

Block maxima

Generalized extreme value distribution (GEV)

$$G(x) = \exp \left\{ - \left(1 + \gamma \frac{x-M}{\sigma} \right)_+^{-1/\gamma} \right\}$$

\downarrow location
 \uparrow scale \uparrow shape

Special case: $\gamma = 0$ (Gumbel dist.)

$$G(x) = \exp \left\{ - \exp \left(- \frac{x-M}{\sigma} \right) \right\}$$

If $M_n = \max \{ \underbrace{\bar{X}_1, \dots, \bar{X}_n}_{\text{i.i.d. RVs}} \}$, then

$$P(M_n \leq x) = P(\bar{X}_1 \leq x, \dots, \bar{X}_n \leq x) = F(x)^n$$

Peaks over threshold

Generalized Pareto distribution (GPD)

$$H(x) = 1 - \left(1 + \frac{\gamma}{\sigma} x \right)_+^{-1/\gamma} \quad (= 1 - e^{-x/\sigma} \text{ if } \gamma = 0)$$

Distribution of exceedances over threshold u :

$$F_u(x) = P(\bar{X} - u \leq x \mid \bar{X} > u) = \frac{F(x+u) - F(u)}{1 - F(u)}$$

$$4) P\left(\frac{M_n - a_n}{b_n} \leq x\right) = P(M_n \leq b_n x + a_n) = P(\bar{X}_1 \leq b_n x + a_n, \dots, \bar{X}_n \leq b_n x + a_n)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \bar{X}_1, \bar{X}_2, \dots \\ \text{independent} \end{array} \Rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^n P(\bar{X}_i \leq b_n x + a_n) = \left(1 - e^{-\frac{(b_n x + a_n)}{\sigma}}\right)^n$$

\uparrow
 $\bar{X}_1, \bar{X}_2, \dots$
 i.i.d.

We know that $\left(1 + \frac{a}{n}\right)^n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} e^a$

$$\text{so } \left(1 - \frac{e^{-x}}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^{-e^{-x}}$$

We therefore want to find a_n, b_n s.t.

$$e^{-\frac{(b_n x + a_n)}{\sigma}} = \frac{e^{-x}}{n}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -\frac{(b_n x + a_n)}{\sigma} = -x - \ln(n)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow b_n x + a_n = \sigma x + \sigma \ln(n)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow b_n = \sigma \text{ and } a_n = \sigma \ln(n).$$

$$7) (\bar{X}-u) \sim GP(\sigma, \gamma), \text{ i.e. } P(\bar{X} > u+y | \bar{X} > u) = \left(1 + \frac{\gamma y}{\sigma}\right)^{-1/\gamma}$$

$$\parallel$$

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

Therefore, $1-F(u+y) = \left(1 + \frac{\gamma y}{\sigma}\right)^{-1/\gamma} (1-F(u))$

Now

$$P(\bar{X} > y+u+v | \bar{X} > u+v) = \frac{1-F(u+y+v)}{1-F(u+v)}$$

$$= \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma(y+v)}{\sigma}\right)^{-1/\gamma} (1-F(u))}{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma v}{\sigma}\right)^{-1/\gamma} (1-F(u))}$$

$$= \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma(y+v)}{\sigma}\right)^{-1/\gamma}}{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma v}{\sigma}\right)^{-1/\gamma}} = \left(\frac{1 + \frac{\gamma y}{\sigma} + \frac{\gamma v}{\sigma}}{1 + \frac{\gamma v}{\sigma}}\right)^{-1/\gamma}$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{\gamma y}{\sigma + \gamma v}\right)^{-1/\gamma}$$

So excesses of threshold $u+v$ have the distribution

$$GP(\tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\gamma}) = GP(\sigma + \gamma v, \gamma).$$

$$9) M_5 = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_5\}$$

$$M_5 \sim \text{GEV}(\mu, \sigma, \gamma)$$

$$P(M_5 \leq x) = \exp\left(-\left(1 + \gamma \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)\right)^{-1/\gamma}\right)$$

$$M_{20} = \max\{M_5^{(1)}, \dots, M_5^{(4)}\}$$

$$P(M_{20} \leq x) = P(M_5 \leq x)^4 = \left(\exp\left\{-\left[1 + \gamma \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)\right]^{-1/\gamma}\right\}\right)^4$$

$$= \exp\left\{-4\left[1 + \gamma \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)\right]^{-1/\gamma}\right\}$$

$$= \exp\left\{-\left(1 + 4^{-\gamma} - 1 + 4^{-\gamma} \gamma \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)\right)^{-1/\gamma}\right\}$$

$$= \exp\left\{-\left[1 + \gamma \left(\frac{4^{-\gamma} - 1}{\gamma} + \frac{x - \mu}{4^{\gamma} \sigma}\right)\right]^{-1/\gamma}\right\}$$

$$= \exp\left\{-\left[1 + \gamma \left(\frac{x - \left(\mu + \frac{\sigma}{\gamma}(4^{\gamma} - 1)\right)}{4^{\gamma} \sigma}\right)\right]^{-1/\gamma}\right\}$$

so

$$M_{20} \sim \text{GEV}(\tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\gamma}) = \text{GEV}\left(\mu + \frac{\sigma}{\gamma}(4^{\gamma} - 1), 4^{\gamma} \sigma, \gamma\right)$$

13) X_1, X_2 independent RVs, $\text{GEV}(\mu=2.1, \sigma=1.3, \gamma=0)$

$$G(x) = e^{-e^{-\left(\frac{x-2.1}{1.3}\right)}}$$

$$M = \max(X_1, X_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(M \leq x) &= P(X_1 \leq x)^2 = e^{-2e^{-\frac{(x-2.1)}{1.3}}} = e^{-e^{-\left(\frac{x-2.1}{1.3} - \ln(2)\right)}} \\ &\quad \uparrow \\ &\quad \text{i.i.d.} \\ &= e^{-e^{-\left(\frac{x-2.1+1.3\ln(2)}{1.3}\right)}} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$M \sim \text{GEV}(\tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\sigma}, \tilde{\gamma}) = \text{GEV}(\underbrace{2.1 + 1.3\ln(2)}_{\approx 3.00}, 1.3, 0)$$

14) $(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma}, \hat{\gamma}) = (-1.64, 0.27, -0.084)$

95% confidence interval for σ :

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma} \pm z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{0.000652} &= 0.27 \pm 1.96 \sqrt{0.000652} \\ &= 0.27 \pm 0.05 \\ &= (0.22, 0.32) \end{aligned}$$