

# Distribution of extreme value

Under definition 1

Suppose  $\overset{\text{data}}{\boxed{X_1, \dots, X_n}}$  are independently and identically distributed with  $\boxed{\text{CDF}}$   
 $F(\cdot)$

↑  
Cumulative  
distribution  
function

By definition 1, the extreme value is

$$M_n = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

The CDF of  $M_n$  is

$$P(M_n \leq x)$$

$$= P(\max(X_1, \dots, X_n) \leq x)$$

$$= P(X_1 \leq x, \dots, X_n \leq x)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{indep}}{=} P(X_1 \leq x) \dots P(X_n \leq x)$$

$$= F(x) \dots F(x)$$

$$= [F(x)]^n$$

People are usually interested in the behavior of  $M_n$  over large periods. That is, what is the distribution of  $M_n$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ?

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(M_n \leq x)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [F(x)]^n$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq F(x) < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } F(x) = 1 \end{cases}$$

This is not a useful result for practical applications.

Suppose  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent and identical with  $E(X_i) = \mu$  and  $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$ . Let  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  denote the sample mean.

1)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \bar{X} = \mu$  "Strong Law of Large Numbers"

scaling Not a very useful result

2)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} = N(0, 1)$  "Central limit theorem" (CLT)

CLT is a very useful result

We look at the limit of

$$P\left(\frac{M_n - b_n}{a_n} \leq x\right).$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\frac{M_n - b_n}{a_n} \leq x\right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(M_n \leq b_n + a_n x)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\max(X_1, \dots, X_n) \leq b_n + a_n x)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_1 \leq b_n + a_n x, \dots, X_n \leq b_n + a_n x)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{indep}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_1 \leq b_n + a_n x) \cdots P(X_n \leq b_n + a_n x)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(b_n + a_n x) \cdots F(b_n + a_n x)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [F(b_n + a_n x)]^n \cdots (*)$$

What is the limit of (\*)?