Chapter 2 Asymptotics

2.1 Asymptotic Behavior of Student's Pdf

Proposition 2.1 For each $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$, as $v \to \infty$,

$$f_{\nu,\Sigma,a}(x) \to g_{a,\Sigma}(x).$$
 (2.1)

Proof Let a = 0. Using the well-known formula that

$$\Gamma(z) = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{z}} e^{-z} z^{z} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) \right), \quad \text{as} \quad z \to \infty,$$
(2.2)

we find that, as $\nu \to \infty$,

$$\frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+d}{2})}{(\nu\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \sim \frac{\sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{\nu+d}}e^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}}(\frac{\nu+d}{2})^{\frac{\nu+d}{2}}}{(\nu\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}\sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{\nu}}e^{-\frac{\nu}{2}}(\frac{\nu}{2})^{\frac{\nu}{2}}} \to \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}}$$
(2.3)

and, obviously,

$$\left(1 + \frac{\langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}} \to e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle}.$$
(2.4)

Here and below " \sim " is the equivalence sign.

The statement (2.1) with a = 0 follows from (1.1), (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4). Let now $a \neq 0$ and

$$y_{\nu} = \frac{2}{\nu + d} \left[\langle a \Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle (\nu + \langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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Because, as $\nu \to \infty$, uniformly in *y* (see Appendix)

$$K_{\nu}(\nu y) \sim \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\nu}} \frac{\exp\left\{-\nu\sqrt{1+y^2}\right\}}{(1+y^2)^{\frac{1}{4}}} \left(\frac{y}{1+\sqrt{1+y^2}}\right)^{-\nu}$$

and

$$\sqrt{1+y_{\nu}^2} \sim 1 + \frac{1}{2}y_{\nu}^2,$$

we shall have that

$$K_{\frac{\nu+d}{2}}\left(\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1}, a\rangle(\nu + \langle x\Sigma^{-1}, x\rangle)\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) = K_{\frac{\nu+d}{2}}\left(\frac{\nu+d}{2}y_{\nu}\right)$$
$$\sim \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\nu+d}}\exp\left\{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{2}y_{\nu}^{2}\right)\right\}\left(\frac{y_{\nu}}{2+\frac{1}{2}y_{\nu}^{2}}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}}$$
$$\sim \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\nu+d}}e^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}}\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{\nu+d}\langle a\Sigma^{-1}, a\rangle\left(\nu + \langle x\Sigma^{-1}, x\rangle\right)\right\}\left(\frac{y_{\nu}}{2+\frac{1}{2}y_{\nu}^{2}}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}}.$$
(2.5)

From (1.2) and (2.5) we elementarily find that

$$f_{\nu,\Sigma,a}(x) \sim \frac{\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \frac{2 \exp\left\{\langle x \Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle\right\}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} \sqrt{|\Sigma|}} \left(\frac{\langle a \Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle}{\nu_{+} \langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x}\right)^{\frac{\nu+d}{4}} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\nu+d}} e^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}} \\ \times \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{\nu+d} \langle a \Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle \left(\nu + \langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle\right)\right\} \left(\frac{y_{\nu}}{2 + \frac{1}{2} y_{\nu}^{2}}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}} \\ \sim \frac{\exp\left\{\langle x \Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle\right\}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} \sqrt{|\Sigma|}} e^{-\langle a \Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle} e^{-\frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{\nu + \langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle}{2 + \frac{1}{2} y_{\nu}^{2}}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}} \\ \sim \frac{\exp\left\{\langle x \Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle\right\}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} \sqrt{|\Sigma|}} e^{-\langle a \Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle} e^{-\frac{d}{2}} \\ \times \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle - d)\right\} \left(1 + \frac{1}{4} y_{\nu}^{2}\right)^{\frac{\nu+d}{2}}.$$
(2.6)

But

$$\left(1+\frac{1}{4}y_{\nu}^{2}\right)^{\frac{\nu+d}{2}} = \left(1+\frac{1}{(\nu+d)^{2}}\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1},a\rangle\left(\nu+\langle x\Sigma^{-1},x\rangle\right)\right]\right)^{\frac{\nu+d}{2}}$$

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$$\to \exp\left\{\frac{1}{2}\langle a\Sigma^{-1}, a\rangle\right\}.$$
(2.7)

Thus, (2.6) and (2.7) imply that, for each $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$, as $\nu \to \infty$,

$$f_{\nu,\Sigma,a}(x) \to \frac{\exp\left\{\langle x\Sigma^{-1}, a\right\}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}\sqrt{|\Sigma|}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\langle a\Sigma^{-1}, a\rangle + \langle x\Sigma^{-1}, x\rangle\right)\right\} = g_{a,\Sigma}(x). \ \Box$$

Proposition 2.2 For each fixed $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and v > 0, as $|a| \to 0$,

$$f_{\nu,\Sigma,a}(x) \to f_{\nu,\Sigma}(x).$$

Proof Indeed, as $|a| \rightarrow 0$,

$$K_{\frac{\nu+d}{2}}\left(\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1},a\rangle(\nu+\langle x\Sigma^{-1},x\rangle)\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)$$

~ $\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+d}{2}\right)2^{\frac{\nu+d}{2}-1}\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1},a\rangle(\nu+\langle x\Sigma^{-1},x\rangle)\right]^{-\frac{\nu+d}{4}}$

(see Appendix) and, having in mind formulas (1.1), (1.2),

$$f_{\nu,\Sigma,a}(x) \to \frac{\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} \frac{2^{\frac{\nu+d}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+d}{2}\right)}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} \sqrt{|\Sigma|}} \left(\nu + \langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle\right)^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}} = f_{\nu,\Sigma}(x).$$

Proposition 2.3 (i) As $|x| \to \infty$,

$$f_{\nu,\Sigma}(x) \sim c_{\nu,\Sigma} \left(\langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle \right)^{-\frac{\nu+d}{2}},$$

where

$$c_{\nu,\Sigma} = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{d+\nu}{2}\right)}{\pi^{\frac{d}{2}}\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})\sqrt{|\Sigma|}}.$$

(*ii*) As $|x| \to \infty$, $a \neq 0$,

$$f_{\nu,\Sigma,a}(x) \sim c_{\nu,\Sigma,a} \left(\langle x \Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle \right)^{-\frac{\nu+d+1}{4}}$$

$$\times \exp\left\{-\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1},a\rangle\langle x\Sigma^{-1},x\rangle\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}+\langle x\Sigma^{-1},a\rangle\right\},\,$$

where

$$c_{\nu,\Sigma,a} = \frac{\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} \left(\langle a\Sigma^{-1}, a\rangle\right)^{\frac{\nu+d+1}{4}}}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})(2\pi)^{\frac{d-1}{2}}\sqrt{|\Sigma|}}.$$

Proof (i) Obviously follows from (1.1). (ii) Because, as $|x| \to \infty$,

$$K_{\frac{\nu+d}{2}}\left(\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1},a\rangle\left(\nu+\langle x\Sigma^{-1},x\rangle\right)\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)$$

$$\sim\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1},a\rangle\left(\nu+\langle x\Sigma^{-1},x\rangle\right)\right]^{-\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\times\exp\left\{-\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1},a\rangle\left(\nu+\langle x\Sigma^{-1},x\rangle\right)\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}\right\},$$

from (1.2) we find that, as $|x| \to \infty$,

$$f_{\nu,\Sigma,a}(x) \sim \frac{\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} \left(\langle a\Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle\right)^{\frac{\nu+d-1}{4}}}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})(2\pi)^{\frac{d-1}{2}} \sqrt{|\Sigma|}} \frac{\exp\left\{\langle x\Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle\right\}}{\left(\nu + \langle x\Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle\right)^{\frac{\nu+d+1}{4}}}$$
$$\times \exp\left\{-\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle \left(\nu + \langle x\Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle\right)\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}\right\}$$
$$\sim c_{\nu,\Sigma,a} \left(\langle x\Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle\right)^{-\frac{\nu+d+1}{4}}$$
$$\times \exp\left\{-\left[\langle a\Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle \langle x\Sigma^{-1}, x \rangle\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} + \langle x\Sigma^{-1}, a \rangle\right\}.$$

Corollary 2.4 Let d=1.

(i) If $a > 0, x \to \infty$, then

$$f_{\nu,\sigma^2,a}(x) \sim \frac{1}{\sigma \Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \left(\frac{\nu a}{2\sigma}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} x^{-\frac{\nu}{2}-1}.$$
 (2.8)

(*ii*) If a > 0, $x \to -\infty$, then

$$f_{\nu,\sigma^{2},a}(x) \sim \frac{1}{\sigma\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \left(\frac{\nu a}{2\sigma}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} |x|^{-\frac{\nu}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\frac{2a|x|}{\sigma^{2}}\right\}.$$
 (2.9)

(iii) If $a < 0, x \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$f_{\nu,\sigma^2,a}(x) \sim \frac{1}{\sigma\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \left(\frac{\nu|a|}{2\sigma}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} x^{-\frac{\nu}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\frac{2|a|x}{\sigma^2}\right\}.$$
 (2.10)

(iv) If $a < 0, x \rightarrow -\infty$, then

$$f_{\nu,\sigma^2,a}(x) \sim \frac{1}{\sigma\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \left(\frac{\nu|a|}{2\sigma}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} |x|^{-\frac{\nu}{2}-1}.$$
 (2.11)

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Let now d = 1 and $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ a sequence of i.i.d. random variables with common Student's *t*-distribution function and let $M_n = \max_{1 \le j \le n} X_j$.

Proposition 2.5 (i) If pdf of $\mathscr{L}(X_1)$ is f_{ν,σ^2} , then, as $n \to \infty$,

$$\mathscr{L}\left((K_1n)^{-\frac{1}{\nu}}M_n\right) \Rightarrow \Phi_{\nu},$$

where " \Rightarrow " means weak convergence of probability laws, Φ_{ν} is the Fréchet distribution

$$\Phi_{\nu}(x) = \begin{cases} \exp\{-x^{-\nu}\}, & \text{if } x > 0\\ 0, & \text{if } x \le 0, \end{cases}$$

and

$$K_1 = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+1}{2})\sigma^{\nu}}{\nu\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})}.$$

(ii) If pdf of $\mathscr{L}(X_1)$ is $f_{\nu,\sigma^2,a}$, a > 0, then, as $n \to \infty$,

$$\mathscr{L}\left((K_2n)^{-\frac{2}{\nu}}M_n\right) \Rightarrow \Phi_{\frac{\nu}{2}},$$

where

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$$K_2 = \frac{2(\frac{\nu a}{2\sigma})^{\frac{\nu}{2}}}{\nu \sigma \Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})}.$$

(iii) If pdf of $\mathscr{L}(X_1)$ is f_{ν,a,σ^2} , a < 0, then, as $n \to \infty$,

$$\mathscr{L}\left(\frac{2|a|}{\sigma^2}M_n - \ln n - \left(\frac{\nu}{2} + 1\right)\ln\ln n + \ln K_3\right) \Rightarrow \Lambda,$$

where Λ is the Gumbel distribution

$$\Lambda(x) = e^{-e^{-x}}, \quad x \in R^1,$$

and

$$K_3 = \frac{\nu^{\frac{\nu}{2}} \sigma^{\frac{\nu}{2}+3}}{2^{\nu+2} \Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})}.$$

Proof (i) From Proposition 2.3 (i) with d = 1 and the l'Hospital's rule we have, as $x \to \infty$,

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} f_{\nu,\sigma^{2}}(u) \mathrm{d}u \sim \frac{c_{\nu,\sigma}}{\nu\sigma} \left(\frac{x}{\sigma}\right)^{-\nu} = K_{1} x^{-\nu}, \qquad (2.12)$$

where

$$c_{\nu,\sigma} = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)\sigma}.$$

The statement (i) is standard for Pareto-like distributions (see, e.g., [1, 2]). (ii) From Corollary 2.4 (i) and the l'Hospital's rule we have that, as $x \to \infty$,

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} f_{\nu,\sigma^{2},a}(u) \mathrm{d}u \sim K_{2} x^{-\frac{\nu}{2}}$$
(2.13)

and the conclusion is analogs to (i). (iii) From Corollary 2.4 (iii) and the l'Hospital's rule we find that, as $x \to \infty$,

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} f_{\nu,\sigma^{2},a}(u) \mathrm{d}u \sim \frac{\sigma}{2|a|\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \left(\frac{\nu|a|}{2\sigma}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} x^{-\frac{\nu}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\frac{2|a|x}{\sigma^{2}}\right\}.$$
 (2.14)

The statement (iii) is standard for gamma-like distributions (see, e.g., [1, 2]).

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Now let us recall main results on limit theorems for record values in the sequences of i.i.d. random variables $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ with a common continuous distribution function *F* which will be applied to the case of Student's *t*-distributions.

The record times are $L_1 = 1$, $L_{n+1} = \min\{k : k > n, X_k > X_{L_n}\}$ for n = 1, 2, ..., and the record values are $R_n = X_{L_n}$, n = 1, 2, ... Let $W(x) = -\log(1 - F(x))$ be the integrated hazard function and the associate distribution function $A(x) = 1 - e^{-\sqrt{W(x)}}$, $x \in R^1$. Let $l_{a,b}(x) = ax + b$, a > 0, $b \in R^1$, be a group of affine homeomorphisms of R^1 with the composition law

$$l_{a_1,b_1} * l_{a_2,b_2} = l_{a_1a_2,a_1b_2+b_1}$$

the unit element $l_{1,0}$ and the inverse $l_{a,b}^{-1} = l_{a^{-1},a^{-1}b}$.

The domain of attraction problem for record values using linear normalization was solved by Resnick (see [3] also [4]). It was proved that the class of all possible non-degenerated weak limit laws Q such that for suitable constants $a_n > 0$, $b_n \in \mathbb{R}^1$, as $n \to \infty$,

$$\mathscr{L}\left(l_{a_n,b_n}^{-1}(R_n)\right) \Rightarrow Q$$

coincide with the class of laws Φ ($-\log(-\log G(\cdot))$), where Φ is a standard normal distribution and *G* is a *l*-max stable law, i. e. a non-degenerated distribution on R^1 such that for any $n \ge 2$ there exist constants $a_n > 0$, $b_n \in R^1$ satisfying

$$G^n(x) = G\left(l_{a_n,b_n}(x)\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^1.$$

As in the classical extreme value theory this class can be factorized into three linear types, saying that probability distributions F_1 and F_2 are of the same linear type it there exist constants $a > 0, b \in \mathbb{R}^1$ such that

$$F_1(x) = F_2(l_{a,b}(x)), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^1.$$

In the classical case these types are generated by the Fréchet distribution Φ_{γ} , the Gumbel distribution Λ and the Weibull distribution

$$\Psi_{\gamma}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \ge 0, \\ \exp\{-(-x)^{\gamma}\}, & \text{if } x < 0, \quad \gamma > 0, \end{cases}$$

which correspond to generators of three types of the limiting laws for $\mathscr{L}(l_{a_n,b_n}(R_n))$:

$$\tilde{\Phi}_{\gamma}(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \le 0, \\ \Phi(\log x^{\gamma}), & \text{if } x > 0, \quad \gamma > 0, \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{\Psi}_{\gamma}(x) = \begin{cases} \Phi(\log(-x)^{\gamma}), & \text{if } x < 0, \\ 1, & \text{if } x \ge 0, \quad \gamma > 0, \end{cases}$$

and the standard normal distribution $\Phi(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^1$.

We say that *F* belongs to the record domain of attraction under linear normalization of the non-degenerated distribution Q ($F \in \text{RDA}_l(Q)$ for short) if there exist constants $a_n > 0$ and $b_n \in \mathbb{R}^1$ such that $\mathscr{L}(l_{a_n,b_n}^{-1}(\mathbb{R}_n)) \Rightarrow Q$, as $n \to \infty$.

Duality theorem of Resnick says that $F \in \text{RDA}_l(\tilde{\Phi}_{\gamma}) \Leftrightarrow A \in \text{MDA}_l(\Phi_{\frac{\gamma}{2}})$, $F \in \text{RDA}_l(\tilde{\Psi}_{\gamma}) \Leftrightarrow A \in \text{MDA}_l(\Psi_{\frac{\gamma}{2}})$ and $F \in \text{RDA}_l(\Phi) \Leftrightarrow A \in \text{MDA}_l(\Lambda)$, where $\text{MDA}_l(Q)$ denotes the maximum domain of attraction under linear normalization of the non-degenerated distribution Q (see, e.g., [3]). As a corollary we find that in the case of heavy-tailed distributions F the record values cannot have non-degenerate limiting distributions if we use linear normalization. Indeed, for the Pareto-like distributions F, satisfying, as $x \to \infty$,

$$1 - F(x) \sim K x^{-\delta}, \quad \delta > 0,$$

the associate distributions A satisfy, as $x \to \infty$,

$$1 - A(x) \sim e^{-\sqrt{\delta \log x}}$$

In this case $A \in MDA_l(\Phi_{\frac{\gamma}{2}}) \cup MDA_l(\Psi_{\frac{\gamma}{2}}) \cup MDA_l(\Lambda)$. This fact is an argument to consider limit theorems for the record values using power normalization.

Let

$$p_{\alpha,\beta}(x) = \alpha |x|^{\beta} \operatorname{sign} x, \quad \alpha > 0, \quad \beta > 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{1}.$$

Observe that this class of functions form a group of homeomorphisms of R^1 with the composition law

$$p_{\alpha_1,\beta_1} * p_{\alpha_2,\beta_2} = p_{\alpha_1\alpha_2^{\beta_1},\beta_1\beta_2},$$

the unit element $p_{1,1}$ and the inverse

$$p_{\alpha,\beta}^{-1} = p_{\alpha^{-\beta^{-1}},\beta^{-1}}$$

We say that *F* belongs to the record domain of attraction under power normalization of the non-degenerate distribution Q ($F \in \text{RDA}_p(Q)$ for short) if there exist constants $\alpha_n > 0, \beta_n > 0$ such that, as $n \to \infty, \mathscr{L}\left(p_{\alpha_n,\beta_n}^{-1}(R_n)\right) \Rightarrow Q$.

A non-degenerate distribution function \tilde{G} on R^1 is called *p*-max stable if for any $n \ge 2$ there exist constants $\tilde{\alpha}_n > 0$, $\tilde{\beta}_n > 0$ such that

$$\tilde{G}^n(x) = \tilde{G}(p_{\tilde{\alpha}_n, \tilde{\beta}_n}(x)), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^1.$$

Probability distributions F_1 and F_2 are of the same power type if there exist constants $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$ such that $F_1(x) = F_2(p_{\alpha,\beta}(x))$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^1$. The class of non-degenerated limiting distributions for $\mathscr{L}(p_{\alpha_n,\beta_n}^{-1}(\mathbb{R}_n))$, as $n \to \infty$

The class of non-degenerated limiting distributions for $\mathscr{L}(p_{\alpha_n,\beta_n}^{-1}(R_n))$, as $n \to \infty$, is equal to the class of law $\hat{\Phi}(-\log(-\log\hat{G}(\cdot)))$, where \tilde{G} is a *p*-max stable law K, and is factorized to the six power types, generated by the distribution functions (see [5, 6]):

$$\begin{split} \hat{\Phi}_{1,\gamma}(x) &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \leq 1, \\ \Phi(\gamma \log \log x), & \text{if } x > 1, \quad \gamma > 0, \end{cases} \\ \hat{\Phi}_{2,\gamma}(x) &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ \Phi(-\gamma \log |\log x|), & \text{if } 0 < x < 1, \\ 1, & \text{if } x \geq 1, \quad \gamma > 0, \end{cases} \\ \hat{\Phi}_{3,\gamma}(x) &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \leq -1, \\ \Phi(-\gamma \log |\log |x||), & \text{if } -1 < x < 0, \\ 1, & \text{if } x \geq 0, \quad \gamma > 0, \end{cases} \\ \hat{\Phi}_{4,\gamma}(x) &= \begin{cases} \Phi(-\gamma \log \log |x|), & \text{if } x < -1, \\ 1, & \text{if } x \geq -1, \quad \gamma > 0, \end{cases} \\ \hat{\Phi}_{5}(x) &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ \Phi(\log x), & \text{if } x > 0, \end{cases} \end{split}$$

and

$$\hat{\Phi}_6(x) = \begin{cases} \Phi(-\log|x|), & \text{if } x < 0, \\ 1, & \text{if } x \ge 0. \end{cases}$$

There are the valid analog of Resnick's duality theorem and the principle of equivalent tails, which says that if continuous distribution functions F_1 and F_2 are such that $r(F_1) = r(F_2)$ and $1 - F_1(x) \sim 1 - F_2(x)$, as $x \uparrow r(F_1)$, then $F_1 \in \text{RDA}_p(Q)$ if and only if $F_2 \in \text{RDA}_p(Q)$ with the same normalizing constants, where $r(F) = \sup\{x : F(x) < 1\}$ and Q is a non-degenerate limiting distribution for record values using power normalization.

The following analog of classical R. von Mises theorem [7] holds true.

Theorem 2.6 [8]. Assume that the integrated hazard function W(x) is differentiable in some neighborhood of r(F). Then:

(i) if $r(F) = \infty$ and

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{W'(x)x \log x}{\sqrt{W(x)}} = \gamma, \quad \gamma > 0,$$

then $F \in RDA_p(\hat{\Phi}_{1,\gamma});$

(ii) if $0 < r(F) < \infty$ and

$$\lim_{x\uparrow r(F)}\frac{W'(x)x\log\left(\frac{r(F)}{x}\right)}{\sqrt{W(x)}}=\gamma, \quad \gamma>0,$$

then $F \in RDA_p(\hat{\Phi}_{2,\gamma})$; (iii) if r(F) = 0 and

$$\lim_{x\uparrow 0}\frac{W'(x)x\log|x|}{\sqrt{W(x)}}=\gamma, \quad \gamma>0,$$

then
$$F \in RDA_p(\hat{\Phi}_{3,\gamma});$$

(iv) if $r(F) < 0$ and

$$\lim_{x\uparrow r(F)}\frac{W'(x)|x|\log\left(\frac{x}{r(F)}\right)}{\sqrt{W(x)}}=\gamma, \quad \gamma>0,$$

then $F \in RDA_p(\hat{\Phi}_{4,\gamma});$

(v) if W is twice differentiable in some neighborhood of r(F) and

$$\lim_{x \uparrow r(F)} W(x) \left(\frac{W''(x)}{(W'(x))^2} + \frac{1}{xW'(x)} \right) = 0,$$
(2.15)

then for $0 < r(F) \le \infty F \in RDA_p(\hat{\Phi}_5)$ and for $r(F) \le 0 F \in RDA_p(\hat{\Phi}_6)$.

Proposition 2.7

(i) If pdf of F is f_{ν,σ^2} , then $F \in RDA_p(\hat{\Phi}_5)$. (ii) If pdf of F is $f_{\nu,\sigma^2,a}$, a > 0, then $F \in RDA_p(\hat{\Phi}_5)$. (iii) If pdf of F is $f_{\nu,\sigma^2,a}$, a < 0, then $F \in RDA_l(\Phi)$.

Proof

(i) From the principle of equivalent tails and (2.12) it is enough to check (2.15) with $r(F) = \infty$ and the integrated hazard function

$$W(x) = \nu \ln x - \ln K_1.$$

Indeed,

$$\frac{W''(x)}{(W'(x))^2} + \frac{1}{xW'(x)} = \frac{-\frac{\nu}{x^2}}{\left(\frac{\nu}{x}\right)^2} + \frac{1}{\nu} \equiv 0.$$

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(ii) From the principle of equivalent tails and (2.13) it is enough to check (2.15) with $r(F) = \infty$ and the integrated hazard function

$$W(x) = \frac{\nu}{2}\ln x - \ln K_2.$$

Again we find that

$$\frac{W''(x)}{(W'(x))^2} + \frac{1}{xW'(x)} = \frac{-\frac{\nu}{2x^2}}{\left(\frac{\nu}{2x}\right)^2} + \frac{2}{\nu} \equiv 0.$$

(iii) From (2.14) and the principle of equivalent tails it is enough to consider the integrated hazard function

$$W(x) = \left(\frac{\nu}{2} + 1\right) \ln x + \frac{2|a|}{\sigma^2} x - \ln K_3,$$

where

$$K_3 = \frac{\sigma}{2|a|\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} \left(\frac{\nu|a|}{2\sigma}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}}.$$

The corresponding associated distribution

$$1 - A(x) = \exp\left\{-\sqrt{\left(\frac{\nu}{2} + 1\right)\ln x + \frac{2|a|}{\sigma^2}x - \ln K_3}\right\}$$
$$\sim \exp\left\{-\sqrt{\frac{2|a|}{\sigma^2}x}\right\}, \quad \text{as} \quad x \to \infty.$$

Using again the principle of equivalent tails, Resnick's duality theorem and criteria from the classical extreme value theory we easily find that $A \in \text{MDA}_l(\Lambda)$ and thus $F \in \text{RDA}_l(\Phi)$.

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