

# The growth rate of partial maxima on a subsequence for samples from two independent populations

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## Abstract

In this paper, we obtain the almost sure limit set of the random vector consisting of properly normalized partial maxima from two independent populations over a subsequence.

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## INTRODUCTION

Let  $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$  be a sequence of independent random variables. For each integer  $n \geq 1$ , let the distribution function of  $X_n$  be either  $F_1$  or  $F_2$  where  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are two specified d.f 's. The number of r.v's with d.f  $F_j$  among  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  is  $t_j(n)$  where

$t_1$  and  $t_2$  are specified positive integers (assumed non-random) with  $t_1(n) + t_2(n) = n$  and  $t_j(n) \rightarrow \infty, n \rightarrow \infty, j = 1, 2$ .

Let  $F_j(x)$  have a density  $f_j(x)$  which is positive for large  $x$  and for such  $x$  put  $g_j(x) = \frac{(1-F_j(x))}{f_j(x)} \log \log \left( \frac{1}{1-F_j(x)} \right), j = 1, 2$ .

Let  $Y_n = \max (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ . Note that  $Y_n = \max (Y_{1,n}, Y_{2,n})$  where  $Y_{jn}$  is the maximum of  $t_j(n)$  observations that follow the law  $F_j$ . Define  $b_j(n)$  by

$$1 - F_j(b_j(n)) = \frac{1}{n}, j = 1, 2.$$

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g_j(x)}{x} = c_j (0 \leq c_j \leq \infty), j = 1, 2$ , then by De Haan and Hordijk (1972) we have the following results.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{Y_{jn}}{b_j(t_j(n))} = e^{c_j} \text{ a.s.} \tag{1.1}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf \frac{Y_{j,n}}{b_j(t_j(n))} = 1 \text{ a.s.} \tag{1.2}$$

where for all  $x > 0$ ,

$$1 - F_j(b_j(t_j(n, x))) = \frac{(\log t_j(n))^{r_j n(x)}}{t_j(n)} \tag{1.3}$$

and for all  $x > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_{j,n}(x) = -\frac{\log x}{c_j} . \tag{1.4}$$

Let  $n_k = [\exp k^h]$  where  $h > 1$ . Then by Husler, J. (1985) we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.1**

(Husler, J., 1985): Let  $c = \frac{1}{h}$  . If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g_j(x)}{x} = c_j (0 \leq c_j < \infty), j = 1, 2$ . then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{Y_{j,n_k}}{b_j(t_j(n_k))} = e^{cc_j}$  a.s and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf \frac{Y_{j,n_k}}{b_j(t_j(n_k))} = 1 \text{ a.s.}$$

Nayak. S.S (1986) obtained the almost sure limit set of properly normalized  $(\frac{Y_{1,n}}{b_1(t_1(n))}, \frac{Y_{2,n}}{b_2(t_2(n))})$ . In this paper, we obtain the limit set of the above random vector over  $n_k$ . Some more related results on limit point may be found in Nayak, S.S (1985), Hebbar, H.V.(1980) and Wichuna (1974). Throughout the paper, the letter D with a suffix denotes a positive constant which may have different values in different appearances. “Infinitely often” is denoted by i. o.

**PRELIMINARIES**

**Lemma 2.1:** Let  $\{x_n, n \geq 1\}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} nx_n = 0$

Then If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1-(1-x_n)^n}{nx_n} = 1$ .

**Proof:** Using Binomial theorem we have

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - (1 - x_n)^n &= \sum_{r=1}^n \binom{n}{r} (-1)^{r+1} x_n^r \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{r+1}}{r!} (nx_n)^r \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \dots \dots \dots \left(1 - \frac{r-1}{n}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\left| \frac{1-(1-x_n)^n}{nx_n} - 1 \right| \leq \frac{nx_n}{1-nx_n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Lemma 2.2** (Ortega and Wschebor, 1984): Let  $\{A_n, n \geq 1\}$  be a sequence of events. If

- (i)  $\sum P(A_n) = \infty$  and
- (ii)  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{1 \leq j \leq k \leq n} \frac{P(A_j \cap A_k) - P(A_j)P(A_k)}{[\sum_{j=1}^n P(A_j)]^2} < 0$  then  $P(A_n \text{ i. o.}) = 1$ .

**LIMIT POINTS**

**Theorem 3.1:** Assume that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t_j(n)}{n} = a_j (0 < a_j < 1) j = 1, 2$  and

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g_j(x)}{x} = c_j (0 \leq c_j < \infty) j = 1, 2$  . Then the set of all almost sure limit points of  $(\frac{Y_{1,n_k}}{b_1(t_1(n_k))}, \frac{Y_{2,n_k}}{b_2(t_2(n_k))})$  is  $S = \{(x, y): 1 \leq x \leq e^{cc_1}, 1 \leq y \leq e^{cc_2}, \frac{\log x}{c_1} + \frac{\log y}{c_2} \leq c\}$  where  $c = \frac{1}{h}$  and  $n_k = [\exp k^h]$  ,  $h > 1$ .

The proof of the theorem depends on the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 3.1:** Assume the conditions of theorem 3.1. For all  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $x, y$  satisfying  $1 < x < e^{cc_1}, 1 < y < e^{cc_2}, \frac{\log x}{c_1} + \frac{\log y}{c_2} < c$  we have

$$P\left(x - \varepsilon < \frac{Y_{1,n_k}}{b_1(t_1(n_k))} < x + \varepsilon, y - \varepsilon < \frac{Y_{2,n_k}}{b_2(t_2(n_k))} < y + \varepsilon \text{ i. o.} \right) = 1$$

**Proof:** Let

$$E_k = \left\{ x - \varepsilon < \frac{Y_{1,n_k}}{b_1(t_1(n_k))} < x + \varepsilon, y - \varepsilon < \frac{Y_{2,n_k}}{b_2(t_2(n_k))} < y + \varepsilon \right\}$$

Note that  $P(E_k)$  is an increasing function of  $\varepsilon$ . Hence it is enough to prove that

$P(E_k \text{ i. o.})=1$  for  $0 < \varepsilon < \min(x, y)$  where  $1 < x < e^{cc_1}, 1 < y < e^{cc_2}$  and  $\frac{\log x}{c_1} + \frac{\log y}{c_2} < c$ . since  $Y_{1,n_k}$  and  $Y_{2,n_k}$  are independent, we have  $P(E_k) = P(A_{1k}(x)P(A_{2k}(y)))$  where

$$A_{jk}(x) = \{a_{jk}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{jn_k} < a_{jk}(x + \varepsilon)\} \text{ and } a_{jk}(x) = b_j(t_j(n_k))x, j = 1, 2.$$

By (1.3) and (1.4) and the fact that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t_j(n_k)}{n_k} = a_j (0 < a_j < 1)$  it follows that

$$t_j\{1 - F_j(a_{jk}(x))\} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty. \text{ Hence by Lemma 2.1,}$$

$$1 - F_j^{t_j(n_k)}(a_{jk}(x)) \sim t_j(n_k)\{1 - F_j(a_{jk}(x))\}, k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , we have

$$\frac{1 - F_1^{t_1(n_k)}(a_{1k}(x + \varepsilon))}{1 - F_1^{t_1(n_k)}(a_{1k}(x - \varepsilon))} \sim \frac{1 - F_1(a_{1k}(x + \varepsilon))}{1 - F_1(a_{1k}(x - \varepsilon))}$$

$$\sim (\log t_1(n_k))^{r_{1n_k}(x+\varepsilon) - r_{1n_k}(x-\varepsilon)}$$

$$\sim (\log n_k)^{r_{1n_k}(x+\varepsilon) - r_{1n_k}(x-\varepsilon)}$$

$\rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

This gives ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(A_{1k}(x)) &= F_1^{t_1(n_k)}(a_{1k}(x + \varepsilon)) - F_1^{t_1(n_k)}(a_{1k}(x - \varepsilon)) \\ &= 1 - F_1^{t_1(n_k)}(a_{1k}(x - \varepsilon)) - \{1 - F_1^{t_1(n_k)}(a_{1k}(x + \varepsilon))\} \\ &\sim 1 - F_1^{t_1(n_k)}(a_{1k}(x - \varepsilon)) \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty \\ &\sim t_1(n_k)\{1 - F_1(a_{1k}(x - \varepsilon))\} \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty \text{ (by lemma 2.1)} \\ &= (\log t_1(n_k))^{r_{1n_k}(x-\varepsilon)} \\ &\sim (\log n_k)^{r_{1n_k}(x-\varepsilon)} \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly  $P(A_{2k}(y)) \sim (\log n_k)^{r_{2n_k}(y-\varepsilon)}$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Hence we have  $P(E_k) \sim (\log n_k)^{r_{1n_k}(x-\varepsilon) + r_{2n_k}(y-\varepsilon)}$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$> Dk^{-h[\frac{1}{c_1}\log(x-\varepsilon) + \frac{1}{c_2}\log(y-\varepsilon) + \varepsilon_1]} \text{ for all } k \geq k_1$$

Where  $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \frac{1}{h} - \frac{1}{c_1}\log(x - \varepsilon) - \frac{1}{c_2}\log(y - \varepsilon)$ . Hence

$$\sum_k P(E_k) = \infty \text{ (3.1)}$$

Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two large positive integers such that  $u < v$  and  $a_{ju}(x) > 0$  and

$a_{jv}(x) > 0, x > 1$ . We have

$$P(E_u \cap E_v) = P(A_1(u, v, x))P(A_2(u, v, y))$$

where

$$A_j(u, v, x) \{a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{jn_u} < a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon), a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{jn_v} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon)\}, j=1, 2.$$

Now

$$P(A_1(u, v, x)) =$$

$$P(a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon), a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < \max(Y_{1n_u}, Y_{n_v - n_u}) < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon))$$

where  $Y_{1n_v - n_u}$  is the maximum of  $t_1(n_v) - t_2(n_u)$  observations from  $F_1$ .

Note that  $Y_{1n_u}$  and  $Y_{1n_v - n_u}$  are independent .

$$\text{Let } A = \{a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon)\}$$

$$\text{and } B = \{a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < \max(Y_{1n_u}, Y_{1n_v - n_u}) < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon)\}.$$

$$\text{Then } B = (\{Y_{1n_u} > a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon), Y_{1n_v - n_u} \leq a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)\} \cup \{Y_{1n_u} \leq a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon), Y_{1n_v - n_u} > a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)\} \cup \{Y_{1n_u} > a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon), Y_{1n_v - n_u} > a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)\} \cap \{Y_{1n_u} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon), Y_{1n_v - n_u} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon)\})$$

$$= \{a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon), Y_{1n_v - n_u} < a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)\}$$

$$\cup \{Y_{1n_u} < a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon), a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_v - n_u} \leq a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon)\}$$

$$\cup \{a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon), a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_v - n_u} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon)\}$$

$$= B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \text{ say.}$$

Then  $A_1(u, v, x) = P(A \cap B)$

$$= P(A \cap (B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3))$$

$$= P(C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3)$$

Where  $C_1 = A \cap B_1, C_2 = A \cap B_2$  and  $C_3 = A \cap B_3$ .

Note that  $C_1 \cap C_2 = \emptyset, C_2 \cap C_3 = \emptyset$  and  $C_1 \cap C_3 = \emptyset$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} P(A_1(u, v, x)) &= P(C_1) + P(C_2) + P(C_3) \\ &= P(A \cap B_1) + P(A \cap B_2) + P(A \cap B_3) \\ &= P(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon)) P(Y_{1n_v - n_u} < a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)) + \\ &P(a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < \min(a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon), a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon))) P(Y_{1n_v - n_u} > a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)) + \\ &P(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon)) P(Y_{1n_v - n_u} > a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)) \\ &< P(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon)) + \\ &P(a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon)) P(Y_{1n_v - n_u} > a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } P(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon)) \\ &= 1 - F_1^{t_1(n_u)}(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)) - (1 - F_1^{t_1(n_u)}(a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon))). \end{aligned}$$

Consider

$$\frac{1 - F_1^{t_1(n_u)}(a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon))}{1 - F_1^{t_1(n_u)}(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon))} \sim \frac{1 - F_1(a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon))}{1 - F_1(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon))} \text{ as } u, v \rightarrow \infty \text{ by lemma 2.1.}$$

$$= (\log n_v)^{r_{1v}(x + \varepsilon) - r_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } u, v \rightarrow \infty \text{ from (1.3) and (1.4).}$$

$$\text{Thus as } u, v \rightarrow \infty, P(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon)) \sim 1 - F_1^{t_1(n_u)}(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon))$$

$$\sim t_1(n_u) (1 - F_1(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon))) \text{ by lemma 2.1.} \tag{3.2}$$

$$\text{Also } P(a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon)) = F_1^{t_1(n_u)}(a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon)) - F_1^{t_1(n_u)}(a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon))$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1 - F_1^{t_1(n_u)}(a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon)) - (1 - F_1^{t_1(n_u)}(a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon))) \\ &\sim t_1(n_u) \{1 - F_1(a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon))\}, u \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

$$\text{since } \frac{1 - F_1(a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon))}{1 - F_1(a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon))} = \sim (\log t_1(n_u))^{r_{1u}(x + \varepsilon) - r_{1u}(x - \varepsilon)} \rightarrow 0, u \rightarrow \infty.$$

Note that as  $u, v \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{t_1(n_u)}{t_1(n_v)} &\sim \frac{n_u}{n_v} \leq \frac{n_u}{n_{u+1}} \sim e^{u^h - (u+1)^h} < \frac{1}{(u+1)^h - u^h} \\ &\sim \frac{1}{hu^{h-1}} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } h > 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{This gives, } \{t_1(n_v) - t_1(n_u)\} \{1 - F_1 a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)\} = \frac{t_1(n_v) - t_1(n_u)}{t_1(n_v)} (\log t_1 n_v)^{r_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)}$$

$\rightarrow 0$  as  $u, v \rightarrow \infty$  from (1.3) and (1.4).

Hence by lemma 2.1, we have  $u, v \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y_{1n_v - n_u} > a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)) &= 1 - F_1^{t_1(n_v) - t_1(n_u)}(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)) \\ &\sim t_1(n_v) \{1 - F_1 a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

From (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{P(a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1v}(x + \varepsilon))}{P(a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon) < Y_{1n_u} < a_{1u}(x + \varepsilon)) P(Y_{1n_v - n_u} > a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon))} \\ &= \frac{1}{t_1(n_v) \{1 - F_1 a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon)\}} \\ &= \frac{t_1(n_u)}{t_1(n_v) (\log t_1 n_u)^{r_{1u}(x - \varepsilon)}} \text{ from (1.3).} \\ &\sim \frac{n_u}{n_v (\log n_u)^{r_{1u}(x - \varepsilon)}} \\ &< D_2 \frac{n_u}{n_{u+1} u^{hr_1 n_u} (x - \varepsilon)} \\ &< D_3 \frac{1}{\{(u+1)^h - u^h\}^t u^{\frac{-h \log(x - \varepsilon)}{c_1} - \varepsilon_1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$< D_4 \frac{1}{u^{l(h-1) - \frac{h \log(x-\varepsilon)}{c_1} - \varepsilon_1}} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } u, v \rightarrow \infty$$

where  $0 < \varepsilon_1 < l(h-1) - \frac{h \log(x-\varepsilon)}{c_1}$  and  $l > \frac{h}{h-1} \frac{\log(x-\varepsilon)}{c_1}$ .

Hence for  $\varepsilon_2 > 0$  and large  $u$  and  $v$  we have

$$P(A_1(u, v, x)) < (1 + \varepsilon_2)t_1(n_u)t_1(n_v)\{1 - F_1 a_{1u}(x - \varepsilon)\}\{1 - F_1 a_{1v}(x - \varepsilon)\}$$

Similarly for large  $u$  and  $v$  we have

$$P(A_1(u, v, y)) < (1 + \varepsilon_2)t_1(n_u)t_1(n_v)\{1 - F_2 a_{1u}(y - \varepsilon)\}\{1 - F_2 a_{1v}(y - \varepsilon)\}$$

Hence  $P(E_u \cap E_v) \sim P(E_u)P(E_v)$  for large  $u$  and  $v$ . This implies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf \sum_{1 \leq j \leq k} \sum_{\leq k \leq n} \frac{P(A_j \cap A_k) - P(A_j)P(A_k)}{[\sum_{j=1}^n P(A_j)]^2} < 0 \text{ then } P(A_n \text{ i. o.}) = 1. \tag{3.5}$$

From (3.1) and (3.5) and lemma 2.2, we have

$$\text{Hence } P(E_k, i, o) = 1$$

**Lemma 3.2 :** For all  $\varepsilon > 0$  and all  $(x, y)$  such that

$$1 < x < e^{cc_1}, 1 < y < e^{cc_2}, \frac{\log x}{c_1} + \frac{\log y}{c_2} \geq c, \text{ we have}$$

$$P(Y > (x + \varepsilon)b_1(t_1(n_k)), Y_{2, n_k} > (y + \varepsilon)b_2(t_2(n_k)) \text{ i. o.}) = 0$$

where  $c = \frac{1}{h}$ .

**Proof :** we have  $P(Y_{1, n_k} > (x + \varepsilon)b_1(t_1(n_k)), Y_{2, n_k} > (y + \varepsilon)b_2(t_2(n_k)))$

$$\sim (\log n_k)^{r_{1n_k(x+\varepsilon)} + r_{2n_k(y+\varepsilon)}}$$

$$\sim k^{hr_{1n_k(x+\varepsilon)} + hr_{2n_k(y+\varepsilon)}}$$

$$< k^{-h \left[ \frac{\log(x+\varepsilon)}{c_1} + \frac{\log(y+\varepsilon)}{c_2} - \varepsilon_3 \right]}, k \geq k_2$$

$$\text{where } 0 \leq \varepsilon_3 \leq \frac{\log(x+\varepsilon)}{c_1} + \frac{\log(y+\varepsilon)}{c_2} - \frac{1}{h}.$$

$$\text{Hence } \sum P(y_{1, n_k} > (x + \varepsilon)b_1(t_1(n_k)), y_{2, n_k} > (y + \varepsilon)b_2(t_2(n_k))) < \infty.$$

By Borel -Cantilli Leema the proof is complete.

**Proof of theorem 3.1:**

From theorem 1.1 and lemma 3.2, it follows that the limit set is contained in S. From

Lemma 3.1, we get that every point of

$$S^* = \left\{ 1 < x < e^{cc_1}, 1 < y < e^{cc_2}, \frac{\log x}{c_1} + \frac{\log y}{c_2} < c \right\} \text{ is a limit point. By continuity}$$

Considerations, we get that S is the required limit set.

**Corollary 3.1:** Under the conditions of theorem 3.1, every point of  $[1, e^{cc_j}]$  is a point of

$$\frac{Y_{j, n_k}}{b_j(t_j(n_k))} \quad j = 1, 2.$$

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