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ASYMPTOTIC DOMINATION OF SAMPLE MAXIMA

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Abstract: For a given random sample from some underlying multivariate distribution F we consider the domination of the component-wise maxima by some independent random vector W with underlying distribution function G. We show that the probability that certain components of the sample maxima are dominated by the corresponding components of W can be approximated under the assumptions that both F and G are in the max-domain of attraction of some max-stable distribution function \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} , respectively. We study further some basic properties of the dominated components of sample maxima by W.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let $\mathbf{Z}_i, i \leq n$ be independent *d*-dimensional random vectors with common continuous distribution function (df) Fand denote by \mathbf{M}_n their component-wise maxima, i.e., $M_{nj} = \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} Z_{kj}, j \leq d$. If \mathbf{W} is another *d*-dimensional random vector with continuous df G being further independent of \mathbf{M}_n the approximation of the probability that at least one component of \mathbf{W} dominates the corresponding component of \mathbf{M}_n is of interest since it is related to the dependence of the components of \mathbf{M}_n , see e.g., [1]. In the special case that \mathbf{W} has a max-stable df with unit Fréchet marginal df's $\Phi(x) = e^{-1/x}, x > 0$ and \mathbf{M}_n has almost surely positive components, then we simply have

$$\mathbb{P}\{\exists i \le d : W_i > M_{ni}\} = 1 - \mathbb{P}\{\forall i, 1 \le i \le d : M_{ni} \ge W_i\} = 1 - \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{M}_n}\left\{\exp\left(-\mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{W}}}\left\{\max_{1 \le i \le d} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{M_{ni}}\right\}\right)\right\},$$

where $\mathcal{W} = (\mathcal{W}_1, \dots, \mathcal{W}_d)$ being independent of \mathcal{M}_n is a spectral random vector of G which exists in view of the well-known de Haan representation, see e.g., [2] and (2.1) below. Note that the assumption that W_i has unit Fréchet df implies that $\mathbb{E}\{\mathcal{W}_i\} = 1$.

The above probability is referred to as the marginal domination probability of the sample maxima. If F is also a max-stable df with unit Fréchet marginals, then by definition M_n/n has for any n > 0 df F and since consequently

(1.1)
$$n[1 - \mathbb{P}\{\forall i, 1 \le i \le d : M_{ni} \ge W_i\}] = n\left[1 - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Z}}\left\{\exp\left(-\frac{1}{n}\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{W}}\left\{\max_{1\le i\le d}\frac{W_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}\right\}\right)\right\}\right] \sim \mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{1\le i\le d}\frac{W_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}\right\},$$

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where ~ means asymptotic equivalence as $n \to \infty$ and $\mathbf{Z} = (Z_1, \ldots, Z_d)$ has df F being further independent of \mathbf{W} . Under the above assumptions, we have (set below $F_n = F^n$)

(1.2)
$$p_{n,T}(F_n,G) = \mathbb{P}\{\forall i, \ 1 \le i \le d : W_i > M_{ni}\} \sim \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E}\left\{\min_{1 \le i \le d} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}\right\}, \quad T = \{1,\ldots,d\}$$

as $n \to \infty$, which follows by (1.1) and the inclusion-exclusion formula or directly by [1][Thm 2.5 and Prop 4.2].

Here $p_{n,T}(F_n, G)$ is referred to as the probability of the complete domination of sample maxima by W. In the particular case that F = G it is related to the probability of observing a multiple maxima, see [3–8].

Between these to extreme cases of interest is also to consider the partial domination of the sample maxima. Let therefore let below $T \subset \{1, \ldots, d\}$ be non-empty and consider the probability that only the components of W with indices in T dominate M_n , i.e.,

$$\mathbb{P}\{\forall i \in T : W_i > M_{ni}, \forall i \in \overline{T} : W_i \le M_{ni}\} =: p_{n,T}(F_n, G)\}$$

where $\overline{T} = \{1, \ldots, d\} \setminus T$. Note that $p_{n,T}(F_n, F)$ relates to the probability of observing a *T*-record, see [9]. By the continuity of *F* and *G* we simply have

$$p_{n,T}(F_n,G) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{P}\{\forall i \in T : W_i > y_i, \forall i \in \overline{T} : W_i \le y_i\} \ dF_n(\boldsymbol{y}),$$

which cannot be evaluated without knowledge of both F and G. In the particular case that F and G are max-stable df's as above, using (1.1) and the inclusion-exclusion formula we have

(1.3)
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} n p_{n,T}(F_n, G) = \mathbb{E}\left\{ \left(\min_{i \in T} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i} - \max_{i \in \bar{T}} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i} \right)_+ \right\}.$$

In case H = Q the above result is known from [9][Prop 2.2]. Moreover, in the special case that T consist of one element, then the right-hand side of (1.3) is equal to $\mathbb{P}\{C(T) \subset \overline{T}\}$, where C(T) is the tessellation as determined in [10]. If we are not interested on a particular index set T where the domination of sample maxima by W occurs but simply on the number of components being dominated, i.e., on the random variable (rv)

$$N_n = \sum_{i=1}^d \mathbb{1}_{\{W_i > M_{ni}\}}$$

again a question of interest is if N_n can be approximated as $n \to \infty$. We have that N_n has the same distribution as

$$\sum_{i=1}^d \mathbb{1}_{\{W_i/n > \mathcal{Z}_i\}},$$

provided that F is max-stable as above and \mathcal{Z} has df F being further independent of W. Hence if W_i 's are unit Fréchet rv's, then

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} n \mathbb{E}\{N_n\} = \sum_{i=1}^d \lim_{n \to +\infty} n \mathbb{P}\{W_i > n \mathcal{Z}_i\} = \sum_{i=1}^d \lim_{n \to +\infty} n \left[1 - e^{-\mathbb{E}\left\{\frac{1}{n\mathcal{Z}_i}\right\}}\right] = d.$$

Consequently, the expected number of components of sample maxima being dominated by the components of W decreases as d/n when n goes to infinity. Moreover, the dependence of both W and M_n does not play any role. This is however not the case for the expectation of $f(N_n)$ where f is some real-valued function, since the dependence of both M_n and W influence the approximation as we shall show in the next section.

From our discussion above the assumptions that F and G are max-stable df's with unit Fréchet marginals lead to tractable asymptotic formulas for the approximation of various quantities related to the domination of sample maxima M_n by W.

In view of [1] we know that both (1.1) and (1.2) are valid in the more general setup that both F and G are in the max-domain of attraction of some max-stable df's (see next section for details). We shall show in this paper that the same assumptions lead to tractable approximations of both $p_{n,T}(F_n, G)$ and $\mathbb{E}\{f(N_n)\}$ as $n \to \infty$.

Brief organisation of the paper: Section 2 gives the main results concerning the approximations of the marginal domination probabilities and the expectation of $f(N_n)$. Section 3 is dedicated to properties of \mathcal{W}/\mathcal{Z} which we call the domination spectral vector, whereas in Section 4 we give some combinatorial results. All the proofs are relegated to Section 5.

2. Main Results

We shall recall first some basic properties of max-stable df's, see [2, 11-13] for details. A *d*-dimensional df \mathcal{G} is max-stable with unit Fréchet marginals if

$$\mathcal{G}^t(tx_1,\ldots,tx_d) = \mathcal{G}(x_1,\ldots,x_d)$$

for any $t > 0, x_i \in (0, \infty), 1 \le i \le d$. In the light of the well-known De Haan representation

(2.1)
$$\mathcal{G}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \exp\left(-\mathbb{E}\{\max_{1 \le j \le d} \mathcal{W}_j / x_j\}\right), \quad \boldsymbol{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_d) \in (0, \infty)^d,$$

where \mathcal{W}_j 's are non-negative rv's with $\mathbb{E}{\{\mathcal{W}_j\}} = 1, j \leq d$ and $\mathcal{W} = (\mathcal{W}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{W}_d)$ is a spectral vector for \mathcal{G} (which is not unique).

In view of multivariate extreme value theory, see e.g., [13] *d*-dimensional max-stable df's \mathcal{F} are limiting df's of the component-wise maxima of *d*-dimensional iid random vectors with some df F. In that case, F is said to be in the max-domain of attraction (MDA) of \mathcal{F} , abbreviated $F \in MDA(\mathcal{F})$. For simplicity we shall assume throughout in the following that F has marginal df's F_i 's such that

(2.2)
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} F_i^n(nx) = \Phi(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

for all $i \leq d$, where we set $\Phi(x) = 0$ if $x \leq 0$. We have thus that $F \in MDA(\mathcal{F})$ if further

(2.3)
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \sup_{x_i \in \mathbb{R}, 1 \le i \le d} \left| F^n(nx_1, \dots, nx_d) - \mathcal{F}(x_1, \dots, x_d) \right| = 0.$$

In the following \mathcal{F} is a *d*-dimensional max-stable df of some random vector \mathcal{Z} with unit Fréchet marginals and \mathcal{G} is another max-stable df with unit Fréchet marginals and spectral random vector \mathcal{W} independent of \mathcal{Z} . Further both F and G are as in the Introduction. Since our limiting result depends only on the ratio of \mathcal{W} and \mathcal{Z} we shall set below

$$\mathcal{V}_i = \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}, \quad 1 \le i \le d.$$

Below we extend [14][Prop 1] which considers the case F = G.

Proposition 2.1. If $F \in MDA(\mathcal{F})$ and $G \in MDA(\mathcal{G})$, then for any non-empty $T \subset \{1, \ldots, d\}$ we have

(2.4)
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} n p_{n,T}(F_n, G) = \mathbb{E}\left\{ \left(\min_{i \in T} \mathcal{V}_i - \max_{i \in \bar{T}} \mathcal{V}_i \right)_+ \right\} =: \lambda_T(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}).$$

Remark 2.2. Define for a non-empty index set T the $rv K_n = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{\{\forall i \in T: W_i > M_{ji}, \forall i \in \overline{T}: W_i \le M_{ji}\}}$. Under the assumptions of Proposition 2.1 we have (see also [15][Corr 3.2]) that

(2.5)
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \frac{\mathbb{E}\{K_n\}}{\ln n} = \lambda_T(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}).$$

Example 2.3 (\mathcal{F} comonotonic and \mathcal{G} a product df). Suppose that \mathcal{F} is comonotonic, i.e., $\mathcal{Z}_1 = \cdots = \mathcal{Z}_d$ almost surely and let \mathcal{G} be a product df with unit Fréchet marginals df's and let N be rv on $\{1, \ldots, d\}$ with $\mathbb{P}\{N = i\} = 1/d, i \leq d$. A spectral vector \mathcal{W} for \mathcal{G} can be defined as follows

$$(\mathcal{W}_1,\ldots,\mathcal{W}_d)=(d\mathbb{1}_{\{N=1\}},\ldots,d\mathbb{1}_{\{N=d\}})$$

Indeed $\mathbb{E}{Y_k} = d\mathbb{P}{N = k} = 1$ for any $k \leq d$ and

$$\mathbb{E}\{\max_{1 \le i \le d} \mathcal{W}_i/x_i\} = d\sum_{k=1}^d \mathbb{E}\{\max_{1 \le i \le d} \mathcal{W}_i/x_i \mathbb{1}_{\{N=k\}}\} = d\sum_{k=1}^d \mathbb{E}\{\mathbb{1}_{\{N=k\}}/x_k\} = \sum_{k=1}^d 1/x_k$$

for any x_1, \ldots, x_d positive. In particular, for a non-empty index set $K \subset \{1, \ldots, d\}$ with m elements we have

$$\mathbb{E}\{\max_{i\in K}\mathcal{W}_i\} = d\sum_{k\in K}\mathbb{E}\{\mathbb{1}_{\{N=k\}}\} = m.$$

Consequently, using further that (see the proof of Proposition 2.1)

$$\lambda_T(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T: |J|=j} \mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{i \in J \cup \bar{T}} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}\right\}$$

we have

$$\lambda_T(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T: |J|=j} \mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{i \in J \cup \bar{T}} \mathcal{W}_i\right\} = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T: |J|=j} (j+d-k).$$

If k = d, then from above e

(2.6)
$$\lambda_T(\mathcal{F},\mathcal{G}) = \sum_{j=0}^d (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T: |J|=j} j = d(1-1)^{d-1} = 0.$$

A direct probabilistic proof of (2.6) follows by the properties of \mathcal{W}_i 's, namely when $k = d \geq 2$

$$\lambda_T(\mathcal{F},\mathcal{G}) = \mathbb{E}\{\min_{1 \le i \le d} \mathcal{W}_i / \mathcal{Z}_i\} = \mathbb{E}\{\min_{1 \le i \le d} \mathcal{W}_i\} = d\mathbb{E}\{\min_{1 \le i \le d} \mathbb{1}_{\{N=i\}}\} = 0.$$

Now, let us investigate the number N_n of dominations defined as in Introduction by $\sum_{i=1}^d \mathbb{1}_{\{W_i/n > Z_i\}}$. For a given function $f : \{0, \ldots, d\} \to \mathbb{R}$ we shall be concerned with the behaviour of

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{f(N_n)\right\} = \sum_{k=0}^d f(k)\mathbb{P}\left\{N_n = k\right\}$$

when n tends to $+\infty$. Throughout in the sequel we set

$$\mathcal{D} = \{1, \dots, d\}.$$

In Proposition 2.4 below, we first express this expectation as a function of minima or maxima of \mathcal{V}_i 's.

Proposition 2.4 (Limit law of N_n). If $F \in MDA(\mathcal{F})$, $G \in MDA(\mathcal{G})$ and $e_{n,f} := \mathbb{E} \{f(N_n)\} - f(0)$, then we have

(2.7)
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} n e_{n,f} = \sum_{k=1}^{d} \Delta^{k} f(0) \sum_{K \subset \mathcal{D}, |K|=k} \mathbb{E} \left\{ \min_{i \in K} \mathcal{V}_{i} \right\}$$

 $or \ alternatively$

(2.8)
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} n e_{n,f} = \sum_{k=1}^{d} (-1)^{k+1} \Delta^k f(d-k) \sum_{K \subset \mathcal{D}, |K|=k} \mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{i \in K} \mathcal{V}_i\right\},$$

where Δ is the difference operator, $\Delta f(x) = f(x+1) - f(x)$.

Proposition 2.5 (Link with order statistics). Under the assumptions and the notation of Proposition 2.4 we have

(2.9)
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} n e_{n,f} = \sum_{k=1}^{d} g(k) \mathbb{E} \left\{ \mathcal{V}_{(k)} \right\},$$

where $\mathcal{V}_{(1)} \leq \ldots \leq \mathcal{V}_{(d)}$ are the order statistics of $\mathcal{V}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{V}_d$ and g(k) = f(d-k+1) - f(d-k).

Remark 2.6 (retrieving simple cases). For particular cases of f we have:

- From Proposition 2.4, setting $f(x) = \mathbb{1}_{\{x=d\}}$, one can check that $\Delta^k f(0) = 0$ when k < d and $\Delta^d f(0) = 1$, so that Equation (2.7) implies (1.2). Alternatively, by Proposition 2.5 since g(1) = f(d) f(d-1) = 1 and g(k) = f(d-k+1) f(d-k) = 0 0 = 0 if k > 1 we have that $\lim_{n \to +\infty} ne_{n,f} = \mathbb{E} \{\mathcal{V}_{(1)}\}$.
- In view of Proposition 2.4, setting $f(x) = \mathbb{1}_{\{x \ge 1\}}, \ \Delta^k f(d-k) = \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} (-1)^{k-i} f(d-k+i)$. Thus $\Delta^k f(d-k) = 0$ if k < d. If k = d, then

$$\Delta^k f(d-k) = \Delta^d f(0) = (1-1)^d - (-1)^d = (-1)^{d+1}$$

and Equation (2.8) implies (1.1). Alternatively, by Proposition 2.5 since if k < d, g(k) = f(d - k + 1) - f(d - k) = 1 - 1 = 0 and g(d) = f(1) - f(0) = 1 we obtain $\lim_{n \to +\infty} ne_{n,f} = \mathbb{E} \{\mathcal{V}_{(d)}\}$.

Remark 2.7 (Interpretation of $\mathcal{V}_{(j)}$). Let $f(k) = \mathbb{1}_{\{k \ge d-j+1\}}$, for any $j, k \in \mathcal{D}$. Then $g(k) = f(d-k+1) - f(d-k) = \mathbb{1}_{\{k=j\}}$. In this case, f(0) = 0 and $e_{n,f} = \mathbb{P}\{N \ge d-j+1\}$, thus

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\mathcal{V}_{(j)}\right\} = \lim_{n \to +\infty} n \mathbb{P}\left\{N_n \ge d - j + 1\right\}$$

3. Domination spectrum

In the previous results, we have considered a particular setting, and we have expressed the domination probability and some expectations relying on number of dominations (see Section 2). We have seen that all these results were expressed as a function of

$$oldsymbol{\mathcal{V}} = \left(rac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}
ight)_{i\in\mathcal{I}}$$

By the definition all components $\mathcal{V}_i = \mathcal{W}_i/\mathcal{Z}_i$ are nonnegative, and are such that, by independence, $\mathbb{E} \{\mathcal{V}_i\} = \mathbb{E} \{\mathcal{W}_i\} \mathbb{E} \{\frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}_i}\} = 1$. Thus in view of the De Haan representation \mathcal{V} can be viewed as the spectral random vector of some max-stable *d*-dimensional distribution. Since \mathcal{V} is related to the domination of M_n by W, we will refer to it by the term *domination spectrum*. In this section we shall explore some basic properties of \mathcal{W} .

Next, assume that \mathcal{W} has a copula $C_{\mathcal{W}}$ and suppose further that \mathcal{Z} has a copula $C_{\mathcal{Z}}$. Note in passing that the latter copula is unique since the marginals of \mathcal{Z} have continuous df. As each \mathcal{V}_i is a ratio between \mathcal{W}_i and \mathcal{Z}_i , we first study the link between the diagonal sections of both copulas $C_{\mathcal{W}}$ and $C_{\mathcal{Z}}$, defined for all $u \in [0, 1]$ by

$$\delta_{\mathcal{W}}(u) = C_{\mathcal{W}}(u, \dots, u) \text{ and } \delta_{\mathcal{Z}}(u) = C_{\mathcal{Z}}(u, \dots, u).$$

We recall that the diagonal section characterizes uniquely many Archimedean copulas (under a condition that is called Frank's condition, see e.g., [16]), some non-parametric estimators of the generator of an Archimedean copulas directly rely on this diagonal section. We consider here the case where the df of \mathcal{Z} has spectral random vector \mathcal{W} . Notice that the upper tail dependence coefficients can be deduced from the regular variation properties of $\delta_{\mathcal{Z}}$ and $\delta_{\mathcal{W}}$, which is straightforward for $\delta_{\mathcal{Z}}$ in the following result.

Proposition 3.1 (Limit diagonal section of Z). Consider a d-dimensional random vector Z having max-stable df with Fréchet unit marginals and with copula C_{Z} . If the random vector Z has df $H(y) = \exp(-\mathbb{E}\{\max_{1 \le j \le d} \frac{W_j}{y_j}\})$, where all W_j are nonnegative rv's with mean 1, then

$$\delta_{\mathbf{Z}}(u) = u^{r_{\mathbf{W}}} \quad with \quad r_{\mathbf{W}} = \mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{j\in\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{W}_{j}\right\}.$$

In particular, when $r_{\mathcal{W}} > 1$, this diagonal section $\delta_{\mathcal{Z}}(u)$ is the one of a Gumbel copula with parameter

(3.1)
$$\theta = \frac{\ln d}{\ln r_{\mathcal{W}}}$$

Furthermore, if the components of \mathcal{W} are identically distributed and if $F_{\mathcal{W}}$ is invertible, then we have

$$r_{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{W}}} = \int_0^1 F_{\mathcal{W}_1}^{-1}(s) d\delta_{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{W}}}(s)$$

Example 3.2 (From independence to comonotonicity). Let $W_j = Bd\mathbb{1}_{\{I=j\}} + (1-B)\delta_1$, for all $j \in \mathcal{D}$, where I is a uniformely distributed rv's on \mathcal{D} , B is a Bernoulli rv with $\mathbb{E}\{B\} = \alpha \in (0,1]$ and δ_1 is a Dirac mass at 1, all these rv's being mutually independent. In this case

$$r_{\mathcal{W}} = \mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{j\in\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{W}_{j}\right\} = \alpha d + 1 - \alpha, \quad \theta = \frac{\ln d}{\ln\left(1 + \alpha(d-1)\right)}$$

Proposition 3.3 (Distribution of $\max_{j \in K} \mathcal{V}_j$ or $\min_{j \in K} \mathcal{V}_j$). Under the assumption that \mathcal{W}' is a spectral vector of \mathcal{Z} , with \mathcal{Z} max-stable with unit Fréchet margins and \mathcal{Z} , \mathcal{W} , \mathcal{W}' are mutually independent, then for any t > 0

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\max_{i\in\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{V}_{i}\leq t\right\} = 1-\sum_{k=1}^{a}(-1)^{k+1}\sum_{K\subset\mathcal{D},|K|=k}\mathbb{P}\left\{\min_{i\in K}\mathcal{V}_{i}>t\right\},$$

and

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\min_{i\in K}\mathcal{V}_i > t\right\} = \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{W}}\left\{\mathbb{1}_{\{\min_{i\in K}\mathcal{W}_i>0\}}\exp\left(-t\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{W}'}\left\{\max_{i\in K}\frac{\mathcal{W}'_i}{\mathcal{W}_i}\right\}\right)\right\}.$$

Example 3.4 (From independence to comonotonicity, continued). Under the settings of Example 3.2 we have when all $t_j > 0$

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{j\in K}\frac{\mathcal{W}_j}{t_j}\right\} = \alpha \sum_{j\in K}\frac{1}{t_j} + (1-\alpha)\frac{1}{\min_{j\in K}t_j}$$

Let t > 0 and suppose that K has m > 1 elements. By conditioning over B, we get

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\forall i \in K, \mathcal{V}_i > t\right\} = (1-\alpha)\mathbb{P}\left\{\forall i \in K, \mathcal{Z}_i < 1/t \mid B = 0\right\}$$

since $\mathbb{P}\left\{\forall i \in K, \mathcal{V}_i > t \mid B = 1\right\} = 0$ when m > 1, because at least one component \mathcal{W}_i , $i \in K$, is zero when B = 1 and m > 1. Recall that \mathcal{Z} is independent from \mathcal{W} and B, thus for t > 0 and |K| > 1

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\forall i \in K, \mathcal{V}_i > t\right\} = (1 - \alpha) \exp\left(\mathbb{E}\left\{-\max_{j \in K} \frac{\mathcal{W}_j'}{(1/t)}\right\}\right) = (1 - \alpha) \exp\left(-t(1 + \alpha(m - 1))\right).$$

This can be retrieved directly from Proposition 3.3, using the fact that $\min_{i \in K} W_i > 0$ implies B = 0 when |K| > 1. A consequence of this is that one can write

$$\begin{cases} \min_{i \in K} \mathcal{V}_{i} = (1-B)\epsilon_{1+\alpha(|K|-1)} + B\mathbb{1}_{\{|K|=1\}}\mathbb{1}_{\{I=1\}}\delta_{d} \\ \mathbb{E}\left\{\min_{i \in K} \mathcal{V}_{i}\right\} = \frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha(|K|-1)} + \mathbb{1}_{\{|K|=1\}}\alpha, \end{cases}$$

where B is a Bernoulli r.v. of parameter α , $\epsilon_{1+\alpha(|K|-1)}$ is an exponentially distributed r.v. with parameter $1 + \alpha(|K|-1)$, I an uniformly distributed r.v. over \mathcal{D} , and δ_d a Dirac mass at d, all being mutually independent (for simplicity, we denote $\mathbb{1}_{\{|K|=1\}}$ the variable whose value is 1 if |K| = 1 or 0 otherwise). Then all results about the limit law of N_n derive immediately, using Equation (2.7) in Proposition 2.4. Notice that one could also determine $r_{\mathbf{v}}$ from this, and by application of Proposition 3.1, assess the dependence structure of the random vector whose spectrum is \mathbf{V} .

4. Combinatorial results

We give hereafter some combinatoric results that show how quantities depending on a number of events can be related to quantities involving only intersections or unions of events. This generalizes inclusion-exclusion formulas that will correspond to very specific functions f and g.

Lemma 4.1 (Inclusion-exclusion relations). Let $\mathcal{D} = \{1, \ldots, d\}$ and let B_i , $i \in \mathcal{D}$ be events. Consider the number of realized events $N = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \mathbb{1}_{\{B_i\}}$. Then for any function $f : \{0, \ldots, d\} \to \mathbb{R}$

(4.1)
$$\sum_{k=0}^{d} f(k) \mathbb{P}\left\{N=k\right\} = f(0) + \sum_{j=1}^{d} S_j \Delta^j f(0) = f(0) + \sum_{j=1}^{d} \bar{S}_j (-1)^{j+1} \Delta^j f(d-j),$$

and similarly for any function $g: \mathcal{D} \to \mathbb{R}$

(4.2)
$$\sum_{k=0}^{d} g(k) \mathbb{P}\left\{N \ge k\right\} = \sum_{j=1}^{d} S_j \Delta^{j-1} g(1) = \sum_{j=1}^{d} \bar{S}_j (-1)^{j+1} \Delta^{j-1} g(d-j+1),$$

where $S_j = \sum_{J \subset \mathcal{D}, |J|=j} \mathbb{P}\left\{\bigcap_{i \in J} B_i\right\}$ and $\bar{S}_j = \sum_{J \subset \mathcal{D}, |J|=j} \mathbb{P}\left\{\bigcup_{i \in J} B_i\right\}$.

Proof of Lemma 4.1. Let us denote $p_J = \mathbb{P} \{ \bigcap_{i \in J} B_i \}$ and $\bar{p}_J = \mathbb{P} \{ \bigcup_{i \in J} B_i \}$. By inclusion-exclusion principle, we get

(4.3)
$$S_k = \sum_{K \subset \mathcal{D}, |K| = k} \sum_{j=1}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset K, |J| = j} \bar{p}_J = \sum_{j=1}^k (-1)^{j+1} \binom{d-j}{k-j} \bar{S}_j.$$

The first equality in Equation (4.1) is known in actuarial sciences under the name of Schuette-Nesbitt formula, see [17, section 8.5]. This formula does not require any independence assumption, it is a simple development of $f(N) = (I + \mathbb{1}_{\{B_1\}}\Delta) \cdots (I + \mathbb{1}_{\{B_d\}}\Delta)f(0)$ where I and Δ are the identity and the difference operators respectively. This formula generalizes a very old formula of Waring and generalizes also the inclusion exclusion formula which can be retrieved by setting f(k) = 1 if $k \ge 1$, and f(k) = 0 otherwise. Now using Equation (4.3)

$$\sum_{k=1}^{d} \Delta^{k} f(0) S_{k} = \sum_{k=1}^{d} \Delta^{k} f(0) \sum_{j=1}^{k} (-1)^{j+1} {d-j \choose k-j} \bar{S}_{j} = \sum_{j=1}^{d} \bar{S}_{j} (-1)^{j+1} \Delta^{j} (I+\Delta)^{d-j} f(0)$$

and since $(I + \Delta)^{d-j} f(0) = f(d-j)$, the second equality in Equation (4.1) holds. Similarly, the first equality in Equation (4.2) is a known Schuette-Nesbitt formula, see [17, Section 8.5], and one can retrieve the second equality by using Equation (4.3). Alternatively, one can also deduce (4.2) from (4.1) by setting f(0) = 0 and $g(k) = \Delta f(k-1)$ for all $k \in \mathcal{D}$.

5. Proofs

Proof of Proposition 2.1. By inclusion-exclusion formula for a given index set $T \subset \{1, \ldots, d\}$ with k = |T| elements we have

$$\mathbb{P}\{\forall i \in \bar{T} : W_i \le y_i, \exists i \in T : W_i \le y_i\} = \sum_{j=1}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T : |J|=j} \mathbb{P}\{\forall i \in (J \cup \bar{T}) : W_i \le W_i\}$$

=
$$\sum_{j=1}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T : |J|=j} G_{J \cup \bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y}),$$

where $G_L(\boldsymbol{y}) = \mathbb{P}\{\forall i \in L : W_i \leq y_i\}$ is the *L*-th marginal df of *G*. In particular, letting $\mathcal{W}_i \to \infty, i \leq d$ we have

$$1 = \sum_{j=1}^{k} (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T: |J| = j} 1$$

Consequently, for all n > 1

$$\begin{split} p_{n,T}(F_n,G) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{P}\{\forall i \in T : W_i \ge y_i, \forall i \in \bar{T} : W_i < y_i\} \, dF_n(\boldsymbol{y}) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{P}\{\forall i \in \bar{T} : W_i \le y_i\} dF_n(\boldsymbol{y}) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{P}\{\forall i \in \bar{T} : W_i \le y_i, \exists i \in T : W_i \le y_i\} dF^n(\boldsymbol{y}) \\ &= 1 - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset K : |J| = j} G_{J \cup \bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y}) dF_n(\boldsymbol{y}) - \left(1 - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} G_{\bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y}) dF_n(\boldsymbol{y})\right) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T : |J| = i} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} [1 - G_{J \cup \bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y})] dF_n(\boldsymbol{y}) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T : |J| = j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{m+i}} [1 - G_{J \cup \bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y})] dF_{n,J \cup \bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y}). \end{split}$$

In view of [1][Prop 4.2] we have

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} n \int_{\mathbb{R}^{m+|J|}} [1 - G_{J \cup \bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y})] dF_{n, J \cup \bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y}) = -\int_{\mathbb{R}^{m+|J|}} \ln Q_{J \cup \bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y}) dH_{J \cup \bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y}).$$

Further by [1][Thm 2.5 and Prop 4.2]

$$-\int_{\mathbb{R}^{m+|J|}} \ln Q_{J\cup\bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y}) dH_{J\cup\bar{T}}(\boldsymbol{y}) = \mathbb{E}\bigg\{\max_{i\in J\cup\bar{T}} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}\bigg\}$$

Consequently, we have

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} n p_{n,T}(F_n, G) = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T: |J|=j} \mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{i \in J \cup \overline{T}} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}\right\}.$$

In view of [9][Lem 1] for given constants c_1, \ldots, c_d

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k} (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset T: |J|=i} \max_{i \in J \cup \bar{T}} c_i = \max\left(\max_{i \in \bar{T}} c_i, \min_{i \in T} c_i\right) - \max_{i \in \bar{T}} c_i = \left(\min_{i \in T} c_i - \max_{i \in \bar{T}} c_i\right)_+$$

implying the claim.

Alternatively, we have using again inclusion-exclusion formula

$$p_{n,T}(F_n,G) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{P}\{w_i \ge M_i, i \in T, \quad w_i < M_i, i \in \overline{T}\} dG(\boldsymbol{w})$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{P}\{M_i \le w_i, i \in T\} dG(\boldsymbol{w}) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{P}\{M_i \le w_i, i \in T, \exists i \in \overline{T} : M_i \le w_i\} dG(\boldsymbol{w})$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} F_{n,T}(\boldsymbol{w}) dG_T(\boldsymbol{w}) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^m (-1)^{j+1} \sum_{J \subset \overline{T} : |J| = j} F_{J \cup T}^n(\boldsymbol{w}) dG(\boldsymbol{w})$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{d-k} (-1)^j \sum_{J \subset \overline{T} : |J| = j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{k+j}} F_{n,J \cup T}(\boldsymbol{w}) dG_{J \cup T}(\boldsymbol{w}).$$

Applying [1] [Thm 2.5 and Prop 4.2] we obtain

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} n \int_{\mathbb{R}^{k+i}} F_{n,J\cup T}(\boldsymbol{y}) dG_{J\cup T}(\boldsymbol{y}) = \mathbb{E}\bigg\{\min_{i \in J \cup T} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}\bigg\}$$

and thus

(5.1)
$$\mu_T(H,Q) = \sum_{j=0}^{d-k} (-1)^i \sum_{J \subset \overline{T}: |J|=j} \mathbb{E}\left\{\min_{i \in J \cup T} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}\right\}.$$

By [9][Lem 1] we obtain further

$$\mu_T(H,Q) = \mathbb{E}\bigg\{\min_{i\in T} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i} - \min(\min_{i\in T} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i}, \max_{i\in T} \frac{\mathcal{W}_i}{\mathcal{Z}_i})\bigg\},\$$

hence the proof is complete.

Proof of Proposition 2.4. By combinatorial arguments or utilising the classical actuarial Schuette-Nesbitt formula, see first equality in (4.1) and [17, Section 8.5], we get

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{f(N_n)\right\} = f(0) + \sum_{k=1}^d \Delta^k f(0) \sum_{K \subset \mathcal{D}, |K|=k} \mathbb{P}\left\{\forall i \in K, W_i \ge M_{ni}\right\}.$$

Alternatively, using Equation (4.1) in Lemma 4.1 below,

$$\mathbb{E}\{f(N_n)\} = f(0) + \sum_{k=1}^d (-1)^{k+1} \Delta^k f(d-k) \sum_{K \subset \mathcal{D}, |K|=k} \mathbb{P}\{\exists i \in K, W_i \ge M_{ni}\}.$$

Thus, using Equation (1.1), the result holds.

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Proof of Proposition 2.5. Let us consider $\mathbb{P}\left\{\mathcal{V}_{(k)} \leq x\right\} = \mathbb{P}\left\{\text{at least k events } [\mathcal{V}_i \leq x] \text{ are realized}, i \in \mathcal{D}\right\}$. Using the first equality in Equation (4.2), we get for any function $g: \{1, \ldots, d\} \to \mathbb{R}$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{d} g(k) \mathbb{P}\left\{ \mathcal{V}_{(k)} \leq x \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^{d} \Delta^{k-1} g(1) \sum_{K \subset \mathcal{D}, |K|=k} \mathbb{P}\left\{ \forall i \in K, \mathcal{V}_i \leq x \right\}$$

and hence letting $x \to \infty$ we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{d} g(k) = \sum_{k=1}^{d} \Delta^{k-1} g(1) \sum_{K \subset \mathcal{D}, |K|=k} 1$$

Consequently, for any real x

$$\sum_{k=1}^d g(k) \mathbb{P}\left\{\mathcal{V}_{(k)} > x\right\} = \sum_{k=1}^d \Delta^{k-1} g(1) \sum_{K \subset \mathcal{D}, |K|=k} \mathbb{P}\left\{\max_{i \in K} \mathcal{V}_i > x\right\}.$$

By the assumptions

$$\mathbb{E}\{\max_{1\leq i\leq d}\mathcal{V}_i\}\leq \sum_{i=1}^d \mathbb{E}\{\mathcal{V}_i\}=d,$$

hence since \mathcal{V}_i 's are non-negative it follows that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{d} g(k) \mathbb{E}\left\{\mathcal{V}_{(k)}\right\} = \sum_{k=1}^{d} \Delta^{k-1} g(1) \sum_{K \subset \mathcal{D}, |K|=k} \mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{i \in K} \mathcal{V}_{i}\right\}$$

Finally, in order to retrieve Equation (2.8), we must have for any $k \in \{1, \ldots, d\}$

$$\Delta^{k-1}g(1) = (-1)^{k+1}\Delta^k f(d-k) \,.$$

Now, assuming that for all $k \in \{1, ..., d\}$, $g(k) = f(d-k+1) - f(d-k) = \Delta f(d-k)$, then denoting by $T = \Delta + I$ the translation operator

$$\Delta^{k-1}g(1) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \binom{k-1}{i} (-1)^{k-1-i} T^{-i} \Delta f(d-1).$$

This implies

$$\Delta^{k-1}g(1) = (-I + T^{-1})^{k-1}\Delta f(d-1) = (-1)^{k-1}(T^{-1}(T-I))^{k-1}\Delta f(d-1).$$

Thus, for all $k \in \{1, \ldots, d\}$ we have

$$\Delta^{k-1}g(1) = (-1)^{k+1}\Delta^k f(d-k)$$

and hence the claim follows.

Proof of Proposition 3.1. For the first equality, since Z has unit Fréchet marginals for any u > 0 we have

$$C_{\mathbf{Z}}(u,\ldots,u) = H\left(\frac{1}{-\ln u},\ldots,\frac{1}{-\ln u}\right) = \exp\left(\mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{1\leq j\leq d}\ln(u)\mathcal{W}_{j}\right\}\right) = u^{\mathbb{E}\left\{\max_{j\in\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{W}_{j}\right\}}$$

and thus $\delta_{\mathbf{Z}}(u) = u^{r_{\mathbf{Y}}}$. Since the diagonal section of a *d*-dimensional Archimedean copula with parameter θ is $u^{d^{1/\theta}}$ we obtain the formula for θ . This is consistent with the fact that the Gumbel copula is an Extreme Value Copula (the only Archimedean one, see [18]).

For the last equality, setting $\mathcal{W}_j = F_{\mathcal{W}_1}^{-1}(U_j)$, we get $\max_{j\in\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{W}_j = \max_{j\in\mathcal{D}}F_{\mathcal{W}_1}^{-1}(U_j)$. Assuming further that all \mathcal{W}_i 's have a common df $F_{\mathcal{W}_1}$, then $\max_{j\in\mathcal{D}}F_{\mathcal{W}_1}^{-1}(U_j) = F_{\mathcal{W}_1}^{-1}(\max_{j\in\mathcal{D}}(U_j))$. Using

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\max_{j\in\mathcal{D}}U_{j}\leq u\right\}=\mathbb{P}\left\{U_{1}\leq u,\ldots U_{d}\leq u\right\}=C_{\boldsymbol{Y}}(u,\ldots,u)=\delta_{\boldsymbol{Y}}(u)$$

we get $\mathbb{E} \{ \max_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{W}_j \} = \int_0^1 F_{\mathcal{W}_1}^{-1}(s) d\delta_{\mathbf{Y}}(s).$

Proof of Proposition 3.3. This derives from inclusion-exclusion formula, as $\mathbb{P}\left\{\forall i \in \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{V}_i \leq t\right\} = 1 - \mathbb{P}\left\{\bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{V}_i > t\right\}$ for any t > 0 and from

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\forall i \in K, \mathcal{V}_i > t\right\} = \mathbb{P}\left\{\forall i \in K, \mathcal{W}_i / \mathcal{Z}_i > t\right\}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{W}}}\left\{\mathbb{P}_{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{Z}}}\left\{\forall i \in K, \mathcal{Z}_i < \mathcal{W}_i / t, \min_{i \in K} \mathcal{W}_i > 0\right\}\right\}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{W}}}\left\{\mathbb{1}_{\{\min_{i \in K} \mathcal{W}_i > 0\}} \exp\left(-t\mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{W}}'}\left\{\max_{i \in K} \frac{\mathcal{W}'_i}{\mathcal{W}_i}\right\}\right)\right\}$$
of.
$$\Box$$

establishing the proof.

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