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**Declustering parameter selection for semiparametric maxima estimators of the extremal  
index**

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# 1 Introduction

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a strictly stationary sequence of random variables (r.v.s) with cumulative distribution function (cdf)  $F(x)$ . According to Leadbetter et al. (1983) we say that such sequence has the extremal index  $\theta \in (0, 1]$  if for each  $0 < \tau < \infty$  there exists a sequence of real numbers  $u_n = u_n(\tau)$  such that it holds

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(1 - F(u_n)) = \tau, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(M_{1,n} < u_n) = e^{-\tau\theta}, \quad (1)$$

where  $M_{i,j} = \max\{X_{i+1}, X_{i+2}, \dots, X_j\}$ ,  $M_{1,1} = -\infty$ . Denote tail function as  $\bar{F}(x) = 1 - F(x)$ . Now and further we assume that  $F(x)$  and, therefore,  $\bar{F}(x)$  are continuous.

Define a cluster as the number of consecutive observations exceeding the threshold  $u$  between two consecutive non-exceedances. Ferro and Segers (2003) considered a random variable  $T(u)$ , equal in distribution to  $\min\{j \geq 1 : X_{j+1} > u\}$  given  $X_1 > u$ .

**Definition 1.1.** (Ferro and Segers (2003)) For real  $u$  and integers  $1 \leq k \leq l$ , let  $\mathcal{F}_{k,l}(u)$  be the  $\sigma$ -field generated by events  $\{X_i > u\}$ ,  $k \leq i \leq l$ . Define the mixing coefficients  $\alpha_{n,q}(u)$ ,

$$\alpha_{n,q}(u) = \max_{1 \leq k \leq n-q} \sup |P(B|A) - P(B)|,$$

where supremum is taken over all  $A \in \mathcal{F}_{1,l}(u)$  with  $P(A) > 0$  and  $B \in \mathcal{F}_{k+q,n}(u)$  and  $k, q$  are positive integers.

**Theorem 1.1.** (Ferro and Segers (2003)) Let  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a stationary process of r.v.s with tail function  $\bar{F}(x)$ . Let the positive integers  $\{r_n\}$  and the thresholds  $\{u_n\}$ ,  $n \geq 1$  be such that  $r_n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $r_n \bar{F}(u_n) \rightarrow \tau$  and  $P\{M_{r_n} \leq u_n\} \rightarrow \exp(-\theta\tau)$  holds as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for some  $\tau \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\theta \in (0, 1]$ . If there are positive integers  $q_n = o(r_n)$  such that  $\alpha_{cr_n, q_n}(u_n) = o(1)$  for any  $c > 0$ , then we get for  $t > 0$

$$P\{\bar{F}(u_n)T(u_n) > t\} \rightarrow \theta \exp(-\theta t).$$

For sample  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  from strictly stationary sequence  $\{X_i\}$  let  $N = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{I}(X_i > u)$  be the number of exceedances over  $u$  and  $1 \leq S_i \leq n$  be the times of such exceedances. Denoting  $T_i = S_{i+1} - S_i$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, L$  where  $L = N - 1$  and using Theorem 1.1 one can get the intervals estimator of the extremal index

$$\hat{\theta}_n(u) = \begin{cases} \min(1, \hat{\theta}_n^1(u)), & \text{if } \max\{T_i : 1 \leq i \leq L\} \leq 2, \\ \min(1, \hat{\theta}_n^2(u)), & \text{if } \max\{T_i : 1 \leq i \leq L\} > 2, \end{cases}$$

where

$$\hat{\theta}_n^1(u) = \frac{2(\sum_{i=1}^L T_i)^2}{L \sum_{i=1}^L T_i^2}, \quad \hat{\theta}_n^2(u) = \frac{2(\sum_{i=1}^L (T_i - 1))^2}{L \sum_{i=1}^L (T_i - 1)(T_i - 2)}.$$

Next we denote intervals estimator as  $\hat{\theta}_0$ .

## 2 Estimators and the discrepancy method

### 2.1 The discrepancy method and threshold selection for extremal index estimation

All known methods of extremal index estimation depends on some parameters such as threshold and/or declustering parameter. Markovich (2015) suggested a way to optimize this selection using the discrepancy method. In general, discrepancy methods are based on nonparametric statistics like Kolmogorov-Smirnov  $D_n$  and Cramer-von Mises-Smirnov  $\omega_n^2$ .

Suppose we have a sample of r.v.s with cdf  $F(x)$ , which belongs to some parametric family of distributions with parameter  $h$ . We are looking for the best choice of  $h$ . The idea of the method is to solve the discrepancy equation

$$\rho(\hat{F}_h, F_n) = \delta$$

regarding  $h$ , where  $\rho(\cdot, \cdot)$  is some metric on the space of density functions,  $F_n$  is the empirical cdf and  $\delta = \rho(F, F_n)$  is some value. Taking Cramer-von-Mises-Smirnov (C-M-S) statistic as  $\rho(F, F_n)$  we get

$$\omega_n^2(h) = n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (F_n(x) - \hat{F}_h(x))^2 d\hat{F}_h(x).$$

Regarding practical applications Markovich (1989) propose to select the parameter  $h$  as a solution of the equation

$$\hat{\omega}_n^2(h) = 0.05,$$

where

$$\hat{\omega}_n^2(h) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \hat{F}_h(X_{i,n}) - \frac{i - 0.5}{n} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{12n} \quad (2)$$

was calculated by the order statistics  $X_{1,n} \leq \dots \leq X_{n,n}$  corresponding to the sample  $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^n$ , and the value 0.05 corresponding to the mode of limit distribution of the C-M-S statistic  $A_1$ . A similar idea was explored in Markovich (2015) to estimate the extremal index.

From Theorem 1.1 we know that the cdf of  $Y_i = (N_u/n)T_i$  is asymptotically equal to  $G_\theta(t) = 1 - \theta \exp(-\theta t)$  for some  $\theta \in (0, 1]$ . So, taking  $G_{\hat{\theta}}(Y_{i,L})$  instead of  $F_h(X_{i,n})$  where  $\hat{\theta}(u)$  is some estimator of  $\theta$  and using only  $k$  largest inter-exceedance times we can rewrite (2) as

$$\omega_L^2(\hat{\theta}(u)) = \sum_{i=L-k+1}^L \left( \hat{G}_{\hat{\theta}}(Y_{i,L}) - \frac{i - 0.5}{L} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{12L} = \delta. \quad (3)$$

The selection of  $k$  and  $\delta$  remains a problem. To overcome it, Markovich and Rodionov (2020) suggested a specific normalization of the discrepancy statistic  $\omega_L^2(\hat{\theta}(u))$  in (3) such that its limit distribution coincides with the limit distribution  $A_1$  of C-M-S statistic. Then its quantiles can be used as  $\delta$ . They introduced the statistic

$$\tilde{\omega}_L^2(\hat{\theta}(u)) = \sum_{i=L-k+1}^{k-1} \left( 1 - \frac{\hat{\theta} \exp(-Y_{L-i,L} \hat{\theta})}{1 - \hat{t}_k} - \frac{k - i - 0.5}{k} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{12k}, \quad (4)$$

where  $\hat{t}_k = 1 - \hat{\theta} \exp(-Y_{L-k,L}\hat{\theta})$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** (Theorem 3.3, Markovich and Rodionov (2020)) Let the conditions of Theorem 1.1 and the condition (9) in Markovich and Rodionov (2020) be fulfilled and the estimator of extremal index  $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}_n$  be such that

$$\sqrt{m_n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} \zeta, \quad n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where the r.v.  $\zeta$  has a nondegenerate distribution function  $H$ . Let us assume that the sequence  $m_n$  is such that

$$\frac{k}{m_n} = o(1) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{(\ln L)^2}{m_n} = o(1),$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then

$$\tilde{w}_L^2(\hat{\theta}) \xrightarrow{d} \xi \sim A_1$$

holds, where  $A_1$  is the limit distribution function of the C-M-S statistic.

## 2.2 Declustering parameter selection for semiparametric maxima estimators of $\theta$

The first of semiparametric maxima estimators was suggested by Northrop (2015) and then some modification of them was considered in Berghaus, Bücher (2018). We are interested in both versions.

For  $x \in (0, 1)$  define sequences  $u_n$  and  $u'_n$  such that  $u_n = F^{\leftarrow}(1 - x/n)$  and  $u'_n = F^{\leftarrow}(e^{-x/n})$ , where  $F^{\leftarrow}(x)$  is the generalized inverse for  $F(x)$ . Then  $n\bar{F}(u_n) = x$  and  $n\bar{F}(u'_n) = n(1 - e^{-x/n}) \rightarrow x$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Also let  $R_{1,n} = -n \log(F(M_{1,n}))$  and  $Q_{1,n} = n(1 - F(M_{1,n}))$ . We get by (1)

$$\begin{aligned} P\{Q_{1,n} \geq x\} &= P\{n(1 - F(M_{1,n})) \geq n(1 - F(u_n))\} = P\{M_{1,n} \leq u_n\} \rightarrow e^{-\theta x}, \\ P\{R_{1,n} \geq x\} &\sim P\{-n \log(F(M_{1,n})) \geq -n \log(F(u_n))\} = P\{M_{1,n} \leq u_n\} \rightarrow e^{-\theta x}, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

We just showed that  $Q_{1,n}$  and  $R_{1,n}$  both asymptotically follow an exponential distribution with parameter  $\theta$ .

Divide  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  into  $r_n$  blocks of length  $b_n$  (we can omit last block if it has less than  $b_n$  observations). We can use two approaches: disjoint blocks ( $r_n = \lfloor n/b_n \rfloor$ ) or sliding blocks ( $r_n = n - b_n + 1$ ). For block  $B_i = \{X_{(i-1)b_n+1}, \dots, X_{ib_n}\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r_n$  define  $R_{i,n}$  and  $Q_{i,n}$  similarly to  $R_{1,n}$  and  $Q_{1,n}$  with  $u_n$  replaced with  $u(b_n)$  and  $u'_n$  replaced with  $u'(b_n)$ . If  $b_n$  is sufficiently large, then, according to (4),  $R_{1,n}, \dots, R_{r_n,n}$  and  $Q_{1,n}, \dots, Q_{r_n,n}$  have approximately the exponential distribution with mean  $1/\theta$ . Consider the maximum likelihood estimators

$$\tilde{\theta}_n^N = \left( \frac{1}{r_n} \sum_{i=1}^{r_n} R_{i,n} \right)^{-1}, \quad \tilde{\theta}_n^B = \left( \frac{1}{r_n} \sum_{i=1}^{r_n} Q_{i,n} \right)^{-1}.$$

Usually we do not know the cdf of  $\{X_i\}$  and thus we need to estimate  $F(x)$  and, therefore,  $R_{i,n}$  and  $Q_{i,n}$ . For  $y \in B_i$  Northrop (2015) used the empirical cdf based on  $X_k \notin B_i$

$$\hat{F}_i(y) = \frac{1}{n - b_n + 1} \sum_{X_k \notin B_i} \mathbb{1}(X_k \leq y).$$

Taking  $\hat{R}_{i,n} = -n \log(\hat{F}_i(M_{(i-1)b_n, ib_n}))$  and  $\hat{Q}_{i,n} = n(1 - \hat{F}_i(M_{(i-1)b_n, ib_n}))$ , we finally get

$$\hat{\theta}_n^N = \left( \frac{1}{r_n} \sum_{i=1}^{r_n} \hat{R}_{i,n} \right)^{-1}, \quad \hat{\theta}_n^B = \left( \frac{1}{r_n} \sum_{i=1}^{r_n} \hat{Q}_{i,n} \right)^{-1}.$$

These estimators are asymptotically equivalent, consistent and asymptotically normal for both sliding and disjoint blocks approaches (see theorem 3.1, theorem 3.2 in Berghaus, Bücher (2018)), with  $\sigma_{dj}^2 - \sigma_{sl}^2 = \theta^2(3 - 4 \ln 2)$ , where  $\sigma_{dj}^2$  and  $\sigma_{sl}^2$  are asymptotic variances.

Semiparametric maxima estimators highly depend on parameter  $b_n$ . We can use the discrepancy method for selection of  $b_n$ . The first way is use  $\hat{\theta}_n^N$  or  $\hat{\theta}_n^B$  instead of  $\hat{\theta}$  with  $b = b(u)$  in (4) and solve discrepancy equation regarding to  $u$  and then get the value of  $b$ .

The second way is described below. We showed that  $R_{i,n}$  and  $Q_{i,n}$  both have approximately the exponential distribution with mean  $1/\theta$ . Then, replacing  $G_{\hat{\theta}}(t)$  with  $\hat{F}_{\hat{\theta}}(t) = 1 - \exp(-\hat{\theta}t)$  and  $Y_{i,L}$  with  $\hat{R}_{ni}$  or  $\hat{Q}_{ni}$  in (4) we get

$$\tilde{\omega}_N^2(\hat{\theta}(b)) = \sum_{i=1}^{r_n} \left( \hat{F}_{\hat{\theta}}(R_{i,n}) - \frac{i - 0.5}{r_n} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{12r_n}, \quad (6)$$

$$\tilde{\omega}_B^2(\hat{\theta}(b)) = \sum_{i=1}^{r_n} \left( \hat{F}_{\hat{\theta}}(Q_{i,n}) - \frac{i - 0.5}{r_n} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{12r_n}. \quad (7)$$

Then we can choose  $b_n$  as solution of the discrepancy equation

$$\tilde{\omega}_N^2 = \delta, \quad \tilde{\omega}_B^2 = \delta, \quad (8)$$

where  $\delta$  is some quantile of  $A_1$  distribution.

**Remark 2.1.** *The limit distributions of  $\tilde{\omega}_N^2$  and  $\tilde{\omega}_B^2$  are unknown. Its quantiles can be used as  $\delta$  in (8) for better accuracy.*

### 3 Simulation study

In this section, we simulated some processes with known values of  $\theta$  and calculated the interval and semiparametric maxima estimators for them using the discrepancy method for the selection of threshold  $u$  for  $\hat{\theta}_0$  and  $b_n$  for  $\hat{\theta}_n^N$  and  $\hat{\theta}_n^B$ . The simulation is repeated 1000 times with the sample size of  $n = 10^5$  and  $n = 5000$  of initial measurements.

#### 3.1 Models

In this modelling were considered processes MM, ARMAX, AR(1), AR(2), MA(2) and GARCH(1,1) with known values of  $\theta$ .

The  $m$ th order MM process is  $X_t = \max_{0 \leq i \leq m} \{\alpha_i Z_{t-i}\}$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where  $\{\alpha_i\}$  are constants with  $\alpha_i \geq 0$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^m \alpha_i = 1$ , and  $Z_t$  are i.i.d standard Fréchet distributed r.v.s with cdf  $F(x) = \exp(-1/x)$ , for  $x > 0$ . The extremal index of this process is equal to  $\theta = \max\{\alpha_i\}$ , Ancona-Navarrete and Tawn (200). Values  $m = 3$  and  $\theta \in \{0.5, 0.8\}$  corresponding to  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=0}^3 = \{0.5, 0.3, 0.15, 0.05\}$  and  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=0}^3 = \{0.8, 0.1, 0.008, 0.02\}$ , respectively, are taken for our study.

The ARMAX process is determined as  $X_t = \max\{\alpha X_{t-1}, (1 - \alpha)Z_t\}$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $\{Z_t\}$  are i.i.d standard Fréchet distributed r.v.s and  $P\{X_t \leq x\} = \exp(-1/x)$  holds assuming  $X_0 = Z_0$ . The extremal index of the process was proven to be equal  $\theta = 1 - \alpha$ , Beirlant et al. (2004). We consider  $\theta \in \{0.25, 0.75\}$ .

The positively correlated AR(1) process with uniform noise (ARu+) is defined by  $X_j = (1/r)X_{j-1} + \varepsilon_j$ ,  $j \geq 1$  and  $X_0 \sim U(0, 1)$  with  $X_0$  independent of  $\{\varepsilon_j\}$ . Then  $X_j \sim U(0, 1)$  holds for all  $j \geq 1$ . For a fixed integer  $r \geq 2$  let  $\varepsilon_n$ ,  $n \geq 1$  be i.i.d. r.v.s with  $P\{\varepsilon_1 = k/r\} = 1/r$ ,  $k \in \{0, 1, \dots, r-1\}$ . The extremal index of ARu+ is  $\theta = 1 - 1/r$  (Chernick et al. (1991)).  $\theta \in \{0.5, 0.8\}$  corresponding to  $r \in \{2, 5\}$  are taken.

The negatively correlated AR(1) process with uniform noise (ARu-) is defined by  $X_j = -(1/r)X_{j-1} + \varepsilon_j$  with similarly distributed  $\{\varepsilon_j\}$  but with support  $k \in \{1, \dots, r\}$ . Its extremal index is  $\theta = 1 - 1/r^2$  (Chernick et al. (1991)). The same  $r$ 's were taken corresponding to  $\theta \in \{0.75, 0.96\}$ .

We simulate the MA(2) process (Sun and Samorodnitsky (2018))  $X_i = pZ_{i-2} + qZ_{i-1} + Z_i$ ,  $i \geq 1$ , with  $p > 0$ ,  $q < 1$ , and i.i.d. Pareto random variables  $Z_{-1}, Z_0, Z_2, \dots$  with  $P\{Z_0 > x\} = 1$  if  $x < 1$ , and  $P\{Z_0 > x\} = x^{-\alpha}$  if  $x \geq 1$ , for some  $\alpha > 0$ . The extremal index of the process is  $\theta = (1 + p^\alpha + q^\alpha)^{-1}$ . The cases  $\alpha = 2$ ,  $(p, q) = (1/\sqrt{2}, 1/\sqrt{2})$ ,  $(1/\sqrt{3}, 1/\sqrt{6})$  with corresponding  $\theta \in \{1/2, 2/3\}$  are considered.

We consider also processes studied in (Ferreira (2019); Northrop (2015); Süveges and Davison (2010)): the AR(1) process  $X_j = 0.7X_{j-1} + \varepsilon_j$ , where  $\{\varepsilon_j\}$  are standard Cauchy distributed and  $\theta = 0.3$  (ARc); the AR(2) process  $X_j = 0.95X_{j-1} - 0.89X_{j-2} + \varepsilon_j$ , where  $\{\varepsilon_j\}$  are Pareto distributed with tail index 2 and  $\theta = 0.25$ ; and the GARCH(1,1) process  $X_j = \sigma_j \varepsilon_j$  with  $\sigma_j^2 = \alpha + \lambda X_{j-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{j-1}^2$ ,  $\alpha = 10^{-6}$ ,  $\beta = 0.7$ ,  $\lambda = 0.25$ , the i.i.d. sequence of standard Gaussian r.v.s  $\{\varepsilon_j\}_{j \geq 1}$  and  $\theta = 0.447$  (see Laurini and Tawn (2012)).

### 3.2 Algorithms

For estimating we used the following algorithms.

**Algorithm 3.1. Threshold selection.** (Algorithm 4.1 from Markovich, Rodionov (2020)):

1. Using  $X^n = \{X_i\}_{i=1}^n$  and taking thresholds  $u$  corresponding to quantile levels  $q \in \{0.90, 0.905, \dots, 0.995\}$ , generate samples of the inter-exceedance times  $\{T_i(u)\}$  and the normalized r.v.s

$$\{Y_i\} = \{\overline{F}(u)T_i(u)\} = \{(N_u/n)T_i(u)\}, \quad i \in \{1, 2, \dots, L\}, \quad L = L(u),$$

where  $N_u$  is the number of exceedances over threshold  $u$ .

2. For each  $u$  select  $k = \lfloor \hat{\theta}_0 L \rfloor$  (in case  $\hat{\theta}_0 = 1$  accept  $k = L - 1$ ), where the intervals estimation was selected as a pilot estimator  $\hat{\theta}_0 = \hat{\theta}_0(u)$  with the same  $u$  as in Item 1.
3. Use the sorted sample  $Y_{L-k+1,L} \leq \dots \leq Y_{L,L}$  and find all solutions  $u_1, \dots, u_l$  among considered quantiles of the following discrepancy inequality

$$\tilde{w}_L^2(\hat{\theta}_0) \leq \delta,$$

where  $\delta = 1.49$  is the 99.98 % quantile of the C-M-S statistic.

4. For each  $u_j$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, l\}$  calculate  $\hat{\theta}(u_j)$  and find

$$\hat{\theta}^{MR} = \frac{1}{l} \sum_{i=1}^l \hat{\theta}(u_i)$$

as the resulting estimator.

**Remark 3.1.** Let  $b = \frac{1}{1-q}$ , where  $q$  is the level of quantile  $u$ . In our method we use  $\hat{\theta}_n^N$  or  $\hat{\theta}_n^B$  instead of  $\theta_0$  in the latter algorithm. The estimates  $\hat{\theta}_1^N$  and  $\hat{\theta}_1^B$  appearing in item 4, are resulting.

**Algorithm 3.2. Declustering parameter selection :**

1. Using  $X^n = \{X_i\}_{i=1}^n$  and taking  $b_1 = 2n \cdot 10^{-4}$ , and  $b_j = 5n(i-1) \cdot 10^{-4}$ , for all  $2 \leq i \leq 21$ , generate samples  $R_{i,n}(b_j)$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq r_n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq 21$  (see Fig.1 and Fig.2).
2. Use the sorted sample  $R_{(1,n)} \leq \dots \leq R_{(r_n,n)}$  and find all solutions  $b_1, \dots, b_l$  among considered declustering parameters of the following discrepancy inequality

$$\tilde{\omega}_N^2(\hat{\theta}(b_j)) \leq \delta, \tag{9}$$

where  $\delta = 1.49$  is the 99.98 % quantile of the C-M-S statistic.

3. For each  $b_j$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, l\}$  calculate  $\hat{\theta}(b_j)$  and find

$$\hat{\theta}_2^N = \frac{1}{l} \sum_{i=1}^l \hat{\theta}(b_i)$$

as the resulting estimator.

For  $\hat{\theta}^B$  the algorithm is the same.

**Remark 3.2.** Inequality (8) may not have solutions. In that case, we select  $b_0$  as

$$b_0 = \operatorname{argmin}_B \left[ \tilde{\omega}_N^2(\hat{\theta}(b_j)) \right],$$

where  $B$  is the set from Item 1 of Algorithm 3.2., and then find

$$\hat{\theta}_2^N = \hat{\theta}^N(b_0)$$

as the resulting estimator.

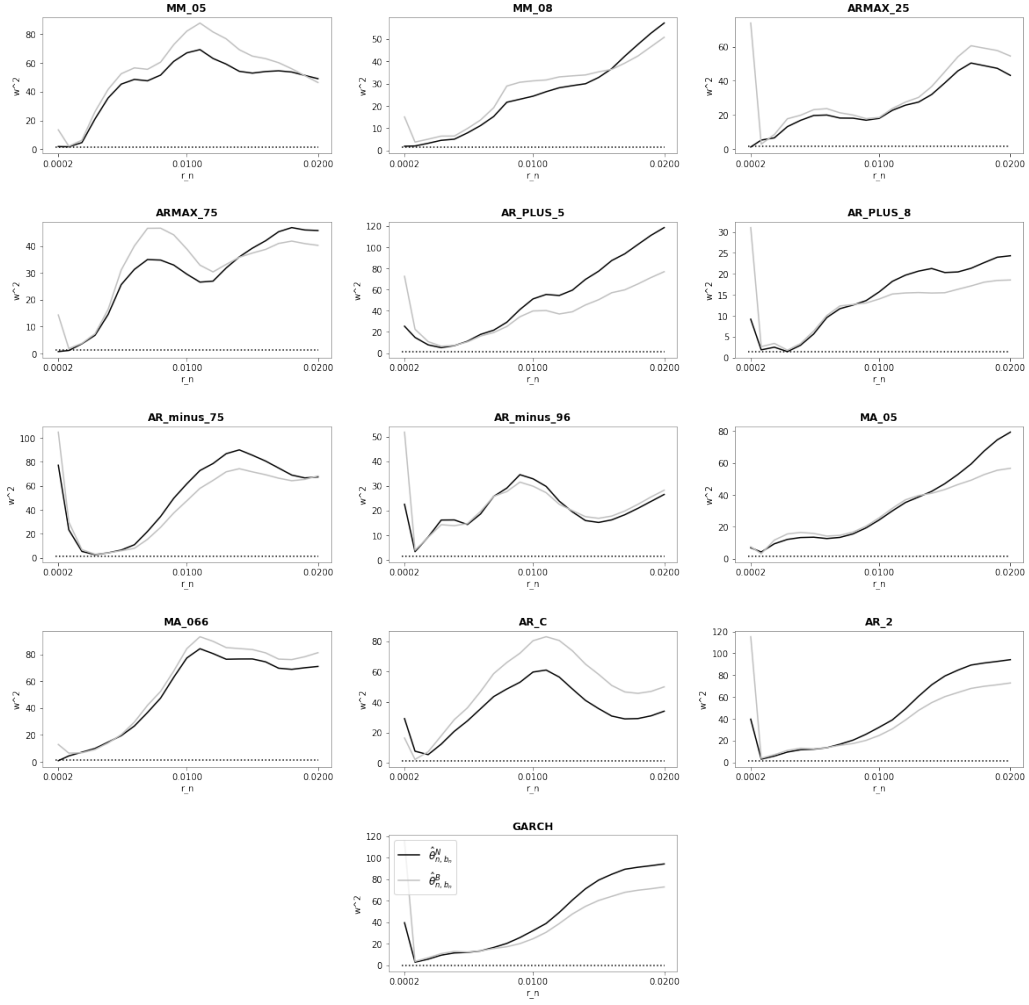


Figure 1: Dependence of  $\hat{\omega}_N^2(\hat{\theta}(b))$  and  $\hat{\omega}_B^2(\hat{\theta}(b))$  on  $r_n$ , where  $b_n = r_n \cdot n$ ;  $n = 10^5$ . Dotted line shows level 1.49. We can see, that for large  $n$ , we should take  $r_n$  less than  $n \cdot 10^{-2}$ , such that  $\hat{\omega}_N^2(\hat{\theta}(b))$  and  $\hat{\omega}_B^2(\hat{\theta}(b))$  reach 1.49 or less.



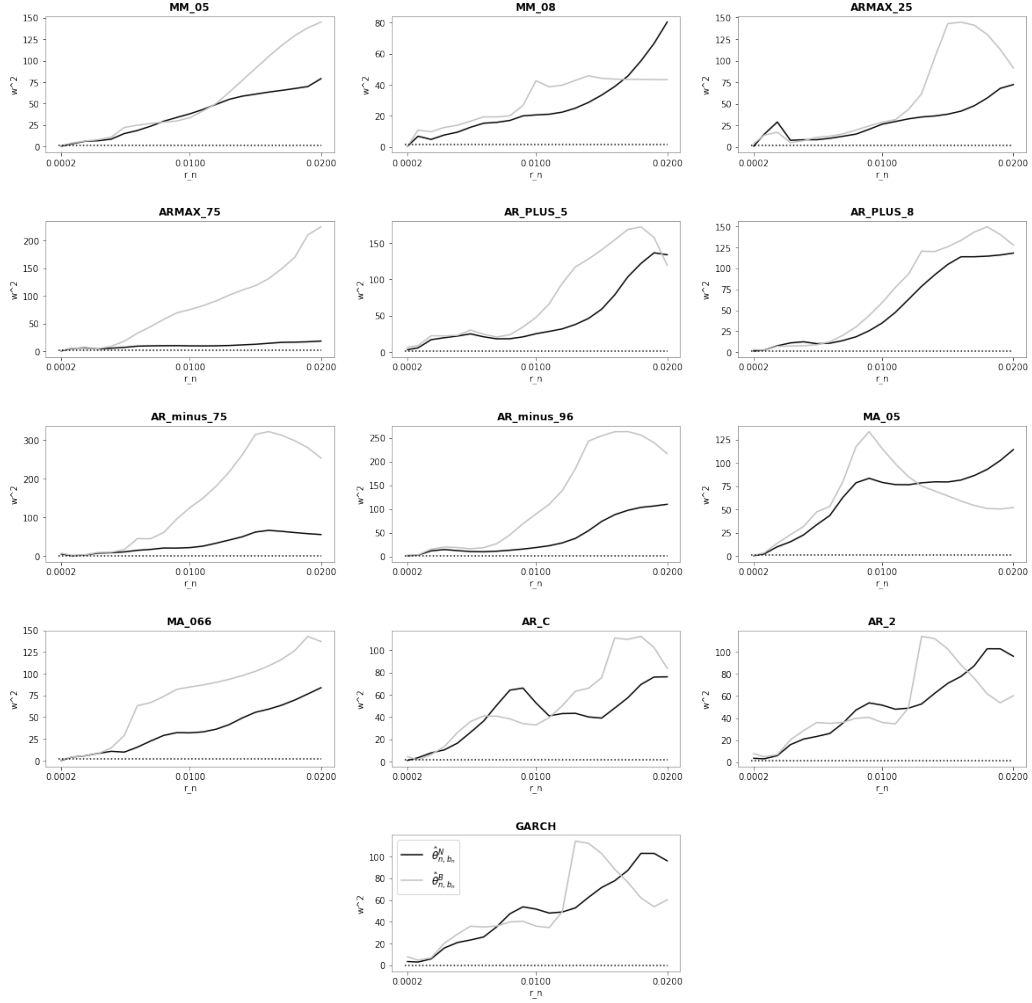


Figure 2: Dependence of  $\tilde{\omega}_N^2(\hat{\theta}(b))$  and  $\tilde{\omega}_B^2(\hat{\theta}(b))$  on  $r_n$ , where  $b_n = r_n \cdot n; n = 5000$ . Dotted line shows level 1.49. We can see, that for not so large  $n$ , we also should take  $r_n$  less than  $n \cdot 10^{-2}$ , such that  $\tilde{\omega}_N^2(\hat{\theta}(b))$  and  $\tilde{\omega}_B^2(\hat{\theta}(b))$  reach 1.49 or less.

### 3.3 Results

Simulation results are presented below. We are interested in *Bias* and *RMSE* of our estimators.

Table 1: Bias·10<sup>4</sup> for  $\hat{\theta}^{MR}$ ,  $\hat{\theta}_1^N$ ,  $\hat{\theta}_1^B$ ,  $\hat{\theta}_2^N$  and  $\hat{\theta}_2^B$  for  $n = 10^5$  and  $n = 5000$

Bias·10 <sup>4</sup>	MM		ARMAX		$ARu^+$		$ARu^-$		MA(2)		ARc	AR(2)	GARCH
	0.5	0.8	0.25	0.75	0.5	0.8	0.75	0.96	0.5	2/3	0.3	0.25	0.447
	$n = 10^5$												
$\hat{\theta}^{MR}$	<b>-30</b>	<b>-15</b>	<b>-30</b>	<b>-17</b>	270	316	428	266	-200	-509	-79	<b>310</b>	-431
$\hat{\theta}_1^{N,SL}$	91	34	109	45	405	427	582	338	-206	-780	-131	443	-227
$\hat{\theta}_1^{B,SL}$	184	168	171	172	432	467	611	362	-41	-527	77	489	-179
$\hat{\theta}_1^{N,DJ}$	88	28	107	39	402	426	564	326	-207	-780	-97	443	-224
$\hat{\theta}_1^{B,DJ}$	174	153	167	158	434	463	574	348	-48	-537	73	484	-181
$\hat{\theta}_2^{N,SL}$	205	74	333	91	316	364	309	294	-169	-426	-29	580	<b>-1.8</b>
$\hat{\theta}_2^{B,SL}$	158	149	139	145	308	356	355	292	<b>-21</b>	-439	127	504	-38
$\hat{\theta}_2^{N,DJ}$	42	19	55	24	<b>224</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>69</b>	-115	-354	<b>-12</b>	365	-403
$\hat{\theta}_2^{B,DJ}$	99	79	76	84	228	242	302	70	-53	<b>-302</b>	48	393	-376
	$n = 5000$												
$\hat{\theta}^{MR}$	<b>37</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>44</b>	455	677	1054	<b>226</b>	-224	-712	-60	<b>552</b>	-1420
$\hat{\theta}_1^{N,SL}$	226	58	288	88	800	740	1275	304	-178	-934	-97	753	-903
$\hat{\theta}_1^{B,SL}$	509	456	471	469	931	1084	1408	354	195	-445	294	896	-888
$\hat{\theta}_1^{N,DJ}$	230	68	291	94	807	758	1280	299	-174	-929	-63	752	<b>-875</b>
$\hat{\theta}_1^{B,DJ}$	465	386	443	404	880	1005	1333	323	151	-495	267	841	-890
$\hat{\theta}_2^{N,SL}$	193	50	328	63	722	652	1014	286	-188	-794	<b>-23</b>	1230	1306
$\hat{\theta}_2^{B,SL}$	509	427	473	436	726	906	1378	320	221	-456	383	1051	1662
$\hat{\theta}_2^{N,DJ}$	58	-371	205	-251	<b>136</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>27</b>	-704	-98	-466	132	586	-2223
$\hat{\theta}_2^{B,DJ}$	116	-315	265	-194	192	161	72	-685	<b>-38</b>	<b>-404</b>	196	643	-2186

Table 2: RMSE·10<sup>4</sup> for  $\hat{\theta}^{MR}$ ,  $\hat{\theta}_1^N$ ,  $\hat{\theta}_1^B$ ,  $\hat{\theta}_2^N$  and  $\hat{\theta}_2^B$  for  $n = 10^5$  and  $n = 5000$ 

RMSE·10 <sup>4</sup>	MM		ARMAX		$ARu^+$		$ARu^-$		MA(2)		ARc	AR(2)	GARCH
	0.5	0.8	0.25	0.75	0.5	0.8	0.75	0.96	0.5	2/3	0.3	0.25	0.447
	$n = 10^5$												
$\hat{\theta}^{MR}$	<b>106</b>	166	<b>90</b>	150	<b>313</b>	335	487	284	231	537	134	<b>355</b>	556
$\hat{\theta}_1^{N,SL}$	115	<b>117</b>	129	<b>112</b>	427	437	622	341	213	783	241	455	301
$\hat{\theta}_1^{B,SL}$	206	221	192	217	459	480	648	364	82	535	108	501	266
$\hat{\theta}_1^{N,DJ}$	116	122	128	114	422	441	619	332	216	783	115	456	309
$\hat{\theta}_1^{B,DJ}$	201	214	189	209	457	486	630	351	90	546	<b>107</b>	499	<b>280</b>
$\hat{\theta}_2^{N,SL}$	216	121	344	128	399	408	467	324	190	499	115	617	347
$\hat{\theta}_2^{B,SL}$	215	256	188	234	383	419	501	336	<b>79</b>	448	170	534	328
$\hat{\theta}_2^{N,DJ}$	181	313	137	285	329	<b>291</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>239</b>	197	423	153	392	482
$\hat{\theta}_2^{B,DJ}$	204	322	152	296	333	322	438	247	168	<b>378</b>	154	417	465
	$n = 5000$												
$\hat{\theta}^{MR}$	342	467	<b>335</b>	441	<b>-620</b>	806	1166	<b>283</b>	382	820	349	<b>745</b>	1558
$\hat{\theta}_1^{N,SL}$	294	<b>311</b>	349	<b>295</b>	848	785	1329	320	<b>237</b>	959	243	818	1345
$\hat{\theta}_1^{B,SL}$	569	594	536	587	1006	1132	1474	359	284	<b>519</b>	376	963	1348
$\hat{\theta}_1^{N,DJ}$	300	319	354	303	858	807	1337	313	240	956	<b>170</b>	823	<b>1319</b>
$\hat{\theta}_1^{B,DJ}$	531	542	514	538	967	1071	1399	331	261	566	359	913	1351
$\hat{\theta}_2^{N,SL}$	<b>291</b>	400	371	358	830	<b>743</b>	1378	393	276	898	279	1381	1397
$\hat{\theta}_2^{B,SL}$	626	652	612	628	990	1048	1681	395	330	525	460	1193	1772
$\hat{\theta}_2^{N,DJ}$	777	1057	675	1005	1110	876	<b>1075</b>	946	719	1010	732	894	2261
$\hat{\theta}_2^{B,DJ}$	783	1037	697	991	1119	882	1074	928	713	983	747	933	2228

### 3.4 Notations

From tables 1 and 2, we can conclude that, in general,  $\hat{\theta}_1^N$  gives us more satisfactory results than  $\hat{\theta}_1^B$ . The usage of sliding blocks for some processes has better accuracy than the usage of disjoint blocks, but for some it is worse, so we cannot make a common conclusion.

From the use of the discrepancy method for selection  $b_n$  and  $u_n$ , we can infer that  $\hat{\theta}^{MR}$  and  $\hat{\theta}^{N,SL}$  has almost the same accuracy.

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