

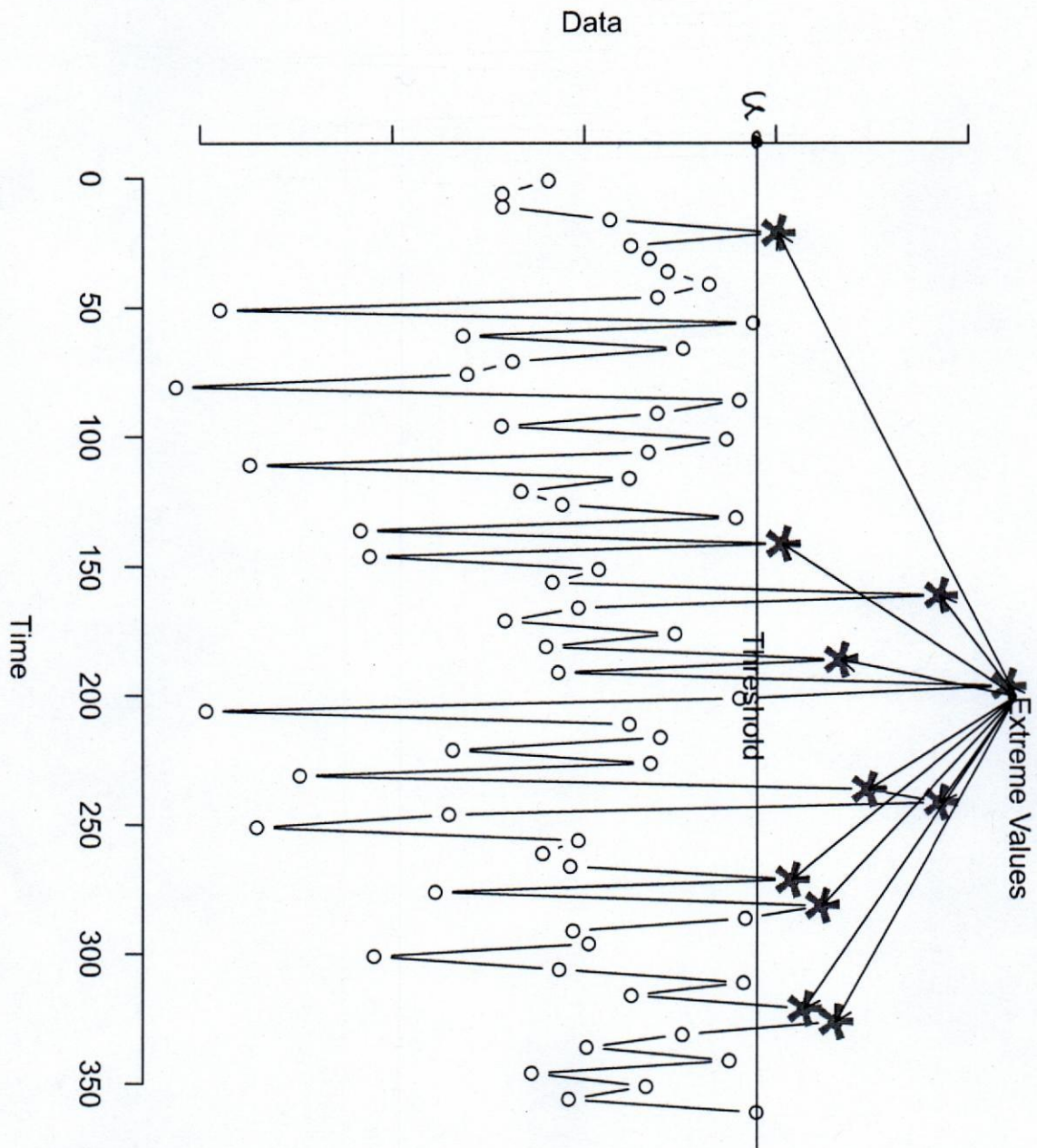
**LECTURE**

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Definition 2



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$X$  = variable of interest  
(eg stock returns)

$u$  = Threshold (considered high enough)

$X$  is an extreme value

if  $X > u$

$X - u = \underline{\text{Excess}} \quad \underline{\text{amount}}$

What is the distribution of  
 $X - u$  (the excess) if  $X > u$   
 (that is  $X$  is an extreme value)?

$$P(X - u < x \mid X > u) = ?$$

$$= \frac{P(X - u < x, X > u)}{P(X > u)}$$

$$= \frac{P(u < X < u + x)}{P(X > u)}$$

$$= \frac{F(u + x) - F(u)}{1 - F(u)}$$

$F$  denotes  
 the CDF  
 of  $X$



$$1 - \left[ 1 + \xi \frac{x}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}, \quad \sigma > 0 \text{ "scale"}$$

$$, \quad -\infty < \xi < \infty \text{ "shape"}$$

as  $u \rightarrow \omega(F)$

This result is due to  
 Pickands (1975).

For  $u$  large enough,

$$\frac{F(u+x) - F(u)}{1 - F(u)} \approx 1 - \left[1 + \frac{x}{\sigma}\right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1 - F(u+x)}{1 - F(u)} \approx \left[1 + \frac{x}{\sigma}\right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 - F(u+x) \approx [1 - F(u)] \left[1 + \frac{x}{\sigma}\right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow F(\underbrace{u+x}_{"y"}) \approx 1 - [1 - F(u)] \left[1 + \frac{x}{\sigma}\right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow F(y) \approx 1 - [1 - F(u)] \left[1 + \frac{y-u}{\sigma}\right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Let } q = 1 - F(u)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{F(y) \approx 1 - q \left[1 + \frac{y-u}{\sigma}\right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}}$$

### Generalized Pareto (GP) Model

$-\infty < \xi < \infty$  "shape parameter"

$\sigma > 0$  "scale"

$u =$  threshold

$q =$  prob that  $X > u$ .

## Special Cases

i)  $\xi = 0$

$$f(y) = 1 - \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} q \left[ 1 + \xi \frac{y-u}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}$$

$$= 1 - q \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \left[ 1 + \xi \frac{y-u}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}$$

$$\text{Set } m = \frac{1}{\xi}$$

$$= 1 - q \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 1 + \frac{y-u}{\sigma m} \right]^{-m}$$

$$= 1 - q \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left[ 1 + \frac{y-u}{\sigma m} \right]^m \right\}^{-1}$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{z}{m} \right)^m = e^z$$

$$= 1 - q \left[ e^{-\frac{y-u}{\sigma}} \right]^{-1}$$

$$= 1 - q e^{-\frac{y-u}{\sigma}}, \quad y > u$$

Truncated exponential distribution

The domain is  $(v, \infty)$ .

$$i) \boxed{\xi > 0}$$

$$F(y) \approx 1 - \alpha \left[ 1 + \xi \frac{y-u}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}, \quad y > u$$

provided

$$1 + \xi \frac{y-u}{\sigma} > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{y-u}{\sigma} > -\frac{1}{\xi}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y > u - \frac{\sigma}{\xi}$$

So the domain of  $F(y)$  is

~~$$\left( u - \frac{\sigma}{\xi}, \infty \right).$$~~

$$(u, \infty).$$

$$\text{iii) } \boxed{\xi < 0}$$

$$F(y) \approx 1 - 2 \left[ 1 + \xi \frac{y-u}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi}}, \quad y > u$$

provided

$$1 + \xi \frac{y-u}{\sigma} > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \xi \frac{y-u}{\sigma} > -1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y - u < -\frac{\sigma}{\xi}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y < u - \frac{\sigma}{\xi}$$

So the domain of  $F(y)$  is

$$\left( u, u - \frac{\sigma}{\xi} \right)$$

$F(y)$  has a finite upper end point,

$$w(F) = u - \frac{\sigma}{\xi}.$$



CDF

$$F(y) \approx 1 - q \left[ 1 + \frac{y-u}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{q}}$$

PDF

$$f(y) \approx \frac{q}{\sigma} \left[ 1 + \frac{y-u}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{q}-1}$$

Quantile

Set  $F(y) = p$ ,  $0 < p < 1$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 - q \left[ 1 + \frac{y-u}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{q}} = p$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left[ 1 + \frac{y-u}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{q}} = \frac{1-p}{q}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 + \frac{y-u}{\sigma} = \left( \frac{1-p}{q} \right)^{-q}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y = u + \frac{\sigma}{q} \left[ \left( \frac{1-p}{q} \right)^{-q} - 1 \right].$$

$$\text{Median} = u + \frac{\sigma}{q} \left[ (2q)^q - 1 \right].$$

## Return Level

is the extreme value occurring on average every  $T$  years.

This corresponds to taking

$$p = 1 - \frac{1}{mT}$$

average number  
of exceedances  
per year.

$\Rightarrow$  Return level

$$= \mu + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{3}} \left[ \left( \frac{mT}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^{\sqrt{3}} - 1 \right].$$

How to choose  $u$  ?

For the GP model,

$$E(Y - u | Y > u) = a \cdot u + b$$

Mean Excess

Threshold

constants

- Plot mean excess vs  $u$ .

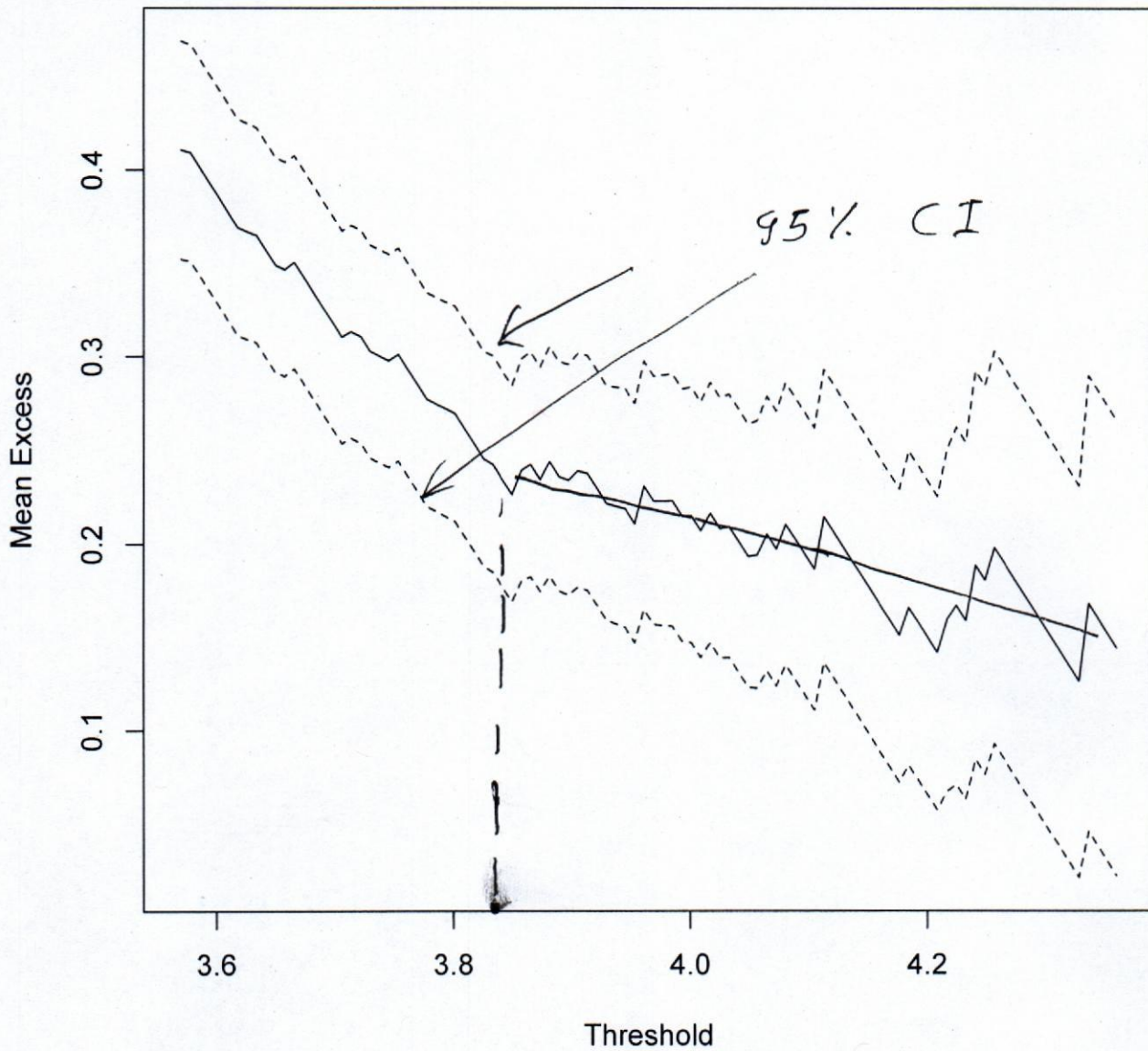
- Choose  $u$  so that the plot is approximately linear.

MRL plot

In R, `mrlplot` to draw

the plot of mean excess vs  $u$ .

*Excess*  
Mean Residual Life Plot



$\mu = 3.9$