Estimating Extremal Dependence in Time Series via the Extremogram

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Motivating Example: Amazon-returns (May 16, 1997 – June 16, 2004)

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Starting point: GARCH vs SV

 $X_t = \sigma_t Z_t$ (observation eqn in state-space formulation)

(i) GARCH(1,1)

$$X_{t} = \sigma_{t} Z_{t}, \quad \sigma_{t}^{2} = \alpha_{0} + \alpha_{1} X_{t-1}^{2} + \beta_{1} \sigma_{t-1}^{2}, \quad \{Z_{t}\} \sim \text{IID}(0,1)$$

(ii) Stochastic Volatility

$$X_t = \sigma_t Z_t$$
, $\log \sigma_t^2 = \phi_0 + \phi_1 \log \sigma_{t-1}^2 + \varepsilon_t$, $\{\varepsilon_t\} \sim \text{IID N}(0, \sigma^2)$

Key question:

What intrinsic (extremal?) features in the data (*if any*) can be used to discriminate between these two models?

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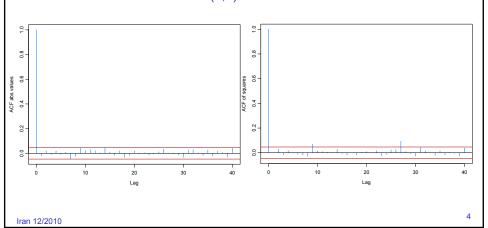
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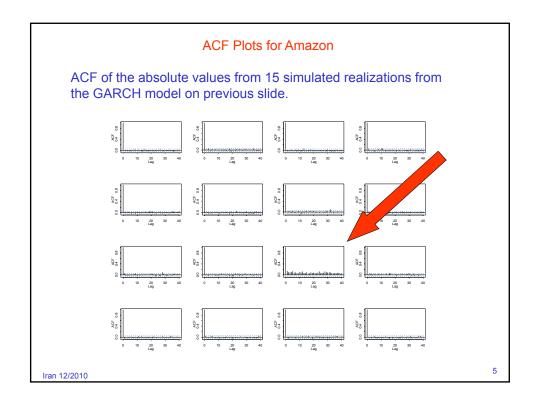
Amazon returns (GARCH model)

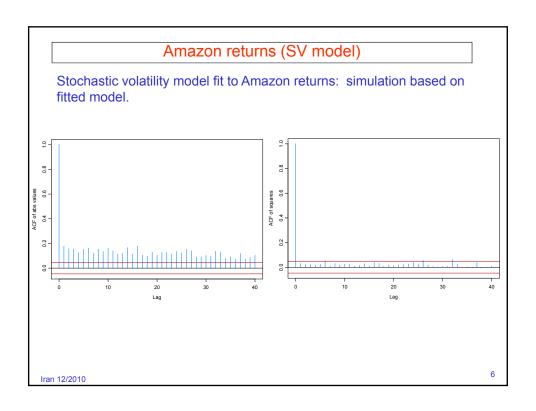
GARCH(1,1) model fit to Amazon returns:

$$\alpha_0 = .00002493,$$
 $\alpha_1 = .0385,$ $\beta_1 = .957,$ $X_t = (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \ X^2_{t-1} + \beta_1 \ \sigma^2_{t-1})^{1/2} Z_t,$ $\{Z_t\} \sim IID \ t(3.672)$

Simulation from fitted GARCH(1,1) model







Game Plan

- Extremes and time series modeling
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The Extremogram

The extremogram of a stationary time series {X_t} can be viewed as the analogue of the correlogram in time series for measuring dependence in extremes (see Davis and Mikosch (2009)).

Definition: For two sets A & B *bounded away from 0*, the *extremogram* is defined as

$$\begin{split} \rho_{A,B}(h) &= lim_{x \to \infty} P(\boldsymbol{X}_h \, \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \, \, \boldsymbol{x} \boldsymbol{B} \mid \boldsymbol{X}_0 \, \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \, \, \boldsymbol{x} \boldsymbol{A}) \\ &= lim_{x \to \infty} P(\boldsymbol{X}_0 \, \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \, \, \boldsymbol{x} \boldsymbol{A}, \, \boldsymbol{X}_h \, \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \, \, \boldsymbol{x} \boldsymbol{B}) / P(\boldsymbol{X}_0 \, \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \, \, \boldsymbol{x} \boldsymbol{A}), \end{split}$$

for h = 0, 1, ..., provided the limit exists, where $\mathbf{X}_h = (X_h, X_{h+1}, ..., X_{h+k})$.

Remark: This definition requires that the limit exists.

- a) exists for heavy-tailed time series (see forthcoming slide)
- b) exists for some light-tailed time series w/ special choices of A and B.
- c) extremal dependence **depends** on the choice of sets A & B.

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The Extremogram (cont)

If one takes $A=B=(1,\infty)$ and k=0, then

$$\rho_{AB}(h) = \lim_{x \to \infty} P(X_h > x \mid X_0 > x) = \lambda(X_0, X_h)$$

often called the **extremal dependence coefficient** (λ = 0 means independence or asymptotic independence).

Other choices of A and B can lead to interesting extremograms:

- $P(X_1 < -x \mid X_0 < -x)$ (negative return followed by a neg return)
- $P(X_1 > x \mid X_0 < -x)$ (neg return followed by a pos return)
- P(X₁ + · · · + X₄ > 2x | X₀ < -x) (neg return followed by a big pos return aggregated over next 4 days)
- P(X₁ > x, . . . , X₄ > x | X₀ > x) (pos return followed by a pos return in next 4 days)
- P(min{ X_2 , X_3 , X_4 } > x | X_0 > x, X_1 > x) (2 pos returns \Rightarrow pos return)

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The Extremogram: examples

Let $A = B = (1, \infty)$, then

$$\rho_{AB}(h) = \lim_{x \to \infty} P(X_0 > x, X_h > x) / P(X_0 > x)$$

Gaussian Processes: In this case,

 $\rho_{A,B}(h) = 0$ for all h > 0 (asymptotic independence).

GARCH: In this case

$$\rho_{A,B}(h) > 0$$
 for all $h > 0$,

but decays to 0 geometrically fast.

SV process:
$$X_t = \sigma_t Z_t$$
, $\log \sigma_t^2 = \mu + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j \varepsilon_{t-j}$, $\{\varepsilon_t\} \sim \text{IIDN}(0, \sigma^2)$
In this case,

$$\rho_{A,B}(h) = 0$$
 for all $h > 0$.

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The Extremogram: examples

Let
$$A = B = (1, \infty)$$
, then

$$\rho_{A,B}(h) = \lim_{x\to\infty} P(X_0 > x, X_h > x)/P(X_0 > x)$$

AR(1):
$$X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + Z_t$$
, $\{Z_t\} \sim IID$ Cauchy. Then

$$\rho_{AB}(h) = \max(0, \phi^h).$$

Note if ϕ < 0, then extremogram alternates between positive #'s and 0

MaxMA(2): Let (Z_t) be iid with Pareto distribution, i.e., $P(Z_1 > x) = x^{-\alpha}$ for $x \ge 1$, and set $X_t = \max(Z_t, Z_{t-1}, Z_{t-2})$. Then

$$\rho_{A,B}(h) = 1$$
 for h = 0.

$$= 2/3$$
 for $h = 1$

$$= 1/3$$
 for $h = 2$

$$= 0$$
, for $h > 2$.

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Regular Variation — multivariate case

Regular variation of $X=(X_1, \ldots, X_k)$: (heavy-tailed analogue of multivariate Gaussian)

(i) The radial part |X| is heavy-tailed, i.e.,

$$P(|\mathbf{X}| > tx)/P(|\mathbf{X}| > t) \rightarrow x^{-\alpha}$$
.

(ii) The angular part **X** / |**X**| is asymptotically independent of the radial part |**X**|, i.e., there exists a random vector $\theta \in S^{k-1}$ such that

$$P(X/|X| \in \bullet \mid |X| > t) \rightarrow_{w} P(\theta \in \bullet)$$
 as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

 $(\rightarrow_w$ weak convergence on S^{k-1} = unit sphere in R^k).

- P($\theta \in \bullet$) is called the spectral measure
- α is the index of **X**.

Definition: A time series {X_t} is *regularly varying* if all the finite dimensional distributions are regularly varying.

Regular Variation — multivariate case

RV: $P(|\mathbf{X}| > tx)/P(|\mathbf{X}| > t) \rightarrow x^{-\alpha}$ and $P(\mathbf{X}/|\mathbf{X}| \in \bullet \mid |\mathbf{X}| > t) \rightarrow_{w} P(\theta \in \bullet)$

Three equivalent formulations of RV:

1. Polar coordinate version:

$$P(|\textbf{X}| > t \ x, \ \textbf{X}/|\textbf{X}| \in \bullet)/P(|\textbf{X}| > t) \rightarrow_{V} \textbf{X}^{-\alpha} P(\theta \in \bullet)$$

2. Rectangular coordinate version:

$$\frac{P(\mathbf{X} \in \mathbf{t}^{\bullet})}{P(|\mathbf{X}| > \mathbf{t})} \rightarrow_{\nu} \mu(\bullet)$$

 μ is a measure on R^m which satisfies for x > 0 and A bounded away from 0,

$$\mu(xA) = x^{-\alpha} \mu(A)$$
.

3. Sequential version: There exists a sequence $\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{n}}$ such that

$$nP(a_n^{-1}X \in \bullet) \rightarrow_{\nu} \mu(\bullet)$$

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Regular Variation and the Extremogram

Fact: The extremogram of a RV stationary time series {X_t} exists.

Recall that for two sets A & B bounded away from 0 (take the random vectors to be one-dimensional), the *extremogram* is given by

$$\rho_{A,B}(h) = \lim_{x \to \infty} P(x^{-1}X_0 \in A, x^{-1}X_h \in B) / P(x^{-1}X_0 \in A)$$

This limit can be traced back through the limiting μ measure in defn of RV. That is, defining $\mathbf{X} = (X_0, X_1, \dots, X_n)'$, and using

$$nP(a_n^{-1}X \in \bullet) \rightarrow_{\nu} \mu(\bullet),$$

we have

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$$\begin{split} P(a_n^{-1}(X_0, X_h) \in A \times B) / P(a_n^{-1}X_0 \in A) &= P(a_n^{-1}\textbf{X} \in A \times R^{h-1} \times B) / P(a_n^{-1}\textbf{X} \in A \times R^h) \\ &\to \mu(A \times R^{h-1} \times B) / \mu(A \times R^h), \end{split}$$

in which case,

$$\rho_{A,B}(h) = \mu(A \times R^{h-1} \times B) / \mu(A \times R^h).$$

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Examples of RV Time Series

Examples: 1. Let $\{X_t\}$ be iid $RV(-\alpha)$, then $X = (X_1, X_2, ..., X_k)$ is regularly varying with index α and spectral distribution that is concentrated on the axes.

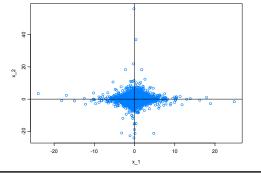
Interpretation: Unlikely that X_t and X_{t+1} are very large at the same time

Figure: plot of (X_t,X_{t+1}) for realization of length 10,000.

Independent Components

Extremogram:

 $\rho_{A,B}(h) = 0$ for all h > 0.

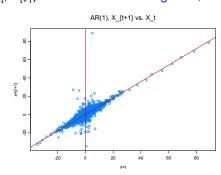


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2. AR(1): $X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + Z_t$, $\{Z_t\} \sim IID RV(-\alpha)$.

Interpretation: If Z_t is large, then $X_t \sim Z_t$ and is independent of ϕ X_{t-1} . On the other hand, $X_{t+1} \sim \phi$ X_t

Figure: plot of (X_t, X_{t+1}) for realization of length 10,000 with $\phi = .9$.



Extremogram: Let A = $(1,\infty)$ and B = $(1,\infty)$, then $\rho_{A,B}(h) = \max(0, \phi^h)$.

Note if ϕ < 0, then extremogram alternates between positive #'s and 0.

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Examples of RV Time Series

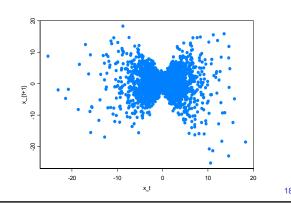
3. GARCH(1,1): $X_t = (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 X_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2)^{1/2} Z_t$, $\{Z_t\} \sim IID$. $\alpha_0 = 1, \alpha_1 = 1, \beta_1 = 0$

It turns out that finite dim'l distrs are regularly varying (see Mikosch and Stăriciă (2000))

<u>Figure:</u> plot of (X_t, X_{t+1}) for realization of length 10,000.

Extremogram:

 $\rho_{A,B}(h) > 0$ for all h.



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Examples of RV Time Series

4. SV model $X_t = \sigma_t Z_t$

Suppose $Z_t \sim RV(-\alpha)$ and

$$\log \sigma_{t}^{2} = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_{j} \varepsilon_{t-j}, \ \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_{j}^{2} < \infty, \{\varepsilon_{t}\} \sim \text{IIDN}(0,\sigma^{2}).$$

Then $\mathbf{Z}_n = (Z_1, ..., Z_n)$ ' is regulary varying with index α and so is

$$\mathbf{X}_{n}$$
= $(X_{1},...,X_{n})$ ' = diag $(\sigma_{1},...,\sigma_{n})$ \mathbf{Z}_{n}

with spectral distribution concentrated on the axes

Figure: plot of (X_t, X_{t+1}) for realization of 10,000.

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10000

Extremogram:

 $\rho_{A,B}(h) = 0$ for all h > 0.

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The Empirical Extremogram

A natural estimator of the extremogram is the empirical extremogram defined by _

$$\hat{\rho}_{A,B}(h) = \frac{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t \in A, a_m^{-1} X_{t+h} \in B\}}}{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t \in A\}}},$$

where $m \to \infty$ with $m/n \to 0$ and a_m is the 1-m/n quantile of $|X_t|$. Note that the limit of the expectation of the numerator is

mP
$$(a_m^{-1}X_n \in A, a_m^{-1}X_h \in B) \rightarrow \mu(A \times R^{h-1} \times B),$$

where μ is the measure defined in the statement of regular variation of the vector $\mathbf{X} = (X_0, X_1, \ldots, X_h)$. Hence the empirical estimate is asymptotically "unbiased". Under suitable mixing conditions, a CLT for the empirical estimate is established in D&M (2009).

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The Empirical Extremogram — central limit theorem

$$\hat{\rho}_{A,B}(h) = \frac{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-h} I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t \in A, a_m^{-1} X_{t+h} \in B\}}}{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t \in A\}}}$$

After first establishing a joint CLT for the numerator and denominator, we obtain the limit result

$$(n/m)^{1/2}(\hat{\rho}_{A,B}(h)-\rho_m(h)) \to_d N(0,\sigma^2(A,B)),$$

where $\rho_m(h)$ is the ratio of expectations (*pre-asymptotic bias*),

$$P(a_m^{-1}X_0 \in A, a_m^{-1}X_h \in B)/P(a_m^{-1}X_0 \in A).$$

Now provided a bias condition, such as

$$(n/m)^{1/2} \left(mP \left(a_m^{-1} X_0 \in A, a_m^{-1} X_h \in B \right) - \mu_h(A \times B) \right) \to 0,$$

holds, then $\rho_m(h)$ can be replaced with $\rho_{A,B}(h)$. This condition can often be difficult to check.

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Spectral Analysis for the Extremogram

For a fixed *nice* set C, define $\tau_h(C) = \gamma_{CC}(|h|)$ and $\tau_0(C) = \mu(C)$, i.e.,

$$nP(a_n^{-1}X_0 \in C, a_n^{-1}X_h \in C) \to \tau_h(C)$$

The spectral density is then defined by

$$f(\lambda) = \tau_0(C) + 2\sum_{h=1}^{\infty} \cos(\lambda h) \tau_h(C), \quad \lambda \in [0, \pi].$$

The sample version of the spectral density is give by the periodogram

$$I_n(\lambda) = \hat{\gamma}_n(0) + 2\sum_{h=1}^{n-1} \cos(\lambda h) \hat{\gamma}_n(h), \quad \lambda \in [0, \pi],$$

where
$$\hat{\gamma}_n(h) = \frac{m_n}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-h} (I_{\{a_m^{-1}X_t \in C\}} - P(a_m^{-1}X_t \in C)), \quad h \ge 0.$$

In the standard time series setting, the periodogram estimator is not consistent for $f(\lambda)$. Instead, a lag-window estimator is used.

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Spectral Analysis for the Extremogram

A lag-window estimator for f is defined by

$$\hat{f}_n(\lambda) = \hat{\gamma}_n(0) + 2\sum_{h=1}^{r_n} \cos(\lambda h) \hat{\gamma}_n(h), \quad \lambda \in [0, \pi],$$

where $r_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $m/r_n \rightarrow 0$. This estimator is asymptotically unbiased and consistent for

$$f(\lambda) = \tau_0(C) + 2\sum_{h=1}^{\infty} \cos(\lambda h) \tau_h(C).$$

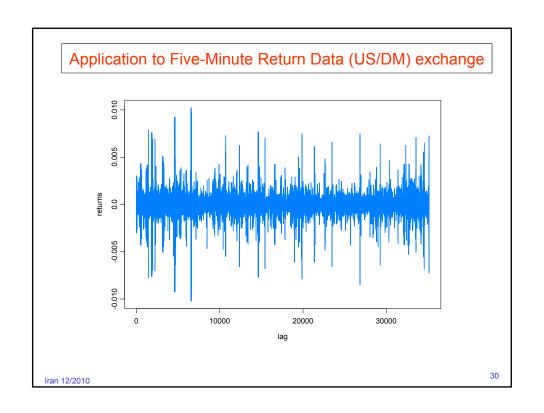
Theorem. Under our mixing condition and general setup,

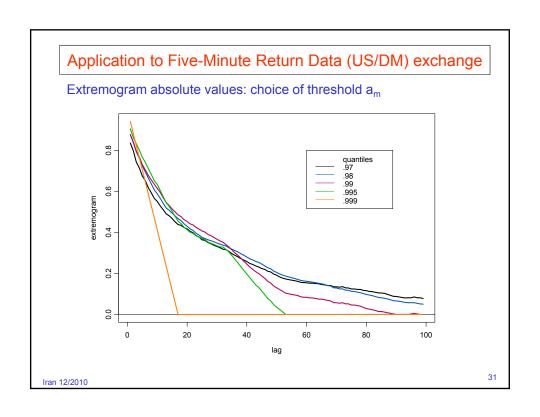
$$\lim_{n\to\infty} EI_n(\lambda) = \lim_{n\to\infty} E\hat{f}_n(\lambda) = f(\lambda), \quad \lambda \in (0,\pi).$$

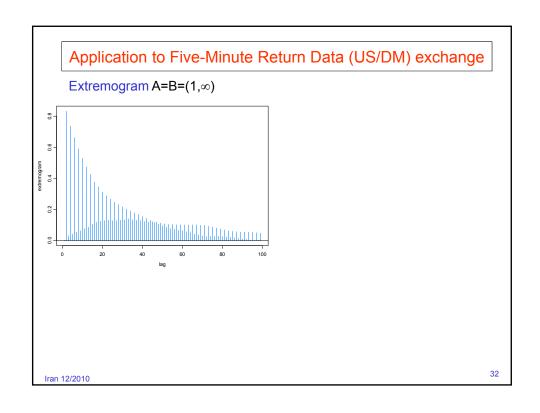
If, in addition, $m_n r_n^2 = O(n)$, then

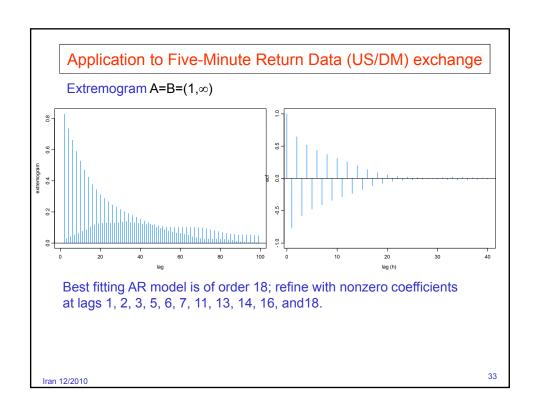
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} E(\hat{f}_n(\lambda) - f(\lambda))^2 = 0, \quad \lambda \in (0, \pi).$$

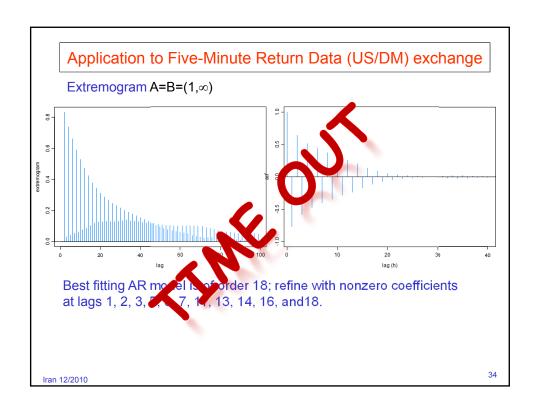
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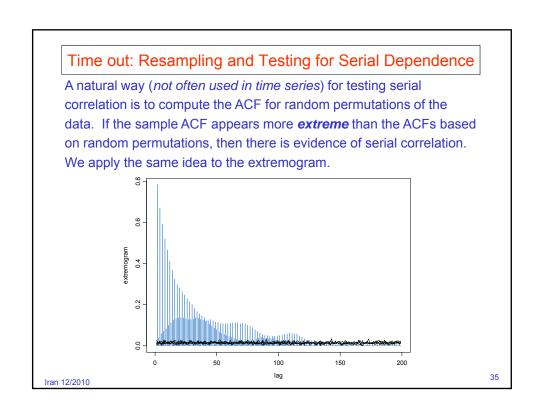


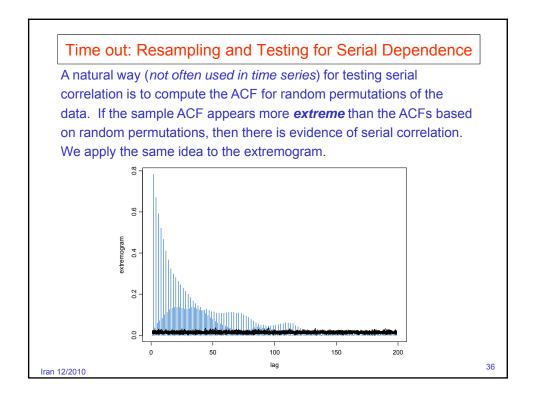


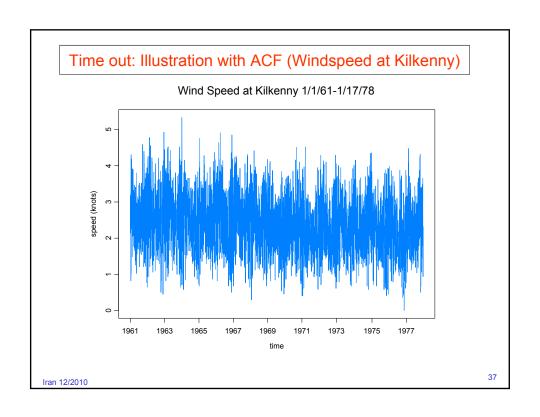


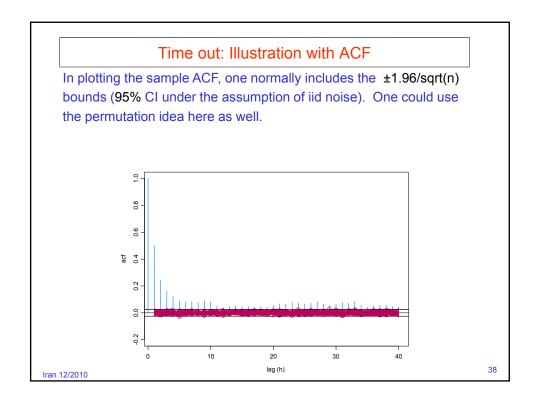


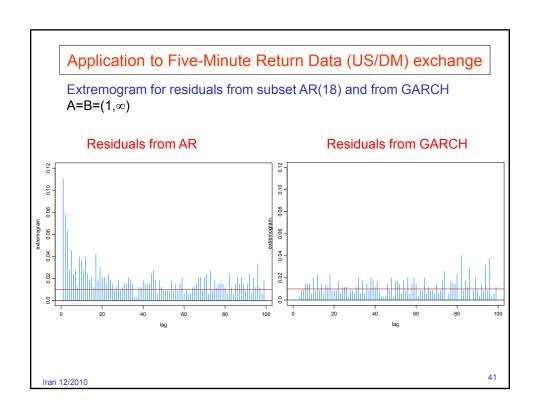


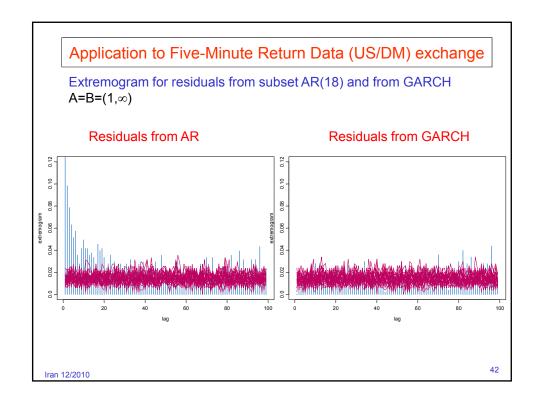


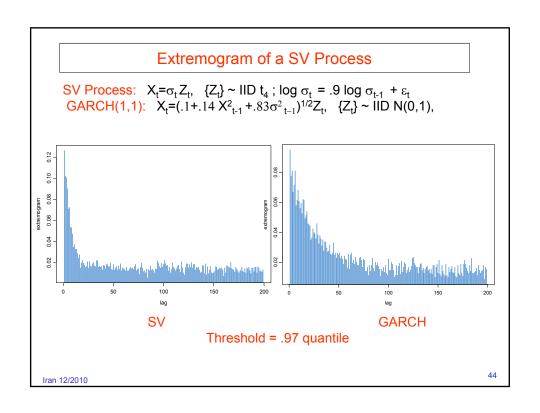


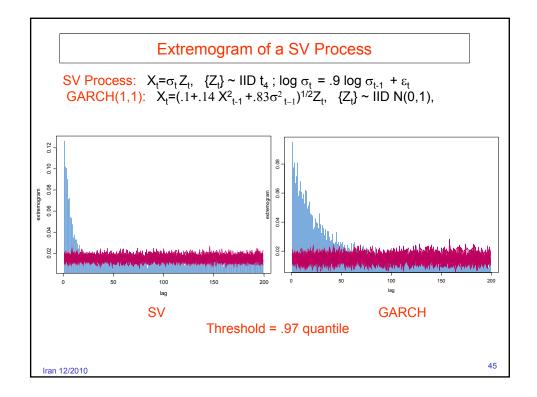












Extremogram of a Max-MA(2)

Example: Let (Z_t) be iid with Pareto distribution, i.e., $P(Z_1 > x) = x^{-\alpha}$ for $x \ge 1$, and set $X_t = \max(Z_t, Z_{t-1}, Z_{t-2})$. Then

$$nP(X_1 > xn^{1/\alpha}) \rightarrow 3x^{-\alpha}$$
 and $F^n(xn^{1/\alpha}) \rightarrow exp(-3x^{-\alpha})$.

On the other hand,

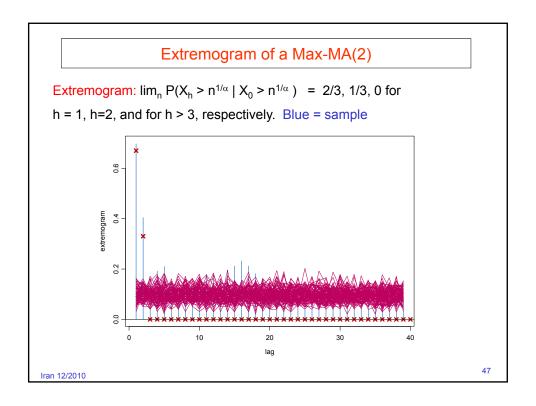
 $P(n^{-1/\alpha} M_n \le x) = P(n^{-1/\alpha} \max(Z_{-1}, ..., Z_n) \le x) \rightarrow \exp(-x^{-\alpha}) = \exp(-\frac{1}{3} 3x^{-\alpha}),$

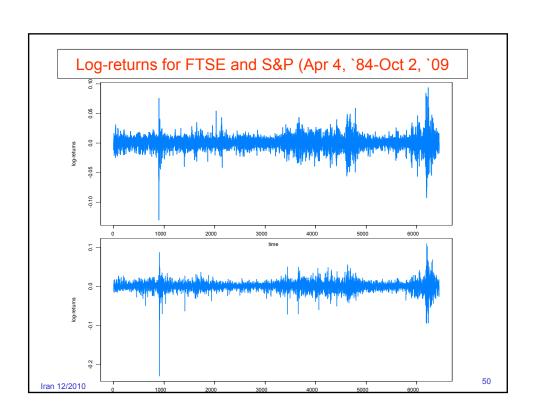
which implies that the extremal index is $\theta = 1/3$.

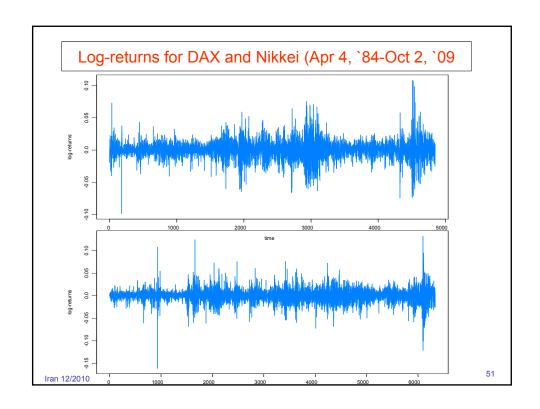
The extremogram with $A = B = (1, \infty)$ is

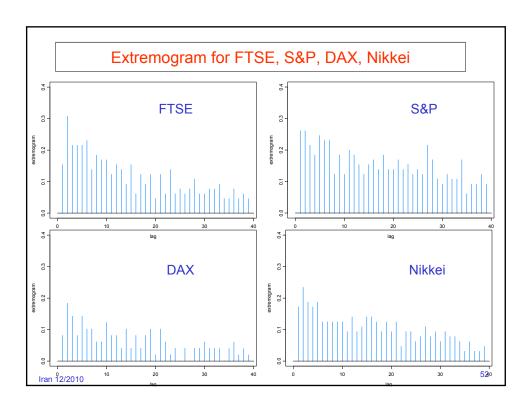
$$\begin{aligned} \lim_n P(X_h > n^{1/\alpha} \mid X_0 > n^{1/\alpha} \,) &= 1 & \text{ for } h = 0. \\ &= 2/3 & \text{ for } h = 1 \\ &= 1/3 & \text{ for } h = 2 \\ &= 0, & \text{ for } h > 2. \end{aligned}$$

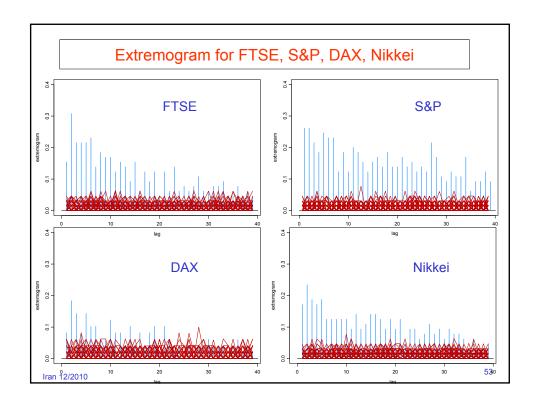
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Cross-Extremogram

The cross-extremogram measures extremal dependence between two or more series. Suppose we have two time series $\{X_t\}$ and $\{Y_t\}$

Definition: For two sets A & B bounded away from 0, the crossextremogram is defined as

$$\rho_{A,B}(h) = \lim_{x \to \infty} P(Y_h \in xB \mid X_0 \in xA)$$

For example, if X_t and Y_t represent log-returns of two stocks, then one might be interested in extremal dependence of negative returns. It may seem natural to take A=B=(- ∞ ,-1], so that

$$\rho_{A,B}(h) = lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} P(Y_h < -x \mid X_0 < -x).$$

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Cross-Extremogram

As before, we estimate

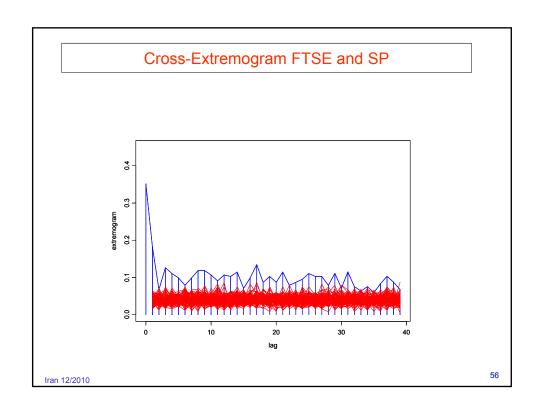
$$\rho_{A,B}(h) = \lim_{x \to \infty} P(Y_h \in xB \mid X_0 \in xA)$$

by

$$\hat{\rho}_{A,B}(h) = \frac{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-h} I_{\{a_{m,1}^{-1} X_t \in A, a_{m,2}^{-1} Y_{t+h} \in B\}}}{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} I_{\{a_{m,1}^{-1} X_t \in A\}}}$$

Problem: For log-returns, heteroskedasticity can produce *spurious* extremograms. That is, volatility in both series (which tends to happen in unison) produces large extremograms.

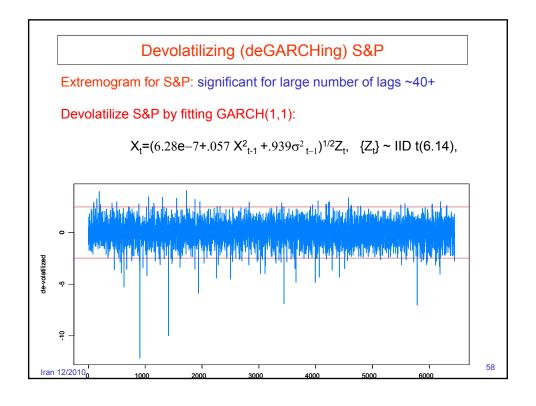
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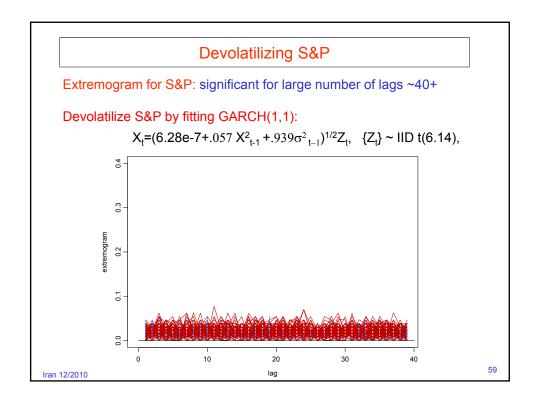


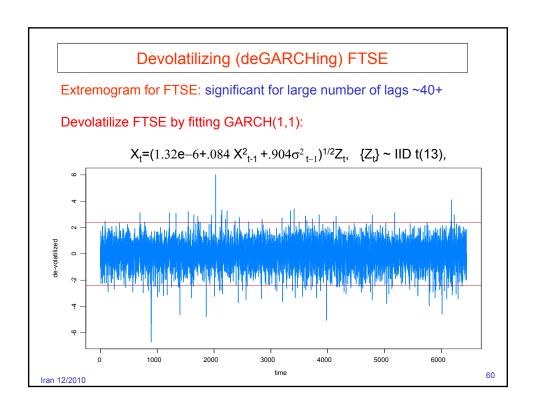
Cross-Extremogram

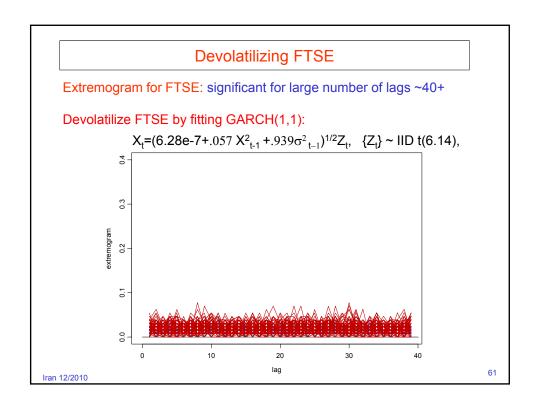
Strategy: Devolatilize the component series before computing the extremogram. This is *analogous* to the issue of spurious cross-correlations in a time series without whitening the series first.

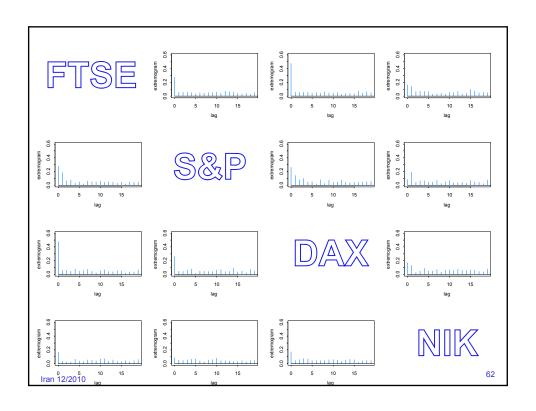
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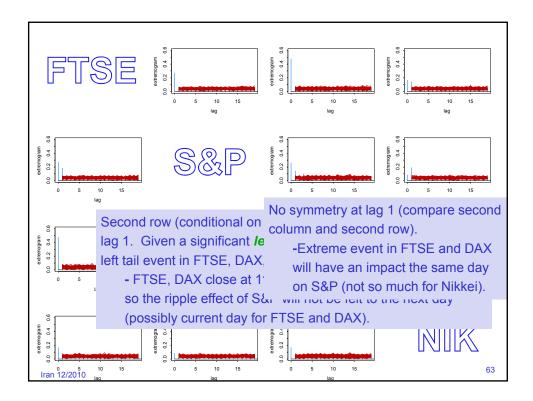












Bootstrapping the Extremogram

The stationary bootstrap, introduced by Politis and Romano (1994) seems well suited for the extremogram.

Stationary Bootstrap Setup: Have data X_1, \ldots, X_n and construct BS sample as follows:

- K₁, K₂, . . . , be iid uniform on {1,..., n}
- L₁, L₂, . . . , be iid geometric(p_n)

The BS sample $X_1^*,...,X_n^*$ is given by the first **n** observations in the sequence.

$$X_{K_1}, \dots, X_{K_1 + L_1 - 1}, X_{K_2}, \dots, X_{K_2 + L_2 - 1}, \dots, X_{K_N}, \dots, X_{K_N + L_N - 1}$$

where

$$N = \inf\{i \ge 1 : L_1 + \dots + L_i \ge n\}.$$

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Bootstrapping the Extremogram

$$X_{K_1}, \dots, X_{K_1 + L_1 - 1}, X_{K_2}, \dots, X_{K_2 + L_2 - 1}, \dots, X_{K_N}, \dots, X_{K_N + L_N - 1}$$

- K_1, K_2, \ldots , be iid uniform on $\{1, \ldots, n\}$
- L₁, L₂, . . . , be iid geometric(p_n)

Remarks

- Procedure is similar to the block bootstrap method
- · Each block has a random length given by independent geometrics, L_1, L_2, \ldots
- Mean block size is 1/p_n
- Mean number of blocks is np_n
- By the previous two bullet points, we require

$$p_n \to 0$$
, $np_n \to \infty$.

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Bootstrapping the Extremogram (cont)

The extremogram, computed from either the sample or BS sample, are ratios of partial sums of the form,

$$\hat{P}_n(C) = \frac{m_n}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t \in C\}} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{P}_n^*(C) = \frac{m_n}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t^* \in C\}}.$$

Theorem. Assuming our general setup (mixing conditions + regular variation, etc), and the growth conditions,

$$np_n \, \to \, ^{\infty}, \quad np^2/m_n \to \, ^{\infty}, \quad$$

$$\begin{split} &\text{np}_{\text{n}} \to \infty, \quad \text{np}^2/\text{m}_{\text{n}} \to \infty, \\ &\text{we have } E^*\hat{P}_n^*(C) \overset{P}{\to} \mu(C) \quad \text{and } ms_n^2 = \text{Var}^*((n/m)^{1/2}\hat{P}_n^*(C)) \overset{P}{\to} \sigma^2(C). \end{split}$$

Moreover,

$$\sup_{x} |P((n/m)^{1/2}(ms_{n}^{2})^{-1/2}(\hat{P}_{n}^{*}(C) - \hat{P}_{n}(C)) \le x |X_{1},...,X_{n}) - \Phi(x)| \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

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Bootstrapping the Extremogram (cont)

The sample extremogram and its BS counterpart are:

$$\hat{\rho}_{A,B}(h) = \frac{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-h} I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t \in A, a_m^{-1} X_{t+h} \in B\}}}{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t^* \in A, a_m^{-1} X_{t+h}^* \in B\}}}$$

$$\hat{\rho}_{A,B}^*(h) = \frac{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-h} I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t^* \in A, a_m^{-1} X_{t+h}^* \in B\}}}{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} I_{\{a_m^{-1} X_t^* \in A\}}}$$

$$\hat{\rho}_{A,B}^{*}(h) = \frac{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} I_{\{a_{m}^{-1}X_{t}^{*} \in A, a_{m}^{-1}X_{t+h}^{*} \in B\}}}{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} I_{\{a_{m}^{-1}X_{t}^{*} \in A\}}}$$

Theorem . Assuming our general setup (mixing conditions + regular variation, etc), and the growth conditions,

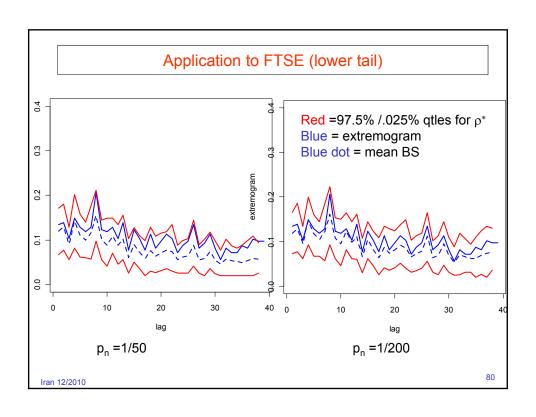
$$np_n \rightarrow \infty$$
, $np^2/m_n \rightarrow \infty$,

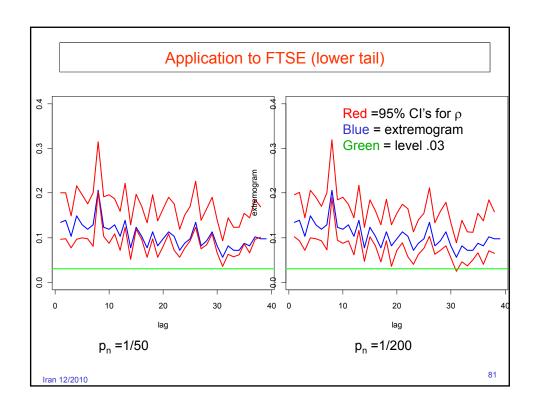
we have

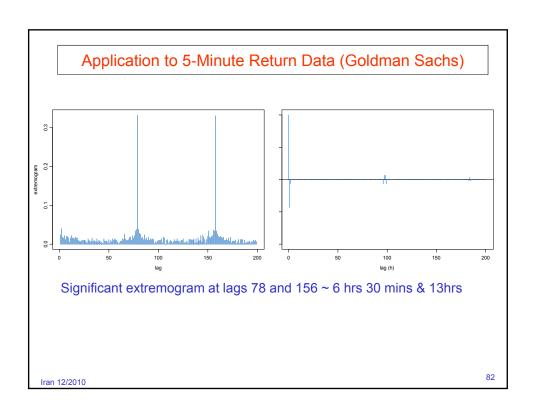
$$\sup_{\mathcal{A}} |P((n/m)^{1/2}(\hat{\rho}_{A,B}^*(h) - \hat{\rho}_{A,B}(h)) \le x | X_1, ..., X_n) -$$

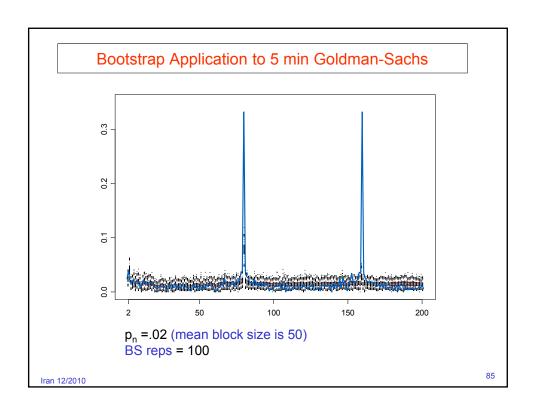
$$P((n/m)^{1/2}(\hat{\rho}_{A,B}(h) - \rho_m(h)) \le x) | \stackrel{P}{\to} 0$$

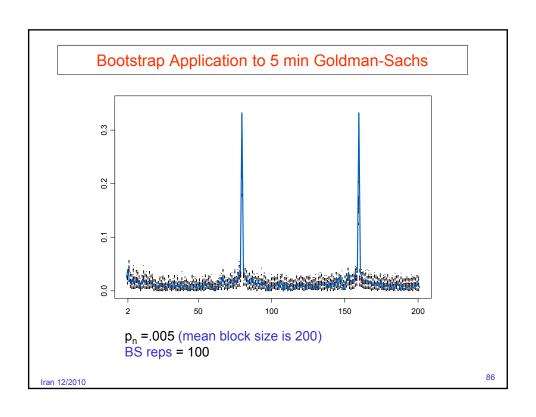
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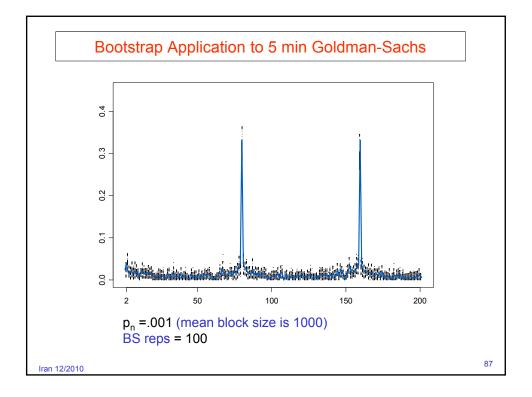












Connections with Return Times (of rare events)

This is an idea due to Geman and Chang (2009):

Setup:

- {X_t} time series—think log-returns, for example.
- ξ_v , ξ_{1-v} are the vth and (1-v)th quantile of the of the marginal distribution.

Define the exceedance (or stopping times) times τ_i by

$$\tau_1 = \min\{ t \ge 1: X_t < \xi_v \text{ or } X_t < \xi_{1-v} \}$$

$$\tau_{i+1}\text{=min}\{\;t\geq \tau_i\text{: }X_t<\xi_v\;\text{or }X_t<\xi_{1-v}\}\;,\;j\geq 0.$$

The inter-arrival (or return times) are

$$T_j = \tau_j - \tau_{j-1} \ j \ge 1.$$

These are the times between occurrences of rare events (number of tosses of a coin until next head).

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Connections with Return Times (of rare events)

For *nice* time series, like iid observations, the T_j 's are iid with a geometric distribution,

$$P(T_j = k) = (1-p)^{k-1}p, k=1,2,...,$$

 $p = P(X_t < \xi_v \text{ or } X_t > \xi_{1-v}) = 2v.$

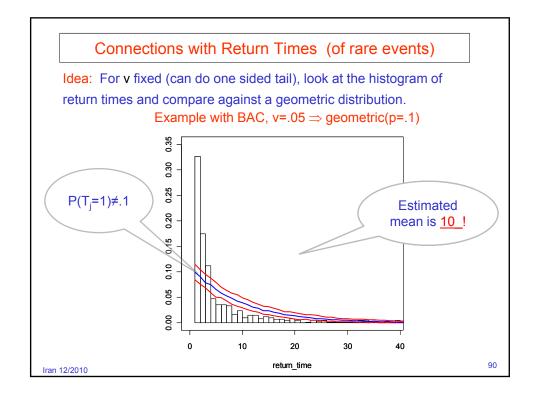
Recall for a geometric rv,

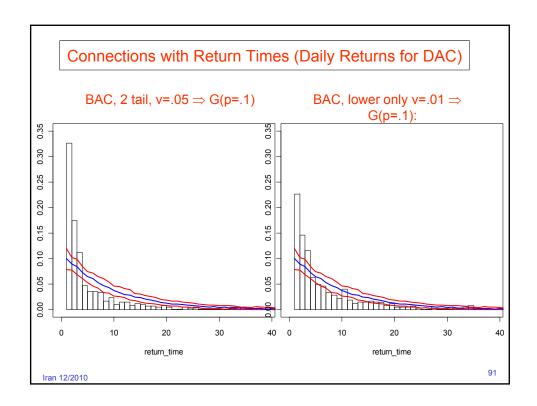
$$E(T_1) = 1/p$$
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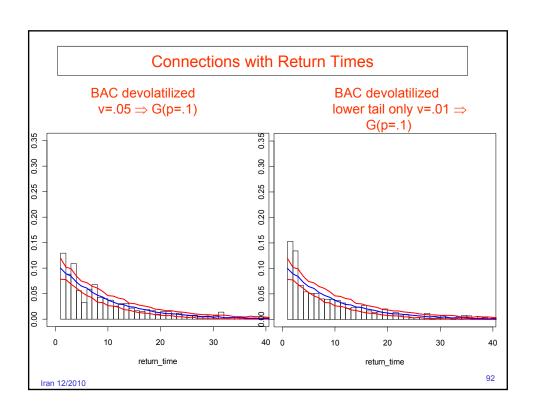
Note: This is the *backstory* behind the term 100 year flood, or 100 year *blank*, which corresponds to the threshold x such that the expected time until x is exceeded is 100. (In this case, p = .01, x= $\xi_{.99}$.)

Idea: For v fixed (can do one-sided tail), look at the histogram of return times and compare against a geometric distribution.

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Connections with Return Times (of rare events)

Question: What is the connection with the extremogram?

Answer: The estimated distribution for the return times is exactly the extremogram for specially chosen sets A & B. For example,

in the upper tail case, $P(T_1 = 1)$ is estimated by

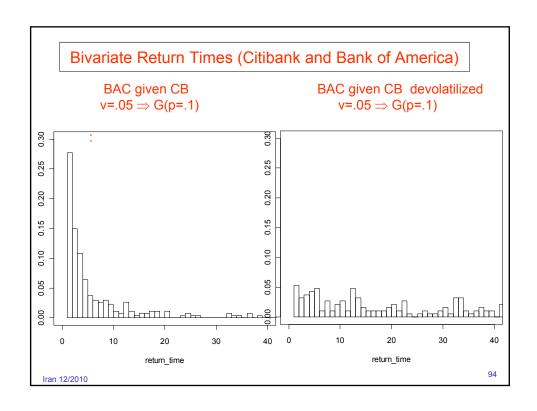
$$\hat{P}(T=1) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N-1} I_{\{X_t \ge a_m, X_{t+1} \ge a_m\}}}{\sum_{t=1}^{n} I_{\{X_t \ge a_m\}}} = \frac{\text{\# consecutive pairs} > a_m}{\text{\# observations} > a_m}$$

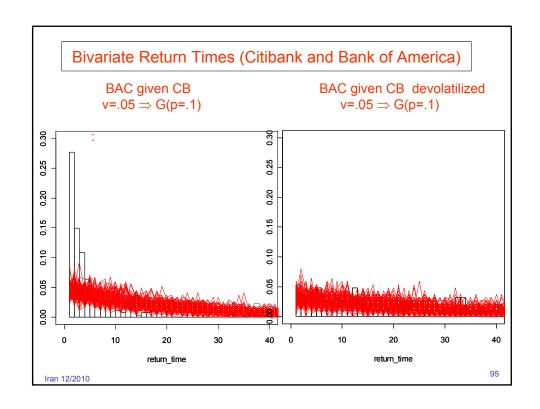
$$\hat{\rho}_{A,B}(1) = \frac{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} I_{\{X_t \ge a_m, X_{t+1} \ge a_m\}}}{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} I_{\{X_t \ge a_m\}}}$$

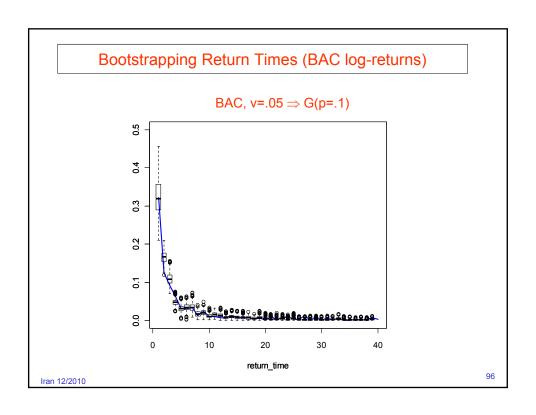
$$\hat{\rho}_{A,B}(1) = \frac{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} I_{\{X_t \geq a_m, X_{t+1} \geq a_m\}}}{\frac{m}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} I_{\{X_t \geq a_m\}}}$$

Remark: So theory and methodology (permutation/bootstrapping) developed for the extremogram applies to the histogram

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Wrap-up

- Extremogram is another potential tool for estimating extremal dependence that may be helpful for discriminating between models on the basis of extreme value behavior.
- Regular variation is a flexible tool for modeling both dependence and tail heavyness.
- Permutation procedures are a *quick* and *clean* way to test for significant values in the extremogram and other statistics.
- Bootstrapping may prove useful for constructing CI's for the extremogram and also for assessing extremal dependence.
- The *Extremogram* can provide insight on extremal dependence between components in a multivariate time series.
- Interesting connection between return times and the extremogram.
- Extremogram is a cool name!

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