
Extremes of Stationary Sequences

Solutions 2

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Theory exercises

Exercise 1:

1)

We are interested in computing

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(X_1 - X_0 \leq z \mid X_0 = u) = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq z + u \mid X_0 = u).$$

From the question statement, we have that

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq z + u \mid X_0 = u) = -T(u)^2 e^{1/T(u)} V_1 \{T(u), T(z + u)\} \exp[-V \{T(u), T(z + u)\}].$$

We seek an approximation of $T(u)$, hence of $\log F_L(u)$, as $u \rightarrow \infty$. Recall the Mercator series for $\log(1 + x) = x - x^2/2 + O(x^3)$. For positive u , this yields that

$$-\log F_L(u) = -\log\{1 - \exp(-u)/2\} = \frac{\exp(-u)}{2} + O(\exp(-2u)) \sim \frac{\exp(-u)}{2}, \text{ as } u \rightarrow \infty.$$

It follows that $T(u) \sim 2 \exp(u)$, $u \rightarrow \infty$. Hence, as $u \rightarrow \infty$, we have that $\mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq z + u \mid X_0 = u)$ is asymptotically equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & -4 \exp(2u) \exp\left\{\frac{2}{\exp(u)}\right\} V_1 \{2 \exp(u), 2 \exp(u + z)\} \exp[-V \{2 \exp(u), 2 \exp(u + z)\}] \\ & \sim -4 \exp(2u) V_1 \{2 \exp(u), 2 \exp(u + z)\} \exp[-V \{2 \exp(u), 2 \exp(u + z)\}] \\ & = 4 \exp(2u) \{2 \exp(u)\}^{-1-1/\kappa} \left[\{2 \exp(u)\}^{-1/\kappa} + \{2 \exp(u + z)\}^{-1/\kappa} \right]^{\kappa-1} \times \\ & \quad \exp\left[-\left[\{2 \exp(u)\}^{-1/\kappa} + \{2 \exp(u + z)\}^{-1/\kappa} \right]^{\kappa}\right] \\ & = \{2 \exp(u)\}^{1-1/\kappa} \left[\{2 \exp(u)\}^{-1/\kappa} + \{2 \exp(u + z)\}^{-1/\kappa} \right]^{\kappa-1} \exp\left[-\left[\{2 \exp(u)\}^{-1/\kappa} + \{2 \exp(u + z)\}^{-1/\kappa} \right]^{\kappa}\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now, as $u \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\exp\left[-\left[\{2 \exp(u)\}^{-1/\kappa} + \{2 \exp(u + z)\}^{-1/\kappa} \right]^{\kappa}\right] \rightarrow 1.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq z + u \mid X_0 = u) &\sim \{2 \exp(u)\}^{1-1/\kappa} \left[\{2 \exp(u)\}^{-1/\kappa} + \{2 \exp(u+z)\}^{-1/\kappa} \right]^{\kappa-1} \\
&= \{2 \exp(u)\}^{1-1/\kappa} \{2 \exp(u)\}^{-(\kappa-1)/\kappa} \left[1 + \{\exp(z)\}^{-1/\kappa} \right]^{\kappa-1} \\
&\rightarrow [1 + \exp(-z/\kappa)]^{\kappa-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

2)

By definition of the process, we have

$$X_1 - X_0 \mid \{X_0 = u\} \xrightarrow{d} \varepsilon_1, \quad u \rightarrow \infty.$$

Let $X_0 = u$. For sufficiently large u , we have (approximately) that

1. $X_1 = X_0 + \varepsilon_1$
2. $X_2 = X_1 + \varepsilon_2 = X_0 + \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2$
- \vdots
- t . $X_t = X_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t = X_0 + \sum_{i=1}^t \varepsilon_i$.

where steps 2 to t are justified because X_1, \dots, X_{t-1} can be made arbitrarily large by X_0 being large. Hence, for any $t \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$,

$$X_t - X_0 \mid \{X_0 = u\} \xrightarrow{d} \sum_{i=1}^t \varepsilon_i =: Z_t,$$

which gives $Z_t = Z_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ where $Z_0 = 0$.

Exercise 2:

1)

We are interested in computing

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left(\frac{X_1}{X_0^{1-\kappa}} \leq z \mid X_0 = u \right) = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq zu^{1-\kappa} \mid X_0 = u).$$

From the question statement, we have that, for $z > 0$,

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq zu^{1-\kappa} \mid X_0 = u) = 1 - V_1 \left(1, \frac{u^\kappa}{z} \right) \exp \left\{ u - uV \left(1, \frac{u^\kappa}{z} \right) \right\}.$$

Since

$$V_1(x, y) = -x^{-1-1/\kappa} \left(x^{-1/\kappa} + y^{-1/\kappa} \right)^{\kappa-1},$$

we have that

$$V_1(1, u^\kappa/z) = \left(1 + \frac{u}{z^\kappa} \right)^{\kappa-1}.$$

Hence, for $z > 0$,

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq zu^{1-\kappa} \mid X_0 = u) = 1 - \left(1 + \frac{z^{1/\kappa}}{u} \right)^{\kappa-1} \exp \left\{ u - u \left(1 + \frac{z^{1/\kappa}}{u} \right)^\kappa \right\},$$

and by the binomial series $(1+x)^\alpha \sim 1 + \alpha x + O(x^2)$ as $x \rightarrow 0$, one obtains that as $u \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\left(1 + \frac{z^{1/\kappa}}{u} \right)^{\kappa-1} \sim \left\{ 1 + (\kappa-1) \frac{z^{1/\kappa}}{u} \right\} \rightarrow 1$$

and

$$u - u \left(1 + \frac{z^{1/\kappa}}{u} \right)^\kappa \sim u - \left(u + \kappa z^{1/\kappa} \right) = -\kappa z^{1/\kappa},$$

This in turn yields

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq zu^{1-\kappa} \mid X_0 = u) \rightarrow 1 - \exp \left(-\kappa z^{1/\kappa} \right), \quad u \rightarrow \infty.$$

2)

Due to stationarity, and from subpart 1, we have that for all $t \in \{0, 1, \dots\}$

$$\frac{X_1}{X_0^{1-\kappa}} \mid \{X_0 = u\} \xrightarrow{d} \varepsilon_1, \quad u \rightarrow \infty,$$

Now, let $X_0 = u$. Then for sufficiently large u , we have (approximately) that

1. $X_1 = \varepsilon_1 X_0^{1-\kappa}$
2. $X_2 = \varepsilon_2 X_1^{1-\kappa} = \varepsilon_2 \left(\varepsilon_1 X_0^{1-\kappa} \right)^{1-\kappa} = \varepsilon_2 \varepsilon_1^{1-\kappa} X_0^{(1-\kappa)^2}$

$$3. X_3 = \varepsilon_3 X_2^{1-\kappa} = \varepsilon_3 \left(\varepsilon_2 \varepsilon_1^{1-\kappa} X_0^{(1-\kappa)^2} \right)^{1-\kappa} = \varepsilon_3 \varepsilon_2^{1-\kappa} \varepsilon_1^{(1-\kappa)^2} X_0^{(1-\kappa)^3}$$

\vdots

$$t. X_t = \varepsilon_t X_{t-1}^{1-\kappa} = X_0^{(1-\kappa)^t} \prod_{i=0}^{t-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^{(1-\kappa)^i},$$

where steps 2 to t are justified because $\kappa < 1$, so that X_1, \dots, X_{t-1} can be made arbitrarily large (recall that ε_t is a positive random variable). Hence, for any $t \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$,

$$\frac{X_t}{X_0^{(1-\kappa)^t}} \mid \{X_0 = u\} \xrightarrow{d} \prod_{i=0}^{t-1} \varepsilon_{t-1-i}^{(1-\kappa)^i} = \varepsilon_t \prod_{i=1}^{t-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^{(1-\kappa)^i} =: Z_t,$$

and

$$\frac{X_{t-1}}{X_0^{(1-\kappa)^{(t-1)}}} \mid \{X_0 = u\} \xrightarrow{d} \prod_{i=0}^{t-2} \varepsilon_{t-1-i}^{(1-\kappa)^i} = \prod_{i=1}^{t-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^{(1-\kappa)^{i-1}} =: Z_{t-1},$$

which gives, $Z_t = \varepsilon_t Z_{t-1}^{1-\kappa}$ where $Z_0 = 1$.

Exercise 3:

Fitting time-series conditional extreme-value model

See solutions on GitHub.