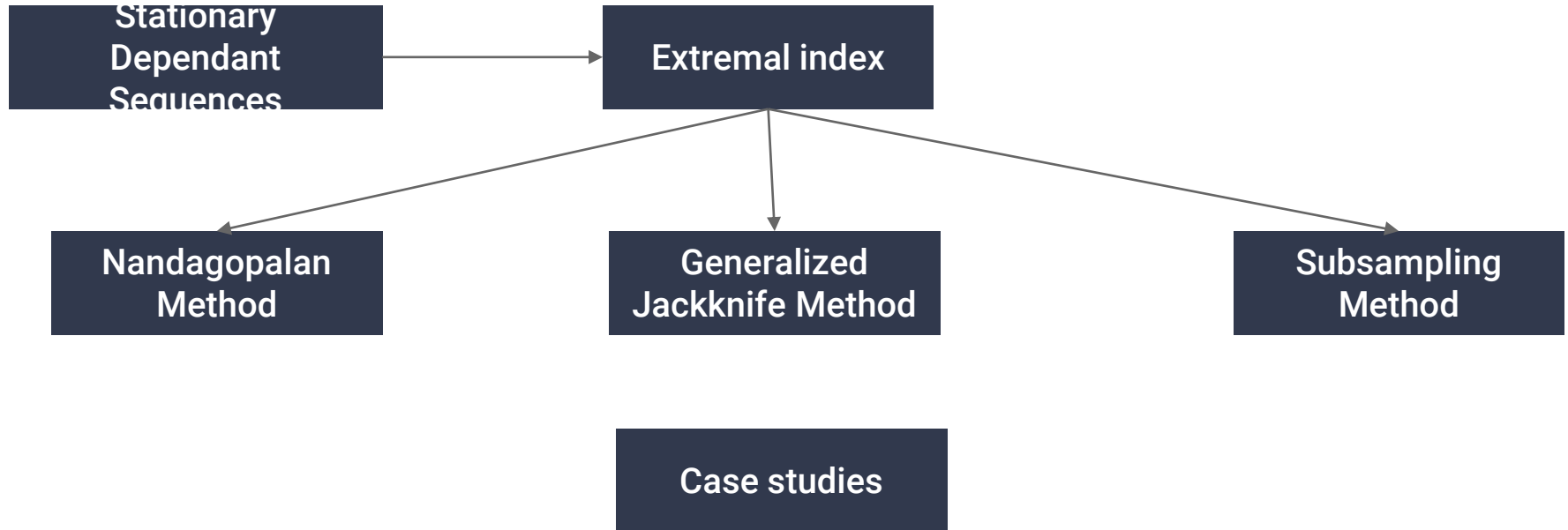
Term Paper

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Abstract

- Poisson Process: A type of random mathematical object that consists of points randomly located on a mathematical space.
- Compound Poisson Process: Process in which each arrival in an ordinary Poisson process comes with an associated real-valued random variable that represents the value of the arrival in a sense.
- There exists the extremal index θ , $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$, which is directly related to the clustering of exceedances of high values for such stationary sequences.
- $\theta = 1$, for independent, identically distributed sequences and $\theta > 0$, for most of the cases.
- Estimation of extremal index through the use of the Generalized Jackknife methodology, possibly together with the use of subsampling techniques.

Flow of the paper



Scope of the Paper

- Assumption of the bias term of the extremal index estimator same as the bias term of the Nandagopalan's estimator (θ_N) for the stationary ARMAX sequences and i.i.d. sequences. There is an important tradeoff between bias and variance, linked to the choice of the threshold.
- Bias reduction and stability over a considerable set of thresholds is the **major objective** of this paper.

Other objectives:

- To Perform Generalized Jackknife methodology for the estimation of the extremal index for ARMAX process as well as for i.i.d random samples.
- To use subsampling techniques in the estimation process of the extremal index and look for the effects and changes.

Definitions

Definition 1.1. The $\mathbf{D}(u_n)$ condition holds for the stationary sequence \mathbf{X} if for any integers p, q and $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_p < j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_q < n$, for which $j_1 - i_p \geq l = l_n$, we have

$$|F_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p, j_1, j_2, \dots, j_q}(u_n, \dots, u_n) - F_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_p}(u_n, \dots, u_n) F_{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_q}(u_n, \dots, u_n)| \leq \alpha_{n, l},$$

with $\alpha_{n, l} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$, for some sequence $\{l_n = o(n)\}$.

Definition 1.2. The local dependence condition $\mathbf{D}''(u_n)$ holds for a stationary $\mathbf{D}(u_n)$ -sequence \mathbf{X} if there exists a sequence of integers $\{s_n\}$, with $s_n \rightarrow \infty$, $s_n \alpha_{n, l_n} \rightarrow 0$, $s_n l_n / n \rightarrow 0$, $s_n(1 - F(u_n)) \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \sum_{j=3}^{r_n} \mathbb{P}(X_1 > u_n, X_{j-1} \leq u_n < X_j) = 0,$$

with $r_n = \lfloor n/s_n \rfloor$.

Tail index

For $Y = \{Y_n\}_{n \geq 1}$, sequence of i.i.d. r.v.'s from an underlying parent d.f. F . Let $Y_{i:n}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, be the set of associated ascending order statistics (o.s.). Tail index is defined as:

$$\mathbb{P}[Y_{n:n} := \max(Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n) \leq x] = F^n(x) \approx EV_\gamma \left(\frac{x - b_n}{a_n} \right),$$

which holds for large values of n , and appropriate sequences $a_n > 0$, $b_n \in \mathbb{R}$, with

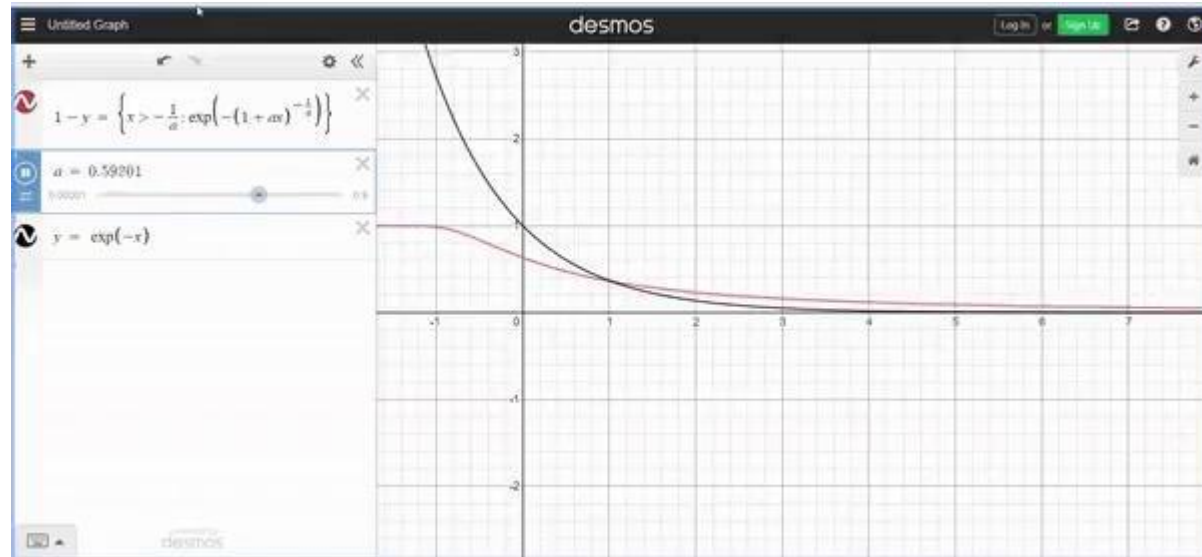
$$EV_\gamma(x) = \begin{cases} \exp\{-(1 + \gamma x)^{-1/\gamma}\}, & 1 + \gamma x > 0 \text{ if } \gamma \neq 0, \\ \exp(-\exp(-x)), & x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ if } \gamma = 0, \end{cases}$$

The tail index γ is thus directly related to the weight of the right tail of the underlying model F and as γ increases the right tail becomes heavier and heavier.

If the sequence of maximum values $Y_{n:n}$, linearly normalized, converges towards a r.v. has an EV_γ d.f. defined above.

Background Search

- **Heavy Tailed Distributions:** The distribution which have their CCDF (Complementary Cumulative Density Function) tail above that exponential distribution, or in other terms they are the distributions whose tails are not exponentially bounded.
- CCDF of exponential distribution = $1 - \text{CDF} = e^{-\lambda x}$



Figurative verification to heavy tailedness of Extreme Value function

Extremal Index

Let $X = \{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ stationary sequence comes from an underlying d.f. F and the limiting d.f. of the maximum $X_{n:n} := \max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ may be directly related to the limiting d.f. Of the maximum, $Y_{n:n}$, of the associated i.i.d. sequence, through a new parameter, the so-called **extremal index**.

Definition 1.3. The stationary sequence $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ is said to have an extremal index θ ($0 < \theta \leq 1$) if, for all $\tau > 0$, we may find a sequence of levels $u_n = u_n(\tau)$ such that

$$\mathbb{P}(Y_{n:n} \leq u_n) = F^n(u_n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\tau} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{P}(X_{n:n} \leq u_n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\theta\tau}. \quad (2)$$

From Definition 1.3 it follows that the *extremal index* θ may be informally defined by the approximations

$$\begin{aligned} P[\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) \leq x] &\approx F^{n\theta}(x) \approx EV_\gamma^\theta \left(\frac{x - b_n}{a_n} \right) \\ &= EV_\gamma \left(\frac{x - b'_n}{a'_n} \right), \quad \begin{cases} a'_n = a_n \theta^\gamma, \\ b'_n = b_n + a_n \left(\frac{\theta^\gamma - 1}{\gamma} \right). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Extremal Index

Under independence, this point process converges to a homogeneous Poisson process, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, but when there is a slightly stronger local dependence, clusters of exceedances may occur and the limiting process may be a compound Poisson process.

The extremal index can then also be defined as the reciprocal of the “mean time of duration of extreme events”.

$$\begin{aligned}\theta &= \frac{1}{\text{limiting mean size of clusters}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_2 \leq u_n | X_1 > u_n) \quad (\text{downcrossings}),\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_1 \leq u_n | X_2 > u_n) \quad (\text{upcrossings}),\tag{4}$$

where u_n , a sequence of values such that

$$F(u_n) = 1 - \tau/n + o(1/n) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,\tag{5}$$

a so-called *normalized level*, i.e., a level such that $n(1 - F(u_n)) \rightarrow \tau > 0$, or equivalently, a level such that $F^n(u_n) \rightarrow \exp(-\tau)$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, i.e., (2) holds.

Nandagopalan's Extremal Index

Nandagopalan's estimator: For given (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) samples, non-parametric estimator of θ , given by the ratio between the number of down-crossings/up-crossings and the number of exceedances over a high threshold is

$$\theta_n^N = \theta_n^N(u) := \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} I_{[X_j > u, X_{j+1} \leq u]}}{\sum_{j=1}^n I_{[X_j > u]}} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} I_{[X_j \leq u < X_{j+1}]}}{\sum_{j=1}^n I_{[X_j > u]}},$$

$u = u_n$ must be such that $n(1 - F(u_n)) = c_n \tau = \tau_n$, $\tau_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $\tau_n/n \rightarrow 0$.

If τ is fixed, the Nandagopalan's estimator may not be consistent. So we need to assume $\tau = \tau_n \rightarrow \infty$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We shall here consider a deterministic level $u \in [X_{n-k:n}, X_{n-k+1:n})$, the interval between the $(k+1)$ and the k^{th} top order statistics.

Nandagopalan's Extremal Index

The extremal index estimator is then a function of k , the number of top o.s. higher than the chosen threshold. The estimator can be modified as

$$\hat{\theta}_n^N(k) \equiv \theta_n^N(u) := \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} I_{[X_j \leq u < X_{j+1}]}, \quad u \in [X_{n-k:n}, X_{n-k+1:n}).$$

Or

$$\hat{\theta}_n^N(k) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} I_{[X_j \leq X_{n-k:n} < X_{j+1}]}.$$

Consistency is attained only if k is intermediate, i.e., $k = k_n \rightarrow \infty$, $k = o(n)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Fréchet Process

$$F(x) \equiv \Phi_\gamma(x) = \exp(-x^{-1/\gamma}), x > 0, \gamma > 0.$$

- The cdf of the Frechet Parent distribution we have utilised to simulate from.
- We have utilised the inverse transform method to simulate from this distribution.
- The data simulated from this distribution are iid stationary.

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def cdf_inv_fr(u, gamma):  
    return ((pow(-np.log(u) , -gamma)))  
  
def iid_fr(gamma , n , random_state = 124):  
    x = np.zeros(n)  
    r = np.random.RandomState(random_state)  
    t = 0  
    for i in range(n):  
        r2 = np.random.RandomState(random_state + i)  
        u = r2.uniform(0,1,1)[0]  
        xi = cdf_inv_fr(u,gamma)  
        x[t] = xi  
        t = t+1  
    return x
```

ARMAX Process

An ARMAX process is based on an i.i.d. sequence of innovations $\{Z_i\}_{i \geq 1}$, with degree of freedom H , and is defined through the following relation:

$$X_i = \beta \max(X_{i-1}, Z_i), \quad i \geq 1, \quad 0 < \beta < 1.$$

ARMAX sequence has a stationary distribution F , it depends on the d.f. H of the i.i.d. sequence $\{Z_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ through the relation:

$$F(x)/F(x/\beta) = H(x/\beta)$$

If we consider Fréchet innovations, such that $H(x) = \Phi_\gamma^{\beta^{-1/\gamma}-1}(x)$, we then get $F(x) = \Phi_\gamma(x)$, and

$$\theta = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{P(X_i > x, X_{i+1} \leq x)}{P(X_i > x)} = 1 - \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - F(x/\beta)}{1 - F(x)} = 1 - \beta^{1/\gamma}.$$

For the particular case $\gamma = 1$, considered later on for illustration, we thus get $\theta = 1 - \beta$.

ARMAX Process

Let us consider the ARMAX model. As said before, the use of the stationarity equation in which enables us to write:

$$F(x) = \exp(-x^{-1/\gamma}) \iff H(x) = \frac{F(\beta x)}{F(x)} = \exp(-x^{-1/\gamma}(\beta^{-1/\gamma} - 1)).$$

Then,

$$F(u) = 1 - \tau/n \iff u = [-\ln(1 - \tau/n)]^{-\gamma}.$$

Consequently, $F(u/\beta) = (1 - \tau/n)^{\beta^{1/\gamma}}$, $H(u) = (1 - \tau/n)^{\beta^{-1/\gamma}-1}$ and

$$H(u/\beta) = (1 - \tau/n)^{1-\beta^{1/\gamma}} =: (1 - \tau/n)^\theta, \quad \theta := 1 - \beta^{1/\gamma}.$$

Generalized Jackknife Method

The main objectives of the Jackknife methodology are the following:

1. Bias and variance estimation, together with the derivation of the sampling distribution of a certain statistic, only through manipulation of the observed data x .
2. The building of estimators with bias and mean squared error smaller than those of an initial set of estimators.

Jackknife Methodology is thus a **resampling methodology**, which usually gives a positive answer to the question whether the combination of information can improve the quality of estimators of a certain parameter or functional.

Generalized Jackknife Method

According to the Generalized Jackknife methodology, we need to have access to three estimators of θ , $T_n^{(1)}$, $T_n^{(2)}$, $T_n^{(3)}$, with the same type of bias.

Defintion 3.1. Given three biased estimators of θ , $T_n^{(1)}$, $T_n^{(2)}$ and $T_n^{(3)}$, such that

$$E[T_n^{(i)} - \theta] = d_1(\theta)\varphi_1^{(i)}(n) + d_2(\theta)\varphi_2^{(i)}(n), \quad i = 1, 2, 3,$$

Generalized Jackknife statistic (of order 2) is given by the equation on the right with $||A||$ denoting, as usual, the determinant of the matrix A.

$$\longrightarrow T_n^{GJ} := \frac{\begin{vmatrix} T_n^{(1)} & T_n^{(2)} & T_n^{(3)} \\ \varphi_1^{(1)} & \varphi_1^{(2)} & \varphi_1^{(3)} \\ \varphi_2^{(1)} & \varphi_2^{(2)} & \varphi_2^{(3)} \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \varphi_1^{(1)} & \varphi_1^{(2)} & \varphi_1^{(3)} \\ \varphi_2^{(1)} & \varphi_2^{(2)} & \varphi_2^{(3)} \end{vmatrix}},$$

Generalized Jackknife Method

The class of estimators are found by the equation below:

- The choice of δ equal to 0.25
- δ is regarded as a tuning parameter

$$\hat{\theta}_n^{GJ(\delta)}(k) := \frac{(\delta^2 + 1)\hat{\theta}_n^N([\delta k] + 1) - \delta(\hat{\theta}_n^N([\delta^2 k] + 1) + \hat{\theta}_n^N(k))}{(1 - \delta)^2}$$

Simulated Distributional Behavior of the Generalized Jackknife Extremal Index Estimator

Relative Efficiency ($REFF_0^{GJ}$) is defined defined as

$$REFF_0 \equiv REFF_0^{GJ} = \sqrt{\frac{MSE_s[\hat{\theta}_{n0}^N]}{MSE_s[\hat{\theta}_{n0}^{GJ}]}}$$

Bias reduction Indicator (BRI_0^{GJ})

$$BRI_0 \equiv BRI_0^{GJ} = \left| \frac{BIAS_s[\hat{\theta}_{n0}^N]}{BIAS_s[\hat{\theta}_{n0}^{GJ}]} \right|$$

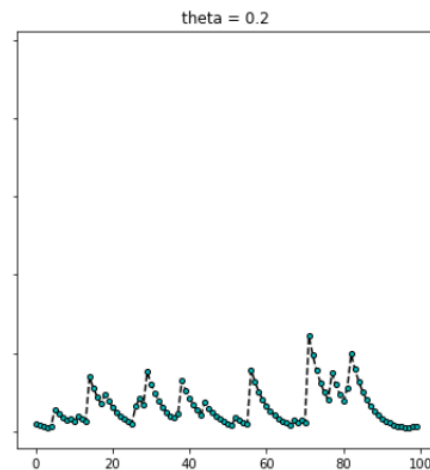
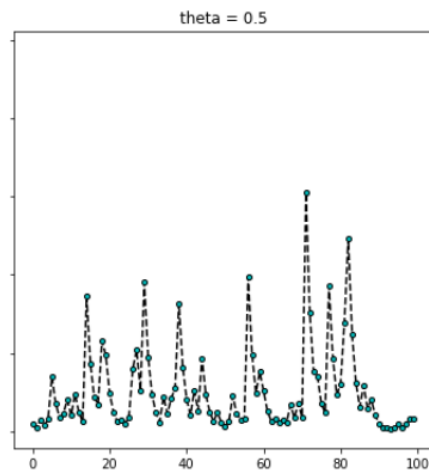
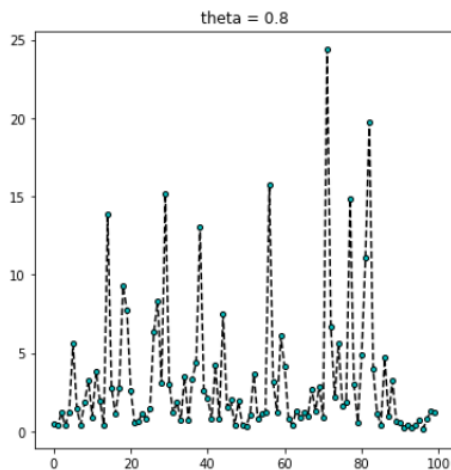
Indicator to illustrate the loss of sensitivity of the new estimators to the choice of the level k

$$STI^{GJ} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} I_{\{|E_s(\hat{\theta}_n^{GJ}(k)) - \theta| \leq 0.01\}}}{\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} I_{\{|E_s(\hat{\theta}_n^N(k)) - \theta| \leq 0.01\}}}$$

Note: Higher the indicators, the better the GJ estimator.

Fig 1: The Armax Simulation

Fig 1: Sample Paths of the stationary Frechet (gamma = 1) ARMAX processes



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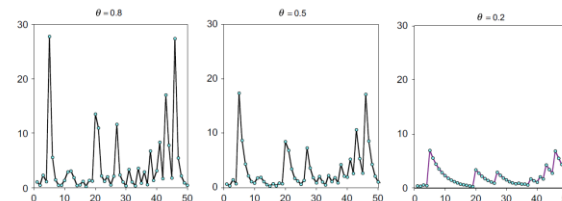
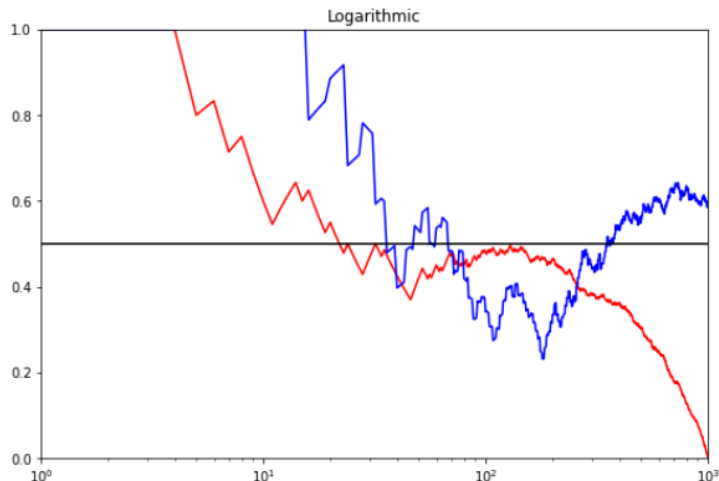
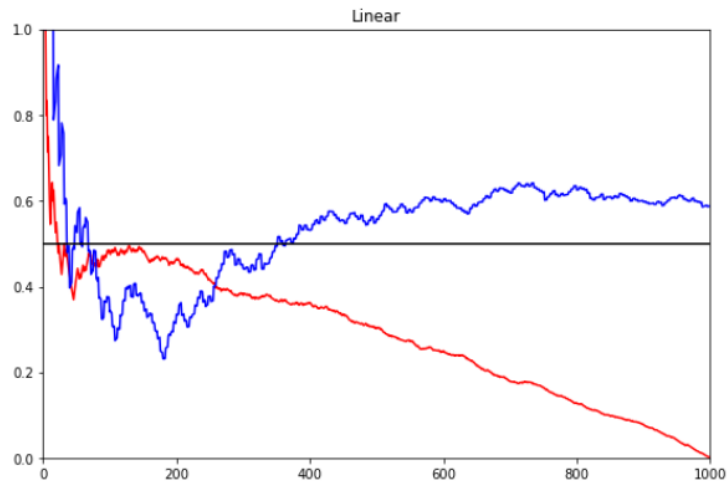


Fig 2: Sample path of extremal index estimator

Fig 2: Sample path for the extremal index estimator as function of k from ARMAX Frechet(1) with $\theta = 0.5$



--- θ_{GJ}
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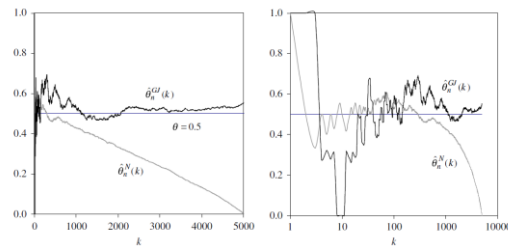
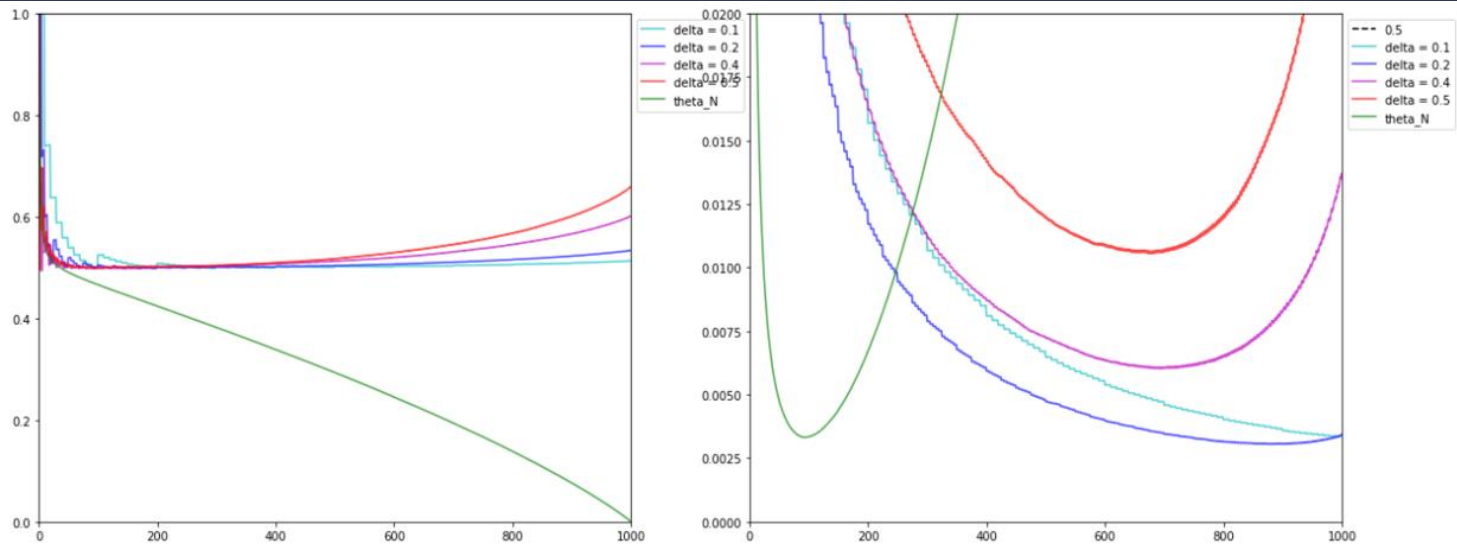


Fig 3: Variation with delta, Fréchet(1) theta = 0.5



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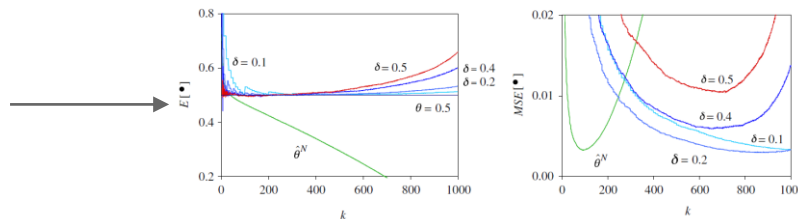
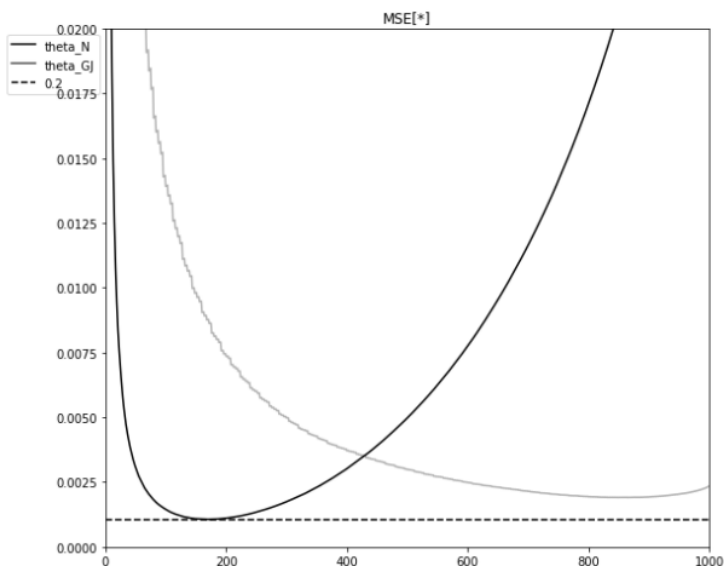
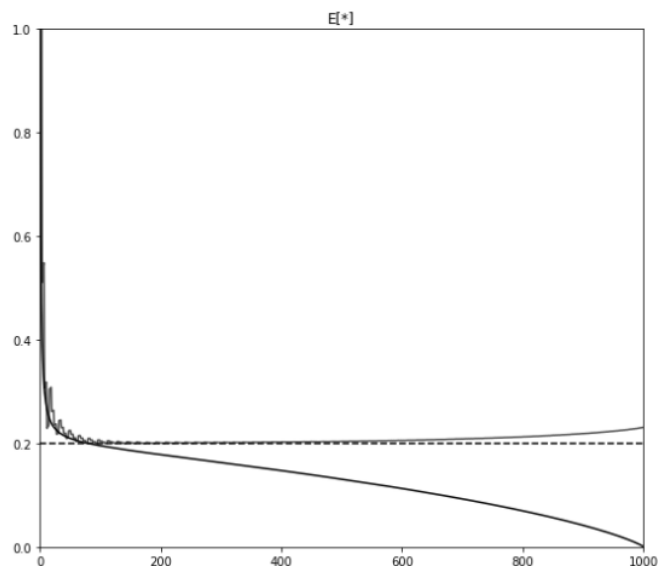


Fig 4: Mean and MSE, Fréchet(1) $\theta = 0.2$

Figure 4: $E[*]$ and $MSE[*]$ for a Fretchet sequence ($\gamma = 1$) and $\theta = 0.2$



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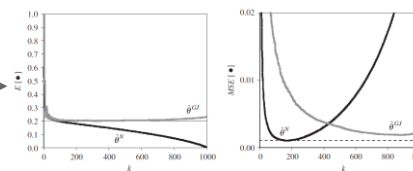
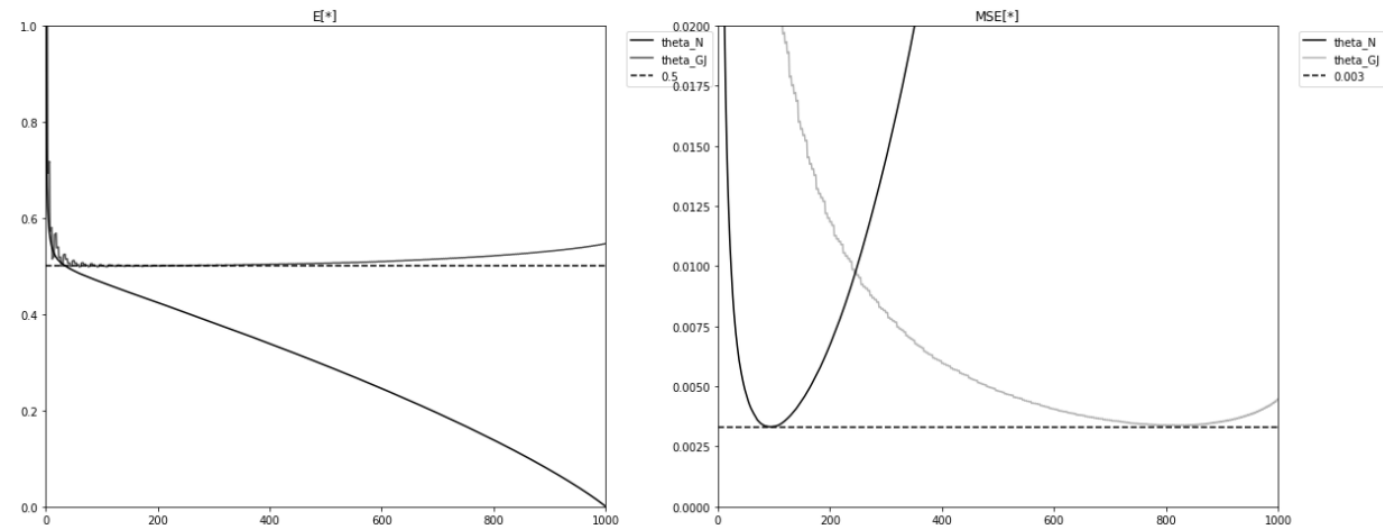


Fig 5: Mean and MSE, Fréchet(1) $\theta = 0.5$

Figure 5: $E[•]$ and $MSE[•]$ for a Fretchet sequence ($\gamma = 1$) and $\theta = 0.5$



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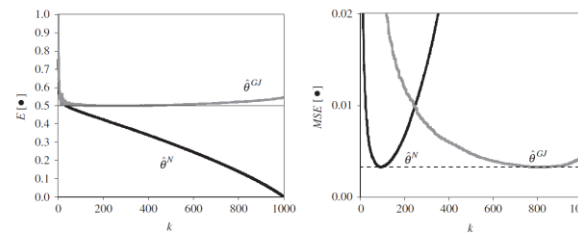
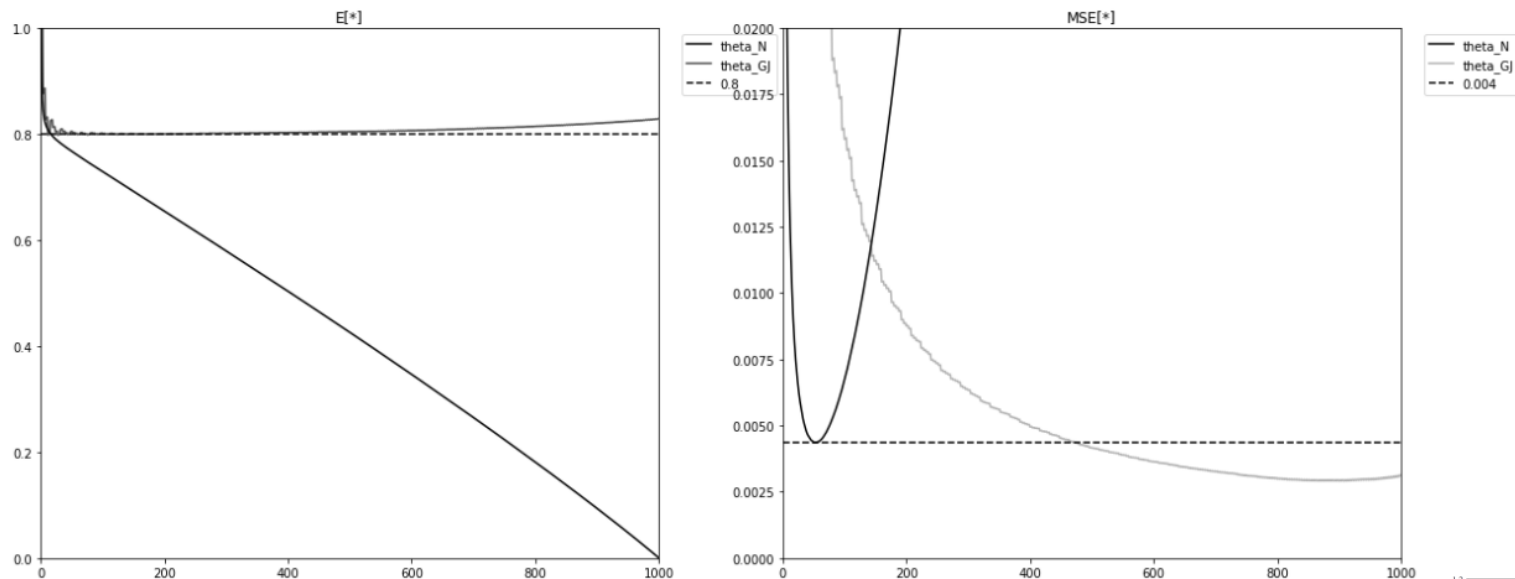


Fig 6: Mean and MSE, Fréchet(1) $\theta = 0.8$

Figure 6: $E[*]$ and $MSE[*]$ for a Fretchet sequence ($\gamma = 1$) and $\theta = 0.8$



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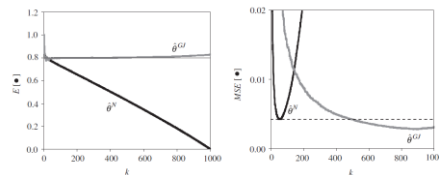


Table 1: Simulated values ($\theta = 0.2$)

	N = 100	N = 200	N = 500	N = 1000	N = 2000
k/n	0.3600	0.2800	0.2180	0.1720	0.1365
k_gj/n	0.9700	0.9850	0.9300	0.8690	0.8085
E_n	0.1698	0.1761	0.1787	0.1825	0.1858
E_GJ	0.2227	0.2247	0.2205	0.2164	0.2127
MSE_n	0.0038	0.0026	0.0016	0.0011	0.0007
MSE_GJ	0.0136	0.0074	0.0034	0.0019	0.001
REFF	0.5255	0.5919	0.6786	0.7425	0.822
BRI	1.3324	0.9698	1.0419	1.0686	1.1132
STI	3.1429	7.4286	8.4474	8.6418	9.0440

Table 1: Simulated values ($\theta = 0.5$)

	N = 100	N = 200	N = 500	N = 1000	N = 2000
k/n	0.2100	0.1600	0.1220	0.0950	0.0780
k_gj/n	0.9700	0.9650	0.8980	0.8170	0.7445
E_n	0.4419	0.4530	0.4609	0.4683	0.4737
E_GJ	0.5310	0.5348	0.5296	0.5224	0.5176
MSE_n	0.0130	0.0087	0.0051	0.0034	0.0021
MSE_GJ	0.0232	0.0129	0.0060	0.0034	0.0019
REFF	0.7476	0.8217	0.9207	0.9956	1.0599
BRI	1.8731	1.3531	1.3203	1.4162	1.4959
STI	20.00	20.00	20.9231	22.76	21.6481

Table 1: Simulated values ($\theta = 0.8$)

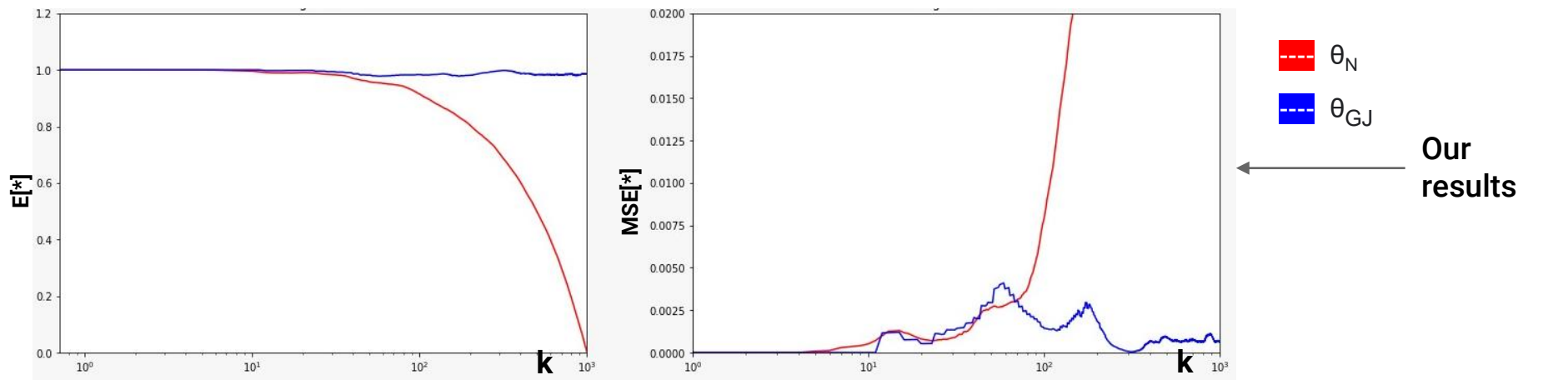
	N = 100	N = 200	N = 500	N = 1000	N = 2000
k/n	0.1200	0.0950	0.0660	0.0530	0.0430
k_gj/n	0.9700	0.9850	0.9700	0.9050	0.8105
E_n	0.7344	0.7443	0.7592	0.7654	0.7718
E_GJ	0.8129	0.8203	0.8228	0.8199	0.8148
MSE_n	0.0195	0.0123	0.0068	0.0043	0.0027
MSE_GJ	0.0227	0.0119	0.0053	0.0029	0.0016
REFF	0.9256	1.0175	1.1379	1.2155	1.3037
BRI	5.0710	2.7433	1.7870	1.7364	1.9117
STI	66.0000	46.6667	50.0000	52.6923	49.1429

Table 2: Asymptotic and simulated optimal sample fractions for Nandagopalan's estimator

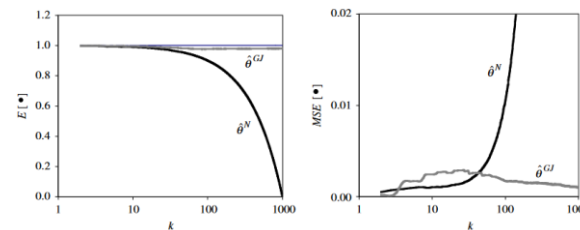
n	Theta = 0.2	Theta = 0.2	Theta = 0.5	Theta = 0.5	Theta = 0.8	Theta = 0.8
	k_ass/n	k/n	k_ass/n	k/n	k_ass/n	k/n
100	0.3816	0.3600	0.2071	0.2100	0.1156	0.1200
200	0.3029	0.2800	0.1644	0.1600	0.0917	0.0950
500	0.2231	0.2180	0.1211	0.1220	0.0676	0.0660
1000	0.1771	0.1730	0.0961	0.0950	0.0536	0.0530
2000	0.1406	0.1365	0.0763	0.0780	0.0426	0.0430

$$k_{0n}^N \sim \left\{ \frac{2(1-\theta)n^2}{\theta(1+\theta)^2} \right\}^{1/3} =: k_{\text{ass}}^N,$$

Fig 7: Simulation from Fréchet(1) i.i.d. framework



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Autoregressive Process of Order 1 (AR~1)

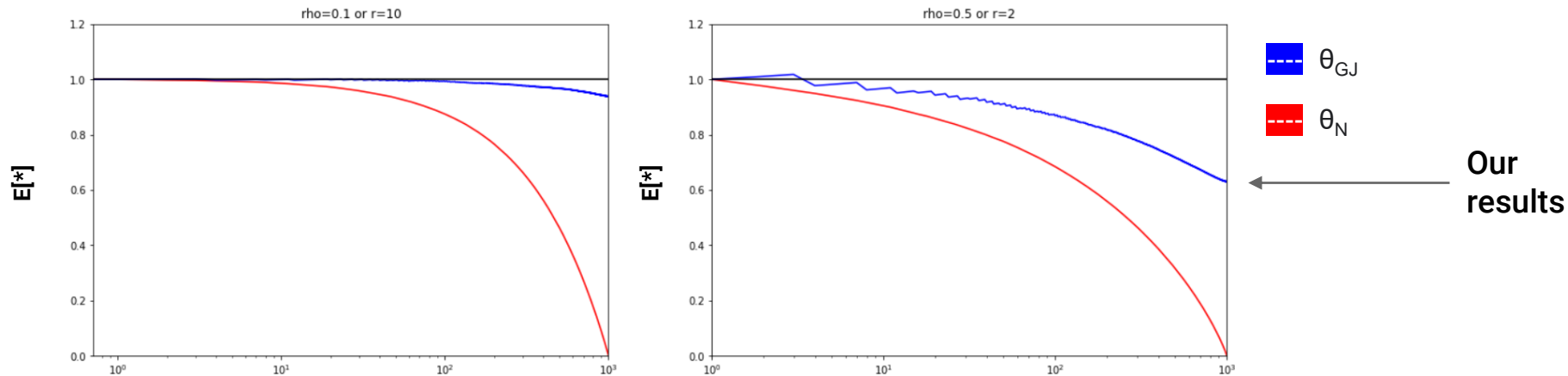
We have simulated for sample size $n = 1000$, the class of exponential autoregressive processes of order 1 with $\{\varepsilon_j\}_{j \geq 1}$ standard exponential random variables. For this type of sequences we have $\theta = 1$ and D'' satisfied.

$$X_j = \rho X_{j-1} + \varepsilon_j, \quad j \geq 1, \quad X_0 \sim \text{Exponential}(1),$$

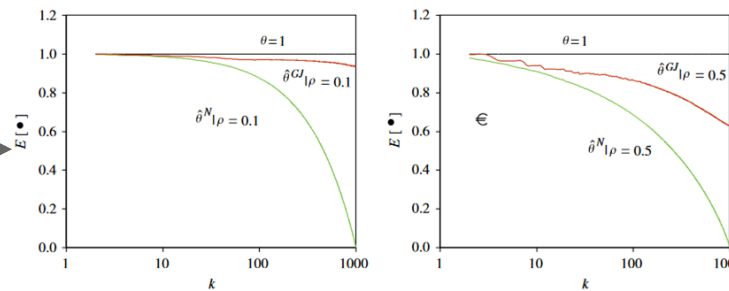
In next slide, we present the simulated mean values of the **extremal index estimators** on a logarithmic scale, for the **autoregressive processes** in the equation above, with $\theta = 0.1$ and 0.5 .

Fig 8: AR(1) Process

Fig 8: Simulated mean values of the extremal index estimators under study on a logarithmic scale, for samples of size=1000 from the AR processes in (20), with $\rho=0.1$ (left) and $\rho=0.5$ (right).



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Autoregressive Process (AR_r)

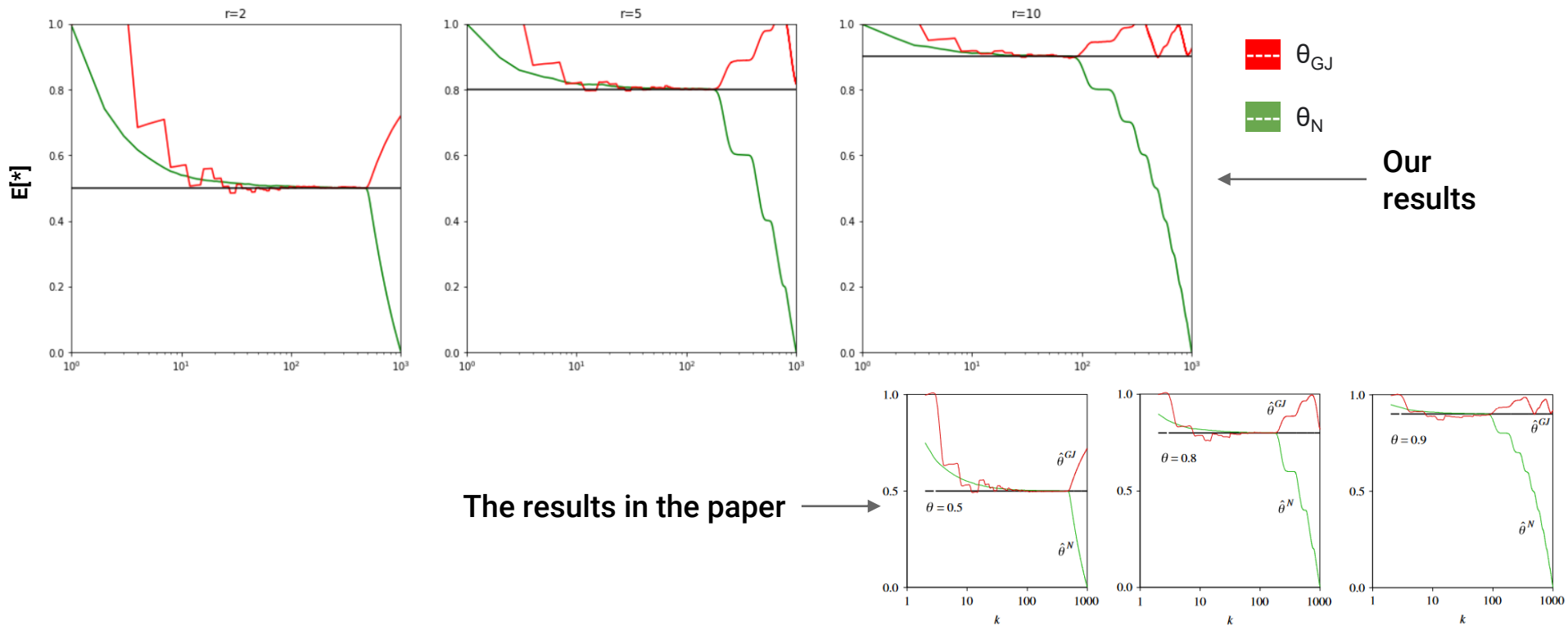
For a fixed $r \geq 1$, and a sequence of i.i.d. Random variables $\{\varepsilon_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ such that $P(\varepsilon_1 = k/r) = 1/r$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$. We consider the process below:

$$X_j := \frac{1}{r}X_{j-1} + \varepsilon_j, \quad j \geq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad X_0 \sim \text{Uniform}(0, 1).$$

In next slide, we present the simulated mean values of the extremal index estimators on a logarithmic scale, for samples of size $n = 1000$ from the $AR_r(1)$ processes in the equation above with $r = 2, 5$ and 10 .

Fig 9 AR_r(1)

Fig. 9. Simulated mean values of the extremal index estimators under study in a lnk-scale, for samples of size $n=1000$ from the AR(1) processes in (21), with $r=2$ (left), $r=5$ (center) and $r=10$ (right)



Subsampling

Subsampling may thus improve the performance of an estimator, through the consideration of averages, which often enable a decrease in variance, and consequently in mean squared error.

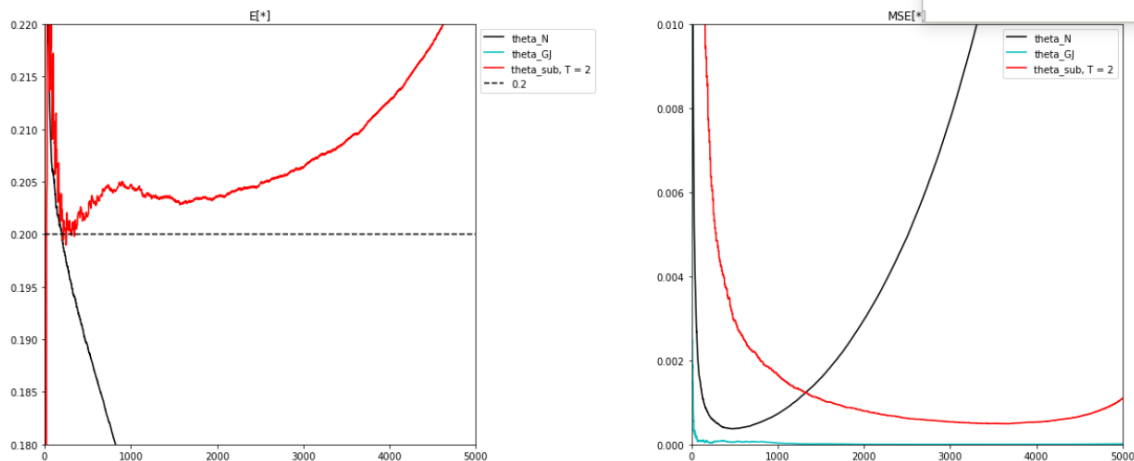
The following sub-sampling algorithm has been used in the paper:

- fix T (possibly $T = 2$), and compute $r = \lceil n/T \rceil$;
- consider the T subsamples of size r , $\mathbf{V}_i = (X_i, X_{T+i}, \dots, X_{(r-1)T+i})$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, T$, and compute the estimates $\hat{\theta}_{\mathbf{V}_i}^{GJ}(j)$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, r-1$, with $\hat{\theta}_{\mathbf{V}}^{GJ}$, the estimator in (16) with $\delta = \frac{1}{4}$, applied to the subsample under consideration;
- compute $\hat{\theta}_{\text{sub}|T}^{GJ}((j-1)T+1) = 1 - \frac{1}{T} \sum_{i=1}^T (1 - \hat{\theta}_{\mathbf{V}_i}^{GJ}(j))^{1/T}$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, r-1$. Next, fill the gaps, considering that, for any value $k \in ((j-1)T+1, jT]$, $\hat{\theta}_{\text{sub}|T}^{GJ}(k) = \hat{\theta}_{\text{sub}|T}^{GJ}((j-1)T+1)$.

If $\theta \leq 0.2$, we are able to overpass the original estimator at optimal levels, when we consider the Generalized Jackknife statistic in with $\delta=1/4$, together with the use of subsampling techniques with $T= 2, 3$ and 4 . A graph with representation along with the table has been computed for the same.

Fig 10: Effect of subsampling, Fréchet(1) theta 0.5

Figure 10: Effect of subsampling in $E[\cdot]$ and $MSE[\cdot]$ for a Fréchet sequence (gamma = 1) and theta = 0.2 with subsampling



Our results

The results in the paper

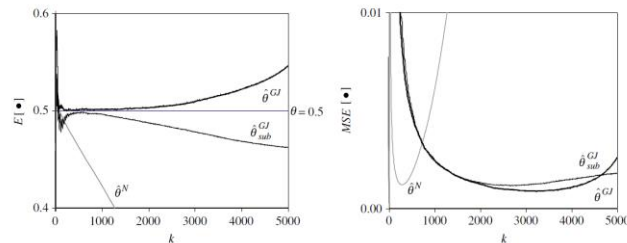
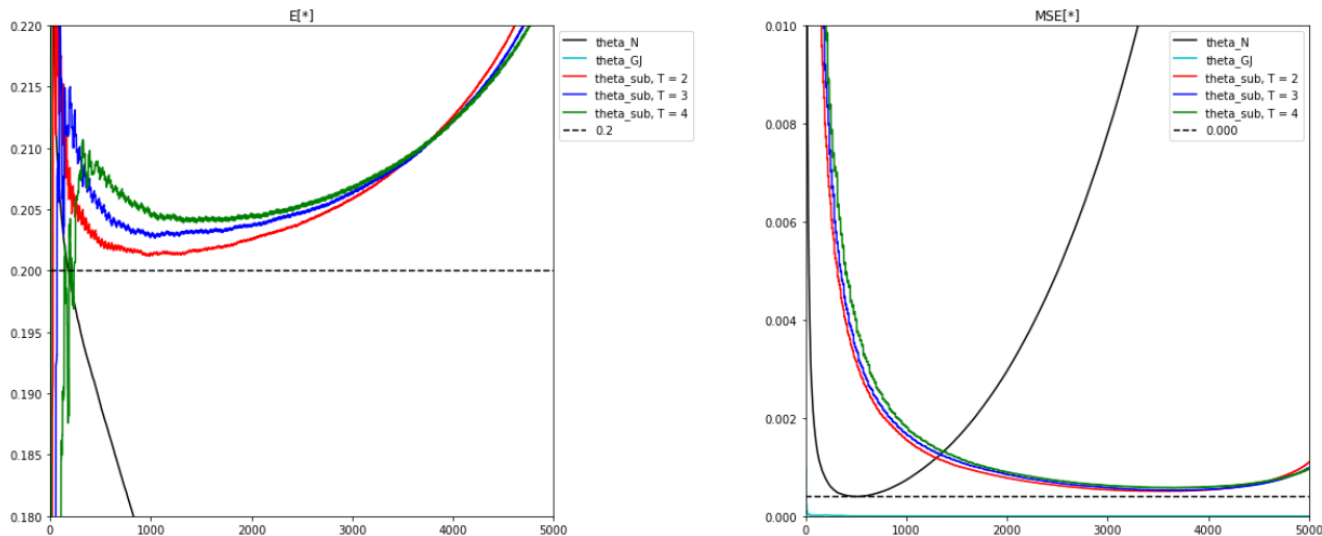


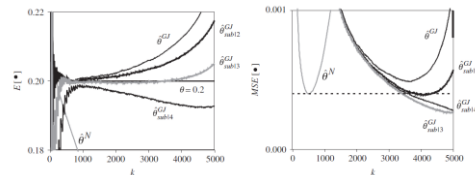
Fig 11: Effect of subsampling, Fréchet(1) theta 0.2

Figure 11: $E[*]$ and $MSE[*]$ for a Fréchet sequence (gamma = 1) and theta = 0.2 with subsampling



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	N = 1000	N = 2000
REFF, no subsample	0.7428	0.8220
REFF, T = 2	0.7348	0.8089
REFF, T = 3	0.7031	0.7729
REFF, T = 4	0.6437	0.7263
BRI, no subsample	1.1668	1.1132
BRI, T = 2	1.0539	1.1589
BRI, T = 3	1.0313	1.1105
BRI, T = 4	0.9122	1.0140
STI, no subsample	8.6418	9.0440
STI, T = 2	7.6667	8.6026
STI, T = 3	6.8462	7.9108
STI, T = 4	3.8462	7.8500

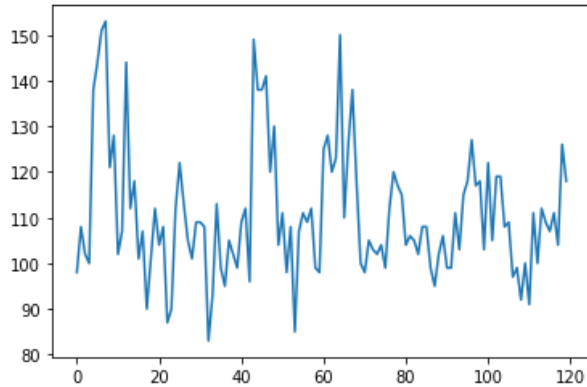
Table 3: REFF, BRI and STI for estimators, $\theta = 0.2$

Conclusion

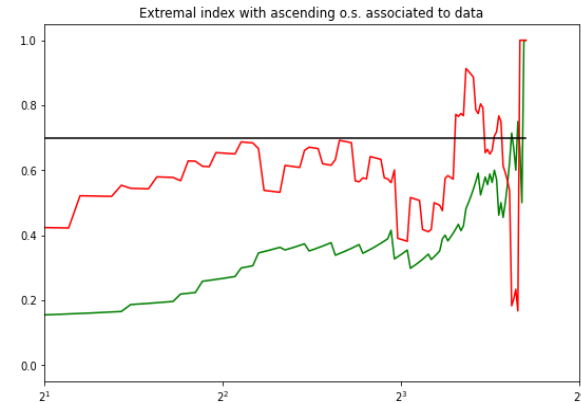
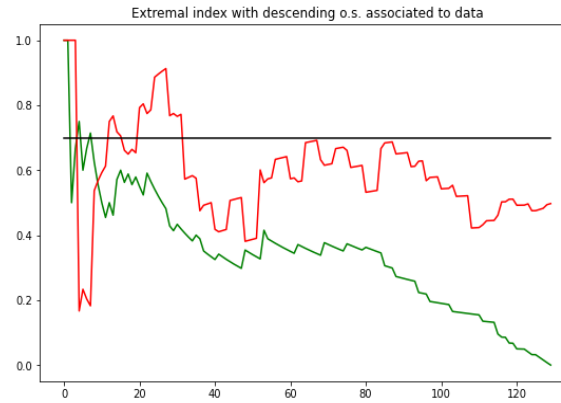
1. Two most attractive features of the proposed Generalized Jackknife estimator of the extremal index are:
 - Stable sample path (for a wide region of k -values), close to the target value
 - Wide “bathtub” patterns of their $MSE(k)$ functions, which make less relevant the choice of the optimal sample fraction k_0/n
1. Regarding MSE, the initial GJ estimator does not overpass the original estimator, when both estimators are considered at their optimal levels (θ is small)
2. For the estimator with $\delta = 1/4$ or its subsampling variants with a moderate value of T , both the BRI and the STI indicators are greater than 1 for all simulated models and sample sizes
3. The above insensitivity of the mean value (and sample path) to changes in k is indeed a new feature of extremal index estimators

Ozone Case Study

- Performance of the estimators has been examined for $n = 120$ weekly maxima of hourly averages of ozone concentrations measured in parts per million



Data used



Result: θ converges to 0.7 for GJ estimator

--- θ_n

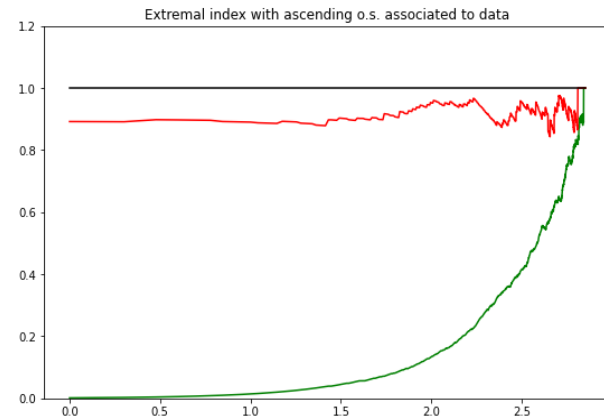
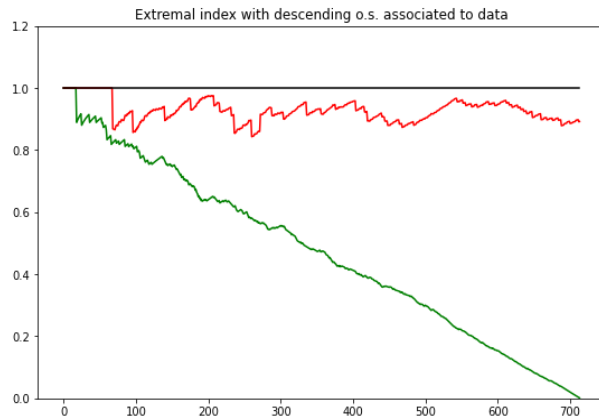
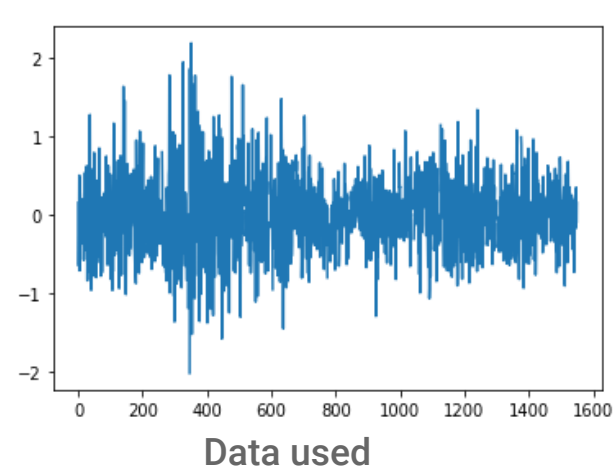
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Ozone Case Study: Conclusions

1. Higher stability of the GJ estimates, around a value close to 0.7, is clear
2. Stability appears only for reasonably large values of k , whereas for the classical estimates, the sample path exhibits a very small region of stability around the value $= 0.7$ (for small values of k)
3. The estimates seem to work in a way similar to the one achieved for data under conditions D and D''
4. Provide heuristic support for the validity of the above-mentioned conditions

Financial Log returns Case study

Performance of the above mentioned estimators in the analysis of the Euro–UK pound daily exchange rates from January 4, 1999, until December 14, 2004.



Result: θ converges to 1 for GJ estimator

--- θ_n

--- θ_{GJ}

Financial Log Returns: Conclusions

1. Higher stability of the Generalized Jackknife estimates, around a value close to 1, is clear
2. The stability appears both for small and large values of k
3. The value of extremal index ($=1$) could be interpreted as efficiency of the financial market under study and would enable us to deal with the sample of log-returns as approximately i.i.d.
4. However, essentially because of their varying volatility, financial time series are very unlikely to satisfy condition D
5. Thus, a derived estimate $=1$ can be a consequence of assuming D instead of a genuine feature of the process, as we expect an overestimation of θ in case condition D'' does not hold

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