

# Distribution of maximal deviation for Lévy density estimators

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## Jump-type dynamics

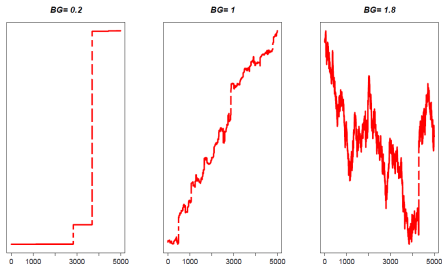
How to describe jumps  $\Delta X_t = X_t - X_{t-} \neq 0$  of a Lévy process  $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ :

Lévy measure of  $X_t$  is defined by

$$\nu(B) := \mathbb{E} \left[ \# \left\{ t \in [0, 1] : \Delta X_t \in B, \Delta X_t \neq 0 \right\} \right], \quad B \subset \mathbb{R}.$$

Blumenthal-Gettoor index is equal to

$$\text{BG}(X) := \inf \left\{ r > 0 : \int_{|x| \leq 1} |x|^r \nu(dx) < \infty \right\} \in [0, 2].$$



## Setup

Let  $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$  be a Lévy process with Lévy triplet  $(\mu, \sigma, \nu)$ , and assume that  $\nu$  has a density  $s$ , that is,

$$\nu(B) = \int_B s(u) du, \quad B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}).$$

**Data:** assume that some discrete equidistant observations  $X_0, X_\Delta, \dots, X_{n\Delta}$  of the process  $X_t$  are available.

**Aim:**  $(X_\Delta, \dots, X_{n\Delta}) \implies \{s(x), x \in D\}, \quad D = [a, b] \subset \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}.$

**High-frequency data:**  $\Delta = \Delta_n \rightarrow 0, \quad T = n\Delta_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .  
*Comte & Genon-Catalot (2013), Figueroa-López (2011),  
 Figueroa-López & Houdré (2006)*

**Low-frequency data:**  $\Delta$  – fixed,  $T = n\Delta$ .  
*Nickl & Reiss (2013), Gugushvili (2012), Belomestny (2011),  
 Comte & Genon-Catalot (2010), Chen, Delaigle & Hall (2010),  
 Neumann & Reiss (2009), van Es, Gugushvili & Spreij (2007)*

## Aim of the research

**Bounds for quadratic risk:** for an estimate  $\hat{s}_n^\circ(x)$  and a collection of Lévy processes  $\mathcal{T}$ ,

$$\sup_{\mathcal{T}} \mathbb{E} (\hat{s}_n^\circ(x) - s(x))^2 \leq f(n) \rightarrow 0, \quad \forall x \in D,$$

$$\inf_{\{\hat{s}_n(x)\}} \sup_{\mathcal{T}} \mathbb{E} (\hat{s}_n(x) - s(x))^2 \geq g(n) \rightarrow 0, \quad \forall x \in D,$$

where by  $\{\hat{s}_n(x)\}$  we denote the set of all estimates of the Lévy density  $s(x)$ .

**Our aim:** find the distribution of maximal deviation of  $\hat{s}_n^\circ(x)$ , that is, the cdf of

$$MD_n := \sup_{x \in D} \left( \frac{|\hat{s}_n^\circ(x) - s(x)|}{\sqrt{s(x)}} \right).$$

**Source of inspiration:** V.Konakov and V.Piterbarg' 84

- study the kernel estimator of the regression function;
- prove that the rate of convergence to the asymptotic distribution given in P.Bickel and M.Rosenblatt' 73 is very slow (of logarithmic order);
- obtain a sequence of distribution laws which approximate the MD distribution with power rate of convergence.

## Collections of basis functions

Consider  $\{\varphi_r(x) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, r = 1..d\}$  - an orthonormal collection in  $\mathcal{L}^2(D)$ .  
Project  $s(x)$  on the space  $S := \text{span} \langle \varphi_1(x), \dots, \varphi_d(x) \rangle$ :

$$\tilde{s}(x) := \sum_{r=1}^d \beta_r \varphi_r(x), \quad \text{where} \quad \beta_r = \beta(\varphi_r) = \int_D \varphi_r(u) s(u) du.$$

For any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists a set of normalized bounded functions  $\{\psi_j^m : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}_{j=0}^J$  supported on  $[a, a + \delta)$ , where  $\delta = (b - a)/m$ , such that

$$\left\{ \varphi_r(x), r = 1..d \right\} = \left\{ \psi_j^m(x - \delta(p - 1)) \mathbb{I}\{x \in I_p\}, j = 0..J, p = 1..m \right\},$$

where  $I_p := [a + \delta(p - 1), a + \delta p)$ .

**Main construction:** basis on  $[a, a + \delta)$  is constructed from a basis  $\{\tilde{\psi}_j\}_{j=0..J}$  on some “standard” interval  $[\tilde{a}, \tilde{b}]$  by changing the variables:

$$\psi_j^m(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{b} - \tilde{a}}{\delta}} \cdot \tilde{\psi}_j\left(\frac{(\tilde{b} - \tilde{a})(x - a)}{\delta} + \tilde{a}\right).$$

## Examples

(i) Trigonometric basis on  $[0, 2\pi]$ :

$$\{\tilde{\psi}_j(x)\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \quad \sqrt{2} \cos(jx), \quad \sqrt{2} \sin(jx), \quad j = 0..J \right\}.$$

(ii) Legendre polynomials on  $[-1, 1]$  :

$$\{\tilde{\psi}_j(x)\} = \left\{ \sqrt{(2j+1)/2} \cdot P_j(x), \quad j = 0..J \right\}.$$

where  $P_j(x) = (j!2^j)^{-1} [(x^2 - 1)^j]^{(j)}$ ,  $j = 0..J$ .

(iii) Wavelets, for instance Haar wavelets on  $[0, 1]$ :

$$\{\tilde{\psi}_j(x)\} = \left\{ 1, \quad \mathbb{I}\{x \in [1/2, 1]\} - \mathbb{I}\{x \in [0, 1/2]\} \right\}.$$

**Assumption:**  $\psi_j^m(x)$  depends on  $m$  such that

$$\sup_{x \in I_1} |\psi_j^m(x)| \leq C_1 \sqrt{m}, \quad \lim_{\substack{a=x_0 < \dots < x_n = a+\delta \\ \max_i |x_i - x_{i-1}| \rightarrow 0}} \sum_{i=1}^n |\psi_j^m(x_i) - \psi_j^m(x_{i-1})| \leq C_2 \sqrt{m}.$$

## Estimation of the coefficients $\beta_r$

Recall:  $\tilde{s}(x) := \sum_{r=1}^d \beta_r \varphi_r(x)$ , where  $\beta_r = \beta(\varphi_r) = \int_D \varphi_r(x) s(x) dx$ .

High-frequency setup: Wörner' 03, Figueroa-López' 04:

$$\hat{\beta}(\varphi_r) := \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi_r(X_{k\Delta} - X_{(k-1)\Delta}).$$

Finally we get the estimate:

$$\hat{s}_n(x) := \frac{1}{T} \sum_{r=1}^d \left[ \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi_r(X_{k\Delta} - X_{(k-1)\Delta}) \right] \varphi_r(x).$$

In low-frequency setup, this idea fails because

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\Delta} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi_r(X_{k\Delta} - X_{(k-1)\Delta}) &\rightarrow \frac{1}{\Delta} \mathbb{E}[\varphi_r(X_\Delta)] \\ &= \frac{1}{\Delta} \int_D \varphi_r(x) F_\Delta(dx) \neq \int_D \varphi_r(x) s(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

# Assumptions

1. **Small-time asymptotics:** Generally, Corollary 8.9 from Sato “Lévy processes and infinitely divisible distributions” yields that

$$\hat{\beta}(\varphi_r) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbb{P}} \beta(\varphi_r).$$

We assume that there exist positive  $k$  and  $\Delta^0$  such that

$$\sup_{x \in D} \left| \frac{1}{\Delta} \mathbb{P}\{X_\Delta \geq x\} - \nu([x, +\infty)) \right| < k\Delta, \quad \forall \Delta < \Delta^0.$$

For instance, this property is fulfilled when  $s$  is Lipschitz in an open set containing  $D$  and uniformly bounded on  $|x| > q$  for any positive  $q$  (see Figueroa-López' 11).

2. **Relation between  $n, m, T \rightarrow \infty$ :** in what follows, we assume that

$$\blacktriangleright T = n^\varkappa \quad \text{for some } \varkappa \in (0, 1).$$

$$\blacktriangleright \Lambda_n := m \frac{\sqrt{\log n}}{n^{\varkappa/2}} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n, m \rightarrow \infty.$$



# Theorem 1. Reformulation in terms of Gaussian processes

Denote

$$Z_n := \sup_{x \in D} \left( \frac{|\hat{S}_n(x) - \mathbb{E}\hat{S}_n(x)|}{\sqrt{s(x)}} \right), \quad F_{Z_n}(u) := \mathbb{P}\{Z_n \leq u\}.$$

Then there exist positive constants  $c_1, c_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} F_{Z_n} \left( \sqrt{\frac{m}{T}} u \right) &\leq \left[ F_{\zeta} \left( \sqrt{m} u + c_1 \sqrt{mn}^{-\lambda_1} \right) \right]^m + c_2 n^{-\lambda_2}, \\ F_{Z_n} \left( \sqrt{\frac{m}{T}} u \right) &\geq \left[ F_{\zeta} \left( \sqrt{m} u - c_1 \sqrt{mn}^{-\lambda_1} \right) \right]^m - c_2 n^{-\lambda_2}, \end{aligned}$$

where by  $F_{\zeta}(\cdot)$  we denote the distribution function of the r.v.

$$\zeta = \zeta^{J,m} := \sup_{x \in [a, a+\delta]} \left| \Upsilon^{J,m}(x) \right|, \quad \Upsilon^{J,m}(x) := \sum_{j=0}^J \xi_j \psi_j^m(x)$$

with i.i.d. standard normal r.v.'s  $\xi_j$ ,  $j = 0..J$ .

# Supremum of Gaussian process: Markus & Shepp' 71

For any centered Gaussian process  $G_t$  with a.s. bounded sample paths,

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in K} G_t \geq u \right\}}{u^2} = -\frac{1}{2\sigma_K^2}, \quad K \subset \mathbb{R},$$

where  $\sigma_K^2 = \sup_{t \in K} \mathbb{E} G_t^2$ . For a single Gaussian variable  $\xi \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ :

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \mathbb{P} \left\{ \xi \geq u \right\}}{u^2} = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}.$$

Main term in the asymptotics of  $\mathbb{P}\{\xi \geq u\}$ :

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ \xi \geq u \right\} = \frac{\sigma}{u\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \left(1 + o(1)\right), \quad u \rightarrow +\infty,$$

which does not necessary coincide with the asymptotics of  $\mathbb{P}\{\sup G_t \geq u\}$ .

Some related results: *Borell' 75, Cirelson, Ibragimov & Sudakov' 76, Samorodnitsky '87, Talagrand '94.*

## Theorem 2: Asymptotic behaviour of $\zeta^{J,m}$

Let  $u$  grow with  $m$  so that  $u/\sqrt{m} \rightarrow \infty$ . Then it holds

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ \zeta^{J,m} \geq u \right\} = 2 \frac{h_1 m^{k/2}}{u^k} \exp \left\{ -h_2 u^2/m \right\} (1 + \tau(u/\sqrt{m})), \quad \text{where}$$

- ▶  $\tau(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ;
- ▶  $k = 0$  for trigonometric basis,  $k = 1$  for Legendre pol. and wavelets;
- ▶  $h_1, h_2, \tau(x)$  depend on the basis, but do not depend on  $m$ .

**Proof** crucially depends on the properties of the covariance function:

- (i) trigonometric basis: the process is stationary, and moreover the covariance function of  $X(t)$  has the asymptotics  $r(t) = 1 - \frac{1}{2}t^2 + \alpha t^4 + o(t^4)$ ,  $t \rightarrow 0$   
 $\implies$  Pickands theorem or related techniques;
- (ii) Legendre polynomials: variance attains its maximum only in finite number of points  $\implies$  double sum method;
- (iii) wavelets: direct calculation.

Theoretical background: *V.Piterbarg' 96. Asymptotic methods in the theory of Gaussian processes and fields.*

## Non-stationary case (Legendre polynomials)

**Main assumption:** let the variance function attain its maximum in finite amount of points  $x_{\max}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{\max}^{(q)}$ :

$$\sigma^2(x) = \sum_{j=0}^J \frac{2j+1}{2} P_j^2(x), \quad x_{\max}^{(1)} = 1, \quad x_{\max}^{(2)} = -1.$$

### Further assumptions.

1. With some  $A_j > 0, \beta_j > 0$ , it holds

$$\sigma(x) = 1 - \left| A_j (x - x_{\max}^{(j)}) \right|^{\beta_j} (1 + o(1)) \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow x_{\max}^{(j)}, \quad j = 1..q.$$

2. *Local homogeneity:*

correlation function  $\rho(x, y)$  satisfies with some  $C_j \neq 0, \alpha_j \in (0, 2]$ ,

$$\rho(x, y) = 1 - C_j |x - y|^{\alpha_j} (1 + o(1)), \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow x_{\max}^{(j)}, \quad y \rightarrow x_{\max}^{(j)}, \quad j = 1..q$$

3. *Global Hölder condition:*

there exist some  $g > 0, G > 0$ , such that

$$\mathbb{E} (\Upsilon^{J,m}(x) - \Upsilon^{J,m}(y))^2 \leq G |x - y|^g, \quad \forall x, y.$$

4. for any  $j_1, j_2 = 1..q, j_1 \neq j_2$ ,  $\rho(x_{\max}^{(j_1)}, x_{\max}^{(j_2)}) < 1$ .



## Theorem 3: Asymptotic behaviour of the maximal deviation

For any  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{T}{m}} \sup_{x \in D} \left( \frac{|\hat{s}_n(x) - s(x)|}{\sqrt{s(x)}} \right) \leq u_m(y) \right\} = e^{-2e^{-y}} (1 - 2e^{-y} R(m)),$$

where

- ▶ the sequence  $u_m(y)$  is equal to

$$u_m(y) := \frac{y}{a_m} + \left( b_m - \frac{c_m}{b_m} \right),$$

with  $a_m := 2h_2 b_m$ ,  $b_m := \sqrt{h_2^{-1} \ln(h_1 m)}$ ,  $c_m := \frac{k}{2h_2} \ln b_m$ ;

- ▶ the residual term is equal to

$$R(m) := \tau(u_m) - \frac{k^2 (\log \log m)^2}{16 \log m} (1 + o(1)), \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty.$$

**Main conclusion:** the rates of convergence are typically logarithmic, e.g.,  
 for trigonometric basis  $R(m) \asymp C \log(m)^{-1/2}$ ,  
 for wavelets  $R(m) \asymp C (\log \log m)^2 / \log m$ .

## Theorem 4: Sequence of accomponaying laws

Consider the case of trigonometric basis. Define the sequence of distribution functions

$$A_m(y) := \begin{cases} \exp \left\{ -2 \exp \left\{ -y - \frac{y^2}{4 \ln(h_1 m)} \right\} - 2m \left( 1 - \Phi \left( u_m \sqrt{\frac{b-a}{J}} \right) \right) \right\}, & \text{if } y \geq -b_m^{3/2}, \\ 0, & \text{if } y < -b_m^{3/2}, \end{cases}$$

where  $u_m = y/(2h_2 b_m) + b_m$  and  $b_m = \sqrt{h_2^{-1} \ln(h_1 m)}$ , and  $\Phi(\cdot)$  is the distribution function of the standard normal r.v. Then there exist some positive constants  $\bar{c}, \beta$ , such that for sufficiently large  $n$  and for any  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{T}{m}} \sup_{x \in D} \left( \frac{|\hat{S}_n(x) - s(x)|}{\sqrt{s(x)}} \right) \leq u_m(y) \right\} - A_m(y) \right| \leq \bar{c} n^{-\beta}.$$

## Application: Construction of asymptotic confidence bands

From previous theorem it follows that

$$I_{\alpha,m} := \left( -\frac{k_{\alpha,m}^{(+)}}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{(k_{\alpha,m}^{(-)})^2}{4} + \hat{S}_n(x)}, \frac{k_{\alpha,m}^{(+)}}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{(k_{\alpha,m}^{(+)})^2}{4} + \hat{S}_n(x)} \right),$$

where

$$k_{\alpha,m}^{(\pm)} := \sqrt{m/T} \left( q_{\alpha,m} a_m^{-1} + b_m \pm C_{\alpha} n^{-\beta} a_m^{-1} \right),$$

$C_{\alpha} > 0$ ,  $q_{\alpha,m}$  -  $(1 - \alpha)$ - quantile of the distribution function  $A_m(\cdot)$ , is a  $(1 - \alpha)$ -confidence band, that is, for  $m$  large enough,

$$\mathbb{P} \{s(x) \in I_{\alpha,m}, \forall x \in D\} = 1 - \alpha.$$

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- ▶ Object of this study: projection estimates for Lévy densities in high-frequency setup.

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