

Sparse representation of multivariate extremes with applications to anomaly detection

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Problem of interest

- Study the dependence structure of extremes to find the main directions among which they may happen to reduce problem dimensionality
 - Bridge the gap between existing low-dimensional methods and more complex problems
 - Leverage the multivariate regular variation hypothesis by estimating the angular measure
- As a byproduct, detect anomalies as extremes in improbable directions





Figures from [4]



Problem statement and hypotheses

Formulation

• Usual rank transform $\mathbf{V} \coloneqq \left(\frac{1}{1-F_j(X^j)}\right)_{1 \le j \le d}$ and regular variation with exponent measure μ : $\forall \mathbf{v}, n \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{1}{n}\mathbf{V} \in [\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v}]^c\right) \xrightarrow[n \to \infty]{} \mu\left(\left[\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v}\right]^c\right)$.

Lemma

$$\mu\left(R_{\alpha}^{\varepsilon}\right) \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \to 0]{} \mu\left(\mathcal{C}_{\alpha}\right).$$

Problem

Given $(\mathbf{X}_i)_i \overset{\text{i.i.d}}{\sim} \mathbf{X}$, estimate $\mathcal{M} \coloneqq (\mu(\mathcal{C}_{\alpha}))_{\alpha \subset \{1,\ldots,d\}}$ and derive non-asymptotic bounds on the error.



Hypotheses

- 1. The marginal cdfs $(F_j)_{1 \le j \le d}$ are continuous.
- 2. For $\emptyset \neq \alpha \coloneqq \{i_1, \ldots, i_r\} \subset \{1, \ldots, d\}, \ \mu_{\alpha}(\cdot) \coloneqq \mu(\cdot \cap \mathcal{C}_{\alpha})$ is absolutely continuous with respect to $dx_{\alpha} \coloneqq dx_{i_1} \ldots dx_{i_r}$.

3. The angular density is uniformly bounded, so that there exists M > 0 verifying

$$\sum_{\substack{\beta \subset \{1, \dots, d\} \\ |\beta| \ge 2}} \sup_{i \in \beta} \sup_{\Omega_{\beta, i}} \frac{d\Phi_{\alpha, i_0}}{dx_{\alpha \setminus \{i_0\}}} < M.$$



Nonparametric estimation of ${\cal M}$

• $\widehat{\mathbf{V}}_i$ computed with the ECDF

• $\widehat{\mathbb{P}}_n \coloneqq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{\widehat{\mathbf{V}}_i}$ their empirical distribution

• Following the RV, set
$$\widehat{\mu}_n(\cdot) \coloneqq \frac{n}{k_n} \widehat{\mathbb{P}}_n\left(\frac{n}{k_n}\cdot\right), \ \frac{n}{k_n} \to \infty$$

• Build the estimator $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(\alpha) \coloneqq \widehat{\mu}_n(R_{\alpha}^{\varepsilon}) = \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{i=1}^{k_n} \mathbb{1}\left\{\widehat{\mathbf{V}}_{\sigma(i)}^{|\alpha|} \ge \frac{n}{k_n}\varepsilon, \widehat{\mathbf{V}}_{\sigma(i)}^{|\alpha|^c} < \frac{n}{k_n}\varepsilon\right\}$



Error bounds

■ Triangle inequality:

$$\|\widehat{\mathcal{M}} - \mathcal{M}\|_{\infty} \le \max_{\alpha} |\mu - \widehat{\mu}_n| \left(R_{\alpha}^{\varepsilon}\right) + \max_{\alpha} |\mu(\mathcal{C}_{\alpha}) - \mu(R_{\alpha}^{\varepsilon})|$$

• Extend bounds in [3]:

Property

There exists C > 0 such that for $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{4}$, $\delta \ge e^{-k_n}$, with probability at least $1 - \delta$,

$$\begin{split} \max_{\alpha} \left| \mu - \widehat{\mu}_{n} \right| (R_{\alpha}^{\varepsilon}) &\leq Cd \sqrt{\frac{1}{\varepsilon k_{n}} \ln\left(\frac{d+3}{\delta}\right)} \\ &+ 2 \max_{\alpha,\beta} \sup_{\mathbf{0} \leq \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \leq 2\varepsilon^{-1}} \left| \frac{n}{k_{n}} \widetilde{F}_{\alpha,\beta}\left(\frac{k_{n}}{n} \mathbf{x}, \frac{k_{n}}{n} \mathbf{z}\right) - g_{\alpha,\beta}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) \right|. \end{split}$$



Error bounds

Property

Under assumptions 2 and 3,

$$|\mu(R_{\alpha}^{\varepsilon}) - \mu(\mathcal{C}_{\alpha})| \le M d^2 \varepsilon.$$

Theorem

Under assumptions 2 and 3, there exists C < 0, such that for $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{4}$, $\delta \ge e^{-k_n}$, with probability at least $1 - \delta$,

$$\begin{split} \|\widehat{\mathcal{M}} - \mathcal{M}\|_{\infty} &\leq Cd\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{\varepsilon k_n}\ln\left(\frac{d+3}{\delta}\right)} + Md\varepsilon\right) \\ &+ 2\max_{\alpha,\beta} \sup_{\mathbf{0} \leq \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \leq 2\varepsilon^{-1}} \left|\frac{n}{k_n} \widetilde{F}_{\alpha,\beta}\left(\frac{k_n}{n}\mathbf{x}, \frac{k_n}{n}\mathbf{z}\right) - g_{\alpha,\beta}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})\right|. \end{split}$$



Thresholding

• To deal with noise and gain extra sparsity: remove values of $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(\alpha)$ under θ

• For instance,
$$\theta = p \left| \left\{ \alpha \mid \widehat{\mathcal{M}}(\alpha) > 0 \right\} \right|^{-1} \sum_{\alpha} \widehat{\mathcal{M}}(\alpha) \text{ for } p > 0$$

 $\blacksquare \ \widehat{\mathcal{M}}$ is an ERM, thresholding $\leftrightarrow L^1$ regularization



DAMEX

- Introduce the score function $\hat{s}(\mathbf{x}) \coloneqq \frac{\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(\alpha(\mathbf{x}))}{\|\widehat{T}(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty}}$ which plays a similar role to a p-value
- Evaluation on labeled dataset : train on normal region, test on extremes
- Compare with iForest [6], Local Outlier Factor [1]

	DAMEX			IsolationForest		LocalOutlierFactor	
k_n	AUC ROC	AUC PR	AFD	AUC ROC	AUC PR	AUC ROC	AUC PR
$n^{\frac{1}{4}}$	0.503	0.054	8.76	0.947	0.496	0.996	0.961
\sqrt{n}	0.895	0.678	24.6	0.884	0.614	0.994	0.982
n ³ /4	0.817	0.773	54.0	0.715	0.498	0.994	0.987
$n^{\frac{1}{4}}\ln(n)$	0.939	0.806	26.2	0.911	0.638	0.994	0.981

TABLE 1: Results on extreme region with varying k_n , $\varepsilon = 0.01$, p = 0.1



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First bound construction

$$\begin{aligned} R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}, \alpha, \beta) &\coloneqq \left\{ \mathbf{y} \in [\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\infty}]^d, \mathbf{y}^{|\alpha} \geq \mathbf{x}^{|\alpha}, \mathbf{y}^{|\beta} < \mathbf{z}^{|\beta} \right\}. \\ \mathbf{U} &\coloneqq \mathbf{V}^{-1} \\ \tilde{F}_{\alpha, \beta}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \mathbb{P} \left(\mathbf{U} \in R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}, \alpha, \beta) \right), \\ g_{\alpha, \beta}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) &\coloneqq \lim_{t \to \infty} \tilde{F}_{\alpha, \beta} \left(t^{-1} \mathbf{x}, t^{-1} \mathbf{z} \right) \\ g_{\alpha, \beta}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) &= \mu \left(R \left(\mathbf{x}^{-1}, \mathbf{z}^{-1}, \alpha, \beta \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Natural empirical version $\widehat{g}_{n,\alpha,\beta}$ of $g_{\alpha,\beta}$ from (12): one recovers

$$\begin{split} \widehat{g}_{n,\alpha,\beta} &= \widehat{\mu}_n \left(R \left(\mathbf{x}^{-1}, \mathbf{z}^{-1}, \alpha, \beta \right) \right). \\ &\quad \tilde{\varepsilon}^{|\alpha} = \mathbf{1}^{|\alpha}, \ \tilde{\varepsilon}^{|\alpha^c} = \varepsilon^{|\alpha^c} \\ &\quad R_{\alpha}^{\varepsilon} = R(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \alpha, \alpha^c) \setminus R(\varepsilon, \tilde{\varepsilon}, \alpha, \{1, \dots, d\}), \\ &\quad |\mu - \widehat{\mu}_n| \left(R_{\alpha}^{\varepsilon} \right) &\leq |\mu - \widehat{\mu}_n| \left(R(\varepsilon, \varepsilon, \alpha, \alpha^c)) + |\mu - \widehat{\mu}_n| \left(R(\varepsilon, \tilde{\varepsilon}, \alpha, \{1, \dots, d\}) \right) \\ &\quad \leq 2 \max_{\beta} \sup_{\varepsilon \leq \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}} |\mu - \widehat{\mu}_n| \left(R(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}, \alpha, \beta) \right). \end{split}$$



Appendix

Scoring function motivation

$$A_{\mathbf{x}} \coloneqq \left\{ \mathbf{y} \mid T(\mathbf{y}) \in R_{\alpha(\mathbf{x})}^{\varepsilon}, \|T(\mathbf{y})\|_{\infty} \ge \|T(\mathbf{x})\| \right\}.$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{X} \in A_{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{V} \in \|T(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty} R_{\alpha(\mathbf{x})}^{\varepsilon})$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(\|\mathbf{V}\|_{\infty} \ge \|T(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty}) \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{V} \in \|T(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty} R_{\alpha(\mathbf{x})}^{\varepsilon} \mid \|\mathbf{V}\|_{\infty} \ge \|T(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty})$$

$$= \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(\|\mathbf{U}\|_{\infty} \le \|T(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty}^{-1})}_{=\|T(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty}^{-1} \text{ (assumption 1)}} \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{V} \in \|T(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty} R_{\alpha(\mathbf{x})}^{\varepsilon} \mid \|\mathbf{V}\|_{\infty} \ge \|T(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty})}_{\|T(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty} \to \infty} \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(\|\alpha(\mathbf{x})\|_{\infty})}_{\mu([0,1]^{\varepsilon})}$$



Other numerics

 \blacksquare if the densities are constant, $M \leq d$

• Minimize
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon k_n}} + d^2 \varepsilon$$
: gives $\varepsilon = \frac{\sqrt{k_n}}{\frac{d}{3}}$

	DAMEX			IsolationForest		LocalOutlierFactor	
N	AUC ROC	AUC PR	AFD	AUC ROC	AUC PR	AUC ROC	AUC PR
80000	0.924	0.711	20.9	0.873	0.551	0.994	0.981
150000	0.906	0.639	20.7	0.890	0.600	0.994	0.981

TABLE 2: Results on extreme region with varying N, $k_n = n^{\frac{1}{4}} \ln(n)$, $\varepsilon = \frac{(k_n)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{d^{\frac{4}{3}}}$, p = 0.1

