

# The probability functions of the GP2 distribution and their derivatives

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## 1 The log-density $\log f$

### 1.1 Expression

Define  $z$  by

$$z := \frac{y}{\sigma}. \quad (1)$$

Define  $A$  and  $B$  by

$$A := \log \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right), \quad B := \frac{y}{\sigma \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} \quad (2)$$

then the log-density is given by

$$\log f = - \left( \left( \frac{1}{\xi} + 1 \right) \log \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right) \right) - \log \sigma.$$

## 1.2 Taylor expansion for $\xi \approx 0$

### Raw expression

The Taylor approximation of  $\log f$  for  $\xi \approx 0$  is

$$\log f = - \left( \frac{\sigma \log \sigma + y}{\sigma} \right) - \frac{(2 y \sigma - y^2) \xi}{2 \sigma^2} + \frac{(3 y^2 \sigma - 2 y^3) \xi^2}{6 \sigma^3} + \dots$$

### Simplified expression

$$\log f = - [\log \sigma + z] + \frac{z(z-2)}{2} \xi - \frac{z^2(2z-3)}{6} \xi^2 + o(\xi^2)$$

## 1.3 First-order derivatives: expressions

### Raw expressions

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \sigma} &= \frac{\left( \frac{1}{\xi} + 1 \right) \xi y}{\sigma^2 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} - \frac{1}{\sigma} \\ \frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \xi} &= \frac{\log \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)}{\xi^2} - \frac{\left( \frac{1}{\xi} + 1 \right) y}{\sigma \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} \end{aligned}$$

### Simplified expressions

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \sigma} &= -\frac{1}{\sigma} [1 - (\xi + 1)B] \\ \frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \xi} &= \frac{1}{\xi^2} [A - \xi(\xi + 1)B] \end{aligned}$$

## 1.4 First-order derivatives: Taylor expansions for $\xi \approx 0$

### Raw expressions

For  $\xi \approx 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \sigma} &= \frac{y - \sigma}{\sigma^2} - \frac{(y^2 - \sigma y) \xi}{\sigma^3} + \dots \\ \frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \xi} &= \frac{y^2 - 2\sigma y}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{(2y^3 - 3\sigma y^2) \xi}{3\sigma^3} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

### Simplified expressions

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \sigma} &= \frac{z - 1}{\sigma} - \frac{z(z - 1)}{\sigma} \xi + o(\xi) \\ \frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \xi} &= \frac{z(z - 2)}{2} - \frac{z^2(2z - 3)}{3} \xi + o(\xi)\end{aligned}$$

## 1.5 Second-order derivatives: expressions

### Raw expressions

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma^2} \log f &= - \left( \frac{2 \left( \frac{1}{\xi} + 1 \right) \xi y}{\sigma^3 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} \right) + \frac{\left( \frac{1}{\xi} + 1 \right) \xi^2 y^2}{\sigma^4 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} \log f &= \frac{\left( \frac{1}{\xi} + 1 \right) y}{\sigma^2 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} - \frac{y}{\sigma^2 \xi \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} - \frac{\left( \frac{1}{\xi} + 1 \right) \xi y^2}{\sigma^3 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} \log f &= - \left( \frac{2 \log \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)}{\xi^3} \right) + \frac{2 y}{\sigma \xi^2 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} + \frac{\left( \frac{1}{\xi} + 1 \right) y^2}{\sigma^2 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)^2}\end{aligned}$$

### Simplified expressions

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma^2} \log f &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} [1 - 2(\xi + 1)B + \xi(\xi + 1)B^2] \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} \log f &= \frac{1}{\sigma} [B - (\xi + 1)B^2] \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} \log f &= \frac{1}{\xi^3} [-2A + 2\xi B + \xi^2(\xi + 1)B^2]\end{aligned}$$

## 1.6 Second-order derivatives: limits for $\xi \rightarrow 0$

### Raw expressions

Here are the limits for  $\xi \rightarrow 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \log f}{\partial \sigma^2} &= - \left( \frac{2y - \sigma}{\sigma^3} \right) \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \log f}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} &= - \left( \frac{y^2 - \sigma y}{\sigma^3} \right) \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \log f}{\partial \xi^2} &= - \left( \frac{2y^3 - 3\sigma y^2}{3\sigma^3} \right)\end{aligned}$$

### Simplified expressions

The corresponding simplified expressions are

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \log f}{\partial \sigma^2} &= \frac{1 - 2z}{\sigma^2} \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \log f}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} &= - \frac{z(z - 1)}{\sigma} \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \log f}{\partial \xi^2} &= - \frac{z^2(2z - 3)}{3}.\end{aligned}$$

## 2 Cumulated hazard (log-survival) $H = \log S$

### 2.1 Expression

The cumulated hazard  $H(y) = \log S(y)$

$$H := \frac{\log \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)}{\xi}$$

### 2.2 Taylor approximation for $\xi \approx 0$

#### Raw expression

$$H = \frac{y}{\sigma} - \frac{y^2 \xi}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{y^3 \xi^2}{3\sigma^3} + \dots$$

#### Simplified expression

$$H = z - \frac{z^2}{2} \xi + \frac{z^3}{3} \xi^2 + o(\xi^2) \tag{3}$$

## 2.3 First-order derivatives: expressions

### Raw expressions

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \sigma} = - \left( \frac{y}{\sigma^2 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} \right)$$
$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \xi} = \frac{y}{\sigma \xi \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} - \frac{\log \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)}{\xi^2}$$

### Simplified expressions

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \sigma} = -\frac{1}{\sigma} B$$
$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \xi} = -\frac{1}{\xi^2} [A - \xi B]$$

## 2.4 First-order derivatives: Taylor expansions for $\xi \approx 0$

### Raw expressions

Here are the limits for  $\xi \approx 0$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \sigma} = - \left( \frac{y}{\sigma^2} \right) + \frac{y^2 \xi}{\sigma^3} + \dots$$
$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \xi} = - \left( \frac{y^2}{2 \sigma^2} \right) + \frac{2 y^3 \xi}{3 \sigma^3} + \dots$$

### Simplified expressions

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \sigma} = -\frac{z}{\sigma} + \frac{z^2}{\sigma} \xi + o(\xi)$$
$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \xi} = -\frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{2z^3}{3} \xi + o(\xi)$$

## 2.5 Second-order derivatives: expressions

### Raw expressions

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma^2} H &= \frac{2y}{\sigma^3 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} - \frac{\xi y^2}{\sigma^4 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} H &= \frac{y^2}{\sigma^3 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} H &= \frac{2 \log \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)}{\xi^3} - \frac{2y}{\sigma \xi^2 \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)} - \frac{y^2}{\sigma^2 \xi \left( \frac{\xi y}{\sigma} + 1 \right)^2}\end{aligned}$$

**Simplified expressions**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma^2} H &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} [2B - \xi B^2] \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} H &= \frac{1}{\sigma} B^2 \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} H &= \frac{1}{\xi^3} [2A - 2\xi B - \xi^2 B^2]\end{aligned}$$

## 2.6 Second-order derivatives: limits for $\xi \rightarrow 0$

Here are the limits for  $\xi \rightarrow 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \sigma^2} &= \frac{2y}{\sigma^3} \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} &= \frac{y^2}{\sigma^3} \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \xi^2} &= \frac{2y^3}{3\sigma^3}\end{aligned}$$

The corresponding simplified expressions are

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \sigma^2} &= \frac{2z}{\sigma^2} \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} &= \frac{z^2}{\sigma} \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \xi^2} &= \frac{2z^3}{3}.\end{aligned}$$

### 3 Quantile or return period

#### 3.1 Expression

The quantile corresponding to an exceedance probability  $q := 1 - p$  for  $\xi \neq 0$

$$\rho = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{q^\xi} - 1\right) \sigma}{\xi}$$

#### 3.2 Taylor approximation for $\xi \approx 0$

$$-(\log q \sigma) + \frac{(\log q)^2 \sigma \xi}{2} - \frac{(\log q)^3 \sigma \xi^2}{6} + \dots \quad (4)$$

#### 3.3 First-order derivatives: expressions

When  $\xi \neq 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \sigma} &= \frac{\frac{1}{q^\xi} - 1}{\xi} \\ \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \xi} &= -\left(\frac{\log q \sigma}{q^\xi \xi}\right) - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{q^\xi} - 1\right) \sigma}{\xi^2} \end{aligned}$$

#### 3.4 First-order derivatives: Taylor approximation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \sigma} &= -\log q + \frac{(\log q)^2 \xi}{2} + \dots \\ \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \xi} &= \frac{(\log q)^2 \sigma}{2} - \frac{(\log q)^3 \sigma \xi}{3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

#### 3.5 Second-order derivatives: expressions

Raw expressions

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \sigma^2} &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} &= -\left(\frac{\log q}{q^\xi \xi}\right) - \frac{\frac{1}{q^\xi} - 1}{\xi^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \xi^2} &= \frac{(\log q)^2 \sigma}{q^\xi \xi} + \frac{2 \log q \sigma}{q^\xi \xi^2} + \frac{2 \left(\frac{1}{q^\xi} - 1\right) \sigma}{\xi^3} \end{aligned}$$

### Simplified expressions

Define  $V := [q^{-\xi} - 1]/\xi$  so that  $\rho = \sigma V$ , and

$$W := \frac{\partial V}{\partial \xi} = -\frac{1}{\xi} \left\{ V + q^{-\xi} \log q \right\}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \sigma^2} &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} &= W \\ \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \xi^2} &= \frac{\sigma}{\xi^2} \left\{ 2V + q^{-\xi} \log q [2 + \xi \log q] \right\}\end{aligned}$$

### 3.6 Second-order derivatives: limit for $\xi \rightarrow 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \sigma^2} &= 0 \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \sigma \partial \xi} &= \frac{(\log q)^2}{2} \\ \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \xi^2} &= - \left( \frac{(\log q)^3 \sigma}{3} \right)\end{aligned}$$