# **Financial Extremes**

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## **Basic Extremes**

#### **Extreme Value Distributions**

Frechet:  $\Phi_{\alpha}(x) = \exp(-x^{-\alpha}), x > 0$ 

Gumbel:  $\Lambda(x) = \exp(-e^{-x}), x \in \mathbb{R}$ 

Weibull:  $\Psi_{\alpha}(x) = \exp(-(-x)^{\alpha}), x \leq 0$ 

$$\overline{F}(u) = 1 - F(u) = P(X > u).$$

#### **Regular Variation**

A positive measurable function f on  $(0,\infty)$  is *regularly varying* at  $\infty$  with index  $\alpha$  if

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{f(tx)}{f(t)} = x^{\alpha}, \ x > 0.$$

Notation:  $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ 

*f* is said to be *slowly varying* if  $\alpha = 0$ , *rapidly varying* if the above limit is 0 for x > 1 and  $\infty$  for 0 < x < 1.

 $F\in\mathcal{L}(\gamma),\gamma\geq 0$  if for every  $y\in\mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\overline{F}(x-y)}{\overline{F}(x)} = e^{\gamma y}.$$

#### **Convolution Equivalent Distributions**

Let X have d.f.  $F. F \in \mathcal{S}(\gamma), \gamma \geq 0$  if  $F \in \mathcal{L}(\gamma)$  and

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\overline{F^{*2}}(x)}{\overline{F}(x)} = 2\widehat{f}(\gamma)$$

where  $\hat{f}(\gamma) = Ee^{\gamma X}$  is the moment generating function of X at  $\gamma$ . The class S := S(0) is the class of subexponential distributions.

Subexponential distributions are heavy tailed in the sense that no exponential moments exist. S contains all df.f.s F with regularly varying tails and is a much larger class. Distribution functions in  $S(\gamma)$  for some  $\gamma > 0$  have exponential tails, hence are lighter tailed than suexponential distributions.

#### **Fisher-Tippett Theorem**

For an iid sequence, the limit distribution of the maxima is one of the three extreme value distributions: Frechet, Gumbel and Weibull.

## **Diffusion Extremes**

Consider the Itô stochastic differential equation

$$dX_t = \mu(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dW_t, \ t > 0, \ X_0 = x$$

W : standard Brownian motion  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ : drift coefficient  $\sigma > 0$ : diffusion coefficient or volatility

Running maxima :

$$M_t = \max_{0 \le s \le t} X_s, \ t > 0$$

Scale function :

$$s(x) = \int_{z}^{x} \exp\left(-2\int_{z}^{y} \frac{\mu(t)}{\sigma^{2}(t)} dt\right) dy, \ x \in (l, r)$$

where z is any interior point in (l, r).

Speed measure : m has Lebesgue density

$$m'(x) = \frac{2}{\sigma^2(x)s'(x)}, \ x \in (l,r).$$

and total mass |m| = m((l,r)). s' is the Lebesgue density of s.  $X_t$  is ergodic and its stationary distribution is absolutely continuous with Lebesgue density

$$h(x) = \frac{m'(x)}{|m|}, x \in (l, r).$$

 $X_t$  satisfies the *usual conditions* which guarantees that X is ergodic with stationary density:

$$s(r) = -s(l) = \infty$$
  
 $|m| < \infty$ 

#### **Davis Theorem**

Let  $(X_t)_{t\geq 0}$  satisfy the usual conditions. Then for any initial value  $X_0 = y \in (l, r)$  and any  $u_t \uparrow r$ ,

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}|P^y(M_t\leq u_t)-F^t(u_t)|=0.$$

where F is a df defined for any  $z \in (l,r)$  by

$$F(x) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{|m|s(x)|}\right), \quad x \in (z,r).$$

**Proof:** Diffusion can be represented as an Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process after a random time-change. Then standard theory of extremes of Gaussian processes apply.

#### **Davis Corollary**

$$\overline{F}(x) \sim \left( |m| \int_z^x s'(y) dy \right)^{-1} \sim (|m|s(x))^{-1}, \quad x \uparrow r.$$

F is in the maximum domain of attraction of G:  $F \in MDA(G)$ 

$$\frac{M_t - b_t}{a_t} \to^{\mathcal{D}} G, \quad t \to \infty.$$

 $G \in \left\{ \Phi_{\alpha}, \Lambda \right\}, \alpha > 0$ 

 $\Phi_{\alpha}$  is Frechet distribution,  $\Lambda$  is Gumbel distribution.

#### Main Theorem

If  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  are differentiable in some left neighborhood of r such that

$$\lim_{x \to r} \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\sigma^2(x)}{\mu(x)} = 0$$
$$\lim_{x \to r} \frac{\sigma^2(x)}{\mu(x)} \exp\left(-2\int_z^x \frac{\mu(t)}{\sigma^2(t)} dt\right) = -\infty,$$

then

$$\overline{F}(x) \sim |\mu(x)|h(x), \ x \uparrow r.$$

### **Interest Rate Extremes**

#### **Vasicek Model**

$$dX_t = (a - bX_t)dt + \sigma dW_t, \ X_0 = x, \ a \in \mathbb{R}, b > 0$$
$$X_t = \frac{a}{b} + (x - \frac{a}{b})e^{-bt} + \sigma \int_0^t e^{-b(t-s)}dW_s.$$
$$E(X_t) = \frac{a}{b} + (x - \frac{a}{b})e^{-bt} \to \frac{a}{b}, \ t \to \infty.$$
$$Var(X_t) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2b}(1 - e^{-2bt}) \to \frac{\sigma^2}{2b}, \ t \to \infty.$$

 $X_t$  has a normal stationary distribution  $N(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{\sigma^2}{2b})$ 

Condition of the Main Theorem holds which gives

$$\overline{F}(x) \sim \frac{2b^2}{\sigma^2} (x - \frac{a}{b})^2 \overline{H}(x), \ x \to \infty.$$

where  $\overline{H}(x)$  is the tail of a stationary normal distribution, hence F has heavier tail than H.

 $F \in MDA(\Lambda)$  with norming constants

$$a_t = \frac{\sigma}{a\sqrt{b\log t}}$$

$$b_t = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{b}}\sqrt{\log t} + \frac{a}{b} + \frac{\sigma}{4\sqrt{b}}\frac{\log\log t + \log(\sigma^2 d/2\pi)}{\sqrt{\log t}}$$

#### Cox-Ingersoll-Ross (CIR) Model

 $dX_{t} = (a - bX_{t})dt + \sigma\sqrt{X_{t}}dW_{t}$   $E(X_{t}) = \frac{a}{b} + (x - \frac{a}{b})e^{-bt} \to \frac{a}{b}, \ t \to \infty.$   $V(X_{t}) = \frac{a\sigma^{2}}{2b^{2}}(1 - (1 + (x - \frac{a}{b})\frac{2b}{a})e^{-2bt} + (x - \frac{a}{b})\frac{2b}{a}e^{-3bt}) \to \frac{a\sigma^{2}}{2b^{2}}, \ t \to \infty.$ 

 $X_t$  has a Gamma stationary distribution  $\Gamma(\frac{2a}{\sigma^2}, \frac{2b}{\sigma^2})$ 

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$$\overline{F}(x) \sim \frac{2ab}{\sigma^2}\overline{G}(x) \sim Ax\overline{H}(x), \ x \to \infty$$

where  $\overline{G}(x)$  is the tail of a stationary gamma distribution  $\Gamma(\frac{2a}{\sigma^2} + 1, \frac{2b}{\sigma^2})$  hence *F* has heavier tail than *H*.

 $F \in MDA(\Lambda)$  with norming constants

$$a_t = \frac{\sigma^2}{2b}$$

$$b_t = \frac{\sigma}{2b} (\log t + \frac{2a}{\sigma^2} \log \log t + \log(\frac{b}{\Gamma(2a/\sigma^2)})).$$

Chan-Karloyi-Logstaff-Sanders (CKLS) Model

$$dX_t = (a - bX_t)dt + \sigma X_t^{\gamma} dW_t, \ \gamma \in [1/2, \infty)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} < \gamma < 1$$

$$E(X_t) = \frac{a}{b} + (x - \frac{a}{b})e^{-bt} \to \frac{a}{b}, \ t \to \infty, \ b > 0$$

$$E(X_t) = \frac{a}{b} + (x - \frac{a}{b})e^{-bt} \to \infty, \ t \to \infty, \ b < 0$$

$$E(X_t) = x + at \to \infty, \ t \to \infty, \ b = 0$$

The lack of first moment indicates that for certain parameter values the model can capture very large fluctuations in the data, which will reflect also in the maxima.

Stationary density is

$$h(x) = \frac{2}{A\sigma^2} x^{-2\gamma} \exp\left(-\frac{2}{\sigma^2} \left(\frac{a}{2\gamma - 1} x^{-(2\gamma - 1)} + \frac{b}{2 - 2\gamma} x^{2-2\gamma}\right)\right).$$
  
for some constant  $A > 0$ .

Condition of the Main Theorem holds.

$$\overline{F}(x) \sim bxh(x) \sim Bx^{2(1-\gamma)}\overline{H}(x), \ x \to \infty$$
  
 $F \in MDA(\Lambda)$  with norming constants

$$a_t = \frac{\sigma^2}{2b} \left( \frac{\sigma^2(1-\gamma)}{b} \log t \right)^{\frac{2\gamma-1}{2-2\gamma}}$$

$$b_{t} = \left(\frac{\sigma^{2}(1-2\gamma)}{b}\log t\right)^{\frac{1}{2-2\gamma}} \left(1 - \frac{2\gamma - 1}{(2-2\gamma)^{2}}\frac{\log\left(\frac{\sigma^{2}(1-\gamma)}{b}\log t\right)}{\log t}\right) + a_{t}\log\left(\frac{2b}{A\sigma^{2}}\right)$$
$$\gamma = 1$$

The model has an explicit solution

$$X_{t} = e^{-(b + \frac{\sigma^{2}}{2})t + \sigma W_{t}} \left( x + a \int_{0}^{t} e^{(b + \frac{\sigma^{2}}{2})s - \sigma W_{s}} ds \right)$$

The stationary density is inverse gamma:

$$h(x) = \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2a}\right)^{-\frac{2b}{\sigma^2}-1} \left(\Gamma\left(\frac{2b}{\sigma^2}+1\right)\right)^{-1} x^{-2b/\sigma^2-2} \exp\left(-\frac{2a}{\sigma^2}x^{-1}\right),$$

x > 0,  $h \in \mathcal{R}(-2b/\sigma^2 - 2)$  and the tail  $\overline{H}$  of the stationary distribution is regularly varying.

$$\overline{F}(x) \sim Bx^{-2b/\sigma^2-1}, \quad x \to \infty.$$

 $F \in MDA(\Phi_{1+2b/\sigma^2})$  with norming constants

$$a_t \sim C t^{1/(1+2b/\sigma^2)}$$

 $b_t = 0$ 

#### $\gamma > 1$

h has the same form as in the case  $\frac{1}{2} < \gamma < 1$  and  $\overline{H} \in \mathcal{R}(-2\gamma+1)$ 

$$\overline{F}(x) \sim (Ax)^{-1}, \ x \to \infty.$$

CKLS pointed out, most plausible value of  $\gamma = 1.5$ Condition of the Main Theorem holds.

 $F \in MDA(\Phi_1)$  with norming constants

$$a_t \sim t/A$$
  
 $b_t = 0$ 

## **Stochastic Volatility Extremes**

#### Levy-Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Volatility

Empirical volatility changes in time and exhibits tails which are heavier than normal. Empirical volatility has upward jumps and clusters on high levels. Levy driven Ornstein-Uhlenbeck models can capture heavy tails and volatility jumps and have volatility clusters if the driving Levy process has regularly varying tails.

**Black-Scholes Model** 

$$dS_t = rS_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t$$

**Heston Model** 

$$dS_t = rS_t dt + \sqrt{V_t}S_t dW_t$$

$$dV_t = \lambda (a - V_t)dt + \sigma \sqrt{V_t} dB_t$$

 $\lambda, a, \sigma > 0, \quad \lambda a \geq \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$ 

*a* is the long run mean,  $\lambda$  is the rate of mean reversion. Volatility is a CIR Process, *W* and *B* are two independent Brownian motions for simplicity, they could be correlated to include *leverage*.

#### **GARCH** Model

$$dS_t = \sqrt{V_t} dW_t$$

$$dV_t = \lambda(a - V_t)dt + \sigma V_t dB_t$$

Volatility is a CKLS model with elasticity  $\gamma = 1$ . Barndorff-Neilsen-Shephard Model

$$dS_t = (\mu + rS_t)dt + \sqrt{V_t}dW_t + \rho dL_{\lambda t}$$
$$dV_t = -\lambda V_t dt + \sigma dL_{\lambda t}$$
$$V_t = e^{-\lambda t}V_0 + \int_0^t e^{-\lambda(t-s)} dL_{\lambda s}$$

is a cadlag process.

If  $V_0$  is independent of L and  $V_0 = {}^d \int_0^\infty e^{-s} dL_s$  then the process is stationary. The stationary solution is

$$V_t = e^{-\lambda t} \int_{-\infty}^t e^{\lambda s} dL_{\lambda s}.$$

We are concerned with processes L which are heavy or semi-heavy tailed, i.e., whose tails decrease no faster than exponentially. Define

$$M_h := \sup_{0 \le t \le h} V_t.$$

**Theorem** a) If  $L_1 \in S \cap MDA(\Phi_\alpha)$ , then

$$P(M_h > x) \sim (\lambda h + \alpha^{-1}) P(L_1 > x), \quad x \to \infty.$$

b) If  $L_1 \in S \cap MDA(\Lambda)$ , then

$$P(M_h > x) \sim \lambda h P(L_1 > x), \quad x \to \infty.$$

#### **Running Maxima Theorem**

a) If  $L_1 \in S \cap MDA(\Phi_{\alpha})$ , then

$$P(a_{\lambda T}^{-1}M_T \le x) = e^{-x^{-\alpha}}, \quad x > 0$$

where  $a_T$  is such that

$$\lim_{T\to\infty}TP(L_1>a_Tx)=x^{-\alpha}, \ x>0.$$

b) If  $L_1 \in S \cap MDA(\Lambda)$ , then

$$P(a_{\lambda T}^{-1}(M_T - b_{\lambda T}) \leq x) = e^{-e^{-x}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

#### **Example: Positive Shot Noise Process**

Let L be a positive compound Poisson process

$$L_t = \sum_{j=1}^{N_t} \xi_j$$

where  $(N_t)_{t\geq 0}$  is a Poisson process on  $\mathbb{R}_+$  with intensity  $\mu > 0$  and jump times  $(\Gamma_k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$ . The process N is independent of the i.i.d. sequence of positive r.v.s  $(\xi_k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  with d.f. F. The resulting volatility process is then the positive shot noise process

$$V_t = e^{-\lambda t} V_0 + \int_0^t e^{-\lambda (t-s)} dL_{\lambda s}$$
$$= e^{-\lambda t} V_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\lambda t}} e^{-\lambda t + \Gamma_j} \xi_j.$$

#### **Running Maxima Theorem**

a) Let V be a stationary version of the OU process where L is a positive, compound Poisson process. Assume  $L_1 \in S(\gamma), \gamma > 0$ . Then

$$\lim_{T\to\infty} P(a_{\lambda T}^{-1}(M_T-b_{\lambda T})\leq x)=e^{-e^{-x}}, \ x\in\mathbb{R}.$$

b) Assume that V is a  $\Gamma(\mu, \gamma)$ -OU process. Then

$$\lim_{T\to\infty} P(a_{\lambda T}^{-1}(M_T-b_{\lambda T})\leq x)=e^{-e^{-x}}, \ x\in\mathbb{R}.$$

## Long Memory Extremes

A stationary process with correlation function  $\rho$  exhibits long range dependence , if there exists a  $H \in (0, 1/2)$  and l is a slowly varying function such that

$$ho(h)\sim l(h)h^{-2H}, \ \ h
ightarrow\infty.$$

Long range dependence implies that

$$\int_0^\infty \rho(h)dh = \infty.$$

Superposition of Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Processes Barndorff-Neilsen and Shephard proposed supOU processes as volatility models. Emprirical volatility has long memory in the sense that the empirical auto correlation function decreases slower than exponential. The class of supOU processes can capture extremal clusters and long range dependence.

#### supOU Processes

$$V_t = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}} e^{-r(t-s)} I_{[0,\infty)}(t-s) d\Lambda(r,\lambda s), \quad t \ge 0$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\Lambda$  is an *infinitely divisible indepen*dently scattered random measure (*i.d.i.s.r.m.*) which are extensions of OU type processes of the form

$$V_t = \int_{-\infty}^t e^{-\lambda(t-s)} dL_{\lambda s}$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  and L is a Levy process. The time change by  $\lambda$  yields marginal distributions independent of  $\lambda$ . To guarantee that the volatility process V is positive, the Levy process L is chosen as a subordinator. The resulting price process has martingale term  $dS_t = \sqrt{V_t} dB_t$ , where B is a Brownian motion independent of L.

The generating quadruple  $(m, \sigma^2, \nu, \pi)$  determines completely the distribution of  $\Lambda$ . The underlying driving Levy process

$$L_t = \Lambda(\mathbb{R}_+ \times [0, t])$$

has generating triplet  $(m, \sigma^2, \nu)$ . The underlying driving Levy process

$$L_t = \Lambda(\mathbb{R}_+ \times [0, t]), t \ge 0$$

Define the probability measure  $\overline{\pi}(dr) := \lambda/r\pi(dr)$ and the idisrm  $\overline{\Lambda}$  with generating quadruple  $(m/\lambda, \sigma^2/\lambda, \nu\lambda, \overline{\pi}).$ 

Thus  $\overline{\pi}$  is a probability measure on  $\mathbb{R}_+$  with  $\lambda := \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} r\overline{\pi}(dr)$ . The distribution  $\pi$  governs the long range dependence of the model. Essentially the measure

 $\pi$  needs sufficient mass near 0. We write  $\pi(r) := \pi((0, r])$ .

Then

$$X_t = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-rt} \int_{-\infty}^{rt} e^s d\overline{\Lambda}(r,s).$$

Then X = V a.s.

$$dX_t = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} \{-rX(t, dr)dt + d\overline{\Lambda}(t, r)\}$$

where

$$X(t,B) = \int_{B} e^{-rt} \int_{-\infty}^{rt} e^{s} d\overline{\Lambda}(r,\lambda s).$$

Example: Let  $\pi$  be gamma distribution with density

$$\pi(dr) = \Gamma(2H+1)^{-1}r^{2H}e^{-r}dr$$

for r > 0 and H > 0. Then  $\lambda = 2H$  and

$$\rho(h) = \Gamma(2H)^{-1} \int_0^\infty r^{2H-1} e^{-r(h+1)} dr = (h+1)^{-2H}, \ h \ge 0.$$

The following theorem shows how long range dependence can be introduced in the supOU models.

Theorem

$$\overline{\pi}(r) \sim (2H)^{-1} l(r^{-1}) r^{2H}, \ \ r o 0$$

if and only if

$$ho(h)\sim \Gamma(2H)l(h)h^{-2H}, \ \ h
ightarrow\infty$$

#### Theorem

Define  $M_T := \sup_{0 \le t \le T} V_t$ a) Let  $L_1 \in \mathcal{R}_{-\alpha}$  with norming constants  $a_T > 0$  such that

$$\lim_{T\to\infty}TP(L_1>a_Tx)=x^{-\alpha}, \ x>0.$$

Then

$$\lim_{T\to\infty}P(a_{\lambda T}^{-1}M_T\leq x)=e^{-x^{-\alpha}}, \ x>0.$$

b) Let  $L_1 \in S(\gamma) \cap MDA(\Lambda)$  with norming constants  $a_T > 0$  and  $b_T \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\lim_{T\to\infty}TP(L_1>a_Tx+b_T)=e^{-x}, \ x\in\mathbb{R}.$$

Then

$$\lim_{T\to\infty} P(a_{\lambda T}^{-1}(M_T-b_{\lambda T})\leq x)=e^{Ee^{\gamma L_1^{-1}}Ee^{\gamma V_0}e^{-x}}, \quad x\in\mathbb{R}.$$

Typical examples of d.f.s in  $S \cap MDA(\Lambda)$  are GIG, NIG, GH, CGMY. All these distributions are selfdecomposable, which means that they are possible stationary distributions of OU-type processes and hence also supOU processes.

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