

Supplementary Material

Estimation of extreme conditional quantiles under a general tail first order condition

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Proof of Lemma 1 – Let $\{t_{n,i}, i = 1, \dots, n\}$ be a triangular array of real numbers satisfying

$$\min(t_{n,i}; i = 1, \dots, n) \geq 0 \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^n t_{n,i}^2 = 1. \quad (1)$$

Let $t_n := \max(t_{n,i}; i = 1, \dots, n)$ and $\nu_n := \mathbb{E}(|V_n|^3)$. In a first step, let us show that if $\nu_n t_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ then, for all $z \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_{n,i} V_{n,i} \leq z \right) = \Phi(z), \quad (2)$$

where Φ is the cumulative distribution function of a $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$ distribution. Since the $V_{n,i}$ are independent and centered random variables, it suffices to prove that the Lindeberg condition is satisfied, i.e., that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n t_{n,i}^2 \mathbb{E} \left(V_{n,i}^2 \mathbb{I}_{\{|t_{n,i} V_{n,i}| > \varepsilon\}} \right) = 0,$$

for all $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $t_{n,i} \leq t_n$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n t_{n,i}^2 \mathbb{E} \left(V_{n,i}^2 \mathbb{I}_{\{|t_{n,i} V_{n,i}| > \varepsilon\}} \right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n t_{n,i}^2 \mathbb{E} \left(V_{n,i}^2 \mathbb{I}_{\{|t_n V_{n,i}| > \varepsilon\}} \right) = \mathbb{E} \left(V_n^2 \mathbb{I}_{\{|t_n V_n| > \varepsilon\}} \right),$$

since the $V_{n,i}$ are identically distributed and under (1).

Hölder's inequality entails that $\mathbb{E} \left(V_n^2 \mathbb{I}_{\{|t_n V_n| > \varepsilon\}} \right) \leq \nu_n^{2/3} [\mathbb{P} (t_n |V_n| > \varepsilon)]^{1/3}$. Chebyshev's inequality ensures that $\mathbb{P} (t_n |V_n| > \varepsilon) \leq t_n^2 / \varepsilon^2$ and thus $\mathbb{E} \left(V_n^2 \mathbb{I}_{\{|t_n V_n| > \varepsilon\}} \right) \leq [\nu_n t_n / \varepsilon]^{2/3} \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

by assumption. Convergence (2) is thus proved for all triangular array $\{t_{n,i}, i = 1, \dots, n\}$ satisfying (1) with $\nu_n t_n \rightarrow 0$.

Now, remark that for all $\omega \in \{\nu_n T_n \rightarrow 0\}$, convergence (2) entails that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \mathbb{P} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n T_{n,i} V_{n,i} \leq z \mid \{T_{n,i} = T_{n,i}(\omega); i = 1, \dots, n\} \right) - \Phi(z) \right| \\ &= \left| \mathbb{P} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n T_{n,i}(\omega) V_{n,i} \leq z \right) - \Phi(z) \right| \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Note that the last equality is true since the $T_{n,i}$ are independent of the $V_{n,i}$. Hence, since $\mathbb{P}[\nu_n T_n \rightarrow 0] = 1$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \mathbb{P} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n T_{n,i} V_{n,i} \leq z \mid \{T_{n,i}; i = 1, \dots, n\} \right) - \Phi(z) \right| = 0 \text{ a.s.} \quad (3)$$

To conclude the proof, let us remark that

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \mathbb{P} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n T_{n,i} V_{n,i} \leq z \right) - \Phi(z) \right| \\ & \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left[\left| \mathbb{P} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n T_{n,i} V_{n,i} \leq z \mid \{T_{n,i}; i = 1, \dots, n\} \right) - \Phi(z) \right| \right] \\ & \leq \mathbb{E} \left[\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \mathbb{P} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n T_{n,i} V_{n,i} \leq z \mid \{T_{n,i}; i = 1, \dots, n\} \right) - \Phi(z) \right| \right] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

by the dominated convergence theorem and (3).

Proof of Proposition 7 – Remark that

$$\left(\frac{n_{x_0}}{\sigma_n^2(x_0)} \right)^{1/2} \left(\widehat{S}_n^{x_0}(y_n(x_0)) - S(y_n(x_0)|x_0) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n T_{n,i}(x_0) V_{n,i}(x_0),$$

with $T_{n,i}(x_0) := (n_{x_0})^{1/2} \mathcal{W}_{n,i}(x_0)$ and

$$V_{n,i}(x_0) := [\sigma_n(x_0)]^{-1} \left(\mathbb{I}_{\{Y_i^{x_0} > y_n(x_0)\}} - S(y_n(x_0)|x_0) \right).$$

It thus suffices to apply Lemma 1 after remarking that $n_{x_0}/\sigma_n^2(x_0) \stackrel{a.s.}{\sim} v_n^2(x_0)$ and that

$$\mathbb{E}(|V_{n,1}(x_0)|^3) = \sigma_n^{-1}(x_0) \left\{ [S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)]^2 + [1 - S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)]^2 \right\} \sim \sigma_n^{-1}(x_0),$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$, since $S(y_n(x_0)|x_0) \rightarrow 0$.

Proof of Proposition 8 – Let U_1, \dots, U_n be independent uniform random variables independent of the X_i . Since $Y_i^{x_0} = Q(U_i|x_0)$ and $Y_i \stackrel{d}{=} Q(U_i|X_i)$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$,

$$B_n(x_0) \stackrel{d}{=} v_n(x_0) \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{W}_{n,i}(x_0) \left[\mathbb{I}_{(-\infty, S(y_n(x_0)|X_i))} - \mathbb{I}_{(-\infty, S(y_n(x_0)|x_0))} \right] (U_i).$$

From Owen (1987, Lemma 3.4.5), one has for all $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\mathbb{P}(|B_n(x_0)| > \varepsilon) \leq \varepsilon + \mathbb{P} \left\{ v_n(x_0) \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{W}_{n,i}(x_0) \mathbb{E} \left[\Delta_{n,i}(x_0) \middle| \mathbb{X} \right] > \varepsilon^2 \right\},$$

where $\mathbb{X} := (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ and

$$\Delta_{n,i}(x_0) := \left| \mathbb{I}_{(-\infty, S(y_n(x_0)|X_i))} - \mathbb{I}_{(-\infty, S(y_n(x_0)|x_0))} \right| (U_i).$$

Introducing the quantity $D_{n,i}(x_0) := |S(y_n(x_0)|X_i) - S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)|$, it is easy to check that $\mathbb{E}[\Delta_{n,i}(x_0)|\mathbb{X}] \leq 2D_{n,i}(x_0)$. Remarking that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{W}_{n,i}(x_0) D_{n,i}(x_0) = W_1(\mathcal{W}_{n,x_0}^*, \delta_{x_0}^*)$$

leads to $\mathbb{P}(|B_n(x_0)| > \varepsilon) \leq \varepsilon + \mathbb{P}[v_n(x_0)W_1(\mathcal{W}_{n,x_0}^*, \delta_{x_0}^*) > \varepsilon^2/2]$. The result is thus proved by using assumption (23) (or equivalently (22)) from the paper.

Proof of Lemma 3 – Let $\tilde{K} := K^2/\|K\|_2^2$ where $\|K\|_2^2 := \int_{\mathcal{U}_p} K^2(y)dy$. It is easy to check that \tilde{K} also satisfy condition **(K)**. Hence, Lemma 2 entails that almost surely,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|K\|_2^2}{nh_n^p} n_{x_0} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \hat{f}_n^2(x_0) \left/ \left[\frac{1}{nh_n^p} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{K} \left(\frac{x_0 - X_i}{h_n} \right) \right] \right. = f(x_0).$$

Hence, almost surely, $n_{x_0} \sim f(x_0)nh_n^p/\|K\|_2^2 =: m_n(x_0)$. It is easy to infer that, as soon as $nh_n^p S(y_n(x_0)|x_0) \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$\frac{m_n(x_0)}{S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \mathcal{W}_{n,i}^{\text{NW}}(x_0, h_n) \right)^2 \leq \frac{f(x_0)}{\|K\|_2^2} \frac{1}{nh_n^p S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} \frac{\|K\|_\infty^2}{\hat{f}_n^2(x_0)} \xrightarrow{a.s.} 0.$$

Similarly, using Assumption **(K)**, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{W}_{n,i}^{\text{NW}}(x_0, h_n) \left| \frac{S(y_n(x_0)|X_i)}{S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} - 1 \right| \leq \sup_{\|x-x_0\| \leq h_n} \left| \frac{S(y_n(x_0)|x)}{S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} - 1 \right|$$

from which Lemma 3 follows according to Theorem 1.

Proof of Lemma 4 – First, remark that since $k_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\frac{(\ell + 1)^2 n_{x_0}}{2\ell + 1 k_n} = \frac{(\ell + 1)^2}{k_n(2\ell + 1)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k_n} i^\ell \right)^2 / \sum_{i=1}^{k_n} i^{2\ell} \rightarrow 1,$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus, $n_{x_0} \sim m_n(x_0)$ with $m_n(x_0) = (2\ell + 1)/(\ell + 1)^2 k_n$. As soon as $k_n S(y_n(x_0)|x_0) \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$\frac{m_n(x_0)}{S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \mathcal{W}_{n,i}^{\text{NN}}(x_0, k_n) \right)^2 = \frac{2\ell + 1}{k_n S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} \rightarrow 0.$$

Using the bound

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{W}_{n,i}^{\text{NN}}(x_0, k_n) \left| \frac{S(y_n(x_0)|X_i)}{S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} - 1 \right| \leq \sup_{\|x-x_0\| \leq D_{(k_n)}(x_0)} \left| \frac{S(y_n(x_0)|x)}{S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} - 1 \right|,$$

we prove Lemma 4 by applying Theorem 1.

Proof of Lemma 5 – We start by remarking that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{I}_{[0,1]} \left(\left\| \frac{X_i - x_0}{h_n} \right\|_\infty \right) \mathbb{I}_{[0,1]} \left(\frac{r(i)}{k_n} \right) = k_n \wedge M_n.$$

Then, straightforward calculation shows that

$$n_{x_0}^{-1} = \frac{\tau^2}{M_n} + \frac{2\tau(1-\tau)}{k_n \vee M_n} + \frac{(1-\tau)^2}{k_n}.$$

Next, since by assumption $nh_n^p/\log \log n \rightarrow \infty$ and since the uniform kernel satisfies condition **(K)**, Lemma 2 ensures that $(2h_n)^{-p} n^{-1} M_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} f(x_0)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence, as a first conclusion, $n_{x_0} \sim \ell_n 2^p f(x_0) C^{-2}(\kappa) =: m_n(x_0)$ almost surely. Furthermore,

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \mathcal{W}_{n,i}^{\text{LC}}(x_0, \tau, h_n, k_n) \leq \frac{\tau}{M_n} + \frac{1-\tau}{k_n}.$$

Hence, using again the almost sure convergence $(2h_n)^{-p} n^{-1} M_n \rightarrow f(x_0)$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell_n \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \mathcal{W}_{n,i}^{\text{LC}}(x_0, \tau, h_n, k_n) = \frac{\tau(\kappa \wedge 1)}{2^p f(x_0)} + (1-\tau)(\kappa^{-1} \wedge 1),$$

almost surely for all $\kappa \in [0, \infty]$. As a consequence, since $\ell_n S(y_n(x_0)|x_0) \rightarrow \infty$, condition (21) from the paper is satisfied. Finally, using the bounds obtained in the proofs of Lemmas 3 and 4, one has

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{W}_{n,i}^{\text{LC}}(x_0, \tau, h_n, k_n) \left| \frac{S(y_n(x_0)|X_i)}{S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} - 1 \right| \leq \sup_{\|x-x_0\| \leq h_n \vee D_{(k_n)}(x_0)} \left| \frac{S(y_n(x_0)|x)}{S(y_n(x_0)|x_0)} - 1 \right|,$$

and thus condition (22) from the paper holds. Theorem 1 concludes the proof.

Proof of Lemma 6 – Since (X, Y) and Z are independent

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[g(X, Y, Z)] &= \int \int \left(\int g(x, y, z) \mathbb{P}_Y(dy|X = x) \right) \mathbb{P}_X(dx) \mathbb{P}_Z(dz) \\ &= \int \int \Psi(x, z) \mathbb{P}_X(dx) \mathbb{P}_Z(dz).\end{aligned}$$

The conclusion follows since X and Z are independent.

Reference

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