

Week 5 Extreme Value Theory

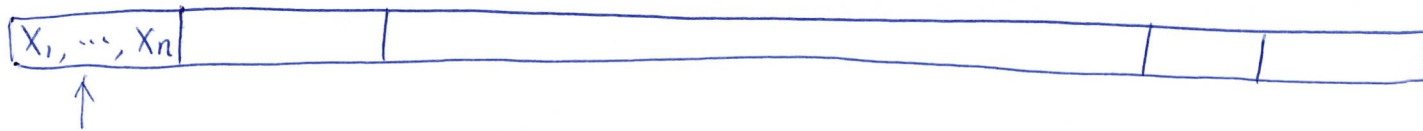
Two approaches: ① ~~general~~ generalised extreme value distributions

GEV

② Generalised Pareto distributions

GPD

1. GEV



Block of
size n

X_1, \dots, X_n IID

$X_M = \max \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$ the block maxima

$$P(X_M \leq x) = P(X_1 \leq x, X_2 \leq x, X_3 \leq x, \dots, X_n \leq x)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{independent}}{=} P(X_1 \leq x) \cdot P(X_2 \leq x) \cdots P(X_n \leq x)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{identical}}{=} [P(X \leq x)]^n$$

$$P(X_M \leq x) = [F(x)]^n \quad (*)$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \\ \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n \end{array} \right\}$ suitable sequences of real constants

We standardise the values of X_M

the standardised block maxima: $\frac{X_M - \alpha_n}{\beta_n}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\frac{X_M - \alpha_n}{\beta_n} \leq x\right) \stackrel{(*)}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [F(\beta_n x + \alpha_n)]^n$$

e.g. α mean, β std $\frac{X_M - \alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rightarrow N(0, 1)$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$

EVT : it is possible to find such values of α_n, β_n for most X

$n \uparrow$ $\frac{X_M - \alpha_n}{\beta_n} \xrightarrow{\text{converge}}$ GEV distribution with CDF:
 β_n \nwarrow standardised block max

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [F(\beta_n X + \alpha_n)]^n = H(X)$$

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} \exp \left\{ - \left(1 + \frac{\gamma(x-\alpha)}{\beta} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right\} & \gamma \neq 0 \\ \exp \left\{ - \exp \left(- \frac{(x-\alpha)}{\beta} \right) \right\} & \gamma = 0 \end{cases}$$

Generalized Pareto Distribution GPD

Def extreme value $X > u$ $-X < -u$

E.g. XOL Reinsurance

$u \rightarrow M$

$-\ln L$ min
 $\ln L$ max

Let X be a r.v. CDF $F_X(x)$

Excess over the threshold u

$X - u \mid X > u$

\downarrow
extreme event

$X_F \leq \infty$

CDF of the excess ($0 \leq x \leq X_F - u$)

$$F_u(x) = P(X - u \leq x \mid X > u) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{P(X - u \leq x \ \& \ X > u)}{P(X > u)}$$

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$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \& B)}{P(B)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X \leq x+u \mid X > u)}{P(X > u)}$$

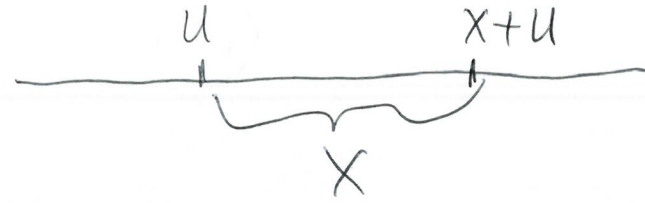
$$P(X > u)$$

$$= \frac{P(X \leq x+u) - P(X \leq u)}{P(X > u)}$$

$$P(X > u)$$

$$= \frac{F(x+u) - F(u)}{1 - F(u)}$$

$$1 - F(u)$$



The distribution of the threshold exceedances will converge to a GPD as $u \uparrow$

i.e. $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} F_u(x) = G(x)$

$$\text{PDF of } G(x): G(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - \left(1 + \frac{x}{\gamma\beta}\right)^{-\gamma} & \gamma \neq 0 \\ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\beta}\right) & \gamma = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\gamma \neq 0$$

$$\gamma = 0$$

γ shape

β : scale

Measures of tail weight

4 ways to measure tail weight

1. The existence of moments

Review: $E(X^k)$ non-central moments

$$E(X^k) = \int_0^{\infty} x^k f(x) dx \quad \text{if continuous } X$$

E.g. ① Gamma (α, λ)

$$\text{PDF } f(x) = \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x}$$

Fact: the k th moment exists for all values of k
less constraints

② Pareto (α, λ)

$$\text{PDF: } f(x) = \frac{\alpha \lambda^\alpha}{(\lambda + x)^{\alpha+1}}$$

Fact: The k th moment only exists for $\alpha < k$

Conclusion: Gamma lighter tail than Pareto

2. Limiting density ratios

$$\text{Limiting density ratio (LDR)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f_{X_1}(x)}{f_{X_2}(x)}$$

→ PDF X_1
→ PDF X_2

LDR $\rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow X_1$ lighter tail

LDR $\rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow X_2$ lighter tail

e.g. $\frac{\text{PDF Gamma}}{\text{PDF Perato}}$

$x \rightarrow \infty \quad e^{-\lambda x} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ Gamma has lighter tail

3. Hazard rate

$$\text{hazard rate } h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{1-F(x)}$$

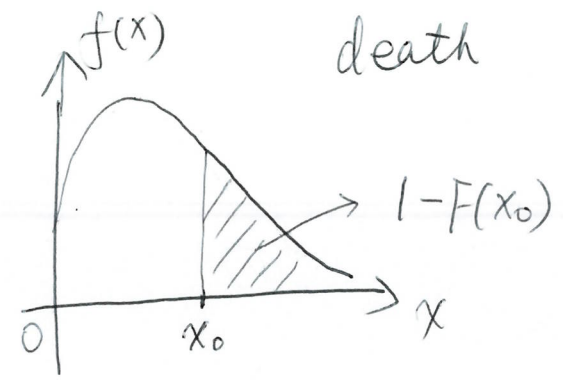
↓
force of mortality

rate of failure
survival up until that point

PDF
CDF

e.g. Pareto

$$h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{1-F(x)} = \frac{\alpha \lambda^\alpha}{(\lambda+x)^{\alpha+1}} \cdot \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda+x}\right)^\alpha$$



$h(x)$ ^② decreasing func of x \Rightarrow ^③ heavy tail

4. Mean residual life $\rightarrow e(x)$

$$e(x) = \frac{\int_x^\infty (y-x) f(y) dy}{\int_x^\infty f(y) dy} = \frac{\int_x^\infty \{1-F(y)\} dy}{1-F(x)}$$

\downarrow
expected future lifetime

\rightarrow the expected remaining survival time.
 \rightarrow given survival up until the point.

e.g. Pareto

$$\begin{aligned} e(x) &= \frac{\int_x^{\infty} \{1-F(y)\} dy}{1-F(x)} = \frac{\int_x^{\infty} \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda+y}\right)^{\alpha} dy}{\left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda+x}\right)^{\alpha}} \\ &= (\lambda+x)^{\alpha} \int_x^{\infty} (\lambda+y)^{-\alpha} dy \\ &= \frac{\lambda+x}{\alpha-1} \end{aligned}$$

$e(x)$: increasing function of x \Rightarrow heavy tail