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### ABSTRACT

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Order statistics and exceedances for some general models of independent but not necessarily identically distributed (INID) random variables are considered. The distributions of order statistics from INID sample are described in terms of symmetric functions. Some exceedance models based on order statistics from INID random variables are considered, the limit distributions of exceedance statistics are obtained. For the model of INID random variables referred as  $F^{\alpha}$ -scheme introduced by [\[62\]](#page-103-0) the limiting distribution of exceedance statistics has been derived. This distribution is expressed in terms of permutations with inversions, Gaussian hypergeometric function and incomplete beta function. Some applications in insurance models have also been discussed.

Keywords: Order statistics, INID random variables, exceedances, symmetric functions, Gaussian hypergeometric distribution, permutations with inversions.

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Bağımsız ve farklı dağılımlara sahip rasgele değişkenlerin bazı modelleri için sıra istatistikleri ve aşan istatistikler kullanıldı. Ayrıca farklı dağılıma sahip rasgele değişkenlerin sıra istatistiklerine ait dağılımlar simetrik fonksiyonlar yardımıyla tanımlandı. Farklı dağılımlara sahip rasgele değişkenlerin sıra istatistikleri temel alınan aşan istatistiklerin asimptotik dağılımları elde edildi. Söz konusu dağılım bulunurken ilk defa  $[62]$  tarafından önerilmiş olan  $F^{\alpha}$ -düzeni kullanıldı. Bu dağılım tersinmeli permütasyonlar, Gauss hipergeometrik ve tamamlanmamış beta fonksiyonları ile ifade edildi. Son olarak da sigortacılık modelleri ile igili bazı uygulama önerilerinden söz edildi.

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# Introduction

This dissertation centers around the problem of obtaining the distribution of independent and non-identically distributed (INID) random variables. The study presented deals with the main difficulties of the given problem and also suggests a useful method which makes the calculations easier. With the help of this method which is called  $F^{\alpha}$  scheme first presented by [\[62\]](#page-103-0), we obtained the asymptotic distribution function of exceedances. An overview of the other relevant paper and researches are useful to note that at this point.

The developments on order statistics compiled in [\[73\]](#page-104-0) through early 1960's. The book [\[73\]](#page-104-0) was primarily the contributions of several tables. Comprehensive tables have also been prepared by [\[40\]](#page-100-0). Based on their growing amount of importance and popularity, a considerable amount of research has investigated the order statistics. There have been books written on many different aspects of them. The first essential book describing the theory of order statistics is [\[28\]](#page-99-0). This book was the culmination of H. A. David's work from 1971. [\[2\]](#page-97-0) and [\[29\]](#page-100-1) include new developments on order statistics from independent and identically distributed (IID), INID and dependent random variables. [\[20\]](#page-99-1) and [\[21\]](#page-99-2) are two volumes on theory and applications of order statistics. Books written by [\[52\]](#page-102-0), [\[34\]](#page-100-2), [\[70\]](#page-103-1), [\[69\]](#page-103-2) and [\[30\]](#page-100-3) first presented the asymptotic theory of order statistics. The theory and applications of order statistics from IID random variables are both studied well. However, there are not many developments on the theory of order statistics from arbitrarily dependent random variables because of difficulties in calculating the joint probability density function (pdf)'s. They are not factorized as they are in the case of IID. The marginal distribution function of an order statistic from arbitrary dependent random variables is given in [\[29\]](#page-100-1). The joint distribution function of two or more order statistics from dependent random variables can be found in [\[60\]](#page-102-1). The distribution theory of order statistics from INID random variables first mentioned in [\[78\]](#page-104-1) and it involves the concept of permanents which is similar to the determinant except that the permanent does not have an alternating sign. The signs of all the terms in the summation given in the definition of the determinant are positive in the calculation of permanent. [\[17\]](#page-98-0) is an excellent review which gives the theory of order statistics from INID case. [\[39\]](#page-100-4) is also a study in the mean residual life functions for INID random variables in the system level.

Another key concept considered in this dissertation is exceedance statistics which denotes the total number of observations exceeding a random threshold value. The concept of a random threshold was first used by [\[38\]](#page-100-5) and [\[31\]](#page-100-6). In this context, exceedance statistics have received a growing amount of attention among researchers like [\[71\]](#page-103-3), [\[74\]](#page-104-2), [\[82\]](#page-104-3) and [\[75\]](#page-104-4) and even earlier in [\[80\]](#page-104-5), [\[81\]](#page-104-6). First fundamental source in the area is the chapter "The distribution of exceedance" in the book [\[36\]](#page-100-7). Further discussions can be found in [\[28\]](#page-99-0), [\[48\]](#page-101-0), [\[79\]](#page-104-7) and [\[52\]](#page-102-0). Based on exceedance statistics, several theoretical studies are contributed to the area. Papers that examine the exceedance statistics in record model are [\[3\]](#page-97-1), [\[5\]](#page-97-2),[\[6\]](#page-97-3), [\[13\]](#page-98-1), [\[12\]](#page-98-2) and the book is [\[4\]](#page-97-4). Exceedance models in multivariate FGM are introduced in the work of [\[7\]](#page-97-5) and also [\[8\]](#page-98-3) used exceedances in the progressive type II censoring scheme. The reader may refer to the literature [\[14\]](#page-98-4) and [\[15\]](#page-98-5) for the discussion on the distributions of exceedances of generalized order statistics. In [\[9\]](#page-98-6) the joint behaviour of precedence and exceedances in random threshold models are obtained and lastly, [\[10\]](#page-98-7) addresses the waiting times of exceedance statistics in random threshold models.

In Chapter 1, the fundamental definitions and distributional properties of the order statistics from IID and arbitrarily dependent random variables are given.

In Chapter 2, INID random variables are considered, and the distributions of order statistics are described in terms of permanents and the symmetric functions. Permanents, symmetric functions and their properties are also given, and the recurrence relations between the distributions of order statistics from INID random variables are provided.

In Chapter 3, we introduce the exceedance statistics which is one of the main concepts of this study. We extensively review the literature on exceedance statistics which includes the distribution of IID and INID random variables and arbitrarily dependent random variables with respect to a random threshold. Various exceedance models are included in the last section of the chapter.

In Chapter 4, the major contribution of the dissertation, the exceedance model from INID random variables is considered. The asymptotic distribution of given exceedance statistic has been derived, and for a special model of INID random variables the limiting distribution is studied. Behaviour of the numerical characteristics of derived limiting distribution, such as mean, variance and skewness are also interpreted. We focus on how the methodological considerations have been put into practice in insurance models. Lastly, chapter 5, the concluding remarks are given in the final chapter.

### <span id="page-14-0"></span>1.1 Order statistics from IID random variables

Suppose that  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  are independent and identically distributed random variables with absolutely continuous cumulative distribution function  $F(x)$  and  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{2:n} \leq \cdots \leq X_{n:n}$  are the corresponding order statistics. The joint pdf of  $X_{r_1:n}, X_{r_2:n}, \ldots, X_{r_k:n}$   $(1 \leq r_1 < r_2 \cdots < r_k \leq n)$  is for  $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \cdots \leq x_k$ ,

<span id="page-14-1"></span>
$$
f_{r_1,r_2,\ldots,r_k}(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k)
$$
\n
$$
= \frac{n!}{(r_1 - 1)!(r_2 - r_1 - 1)!\cdots (n - r_k)!}
$$
\n
$$
F^{r_1 - 1}(x_1)f(x_1)[F(x_2) - F(x_1)]^{r_2 - r_1 - 1}f(x_2)
$$
\n
$$
[F(x_3) - F(x_2)]^{r_3 - r_2 - 1}f(x_3)\cdots [1 - F(x_k)]^{n - r_k}f(x_k)
$$
\n(1.1)

Defining  $x_0 = -\infty$ ,  $x_{k+1} = +\infty$ ,  $n_0 = 0$ ,  $r_0 = 0$ ,  $r_{k+1} = n+1$ , we can simplify the equation  $(1.1)$  as

$$
f_{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)
$$
  
= 
$$
\left[ n! \prod_{j=1}^k f(x_j) \right] \prod_{j=0}^k \left\{ \frac{[F(x_{j+1}) - F(x_j)]^{r_{j+1} - r_j - 1}}{(r_{j+1} - r_j - 1)!} \right\}
$$
(1.2)

Since there are  $n!$  equally likely orderings of the  $x_i$ , it is clear that the joint pdf of all n order statistics is

<span id="page-14-2"></span>
$$
f_{1,2,...,n}(x_1, x_2,...,x_n) = n! f(x_1) f(x_2) ... f(x_n)
$$
  

$$
= n! \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i), \quad x_1 \le x_2 \le \dots \le x_n \qquad (1.3)
$$

Let  $f_{r,s}(x, y)$  denotes the joint pdf of  $X_{r:n}$  and  $X_{s:n}$   $(1 \leq r \leq s \leq n)$ .

Then for  $x \leq y$ , we can obtain  $f_{r,s:n}(x, y)$  by integrating out  $(1.3)$  the variables  $(X_{1:n},...,X_{r-1:n}), (X_{r+1:n},...,X_{s-1:n})$  and  $(X_{s+1:n},...,X_{n:n})$ 

<span id="page-15-0"></span>
$$
f_{r,s:n}(x,y) = n!f(x)f(y)\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{x} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_2} f(x_1)\cdots f(x_{r-1})dx_1\cdots dx_{r-1}\right\}
$$
  

$$
\times \left\{\int_{x}^{y} \cdots \int_{x}^{x_{r+2}} f(x_{r+1})\cdots f(x_{s-1})dx_{r+1}\cdots dx_{s-1}\right\}
$$
  

$$
\times \left\{\int_{y}^{\infty} \cdots \int_{y}^{x_{s+2}} f(x_{s+1})\cdots f(x_n)dx_{s+1}\cdots dx_n\right\}
$$
  

$$
= n!f(x)f(y)\frac{[F(x)]^{r-1}}{(r-1)!} \times \frac{[F(y) - F(x)]^{s-r-1}}{(s-r-1)!} \times \frac{[1 - F(y)]^{n-s}}{(n-s)!}
$$
  

$$
= \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(n-s)!}[F(x)]^{r-1}[F(y) - F(x)]^{s-r-1}
$$
  
[1 - F(y)]^{n-s}f(x)f(y), (1.4)

 $-\infty < x_1 < \cdots < x_{r-1} < x < x_{r+1} < \cdots < x_{s-1} < y < x_{s+1} < \cdots < x_n < \infty$ .

By letting  $r = 1$  and  $s = n$ , the joint distribution function of the first and the largest order statistics becomes

$$
f_{1,n}(x,y) = n(n-1)[F(y) - F(x)]^{n-2} f(x)f(y), \quad -\infty < x < y < \infty. \tag{1.5}
$$

For  $x < y$ , the joint cdf of  $X_{r:n}$  and  $X_{s:n}$ , denoted by  $F_{r,s}(x, y)$  can be obtain by integration of  $f_{r,s}(x, y)$  as follows:

$$
F_{r,s}(x,y) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} \int_{-\infty}^{y} \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(n-s)!} F^{r-1}(x) [F(y) - F(x)]^{s-r-1}
$$
  

$$
[1 - F(y)]^{n-s} dF(x) dF(y)
$$
 (1.6)

For discrete case, we have for  $x < y$ 

$$
F_{r,s}(x,y) = P\{\text{at least } r \text{ of } X_i\text{'s} \le x, \text{at least } s \text{ of } X_i\text{'s} \le y\} \tag{1.7}
$$

$$
= \sum_{j=s}^{n} \sum_{i=r}^{j} P\{\text{exactly } i \text{ of } X_i\text{'s} \le x \text{, at least } j \text{ of } X_i\text{'s} \le y\}
$$

$$
= \sum_{j=s}^{n} \sum_{i=r}^{j} \frac{n!}{i!(j-i)!(n-j)!} F^i(x)[F(y) - F(x)]^{j-i}[1 - F(y)]^{n-j},
$$

and for  $x\geq y$ 

$$
F_{r,s}(x,y) = F_s(y).
$$

We can obtain the marginal distribution of  $X_{r:n}$   $(1 \leq r \leq n)$ , say  $f_{r:n}(x)$ , by integrating out [\(1.3\)](#page-14-2) the variables  $(X_{1:n},...,X_{r-1:n})$  and  $(X_{r+1:n},...,X_{n:n})$ 

$$
f_{r:n}(x) = n! f(x) \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{x} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_2} f(x_1) \cdots f(x_{r-1}) dx_1 \cdots dx_{r-1} \right\}
$$
  

$$
\times \left\{ \int_{x}^{\infty} \cdots \int_{x}^{x_{r+2}} f(x_{r+1}) \cdots f(x_n) dx_{r+1} \cdots dx_n \right\}
$$
  

$$
= n! f(x) \frac{[F(x)]^{r-1}}{(r-1)!} \times \frac{[1 - F(x)]^{n-r}}{(n-r)!}
$$
  

$$
= \frac{n!}{(n-r)!(r-1)!} [F(x)]^{r-1} [1 - F(x)]^{n-r} f(x), \qquad (1.8)
$$

 $-\infty < x_1 < \cdots < x_{r-1} < x < x_{r+1} < \cdots < x_n < \infty$ .

#### Distribution of the range statistics

Range is the difference between the largest and the smallest observation in the sample, i.e. the special case of spacing  $Z_{rs} = X_{s:n} - X_{r:n}$  ( $1 \leq r < s \leq n$ ) where  $r = 1$  and  $s = n$ .

Let us start with the pdf of  $Z_{rs}$ . To find the pdf of  $Z_{rs} = X_{s:n} - X_{r:n}$  we put  $z_{rs} = y - x$  in [\(1.4\)](#page-15-0) and the Jacobian is unit in modulus for transformation from  $x, y$  to  $x, z_{rs}$ . Hence we get

$$
f_{r,s}(x, z_{rs}) = \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(n-s)!} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F^{r-1}(x) [F(x + z_{rs}) - F(x)]^{s-r-1}
$$

$$
f(x + z_{rs}) [1 - F(x + z_{rs})]^{n-s} dF(x).
$$

Therefore, for the case  $r = 1$ ,  $s = n$ ,  $Z_{rs}$  becomes the range statistics. Let us denote  $Z_{1n} = R$ , thus the pdf of R can be obtained as follows:

$$
f_R(t) = n(n-1) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [F(x+t) - F(x)]^{n-2} f(x+t) dF(x).
$$
 (1.9)

The cdf of R is

$$
F_R(t) = n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \int_{0}^{t} (n-1) f(x+t') [F(x+t') - F(x)]^{n-2} dt' dx
$$
  
\n
$$
= n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) [F(x+t') - F(x)]^{n-1} \Big|_{t'=0}^{t'=t} dx
$$
  
\n
$$
= n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [F(x+t) - F(x)]^{n-1} dF(x)
$$
\n(1.10)

# <span id="page-17-0"></span>1.2 Order Statistics from dependent random variables

Let  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  be arbitrarily dependent continuous random variables with joint pdf  $f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n), (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . The joint pdf of the corresponding order statistics  $X_{1:n}, X_{2:n}, \ldots, X_{n:n}$  can be easily obtained by considering the limit of

$$
\frac{1}{\delta x_1 \cdots \delta x_n} P\{x_1 < X_{1:n} < x_1 + \delta x_1, \dots, x_n < X_{n:n} < x_n + \delta x_n\}
$$
\n
$$
= \frac{1}{\delta x_1 \cdots \delta x_n} \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n} P\{x_1 < X_{i_1} < x_1 + \delta x_1, \dots, x_n < X_{i_n} < X_{i_n} < x_n + \delta x_n, X_{i_1} < X_{i_2} < \dots < X_{i_n}\}
$$

as  $\delta x_i \rightarrow 0, i = 1, 2, ..., n$ . Let  $f_{X_{1:n}, X_{2:n},...,X_{n:n}}$  denotes the joint pdf of  $X_{1:n}, X_{2:n}, \ldots, X_{n:n}$ , then

<span id="page-18-0"></span>
$$
f_{X_{1:n}, X_{2:n}, \dots, X_{n:n}}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)
$$
  
= 
$$
\begin{cases} \sum_{\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n} f(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_n}) & \text{if } x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
$$
, (1.11)

where  $\wp_{1,2,...,n}$  is the class of all n! permutations  $(i_1, i_2, \ldots, i_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n)$  and the sum extends over all permutations.

If  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  are exchangeable, i.e.  $f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) = f(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \ldots, x_{i_n}),$  $\forall (i_1, i_2, \ldots, i_n) \in \wp_{1,2,\ldots,n} \text{ and } f_{X_j}(x) = f_X(x), j = 1,2 \ldots, n, \text{ then we have }$ 

<span id="page-18-1"></span>
$$
f_{X_{1:n}, X_{2:n}, \dots, X_{n:n}}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)
$$
  
= 
$$
\begin{cases} n! f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) & \text{if } x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
$$
 (1.12)

The marginal pdf's of order statistics  $X_{k_1:n}, X_{k_2:n}, \ldots, X_{k_r:n}, 1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < k_2$  $\cdots < k_r \leq n$  in case of arbitrarily dependent random variables can be obtained by integrating  $(1.11)$  as follows:

$$
f_{X_{k_1:n},X_{k_2:n},...,X_{k_r:n}}(x_{k_1},x_{k_2},...,x_{k_r})
$$

$$
= \int\limits_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_{n-1}} \cdots \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_{k_r}} \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_{k_2}+1} \cdots \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_{k_2+1}} \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_{k_2+1}} \cdots \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_{k_1+1}} \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_{k_1+1}} \cdots \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_3} \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_2} \cdots
$$

 $f_{X_{1:n},X_{2:n},...,X_{n:n}}(x_1,x_2,...,x_n) \times dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_{k_1-1}$ 

 $\times dx_{k_1+1} \cdots dx_{k_{r-1}} dx_{k_{r+1}} \cdots dx_n$ 

$$
= \sum_{\wp_{1,2,...,n}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{n-1}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_r}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{r-1}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_{2}+1}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_{2}+1}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_{1}+1}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_{1}+1}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{3}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{2}} (1.13)
$$
  
 $f(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \ldots, x_{i_n}) \times dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_{k_{1-1}} dx_{k_{1+1}} \cdots dx_{k_{r-1}} dx_{k_{r+1}} \cdots dx_n.$ 

The marginal pdf's of order statistics  $X_{k_1:n}, X_{k_2:n}, \ldots, X_{k_r:n}, 1 \leq k_1 < k_2 <$  $\cdots$  <  $k_r \leq n$  in case of exchangeable random variables can be obtained by integrating  $(1.12)$  as follows:

$$
f_{X_{k_1:n}, X_{k_2:n}, ..., X_{k_r:n}}(x_{k_1}, x_{k_2}, ..., x_{k_r})
$$
\n
$$
= n! \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{n-1}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_r}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{r-1}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_2+1}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_2+1}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_{1}+1}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{k_{1}+1}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{3}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_{2}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{3}} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_{2}} (1.14)
$$
\n
$$
f(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \times dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_{k_{1-1}} dx_{k_{1+1}} \cdots dx_{k_{r-1}} dx_{k_{r+1}} \cdots dx_n.
$$

# <span id="page-20-0"></span>Chapter 2

# Order statistics from INID random variables

Definitions and properties of order statistics from INID random variables and permanents presented in this chapter mainly refer to work in [\[17\]](#page-98-0), [\[29\]](#page-100-1) and [\[2\]](#page-97-0). In addition, we give the definitions and the recurrence relations of the order statistics from INID random variables in the meaning of symmetric functions.

Suppose that  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  are independent random variables with the cumulative distribution functions (cdf)  $F_1(x), F_2(x), \ldots, F_n(x)$  and the probability density functions  $f_1(x), f_2(x), \ldots, f_n(x), \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  respectively. Let  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{2:n} \leq$  $\cdots \leq X_{n:n}$  be the corresponding order statistics.

We can show that the joint density function of  $X_{r_1:n}, X_{r_2:n}, \ldots, X_{r_k:n}$  which is denoted by  $f_{r_1,r_2,...,r_k}(x_1, x_2,...,x_k)$  for  $1 \le r_1 < r_2 < \cdots < r_k \le n$  is

$$
f_{r_1,r_2,...,r_k}(x_1,x_2,...,x_k)
$$

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$$
= \frac{1}{(r_{1}-1)!(r_{2}-r_{1}-1)!\cdots(r_{k}-r_{k-1}-1)!(n-r_{k})!} \sum_{\varphi_{1,2,...,n}} \prod_{j=1}^{k} f_{i_{r_{j}}}(x_{j}) \prod_{j=1}^{r_{1}-1} F_{i_{j}}(x_{1})
$$
  
\n
$$
\times \prod_{j=r_{1}+1}^{r_{2}-1} [F_{i_{j}}(x_{2}) - F_{i_{j}}(x_{1})] \cdots \prod_{j=r_{k-2}+1}^{r_{k-1}-1} [F_{i_{j}}(x_{k-1}) - F_{i_{j}}(x_{k-2})]
$$
  
\n
$$
\times \prod_{j=r_{k-1}+1}^{n-r_{k}-1} [1 - F_{i_{j}}(x_{k})],
$$
\n(2.1)

 $-\infty < x_1 < x_2 < \cdots x_k < \infty$  and where  $\sum$  $\wp_{1,2,...,n}$ denotes the sum over all  $n!$ permutations  $(j_1, j_2, \ldots, j_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n)$ .

Let  $F_{r_1,r_2,...,r_k}(x_1, x_2,...,x_k)$  denotes the cdf of  $X_{r_1:n}, X_{r_2:n},..., X_{r_k:n}$  for  $1 \leq$  $r_1 < r_2 < \cdots < r_k \leq n$ . Then  $F_{r_1,r_2,\dots,r_k}(x_1,x_2,\dots,x_k)$  can be expressed as follows

 $F_{r_1,r_2,...,r_k}(x_1,x_2,...,x_k)$ 

$$
= \sum_{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_{k+1}} \prod_{j=1}^k f_{i_{r_j}}(x_j) \prod_{j=1}^{r_1-1} F_{i_j}(x_1)
$$
  
 
$$
\times \prod_{j=r_1+1}^{r_2-1} [F_{i_j}(x_2) - F_{i_j}(x_1)] \cdots \prod_{j=r_{k-2}+1}^{r_{k-1}-1} [F_{i_j}(x_{k-1}) - F_{i_j}(x_{k-2})]
$$
  
 
$$
\times \prod_{j=r_{k-1}+1}^{n-r_k-1} [1 - F_{i_j}(x_k)], \qquad (2.2)
$$

 $-\infty < x_1 < x_2 < \cdots < x_k < \infty$  and where the sum is over all  $j_1, j_2, \ldots, j_{k+1}$ with  $j_1 \ge r_1, j_1 + j_2 \ge r_2, ..., \sum^k$  $i=1$  $j_i \ge r_k$  and  $j_1 + j_2 + \cdots + j_k = n$ .

The joint probability density function of all  $n$  order statistics can be obtained from  $(2.1)$  as

$$
f_{X_{1:n}, X_{2:n}, \dots, X_{n:n}}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)
$$
  
= 
$$
\begin{cases} \sum_{\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, n} f_{i_1}(x_1) f_{i_2}(x_2) \cdots f_{i_n}(x_n) & -\infty < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n < \infty \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
$$

or it can be written explicitly in the form

$$
f_{X_{1:n}, X_{2:n}, \dots, X_{n:n}}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)
$$
  
= 
$$
\begin{cases} \sum_{\varphi_{1,2,\dots,n}} \prod_{j=1}^n f_{i_j}(x_j) & -\infty < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n < \infty \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}
$$
 (2.3)

where  $\sum$  $\wp_{1,2,...,n}$ denotes the sum over all n! permutations  $(j_1, j_2, \ldots, j_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n).$ 

Similarly, the following joint density function for  $X_{r:n}$  and  $X_{s:n}$  ( $1 \leq r < s \leq$ n) may be defined as

$$
f_{r,s:n}(x,y) = \frac{1}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(n-s)!} \sum_{\wp_{1,2,...,n}} F_{i_1}(x) \cdots F_{i_{r-1}}(x) f_{i_r}(x)
$$
  

$$
\times [F_{i_{r+1}}(y) - F_{i_{r+1}}(x)] \cdots [F_{i_{s-1}}(y) - F_{i_{s-1}}(x)]
$$
  

$$
\times f_{i_s}(x) \times [1 - F_{i_{s+1}}(y)] \cdots [1 - F_{i_n}(y)],
$$

 $-\infty < x < y < \infty$  or explicitly,

<span id="page-22-0"></span>
$$
f_{r,s:n}(x,y) = \frac{1}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(n-s)!} \sum_{\wp_{1,2,...,n}} f_{i_r}(x)f_{i_s}(x) \prod_{j=1}^{r-1} F_{i_j}(x)
$$
  
 
$$
\times \prod_{j=r+1}^{s-1} [F_{i_j}(y) - F_{i_j}(x)] \prod_{j=s+1}^{n} [1 - F_{i_j}(y)], \qquad (2.4)
$$

 $-\infty < x < y < \infty$ .

The joint cumulative distribution function of  $X_{r:n}$  and  $X_{s:n}$  is

$$
F_{r,s}(x,y) = \sum_{i=r}^{n} \sum_{j=\max(0,s-i)}^{n-i} \frac{1}{(i-1)!(j-i-1)!(n-j)!} \sum_{\varphi_{1,2,...,n}} \prod_{l=1}^{i} F_{t_l}(x) \times \prod_{l=i+1}^{i+j} (F_{t_l}(y) - F_{t_l}(x)) \prod_{l=i+j+1}^{n} (1 - F_{t_l}(y)),
$$
\n(2.5)

where the summation  $\wp_{1,2,...,n}$  extends over all n! permutations  $(t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n).$ 

We can derive the pdf and the cdf of  $X_{r:n}$  for  $1 \leq r \leq n$  as follows respectively,

<span id="page-23-0"></span>
$$
f_{r:n}(x) = \frac{1}{(r-1)!(n-r)!} \sum_{\wp_{1,2,...,n}} F_{i_1}(x) \cdots F_{i_{r-1}}(x) f_{i_r}(x)
$$

$$
\times [1 - F_{i_{r+1}}(x)] \cdots [1 - F_{i_n}(x)] \tag{2.6}
$$

and

<span id="page-23-1"></span>
$$
F_{r:n}(x) = P\{X_{r:n} \le x\}
$$
  
=  $P\{\text{at least } r \text{ of } X\text{'s are } \le x\}$   
=  $\sum_{i=r}^{n} P\{\text{exactly } i \text{ of } X\text{'s are } \le x\}$   
=  $\sum_{i=r}^{n} \frac{1}{i!(n-i)!} \sum_{\wp_{1,2,...,n}} \prod_{l=1}^{i} F_{j_l}(x) \prod_{l=i+1}^{n} [1 - F_{j_l}(x)],$  (2.7)

where  $\sum$  $\wp_{1,2,...,n}$ denotes the sum over all n! permutations  $(j_1, j_2, \ldots, j_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n).$ 

### <span id="page-24-0"></span>2.1 Order statistics based on permanents

The distribution theory of order statistics from INID random variables involving permanents made its first appearance in [\[78\]](#page-104-1). [\[17\]](#page-98-0) also gives a comprehensive review of the recent developments on this subject based on permanents.

#### <span id="page-24-1"></span>2.1.1 Permanents

Permanent function is investigated by [\[26\]](#page-99-3) and [\[24\]](#page-99-4) in their respected memoirs. Since then, many mathematicians contributed to the subject. The monograph on permanents written by [\[42\]](#page-101-1) is a superior reference for anyone interested in theory of permanents. In [\[26\]](#page-99-3), it is distinguished determinants as alternating symmetric functions from determinants as ordinary symmetric functions. In the same paper, it is also introduced a subclass of symmetric functions given the name permanents by [\[58\]](#page-102-2). Permanent is a concept defined similar to the determinant except that it does not have an alternating sign, that is, no sign changes occur.

**Definition 2.1.** The permanent of an  $n \times n$  square matrix  $Z = (z_{km})$  is defined as

<span id="page-24-3"></span>
$$
Per\mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} & \cdots & z_{1n} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} & \cdots & z_{2n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ z_{n1} & z_{n2} & \cdots & z_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{\wp_{1,2,\dots,n}} \prod_{m=1}^{n} z_{mk_m},
$$
 (2.8)

where  $\wp_{1,2,...,n}$  is the class of all n! permutations  $(k_1, k_2, \ldots, k_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n)$ and the sum extends over all permutations.

#### <span id="page-24-2"></span>2.1.2 Elementary properties of permanents

Permanents and determinants share many properties because of the similarity of their definition. However, permanents do not hold two key properties of determinants which are the multiplicative property and the invariance under certain

elementary matrix operations. Permanent functions have the following fundamental properties.

**Property 1** If the rows or columns of matrix  $\mathbf{Z}$  are permuted, the value of  $Per\mathbf{Z}$ does not change.

Property 2 The permanent of a matrix can be expanded by any row or column. Let  $\mathbf{Z}_{k,m}$  denotes the sub-matrix of order  $n-1$  obtained from  $\mathbf{Z}$  by deleting the  $k - th$  row and the  $m - th$  column, then

$$
Per\mathbf{Z} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} z_{km} Per\mathbf{Z}_{k,m}, \qquad m = 1, 2, \dots, n
$$

$$
= \sum_{m=1}^{n} z_{km} Per\mathbf{Z}_{k,m}, \qquad k = 1, 2, \dots, n.
$$

**Property 3** Let c be a constant and  $\mathbb{Z}_1$  denotes the matrix obtained from  $\mathbb{Z}$ multiplying the elements in the  $k - th$  row by  $c, m = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ , then

$$
Per\mathbf{Z}_1 = cPer\mathbf{Z}.
$$

**Property 4** Let  $\mathbf{Z}_2$  denotes the matrix obtained from **Z** by adding  $t_{k,m}$  to the elements in the  $k - th$  row,  $m = 1, 2, ..., n$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_1$  be the matrix obtained from **Z** by replacing the elements in the  $k - th$  row by  $t_{k,m}$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ , then

$$
Per\mathbf{Z}_2 = Per\mathbf{Z} + Per\mathbf{Z}_1.
$$

#### <span id="page-25-0"></span>2.1.3 Distributions of order statistics by permanents

Let  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  be independent random variables having the cumulative distributions  $F_1(x), F_2(x), \ldots, F_n(x)$  and the probability density functions  $f_1(x), f_2(x), \ldots, f_n(x), \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  respectively, and  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{2:n} \leq \cdots \leq X_{n:n}$  be the corresponding order statistics.

From the identity [\(2.6\)](#page-23-0) and [\(2.8\)](#page-24-3) we can easily see that  $f_{r:n}(x)$ , the pdf of rth

orders statistics can be written in terms of permanents as

$$
f_{r:n}(x) = \frac{1}{(r-1)!(n-r)!} Per Z_1, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}
$$
 (2.9)

where

$$
Z_1 = \begin{bmatrix} F_1(x) & F_2(x) & \cdots & F_n(x) \\ f_1(x) & f_2(x) & \cdots & f_n(x) \\ \overline{F}_1(x) & \overline{F}_2(x) & \cdots & \overline{F}_n(x) \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} \n} r - 1 \\ \n} 1 \\ \n} n - r \n\end{cases}
$$

and  $\overline{F}_i(x) = 1 - F_i(x)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ .

It is easy to express the cdf of  $rth$  order statistics given in  $(2.7)$  using permanents, as given in the following equation

$$
F_{r:n}(x) = \sum_{i=r}^{n} \frac{1}{i!(n-i)!} PerT_1, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}
$$
 (2.10)

where

$$
T_1 = \begin{bmatrix} F_1(x) & F_2(x) & \cdots & F_n(x) \\ \overline{F}_1(x) & \overline{F}_2(x) & \cdots & \overline{F}_n(x) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ in-i \end{bmatrix}
$$

On taking [\(2.4\)](#page-22-0) and [\(2.8\)](#page-24-3) into account we deduce the joint density  $f_{r,s:n}(x, y)$ for  $1\leq r < s \leq n$  in the form as follows

$$
f_{r,s:n}(x,y) = \frac{1}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(n-s)!} Per Z_2, \ \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R},\tag{2.11}
$$

where

$$
Z_2 = \begin{bmatrix} F_1(x) & F_2(x) & \cdots & F_n(x) \\ f_1(x) & f_2(x) & \cdots & f_n(x) \\ F_1(y) - F_1(x) & F_2(y) - F_2(x) & \cdots & F_n(y) - F_n(x) \\ f_1(y) & f_2(y) & \cdots & f_n(y) \\ \overline{F}_1(y) & \overline{F}_2(y) & \cdots & \overline{F}_n(y) \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} \n} r - 1 \\ \n} \n} \quad \text{if } r = 1, \text{ and } r = 1. \n}
$$

Similarly, from [\(2.1\)](#page-21-0) the joint pdf of  $X_{r_1:n}, X_{r_2:n}, \ldots, X_{r_k:n}$  for  $1 \le r_1 < r_2 <$ 

 $\cdots < r_k \leq n$  can be written based on permanents as

$$
f_{r_1,r_2,\dots,r_k}(x_1,x_2,\dots,x_k) = \frac{1}{(r_1-1)!\cdots(r_k-r_{k-1}-1)!(n-r_k)!}PerZ_k, (2.12)
$$

 $-\infty < x_1 < x_2 < \cdots, x_k < \infty$  and where

$$
Z_{k} = \begin{bmatrix}\nF_{1}(x_{1}) & \cdots & F_{n}(x_{1}) \\
f_{1}(x_{1}) & \cdots & f_{n}(x_{1}) \\
F_{1}(x_{2}) - F_{1}(x_{1}) & \cdots & F_{n}(x_{2}) - F_{n}(x_{1}) \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
F_{1}(x_{k}) - F_{1}(x_{k-1}) & \cdots & F_{n}(x_{k}) - F_{n}(x_{k-1}) \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
F_{1}(x_{k}) & \cdots & f_{n}(x_{k}) & F_{n}(x_{k}) \\
\hline F_{1}(x_{k}) & \cdots & \overline F_{n}(x_{k}) & F_{n}(x_{k}) \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
F_{n}(x_{k}) & \cdots & \overline F_{n}(x_{k}) & F_{n}(x_{k})\n\end{bmatrix}\n\begin{aligned}\n\begin{aligned}\n\frac{1}{2}r_{1} - 1 \\
\frac{1}{2}r_{2} - r_{1} - 1 \\
\frac{1}{2}r_{2} - r_{1} - 1 \\
\vdots \\
\frac{1}{2}r_{n} - r_{n} - 1\n\end{aligned}\n\end{aligned}
$$

We can show that the joint cdf of  $X_{r_1:n}, X_{r_2:n}, \ldots, X_{r_k:n}$  for  $1 \leq r_1 < r_2 <$  $\cdots < r_k \leq n$ 

$$
F_{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \sum \frac{1}{j_1! j_2! \cdots j_{k+1}!} PerT_k,
$$
\n(2.13)

 $-\infty < x_1 < x_2 < \cdots, x_k < \infty$  and where

$$
T_k = \begin{bmatrix} F_1(x_1) & \cdots & F_n(x_1) & \cdots \\ F_1(x_2) - F_1(x_1) & \cdots & F_n(x_2) - F_n(x_1) & \cdots \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ F_1(x_k) - F_1(x_{k-1}) & \cdots & F_n(x_k) - F_n(x_{k-1}) & \cdots \\ \overline{F}_1(x_k) & \cdots & \overline{F}_n(x_k) & \cdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} j_1 \\ j_2 \\ \vdots \\ j_{k+1} \end{bmatrix}
$$

and the sum is over  $j_1, j_2, ..., j_{k+1}$  with  $j_1 \ge r_1, j_1 + j_2 \ge r_2, ... \sum_{k=1}^{k}$  $i=1$  $j_i \geq r_k$  and  $j_1 + j_2 + \cdots + j_k = n.$ 

# <span id="page-28-0"></span>2.2 Order statistics based on symmetric functions

In this section, we present the distributions of order statistics from INID random variables based on the symmetric functions. Permanent expressions for the distribution function of INID order statistics allow us to gain some recurrence relations using the expansion of the permanent by some of the rows. However, in some cases when the applications of order statistics from the INID random variables are considered, the usage of the permanent expressions for the distributions of INID order statistics causes some difficulties connected with the complexity of operations. For instance, the mean residual life function of parallel and  $k - out - of -n$ coherent systems when the life length of the components is INID random variables can not easily be calculated using permanent expressions. Therefore, the calculations involving the joint distributions of order statistics from INID random variables cover technical difficulties, the results are complicated and are not convenient for applications. The representations of distributions of order statistics from INID random variables in terms of symmetric functions have an advantage if one uses the derivatives and integration in calculations.

For this reason, we give the definition and the some properties of symmetric functions in the following subsection.

#### <span id="page-28-1"></span>2.2.1 Symmetric functions

The books [\[54\]](#page-102-3) and [\[76\]](#page-104-8) can be used as guides for giving the following definitions.

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$   $(n \geq 1)$  and  $S_r(\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n)$  denotes the *rth* elementary symmetric function, where  $1 \leq r \leq n$ .  $S_r(\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n \geq n)$  is defined as

$$
S_r(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n)=\sum_{1\leq i_1\leq \cdots\leq i_r\leq \cdots\leq i_n}\lambda_{i_1}\ldots\lambda_{i_n},\qquad(2.14)
$$

that is,  $S_r(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n)$  is the sum of all products of r distinct variables chosen from *n* variables.

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $\Psi_r(\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n)$  denotes the *rth* complete symmetric function, in variables  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n \Psi_r(\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n)$  is expressed as

$$
\Psi_r(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n) = \sum_{\alpha_1+\ldots+\alpha_n=r} \lambda_1^{\alpha_1}\ldots\lambda_n^{\alpha_n},\tag{2.15}
$$

where the summation extends over all choices of  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n \in \{0, 1, \ldots, r\}.$ 

Both elementary and the complete symmetric functions satisfy the following condition

$$
S_r(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n)=\Psi_r(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n)=\begin{cases} 1, & r<0 \text{ or } r>n\\ 0, & r=0 \end{cases}
$$

For other types of symmetric functions, one can see [\[76\]](#page-104-8).

Generating functions for elementary and the complete symmetric functions can be defined as follows, respectively

<span id="page-29-0"></span>
$$
\Phi(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} (1 - \lambda_i \lambda) = \sum_{r=0}^{n} (-1)^r S_r(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \lambda^r
$$
 (2.16)

and

<span id="page-29-1"></span>
$$
\frac{1}{\Phi(\lambda)} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \Psi_r(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \lambda^r.
$$
 (2.17)

Since 
$$
\Phi(x) \frac{1}{\Phi(x)} = 1
$$
, then  

$$
\sum_{r=0}^{n} (-1)^r S_r(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \Psi_{n-r}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) = 0,
$$

 $n \geq 1$ .

The following recurrence relations of the symmetric functions may be obtained from  $(2.16)$  and  $(2.17)$  respectively

$$
S_r(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n) = S_r(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_{n-1}) + \lambda_n S_{r-1}(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_{n-1})
$$
 (2.18)

and

$$
\Psi_r(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n) = \Psi_r(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_{n-1}) + \lambda_n \Psi_{r-1}(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_n)
$$
\n(2.19)

for  $r \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 2$ .

### <span id="page-30-0"></span>2.2.2 Distributions of order statistics by symmetric functions

Let  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  be independent but not necessarily identically distributed random variables with cumulative distribution functions  $F_1(x), F_2(x), \ldots, F_n(x)$ and  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{2:n} \leq \ldots \leq X_{n:n}$  be corresponding order statistics.

For any borel set  $B \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $\mathbb R$  is the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of the set of real numbers R, consider the indicator

$$
I_{X_i}(B) = \begin{cases} 1, & X_i \in B \\ 0, & X_i \notin B \end{cases}
$$

 $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and let  $\nu^*(B) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}$  $\sum_{i=1} I_{X_i}(B)$ .

Define the empirical distribution of the INID sample  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  as  $P_n^*(B) = \frac{\nu^*(B)}{n}$  $\frac{(B)}{n}$ .

It is clear that

$$
EI_{X_i}(B) = P\{X_i \in B\} = \int_B dF_i(x) \equiv P_i(B)
$$

and

$$
Var(I_{X_i}(B)) = P_i(B)(1 - P_i(B)).
$$

It's also obvious that  $EP_n^*(B) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{n=1}^n$  $i=1$  $P_i(B)$  and  $Var(P_n^*(B)) = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{n=1}^{n}$  $i=1$  $P_i(B)(1 P_i(B)$ ).

The empirical distribution function of the INID sample then is defined as

$$
F_n^*(x) = P_n^*((-\infty, x]) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I_{X_i}(x),
$$

where  $I_{X_i}(x) = 1$  if  $X_i \leq x$  and  $I_{X_i}(x) = 0$ , otherwise.

According to the Kolmogorov's theorem the sequence of mutually independent random variables  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \ldots, \xi_n, \ldots$  obeys the strong law of large numbers, if  $\sum^{\infty}$  $n=1$  $\frac{Var(\xi_n)}{n^2} < \infty$  (see [\[35\]](#page-100-8), Page 215).

Since

$$
\frac{Var(I_{X_n}(B))}{n^2} = \frac{P_n(B)(1 - P_n(B))}{n^2} \le \frac{1}{n^2}
$$

then the series

$$
\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{Var(I_{X_n}(B))}{n^2}
$$

converges.

Then the sequence of mutually independent random variables  $I_{X_1}(B), \ldots, I_{X_n}(B), \ldots$ obeys the strong law of large numbers, i.e. as  $n \to \infty$ , with probability 1

<span id="page-31-0"></span>
$$
\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}I_{X_i}(B) - \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}EI_{X_i}(B) \to 0.
$$
\n(2.20)

From [\(2.20\)](#page-31-0) we have

$$
P_n^*(B) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n P_i(B) \to 0, \ B \in \Re
$$

and

$$
F_n^*(x) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n F_i(x) \to 0, \ x \in \mathbb{R}.
$$

**Lemma 2.1** For any  $B \in \Re$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ 

$$
P\{nP_n^*(B) = k\} = \frac{1}{k!(n-k)!} \sum_{\wp_{1,2,\dots,n}} \prod_{i=1}^k P_{j_i}(B) \prod_{i=k+1}^n (1 - P_{j_i}(B))
$$

and

$$
P\{nF_n^*(x) = k\} = \frac{1}{k!(n-k)!} \sum_{\wp_{1,2,\dots,n}} \prod_{i=1}^k F_{j_i}(x) \prod_{i=k+1}^n (1 - F_{j_i}(x)),
$$

where the summation  $\varphi_{1,2,...,n}$  extends over all n! permutations  $(j_1, j_2, \ldots, j_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n).$ 

Denote now

$$
\mathbf{A}(n,k;x) = \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k},
$$
\n(2.21)

 $0 \le x \le 1, k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, n; n \ge 1$  and the symmetric function

$$
\mathbf{B}(n,k;x_1,x_2,\ldots,x_n) = \frac{1}{k!(n-k)!} \sum_{\wp_{1,2,\ldots,n}} \prod_{i=1}^k x_{j_i} \prod_{i=k+1}^n (1-x_{j_i}),\tag{2.22}
$$

 $k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, n; \; n \geq 1, \; 0 \leq x_l \leq 1, \; l = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ , where the summation  $\wp_{1,2,...,n}$  extends over all n! permutations  $(j_1, j_2, \ldots, j_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n)$  assuming  $\Pi$ j  $i=j+1$  $a_i$  are equal to 1.

It is useful to note that

$$
\mathbf{B}(n, n; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_1 x_2 \cdots x_n
$$

and

$$
\mathbf{B}(n,0;x_1,x_2,\ldots,x_n)=(1-x_1)(1-x_2)\cdots(1-x_n).
$$

Since  $\mathbf{B}(n,k;x_{j_1},x_{j_2},\ldots,x_{j_n})=\mathbf{B}(n,k;x_1,x_2,\ldots,x_n)$  for all n! permutations  $(j_1, j_2, \ldots, j_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n)$ , then

<span id="page-32-0"></span>
$$
P\{nF_n^*(x) = k\} = \mathbf{B}(n, k; F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_n(x)).
$$
\n(2.23)

If  $F_1 = F_2 = \cdots = F_n = F$ , then  $(2.23)$  becomes

$$
P\{nF_n^*(x) = k\} = \mathbf{A}(n, k; F(x)).
$$
\n(2.24)

The following recurrence relation can be useful.

<span id="page-33-2"></span>**Lemma 2.2** For  $0 \le x_l \le 1$ ,  $l = 1, 2, ..., n$ , the following recurrence relation is valid for  $k = 1, 2, \ldots, n - 1$  and  $n \geq 2$ 

<span id="page-33-1"></span>
$$
\mathbf{B}(n,k;x_1,x_2,\ldots,x_n) = \mathbf{B}(n-1,k;x_1,x_2,\ldots,x_{n-1})\bar{x}_n \n+ \mathbf{B}(n-1,k-1;x_1,x_2,\ldots,x_{n-1})x_n, (2.25)
$$

where  $\bar{x}_n = 1 - x_n$ .

Proof. We can prove that assertion expressing the symmetric function  $\mathbf{B}(n, k; x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n)$  by permanent.

<span id="page-33-0"></span>
$$
B(n, k; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{1}{k!(n-k)!} \sum_{\varphi_{1,2,\dots,n}} x_{j_1} x_{j_2} \cdots x_{j_k} \bar{x}_{j_{k+1}} \cdots \bar{x}_{j_n}
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{1}{k!(n-k)!} Per \mathbf{A}_1
$$
 (2.26)

where 
$$
\bar{x}_i = 1 - x_i
$$
,  $i = 1, 2, ..., n$  and  
\n
$$
Per\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1 & \bar{x}_2 & \cdots & \bar{x}_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1 & \bar{x}_2 & \cdots & \bar{x}_n \end{bmatrix} \right\} h - k \text{ times}
$$

It is easy to see that expanding the permanent along the last column we have

$$
\begin{bmatrix}\n x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
 x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
 x_1 & \bar{x}_2 & \cdots & \bar{x}_n \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
 \bar{x}_1 & \bar{x}_2 & \cdots & \bar{x}_n\n \end{bmatrix}\n \begin{bmatrix}\n \vdots \\
 \vdots \\
 \vdots \\
 \vdots \\
 \vdots \\
 \vdots \\
 n-k \text{ times}\n \end{bmatrix}
$$

$$
= kx_{n} \begin{bmatrix} x_{1} & x_{2} & \cdots & x_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{1} & x_{2} & \cdots & x_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{1} & \bar{x}_{2} & \cdots & \bar{x}_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{1} & \bar{x}_{2} & \bar{x}_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \\ k \\ k \\ \vdots \\ k \end{bmatrix} k - k \text{ times}
$$
\n
$$
(2.27)
$$

<span id="page-34-0"></span>
$$
+(n-k)\bar{x}_n \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1 & \bar{x}_2 & \cdots & \bar{x}_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1 & \bar{x}_2 & \cdots & \bar{x}_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \\ k \\ k \\ k \end{bmatrix}
$$
 (2.28)

From [\(2.26\)](#page-33-0) and [\(2.28\)](#page-34-0), we obtain the assertion of the lemma.  $\Box$ 

Using [\(2.25\)](#page-33-1) the cdf of rth order statistic  $X_{r:n}$  given in [\(2.7\)](#page-23-1) can be shown in terms of symmetric functions as

$$
F_{r:n}(x) = \sum_{i=r}^{n} \mathbf{B}(n, i, F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_n(x)).
$$
 (2.29)

and the relevant recurrence relationship may be expressed by using Lemma [2.2](#page-33-2) as

<span id="page-35-0"></span>
$$
F_{r:n}(x) = \bar{F}_n(x) F_{r:n-1}(x) + F_n(x) F_{r-1:n-1}(x), \ 1 \le r < n. \tag{2.30}
$$

where  $F_{r:n-1}$  denote the cdf of the *rth* order statistic from INID random variables  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_{n-1}$  with corresponding cdf's  $F_1, F_2, \ldots, F_{n-1}$ .

The relation given in [\(2.30\)](#page-35-0) may be obtained using Lemma [2.2](#page-33-2)

$$
F_{r:n}(x) = \sum_{i=r}^{n} \mathbf{B}(n, i, F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_n(x))
$$

$$
= \sum_{i=r}^{n-1} \mathbf{B}(n, i, F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_n(x)) + \mathbf{B}(n, n, F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_n(x))
$$

$$
= \bar{F}_n(x) \sum_{i=r}^{n-1} \mathbf{B}(n-1, i, F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_{n-1}(x))
$$

+ 
$$
F_n(x) \sum_{i=r}^{n-1} \mathbf{B}(n-1, i-1, F_1(x), F_2(x), \ldots, F_{n-1}(x))
$$

+ 
$$
F_n(x)\mathbf{B}(n-1, n-1, F_1(x), F_2(x), \ldots, F_{n-1}(x))
$$

$$
= \bar{F}_n(x) F_{r:n-1}(x) + F_n(x) \sum_{j=r-1}^{n-2} \mathbf{B}(n-1, j, F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_{n-1}(x))
$$

+ 
$$
F_n(x)\mathbf{B}(n-1, n-1, F_1(x), F_2(x), \ldots, F_{n-1}(x)),
$$

For  $r = n$  we have  $F_{n:n}(x) = F_{n-1:n-1}(x)F_n(x)$ . Note that [\(2.30\)](#page-35-0) and related recurrence equalities can be found in ([\[29\]](#page-100-1), p. 105).
Since,

$$
P\{nF_n^*(x) = i\} = \mathbf{B}(n, i, F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_n(x)), \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n,
$$

then

$$
\sum_{i=0}^{n} \mathbf{B}(n, i, F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_n(x)) = 1.
$$
 (2.31)

We also have,

$$
P\{X_{r:n} \le x\} = \sum_{i=r}^{n} P\{nF_n^*(x) = i\}.
$$

Now, for  $0 \leq x_t \leq y_t \leq 1, t = 1, 2, \ldots, n$  denote by

 $\mathbf{C}(n, i, j; x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n; y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n)$ 

$$
= \frac{1}{i!(j-i)!(n-j)!} \sum_{\varphi_{1,2,...,n}} \prod_{l=1}^{i} x_{t_l}
$$
  
 
$$
\times \prod_{l=i+1}^{j} (y_{t_l} - x_{t_l}) \prod_{l=j+1}^{n} (1 - y_{t_l}), \qquad (2.32)
$$

where the summation  $\wp_{1,2,...,n}$  extends over all n! permutations  $(t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_n)$  of  $(1, 2, \ldots, n).$ 

<span id="page-36-0"></span>**Lemma 2.3** Let  $0 \leq x_t \leq y_t \leq 1, t = 1, 2, ..., n$ . The following recurrence relation is valid for  $1 \leq i < j < n$  and  $n \geq 3$ 

$$
\mathbf{C}(n, i, j; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)
$$
  
=  $x_n \mathbf{C}(n-1, i-1, j-1; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}; y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n-1})$   
+ $(y_n - x_n) \mathbf{C}(n-1, i, j-1; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}; y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n-1})$   
+ $(1 - y_n) \mathbf{C}(n-1, i, j; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}; y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n-1}).$  (2.33)

Proof. The proof can be made by mathematical induction or can be obtained from permanent expressions.  $X_{r:n}$  and  $X_{s:n}$ 

$$
\mathbf{C}(n, i, j; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = \frac{1}{i!(j-i)!(n-j)!} Per \mathbf{A}_2 \tag{2.34}
$$

where

 $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ I I I  $\mid$  $\mid$  $\mid$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ I I  $\mid$  $\mid$  $\mid$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ I I I  $\mid$  $\mid$  $\mid$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ I I I  $\vert$ 

$$
Per\mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & \cdots & x_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_1 & \cdots & x_n \\ y_1 - x_1 & \cdots & y_n - x_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ y_1 - x_1 & \cdots & y_n - x_n \\ 1 - y_1 & \cdots & 1 - y_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \\ \ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \\ \ \end{bmatrix} \text{ j-}i \text{ times} \\ \text{j-}i \text{ times} \\ 1 - y_1 & \cdots & 1 - y_n \end{bmatrix}
$$

It is easy to expand  $PerA<sub>2</sub>$  as follows

$$
\begin{bmatrix}\nx_1 & \cdots & x_n \\
\vdots & & \vdots \\
x_1 & \cdots & x_n \\
y_1 - x_1 & \cdots & y_n - x_n \\
\vdots & & \vdots \\
y_1 - x_1 & \cdots & y_n - x_n \\
1 - y_1 & \cdots & 1 - y_n\n\end{bmatrix}\n\begin{matrix}\n\vdots & & \vdots \\
\vdots & & \vdots \\
\vdots & & \vdots \\
1 - y_1 & \cdots & 1 - y_n\n\end{bmatrix}
$$
\n $n$ -j times

 $= ix_n$   $\sqrt{ }$   $x_1$  · · · ·  $x_{n-1}$ . . . . . .  $x_1$  · · · ·  $x_{n-1}$  $y_1 - x_1 \cdots \ y_{n-1} - x_{n-1}$ . . . . . .  $y_1 - x_1 \cdots \ y_{n-1} - x_{n-1}$  $1 - y_1 \cdots 1 - y_{n-1}$ . . . . . .  $1 - y_1 \cdots 1 - y_{n-1}$ 1  $\mathcal{L}$  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$  $\int$ i-1 times  $\mathcal{L}$  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$  $\int$ j-i times  $\mathcal{L}$  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$  $\int$ n-j times  $+(j - i)(y_n - x_n)$   $\sqrt{ }$   $x_1$  · · · ·  $x_{n-1}$ . . . . . .  $x_1$  · · · ·  $x_{n-1}$  $y_1 - x_1 \cdots \ y_{n-1} - x_{n-1}$ . . . . . .  $y_1 - x_1 \cdots \ y_{n-1} - x_{n-1}$  $1 - y_1$  · · ·  $1 - y_{n-1}$ . . . . . .  $1 - y_1 \cdots 1 - y_{n-1}$ 1  $\mathcal{L}$  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$  $\int$ i times  $\mathcal{L}$  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$  $\int$ j-i-1 times  $\mathcal{L}$  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$  $\int$ n-j times

$$
+(n-j)(1-y_n)\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & \cdots & x_{n-1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_1 & \cdots & x_{n-1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ y_1 - x_1 & \cdots & y_{n-1} - x_{n-1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ y_1 - x_1 & \cdots & y_{n-1} - x_{n-1} \\ 1-y_1 & \cdots & 1-y_{n-1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1-y_1 & \cdots & 1-y_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ n-j-1 \text{ times} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \Box
$$

Now we can be express the joint distribution function of order statistics  $X_{r:n}$ and  $X_{s:n}$  in terms of the symmetric function  $\mathbf{C}(n, i, j; x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n; y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n)$ as follows:

$$
F_{r,s}(x,y) = \sum_{j=s}^{n} \sum_{i=r}^{j} \mathbf{C}(n,i,j;F_1(x),F_2(x),\ldots,F_n(x);
$$
  

$$
F_1(y), F_2(y),\ldots,F_n(y)).
$$
 (2.35)

Using Lemma [2.3](#page-36-0) one can write the following recurrence relation for  $1 \leq r < s \leq n, n \geq 3$ 

$$
F_{r,s:n}(x,y) = F_n(x)F_{r-1,s-1:n-1}(x,y) + [F_n(y) - F_n(x)] \times
$$
  
 
$$
\times F_{r,s-1:n-1}(x,y) + (1 - F_n(y))F_{r,s:n-1}(x,y), \qquad (2.36)
$$

where  $F_{r,s-1:n-1}(x, y)$  is the joint cdf rth and  $(s-1)st$  order statistics from INID random variables  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_{n-1}$  with corresponding cdf's  $F_1, F_2, \ldots, F_{n-1}$ . (see also [\[28\]](#page-99-0), P.106).

Indeed, one can write

$$
F_{r,s}(x,y)
$$
  
= 
$$
\sum_{i=r}^{n} \sum_{j=\max(0,s-i)}^{n-i} \mathbf{C}(n,i,j;F_1(x),F_2(x),\ldots,F_n(x);F_1(y),F_2(y),\ldots,F_n(y))
$$
  
= 
$$
\sum_{i=r}^{n} \sum_{j=\max(0,s-i)}^{n-i} [F_n(x)\mathbf{C}(n-1,i-1,j-1;F_1(x),F_2(x),\ldots,F_{n-1}(x);F_1(y);
$$
  

$$
F_1(y),F_2(y),\ldots,F_{n-1}(y)) + (F_n(y)-F_n(x))\mathbf{C}(n-1,i,j-1;
$$
  

$$
F_1(x),F_2(x),\ldots,F_{n-1}(x);F_1(y),F_2(y),\ldots,F_{n-1}(y))
$$
  
+
$$
(1-F_n(y))B(n-1,i,j;F_1(x),F_2(x),\ldots,F_{n-1}(x);F_1(y),F_2(y),\ldots,F_{n-1}(y))]
$$

$$
= \sum_{i=r}^{n-1} \sum_{j=\max(0,s-i)}^{n-i} F_n(x) \mathbf{C}(n-1,i-1,j-1;F_1(x),F_2(x),\ldots,F_{n-1}(x);
$$
  
\n
$$
F_1(y), F_2(y),\ldots,F_{n-1}(y))
$$
  
\n
$$
+ \sum_{i=r}^{n-1} \sum_{j=\max(0,s-i)}^{n-i} (F_n(y) - F_n(x)) \mathbf{C}(n-1,i,j-1;F_1(x),F_2(x),\ldots,F_{n-1}(x);
$$
  
\n
$$
F_1(y), F_2(y),\ldots,F_{n-1}(y))
$$
  
\n
$$
+ \sum_{i=r}^{n-1} \sum_{j=\max(0,s-i)}^{n-i} (1 - F_n(y)) \mathbf{C}(n-1,i,j;F_1(x),F_2(x),\ldots,F_{n-1}(x);
$$
  
\n
$$
F_1(y), F_2(y),\ldots,F_{n-1}(y))
$$
  
\n
$$
= F_n(x)F_{r-1,s-1:n-1}(x,y) + [F_n(y) - F_n(x)]F_{r,s-1:n-1}(x,y)
$$
  
\n
$$
+ (1 - F_n(y))F_{r,s:n-1}(x,y).
$$

# Chapter 3

# Exceedance Models

The exceedance statistics denote the total number of observations over a random threshold. Random thresholds were first used in the work of [\[38\]](#page-100-0) and [\[31\]](#page-100-1). Exceedance models with random thresholds are generally constructed considering two independent random samples. After determining the random thresholds based on the first sample, one can investigate the behaviour of the observations in the second sample regarding the behaviour of these random thresholds. Random threshold values make the problem of finding the distribution of exceedance statistics complicated and difficult. However, if the threshold value is fixed, then the calculation is easier and closely related to the binomial model. A particular type of such a problem for the threshold being an order statistic from the initial sample is related to the concept of tolerance limits ([\[71\]](#page-103-0)) and invariant confidence intervals containing the future observations  $(16)$ . In the 1950's, the theory of tolerance limits were widely studied (see [\[38\]](#page-100-0), [\[31\]](#page-100-1), [\[74\]](#page-104-0), [\[82\]](#page-104-1)).

Exceedance statistics are also used for constructing a test for whether two monitored random samples are from the same population. Non-parametric tests of identity of distributions with respect to the exceedances have been demonstrated by  $[49]$ ,  $[50]$ ,  $[56]$ ,  $[44]$  and  $[47]$ . Another aspect of the theory of exceedances is being closely related to the inverse hypergeometric distribution (see  $|77|,$   $|38|$  and  $|74|$ ).

### 3.1 Exceedances based on order statistics

#### 3.1.1 Invariant confidence intervals

Invariant confidence intervals containing a future observation which is introduced by [\[16\]](#page-98-0) is an important concept to mention in support of the use of order statistics as a random thresholds.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  be a random sample of size n with distribution function  $F \in \mathfrak{F}$ , where  $\mathfrak{F}$  is some class of distribution functions. Assume that  $g_1(.)$  and  $g_2(.)$  are two Borel functions satisfying  $g_1(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \leq g_2(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n), (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . The random interval  $(g_1(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n), g_2(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n))$  is called an invariant confidence interval containing the future observations for class  $\mathfrak{F}$ , if  $\exists \alpha \in (0,1)$  such that

$$
P\{X_{n+1} \in (g_1(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n), g_2(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n))\} = \alpha, \forall F \in \mathfrak{F}.
$$

The quantity  $\alpha$  is the same for all  $F \in \mathfrak{F}$  and is called a confidence level of an invariant interval. Let  $\mathfrak{F}_c$  be the class of all continuous distribution functions and  $\mathfrak{F} = \mathfrak{F}_{c}.$ 

It is known from [\[16\]](#page-98-0) that under some certain conditions any invariant confidence interval for the class  $\mathfrak{F}_c$  can be constructed only by the order statistics. Therefore  $g_1(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n) = X_{r:n}$ ,  $g_2(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n) = X_{s:n}$ ,  $1 \leq r < s \leq n$ , where  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{2:n} \leq \cdots \leq X_{n:n}$  are order statistics obtained from  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$ , which is defined with the probability 1, and

<span id="page-42-0"></span>
$$
P\{X_{n+1} \in (X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})\} = \frac{s-r}{n+1},\tag{3.1}
$$

i.e.  $(X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})$  is a distribution free confidence interval containing a future observation in the class of all absolutely continuous distribution functions  $\mathbb{F}_c$ .

#### 3.1.2 Exceedances from IID random variables

Suppose that  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n)$  is a random sample of size *n* from a population with an unknown absolutely continuous cumulative distribution function  $F_X(.)$ . Now suppose further observations  $X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, \ldots, X_{n+N}$  are drawn from the same population, independent from **X**. Let  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{2:n} \leq \cdots \leq X_{n:n}$  be the order statistics related to the first sample, where  $1 \leq r \leq n$ . It is easy to obtain the probability of a future observation being greater than the rth largest observation in the initial sample

$$
P(X_{n+i} \in (X_{r:n}, \infty)) = \frac{n-r+1}{n+1}, i = 1, \dots, N
$$
\n(3.2)

Denote the number of future observations exceeding the rth largest value in the first sample by  $S_r = \sum^N$  $\sum_{i=1} I_{\{(X_{r:n},\infty)\}}(X_{n+i}),$  where

$$
I_{\{(X_{r:n},\infty)\}}(X_{n+i}) = \begin{cases} 1, & X_{n+i} \in (X_{r:n},\infty) \\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}
$$

The distribution of the number of exceedances in N future observations over the rth largest value of the first sample is

<span id="page-43-0"></span>
$$
P(S_r = x) = \frac{r\binom{n}{r}\binom{N}{x}}{(N+n)\binom{N+n-1}{m+x-1}},\tag{3.3}
$$

where  $1 \leq r \leq n, 0 \leq x \leq N$ . It can be obtained as shown below

$$
P\{S_r = x\}
$$
  
=  $\binom{N}{x} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\{X_{n+1} \le t, \dots, X_{n+x} \le t, X_{n+x+1} > t, \dots, X_N > t\} f_{r:n}(t) dt$   
=  $\binom{N}{x} \binom{n}{r} r \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_X^{x+r-1}(t) (1 - F_X(t))^{N-x+n-r} dF_X(t)$   
=  $\binom{N}{x} \binom{n}{r} r Beta(x+r, N-x+n-r+1)$ 

where  $Beta(a, b) = \frac{(a-1)!(b-1)!}{(a+b-1)!}$ .

Since the probability given in  $(3.3)$  depends on only the parameters n, m, and N, it is distribution-free and it is clear that

$$
\sum_{i=0}^{N} P(S_r = x) = 1.
$$

Further aspects of given distribution can be found in [\[38\]](#page-100-0).

Assume that  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$  is a random sample of size n from a population with cumulative distribution function  $F_X(\cdot)$ . Consider another sample  $\mathbf{Y} = Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_N$  of size N with cumulative distribution function  $F_Y(\cdot)$  and independent from **X**. Let  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{2:n} \leq \cdots \leq X_{n:n}$  be order statistics obtained from the first sample. It is clear that under the hypothesis  $H_0 : F_X(\cdot) = F_Y(\cdot)$ , [\(3.1\)](#page-42-0) can be given

$$
P\{Y_k \in (X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})\} = \frac{s-r}{n+1},
$$

where  $1 \le r < s \le n, k = 1, 2, ..., N$ .

Denote the number of future observations  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_N$  falling into interval  $(X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})$  by  $S_{rs} = \sum^N$  $\sum_{i=1} I_{\{(X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})\}}(Y_k)$ , where

$$
I_{\{(X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})\}}(Y_k) = \begin{cases} 1, & Y_k \in (X_{r:n}, X_{s:n}) \\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}
$$

The distribution of  $S_{rs}$  is

$$
P\{S_{rs} = x\} = \frac{(s-r)\binom{N}{x}\binom{n}{s-r}}{(s-r+x)\binom{n+N}{x+s-r}}, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N
$$
\n(3.4)

(see theorem 2 in [\[16\]](#page-98-0)) and also the joint pdf of future observations falling into  $(X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})$ 

<span id="page-45-0"></span>
$$
P\{X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, \dots, X_{n+N} \in (X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})\} = \frac{n!(N+s-r-1)!}{(s-r-1)!(N+n)!}
$$
(3.5)

(see e.g., [\[16\]](#page-98-0), [\[44\]](#page-101-2), [\[56\]](#page-102-0)).

For  $s = n$  and  $r = 1$ , [\(3.5\)](#page-45-0) can be easily written as

$$
P\{X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, \ldots, X_{n+N} \in (X_{1:n}, X_{n:n})\} = \frac{n(n-1)}{(n+N)!(N+n-1)!}.
$$

When  $H_0: F_X(\cdot) = F_Y(\cdot) = F(\cdot)$ , the asymptotic distribution of  $\frac{S_{rs}}{N}$  is

<span id="page-45-1"></span>
$$
\lim_{N \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le x \le 1} \left| P\left\{ \frac{S_{rs}}{N} \le x \right\} - P\{Z_{rs} \le x\} \right| = 0 \tag{3.6}
$$

where  $Z_{rs} = F_Y(X_{s:n}) - F_Y(X_{r:n})$  (see [\[3\]](#page-97-0)). The probability density function of  $Z_{rs}$  given in (page 33, [\[28\]](#page-99-0)) is

$$
f(z_{rs}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{Beta(s-r,n-s+r+1)} z_{rs}^{s-r-1} (1-z_{rs})^{n-s+r} & \text{if } 0 \le z_{rs} \le 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
$$

that is,  $Z_{rs}$  has a  $Beta(s-r, n-s+r+1)$  distribution. [\(3.6\)](#page-45-1) can be extended for any random interval  $(g_1(X_1, \ldots, X_n), g_2(X_1, \ldots, X_n))$  as

$$
\lim_{N \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le x \le 1} \left| P \left\{ \frac{S_{rs}}{N} \le x \right\} - P \{ F_Y(g_2(X_1, ..., X_n)) - F_Y(g_1(X_1, ..., X_n)) \le x \} \right|
$$
  
= 0,  
where  $g_1(X_1, ..., X_n) \le g_2(X_1, ..., X_n) \ \forall (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \in \mathbb{R}$  (see [3] and [11]).

,

When  $F_X(\cdot)$  is not necessarily equal to  $F_Y(\cdot)$ , the statement

$$
\lim_{N \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le x \le 1} \left| P \left\{ \frac{S_{rs}}{N} \le x \right\} - P \{ F_Y(X_{s:n}) - F_Y(X_{r:n}) \} = 0 \right| = 0 \tag{3.7}
$$

is true for any r and s satisfying  $1 \le r < s \le n$ .

## 3.2 Exceedance statistics from dependent random variables

In this section we present the distributional properties of exceedance statistics of finite Farlie-Gumbel-Morgenstern (FGM) sequences regarding a random threshold which is studied by [\[7\]](#page-97-1). FGM class of multivariate distributions was discussed by [\[57\]](#page-102-1), [\[37\]](#page-100-2) and [\[33\]](#page-100-3) and improved specifically in the works of [\[45\]](#page-101-4) and [\[46\]](#page-101-5) who introduced an additional parameter to achieve stronger correlation structure.

#### 3.2.1 FGM and s-FGM random variables

First we give the general definitions of random FGM and s-FGM sequences.

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $\{X_i\}_{i\geq 1}$  be a random sequence of random variables with the cumulative distribution functions  $F_1(x), F_2(x), \ldots, F_n(x)$ , and  $\alpha(\cdot, \cdot)$  be a symmetric function (i.e.  $\alpha(m, k) = \alpha(k, m)$ ). If the joint distribution of  $X_{i_1}, X_{i_2}, \ldots, X_{i_n}$  is

$$
H_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{k=1}^n F_{i_k}(x_k) \left\{ 1 + \sum_{1 \le m < k \le n} \alpha(i_m, i_k) \overline{F}_{i_m}(x_m) \overline{F}_{i_k}(x_k) \right\},\tag{3.8}
$$

where  $\overline{F}(x) = 1 - F(x)$ , then the sequence  $\{X_i\}_{i \geq 1}$  is called FGM random sequence.

The following definition is important to understand the distributional behaviours of exceedances from dependent variates.

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n)$  be a n variate FGM random vector with the marginal cdfs  $F_1(x), F_2(x), \ldots, F_n(x)$ , respectively and  $\alpha_n$  be a real number. If these random variables have the following joint distribution function

$$
H_{1,2,...,n}(x_1,...,x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n F_i(x_i) \left\{ 1 + \alpha_n \sum_{1 \le m < k \le n} \overline{F}_m(x_m) \overline{F}_k(x_k) \right\},\qquad(3.9)
$$

where  $\overline{F}_m(x) = 1 - F_m(x_m)$  and for a given n the real number  $\alpha_n$  is admissible, that is

$$
1 + \alpha_n \sum_{1 \le m < k \le n} \epsilon_m \epsilon_k \ge 0
$$

holds for all  $\epsilon_m = \pm 1$  then the random variables  $(X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n)$  are called simple FGM random variables.

For further discussions on s-FGM distribution, we refer the reader to [\[7\]](#page-97-1).

#### 3.2.2 Exceedances in multivariate s-FGM distributions

Suppose that  $X$  is a random variable with the continuous distribution function  $F(\cdot)$  and  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_N$  are s-FGM random variables with identical marginal distribution and pdf  $G(x_i)$  and pdf  $g(x_i)$  ( $-\infty \leq x_i \leq \infty$ ,  $i = 1, ..., N$ ), respectively. The joint pdf of  $(Y1, Y2, \ldots, Y_N)$  is given as follows

$$
h(x_1,...,x_N) = \prod_{i=1}^N g(x_i) \left\{ 1 + \alpha_N \sum_{1 \le m < k \le N} (1 - 2G(x_m))(1 - 2G(x_k)) \right\}
$$

with  $\alpha_N$  satisfying

<span id="page-47-0"></span>
$$
-\frac{1}{\binom{N}{2}} \le \alpha \le \frac{1}{\left[\frac{N}{2}\right]},\tag{3.10}
$$

where  $[a]$  denotes the integer part of the real number a.

Denote the number of observations of  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_N$ 's falling into interval

$$
(-\infty, X) \text{ by } S = \sum_{k=1}^{N} I_{\{(-\infty, X)\}}(Y_k), \text{ where}
$$

$$
I_{\{(-\infty, X)\}}(Y_k) = \begin{cases} 1, & Y_k \in (-\infty, X) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
$$

The exact distribution of  $S$  is obtained by  $[7]$  as given in the following theorem

**Theorem 3.1** For any integer  $N \ge 1$  and real number  $\alpha$  satisfying [\(3.10\)](#page-47-0)

$$
P\{S = k\} = \binom{N}{k} \left[ E(G^k(X)\overline{G}^{N-k}(X)) + \alpha_N \left( \frac{k(k-1)}{2} E(G^k(X)\overline{G}^{N-k+2}(X)) - k(N-k)E(G^{k+1}(X)\overline{G}^{N-k+1}(X)) \right) + \frac{(N-k)(N-k-1)}{2} E(G^{k+2}(X)\overline{G}^{N-k}(X)) \right]
$$
\n(3.11)

where  $k = 0, 1, ..., N$  and  $\overline{G}(x) = 1 - G(x)$ . (see theorem 4.1 in [\[7\]](#page-97-1)).

Proof.

$$
P\{S = k\}
$$
  
\n
$$
= {N \choose k} P\{Y_{i_1} \leq X, \dots, Y_{i_k} \leq X, Y_{i_{k+1}} > X, \dots, Y_{i_N} > X\}
$$
  
\n
$$
= {N \choose k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\{Y_{i_1} \leq x, \dots, Y_{i_k} \leq x, Y_{i_{k+1}} > x, \dots, Y_{i_N} > x\} f(x) dx
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{x} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{x} \int_{x}^{\infty} \dots \int_{x}^{\infty} h_{1, \dots, k, \dots, N}(x_1, \dots, x_N) dx_1 \dots dx_N dF(x)
$$
  
\n
$$
= {N \choose k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{x} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{x} \int_{x}^{\infty} \dots \int_{x}^{\infty} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^{N} g(x_i) \left\{ 1 + \alpha_N \sum_{1 \leq m < k \leq N} (1 - 2G(x_m)) \right\} \right]
$$
  
\n
$$
(1 - 2G(x_k))\} \times dx_1 \dots dx_N dF(x)
$$

,

By changing variable  $G(x_i) = z_i$ ,  $i = 1, ..., N$  we obtain the following integration

$$
= \binom{N}{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{G(x)} \cdots \int_{0}^{G(x)} \int_{G(x)}^{1} \cdots \int_{1 \le m < k \le N}^{1} (1 - 2z_m)(1 - 2z_k)
$$
  
\n
$$
du_1 \ldots dz_N dF(x)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \binom{N}{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ G^k(x) \overline{G}^{N-k}(x) + \alpha_N \left( \frac{k(k-1)}{2} G^k(x) \overline{G}^{N-k+2}(x) \right) \right]
$$
  
\n
$$
-k(N-k)G^{k+1}(x) \overline{G}^{N-k+1}(x)
$$
  
\n
$$
+ \frac{(N-k)(N-k-1)}{2} G^{k+2}(x) \overline{G}^{N-k}(x) \left[ dF(x) \right]
$$

**Corollary 3.2** It is easy to obtain that under the hypothesis  $F(\cdot) = G(\cdot)$ 

$$
P\{S = k\}
$$
  
=  $\binom{N}{k} \left[ B(k+1, N-k+1) + \alpha_N \left( \frac{k(k-1)}{2} B(k+1, N-k+3) \right) \right]$   
 $-k(N-k)B(k+2, N-k+2)$   
 $+\frac{(m-k)(m-k-1)}{2} B(k+3, N-k+1) \Big)$   
 $k = 0, 1, ..., N \text{ and } -\frac{1}{\binom{N}{2}} \le \alpha \le \frac{1}{\lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor}, \text{ where } B(a, b) \text{ is a beta function.}$ 

Assume that  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  is the finite s-FGM sequence of random variables and  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_N, \ldots$  is a sequence of IID random variables with distribution function F and G, respectively. Let  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{1:n} \leq \cdots \leq X_{1:n}$  be the order statistics corresponding to  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$ .

Denote the number of observations of  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_N$ 's falling into interval

 $\Box$ 

$$
(-\infty, X_{r:n})
$$
 by  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{N} I_{\{(-\infty, X_{r:n})\}}(Y_k)$ , where

$$
I_{\{(-\infty, X_{r:n})\}}(Y_k) = \begin{cases} 1, & Y_k \in (-\infty, X_{r:n}) \\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}
$$

The exact distribution of  $S$  is obtained by  $[7]$  as given in the following theorem

**Theorem 3.3** It is true that under the hypothesis  $F(\cdot) = G(\cdot)$  for any integer  $N \geq 1$  and  $1 \leq r \leq n$ 

<span id="page-50-2"></span>
$$
P\{T = k\}
$$
  
=  $\binom{N}{k} \sum_{i=r}^{n} (-1)^{i-r} \binom{i-1}{r-1} \binom{n}{i} \left[ iB(i+k, N-k+1) + \alpha_n \left( \frac{i^2(i-1)}{2} B(i+k, N-k+3) - i(i-1)B(i+k+1, N-k+2) \right) \right]$   
 $k = 0, 1, ..., N \text{ and } -\frac{1}{\binom{N}{2}} \le \alpha \le \frac{1}{\lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor}, \text{ where } B(a, b) \text{ is a beta function.}$  (3.12)

Proof.

<span id="page-50-1"></span>
$$
P\{T = k\}
$$
  
=  $\binom{N}{k} P\{Y_{i_1} \le X_{r:n}, \dots, Y_{i_k} \le X_{r:n}, Y_{i_{k+1}} > X_{r:n}, \dots, Y_{i_N} > X_{r:n}\}$   
=  $\binom{N}{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\{Y_{i_1} \le x, \dots, Y_{i_k} \le x, Y_{i_{k+1}} > x, \dots, Y_{i_N} > x\} f_{r:n}(x) dx$  (3.13)

It is important to note that for symmetrically distributed random variables the distribution function of the rth largest order statistic can be given (page 99 in [\[29\]](#page-100-4))

<span id="page-50-0"></span>
$$
P(X_{r:n} \le x) = \sum_{i=r}^{n} (-1)^{i-r} {i-1 \choose r-1} {n \choose i} P(X_{i:i} \le x)
$$
 (3.14)

Since for any s-variate marginals of  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  the  $\alpha_i$  is equal to  $\alpha_n$ ,

$$
P(X_{i:i} \leq x) = F^{i}(x) \left\{ 1 + \alpha_n \frac{i(i-1)}{2} (1 - F(x))^2 \right\}.
$$

Substituting  $(3.14)$  in  $(3.13)$ , we obtain the following equation

$$
P\{T = k\}
$$
  
=  $\binom{N}{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G^k(x) (1 - G(x))^{N-k} \sum_{i=r}^n (-1)^{i-r} \binom{i-1}{r-1} \binom{n}{i}$   
  $\times \left\{ iF^{i-1}(x)f(x) + \alpha_n \frac{i^2(i-1)}{2} F^{i-1}(x) (1 - F(x))^2 f(x) -\alpha_n i(i-1) F^i(x) (1 - F(x)) f(x) \right\} dx$ 

Since  $F(\cdot) = G(\cdot)$  and using the transformation  $F(x) = z$ , one can easily get  $P\{T = k\}$ 

$$
= {N \choose k} \sum_{i=r}^{n} (-1)^{i-r} {i-1 \choose r-1} {n \choose i} \left\{ i \int_{0}^{1} z^{i+k-1} (1-z)^{N-k} dz + \alpha_n \frac{i^2 (i-1)}{2} \int_{0}^{1} z^{i+k-1} (1-z)^{N-k+2} dz - \alpha_n i (i-1) \int_{0}^{1} z^{i+k} (1-z)^{N-k+1} dz \right\}.
$$

Corollary 3.4 For  $r = n$ , [\(3.12\)](#page-50-2) becomes

$$
P\{T = k\} = {N \choose k} [nB(n+k, N-k+1)
$$
  
+ $\alpha_n \left( \frac{n^2(n-1)}{2} B(n+k, N-k+3) - n(n-1)B(n+k+1, N-k+2) \right)$ 

### 3.3 Various examples of exceedance models

In this section we aim to create an understanding of the theory and applications of exceedances for the reader by discussing the findings and developments presented in several early and recent research papers.

### 3.3.1 Statistical prediction with respect to the tolerance limits

In the early 1940's, exceedance statistics are used by [\[81\]](#page-104-3) in statistical quality control to make statistical predictions about measurements on a specific quality characteristic in the future production. [\[81\]](#page-104-3) first supposed that a random sample  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n)$  of *n* observations of a certain characteristic are continuous random variables with common pdf  $f(x)$ .

Considering the order statistics  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{2:n} \leq \cdots \leq X_{n:n}$  corresponding to the given sample, the problem of tolerance limits for one or two quality characteristics based on the initial sample is discussed. After a future sample  $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_m)$  of size m, the problems of prediction related to the second sample are considered in [\[81\]](#page-104-3).

These problems can be briefly addressed as

- 1. What is the probability that at least  $m_0$  of the values of **X** in the second sample will exceed the smallest observation in the initial sample?
- 2. What is the probability that at least  $m_0$  of the values of **X** in the second sample will lie between the smallest and the largest observation in the initial sample?

Now it is interesting to see the findings about the given problems in the following sections.

#### General probability formula

Define  $100S_{\alpha}\%$  tolerance limits  $T_{lower}(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n)$  and  $T_{upper}(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n)$  for probability level  $\alpha$  as two functions of the  $X's$  in the first sample. The probability that at least  $100S_\alpha\%$  observations of the second indefinitely large sample will fall between  $T_{lower}$  and  $T_{upper}$  is  $\alpha$  which is

$$
P\left\{\int_{T_{lower}}^{T_{upper}} dF(x) \ge S_{\alpha}\right\} = \alpha.
$$
 (3.15)

When the size of the future sample is finite, the same notation can be used. However, this time we are interested in the largest integer  $m_{\alpha}$  such that the probability that at least  $100\overline{S}_{\alpha}\%$  ( $\overline{S} = \frac{m_{\alpha}}{m}$  $\frac{n_{\alpha}}{m}$ ) of the Y's will lie between  $T_{lower}$  and  $T_{upper}$  is at least  $\alpha$ .

Now considering the tolerance limits are the order statistics, the results might be simple and independent of the pdf  $f(x)$ . Remember  $X_{1:n} \leq X_{2:n} \leq \cdots \leq X_{n:n}$ are the order statistics obtained from the initial sample. Assume that  $r_1, r_2, \ldots, r_k$ are the integers such that  $1 \leq r_1 < r_2 < \cdots < r_k \leq n$ . Let  $x_{r_1}, x_{r_2}, \ldots, x_{r_k}$ be real numbers. By integrating the product of the conditional probability that  $m_1, m_2, \ldots, m_{k+1}$  of the values from second sample will fall in the intervals  $(-\infty, x_{r_1}), (x_{r_1}, x_{r_2}), \ldots, (x_{r_k}, \infty)$  respectively given that the joint pdf of  $X_{r_1:n} X_{r_2:n}, \ldots, X_{r_k:n}$  and the joint pdf of  $X_{r_1:n} X_{r_2:n}, \ldots, X_{r_k:n}$  (given in  $(1.1))$  $(1.1))$ ) with respect to the  $x's$  we obtain

$$
P\{m_0, m_1, \ldots, m_{k+1}\} =
$$

<span id="page-53-0"></span>
$$
\frac{m!n!(m_1+r_1-1)!(m_2+r_2-r_1-1)!\cdots(m_k+r_k-r_{k-1}-1)!(m_{k+1}+n-r_k)!}{(r_1-1)!(r_2-r_1-1)!\cdots(r_k-r_{k-1}-1)!(n-r_k)!(m+n)!m_1!m_2!\cdots m_{k+1}!}{(3.16)}
$$

#### One tolerance limit

Considering only one tolerance limit for instance the smallest value,  $T_{lower} = X_{1:n}$ , the probability that  $m_0$  of the m future observations will exceed the smallest value of the first sample can be simply obtained using  $(3.16)$  for  $k = 1, r_1 = 1, m_2 = m_0$ and  $m_1 = m - m_0$ 

$$
g_1(m_0) = \frac{nm!(m_0 + n - 1)}{m_0!(m + n)!}
$$
\n(3.17)

Analogously, the probability that  $m_0$  of the m future observations will exceed the largest value of the first sample can be simply obtained using  $(3.16)$  for  $k = 1$ ,  $r_1 = n, m_1 = m_0$  and  $m_2 = m - m_0$ .

The recurrence relation

$$
g_1(m_0 - 1) = \frac{m_0}{m_0! + n + 1} g_1(m_0)
$$
\n(3.18)

makes it easy to calculate the values of  $g_1(m_0)$ .

#### Two tolerance limits

Now considering two tolerance limits such that the smallest  $(X_{1:n})$  and the largest  $(X_{n:n})$  observations of the first sample, using  $(3.16)$  for  $k = 2$ ,  $r_1 = 1$ ,  $r_2 = n$ ,  $m_2 = m_0$ ,  $m_3 = m - m_0 - m_1$  we obtain the joint distribution of  $m_0$  and  $m_1$ 

<span id="page-54-0"></span>
$$
g(m_0, m_1) = n(n-1) \frac{m!(m_0 + n - 2)}{m_0!(m+n)!}
$$
\n(3.19)

Summing up [\(3.19\)](#page-54-0) with reference to  $m_1$  from 0 to  $m_-m_0$ , the probability that  $m_0$  of the m future observations will lie between  $X_{1:n}$  and  $X_{n:n}$  is

$$
g_2(m_0) = n(n-1)(m-m_0+1)\frac{m!(m_0+n-2)}{m_0!(m+n)!}
$$
\n(3.20)

and the recurrence relation is

$$
g_2(m_0-1)=\frac{m_0(m-m_0+2)}{m_0!(m-m_0+1)(m_0+n-2)}g_2(m_0).
$$

The remainder of the paper [\[81\]](#page-104-3) will focus on further discussions, such as tolerance limits for two quality characteristics and the problems

- 1. For given values of n, m and level of significance  $(\alpha)$ , what is the largest integer  $m_{\alpha}$  such that the probability is at least  $\alpha$  that  $m_0 \ge m_{\alpha}$ ?
- 2. What is the limiting value of  $S_{\alpha} = \frac{m_{\alpha}}{m}$  $\frac{n_{\alpha}}{m}$  as *m* increases indefinitely (i.e. the second sample is the population)?

### 3.3.2 Some distribution free properties of statistics based on record values

Record values and exceedance statistics are of great importance in several research areas and real-life problems such as weather, economic and sports data. The statistical study of record values started with Chandler (1952). However it has now spread in different areas. As we mentioned before many theoretical studies based on exceedance statistics are also contributed to the studies of record statistics. For further details, we refer  $[1]$ ,  $[34]$ ,  $[61]$  and  $[64]$  to the reader. In this section we examine a couple of leading papers in this area which are [\[79\]](#page-104-4) and [\[3\]](#page-97-0).

The exceedance statistics in record models considered in  $\boxed{3}$  can be summarized as given in the following part.

Let  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  be a sequence of IID random variables with continuous cumulative distribution function (cdf)  $F(\cdot)$ . Suppose that the sequence  $U(1), U(2), \ldots, U(n)$  is a sequence of upper record times defined as;

$$
U(k) = \begin{cases} 1, & k = 1\\ min\{j : j > U(n-1), X_j > X_{U(n-1)}\}, & k = n \end{cases}
$$
 (3.21)

where  $k > 1$  and  $X_{U(n)}$  denotes the *nth* upper record value. It's known that the distribution function of  $X_{U(r)}$  (see [\[1\]](#page-97-2)), for  $r = 1, 2, ..., n$ 

$$
F_r(x) = P\{X_{U(r)\le x}\} = \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \int_{-\infty}^x \left(\ln \frac{1}{1 - F(u)}\right)^{r-1} f(u) du, \ -\infty < x < \infty. \tag{3.22}
$$

Hence the pdf of  $X_{U(r)}$  may be easily seen as

$$
f_r(x) = \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \left( \ln \frac{1}{1 - F(x)} \right)^{r-1}, \ -\infty < x < \infty. \tag{3.23}
$$

Suppose that  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_m$  is another sequence of IID random variables with continuous cumulative distribution function(cdf)  $F(\cdot)$ . Consider the record values  $X_{U(1)}, X_{U(2)}, \ldots, X_{U(n)}$  and  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_m$ , for any  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, m$  and  $r = 1, 2, \ldots$  it is true that

$$
P\{Y_i < X_{U(r)}\} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^r} \tag{3.24}
$$

which can be proved as

<span id="page-56-0"></span>
$$
P\{Y_i \le X_{U(r)}\}
$$
  
= 
$$
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(Y_i < x) f_r(x) dx
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{1}{(r-1)!} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(u) \left(\ln \frac{1}{1 - F(u)}\right)^{r-1} dF(u)
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{1}{(r-1)!} \int_{0}^{1} u \left(\ln \frac{1}{1 - u}\right)^{r-1} du
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{1}{(r-1)!} \int_{0}^{\infty} (z)^{r-1} (1 - e^{-z}) e^{-z} dz
$$
  
= 
$$
1 - \frac{1}{2^r}.
$$

It's clear that for any  $k, r = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $s > r$ 

$$
P\{X_{U(r)} < Y_i < X_{U(s)}\} = \frac{1}{2^r} - \frac{1}{2^s}.
$$

Define  $\xi_i(r) = 1$  if  $Y_i < X_{U(r)}$  and  $\xi_i(r) = 0$  otherwise for given r and denote the number of observations  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_m$  which are less then  $X_{U(r)}$  by  $S_m(r)$  =  $\sum_{i=1}^{m}$  $i=1$  $\xi_i(r)$ . It's important to note that since  $\xi_1(r), \xi_2(r), \ldots, \xi_m(r)$  are generally dependent, we cannot consider Bernoulli trials here. The exact distribution of  $S_m(r)$  is derived in [\[3\]](#page-97-0) as In particular, for any  $m = 1, 2, \ldots$  and  $r = 1, 2, \ldots$ 

$$
P\{S_m(r) = k\} = \frac{\binom{m}{k}}{(r-1)!} \int_0^\infty e^{-z(m-k+1)} (1 - e^{-z})^k z^{r-1} dz \tag{3.25}
$$

where  $k = 0, 1, \ldots, m$ . Proof of  $(3.25)$  is given

$$
P\{S_m(r) = k\}
$$
  
=  $\binom{m}{k} P\{Y_1 < X_{U(r)}, \dots, Y_k < X_{U(r)}, Y_{k+1} > X_{U(r)}, \dots, Y_m > X_{U(r)}\}$   
=  $\binom{m}{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\{Y_1 < z, \dots, Y_k < z, Y_{k+1} > z, \dots, Y_m > z\} f_r(z) dz$   
=  $\binom{m}{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{z} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{z} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{z}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \left(\ln \frac{1}{1 - F(z)}\right)^{r-1}$ 

 $\times dF(x_1)\cdots dF(x_m)dz$ 

$$
= \frac{\binom{m}{k}}{\binom{r-1)!}{r}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (1 - F(z))^{m-k} F^{k}(z) \left( \ln \frac{1}{1 - F(z)} \right)^{r-1} dF(z)
$$

$$
= \frac{\binom{m}{k}}{\binom{r-1)!}{0}} \int_{0}^{1} (1 - t)^{m-k} t^{k} \left( \ln \frac{1}{1 - t} \right)^{r-1} dt
$$

$$
= \frac{\binom{m}{k}}{\binom{r-1)!}{0}} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-u(m-k+1)} (1 - e^{-u})^{k} u^{r-1} du
$$

It's true that

$$
\lim_{m \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le x \le 1} \left| P \left\{ \frac{S_m(r)}{m} \le x \right\} - \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \int_0^x \left( \ln \frac{1}{1-u} \right)^{r-1} du \right| = 0. \tag{3.26}
$$

#### 3.3.3 Models of exceedances based on records

[\[79\]](#page-104-4) considered more general models of exceedances based on records of two independent sequences  $\{X_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  and  $\{Y_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  with distribution functions  $F_X(\cdot)$  and  $F_Y(\cdot)$ , respectively. Investigating the behaviour of a sequence of IID random variables with respect to a random threshold, three exceedance statistics are introduced and their exact and asymptotic distributions are derived in [\[79\]](#page-104-4). Now we present the interesting theoretical results of this paper.

Let X be a random variable with a distribution function  $F_X(\cdot)$  and  $Y =$  ${Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_m}$  be a sequence of IID random variables with a common distribution  $F_Y(\cdot)$ , independent of X. Let  $Y_{1:m}, \ldots, Y_{m:m}$  be the corresponding order statistics. Denote the number of observations in the sample Y which is below the random threshold X by

$$
S_r = \# \{ r \le m : Y_r \le X \},
$$

for  $m \geq 1$ . It can also be defined as follows

$$
S_r = \max\{r \le m : Y_{r:m} \le X\}.
$$

For any integer  $m \geq 1$ , the distribution, mean and variance of  $S_m$  are given as

$$
P\{S_r=x\} = \binom{m}{x} E(F_Y^x(X) \overline{F}_Y^{m-x}(X)), x = 0, 1, \dots, m,
$$

 $E(S_r) = mE(F_Y(X))$  and  $Var(S_r) = mE(F_Y(X)\overline{F}_Y(X)) + m^2Var(F_Y(X)),$ where  $\overline{F}_Y(X)$  = 1 –  $F_Y(X)$ .

Secondly, the number  $T_r$  of Y's below the random level X in a sample of the size  $T_r + m$  with the last observation exceeding the level X is considered.

For any integer  $m \geq 1$ 

$$
T_r = \# \{ r \ge 0 : S_{m+r-1} = r, Y_{m+r} > X \}
$$

In terms of order statistics

$$
T_r = \min\{r \ge 0 : Y_{r+1:m+r} > X\}
$$

The distribution and the first two conditional moments of  $T_r$  can be given as follows.

Assume that  $P(F_Y(X) < 1) > 0$ . For any integer  $m \geq 1$ 

$$
P(T_r = x) = {m + x - 1 \choose m - 1} E(F_Y^x(X) \overline{F}_Y^m(X)), x = 0, 1, ...
$$

 $E(T_r) = mE(\frac{F_Y(X)}{F_Y(X)}$  $\frac{F_Y(X)}{\overline{F}_Y(X)}I_{(0,1)}(F_Y(X)))$  and  $Var(T_r) = mE(\frac{F_Y(X)}{F_X^2(X)})$  $\frac{F_Y(X)}{F_Y^2(X)}I_{(0,1)}(F_Y(X))) + m^2Var(\frac{F_Y(X)}{F_Y(X)})$  $\frac{F_Y(X)}{\overline{F}_Y(X)}I_{(0,1)}(F_Y(X)))$ 

The last exceedance investigated in  $[79]$  was the number of records K of the sequence Y falling below the random threshold X. Let  $U(r)$  be the rth record time for the sequence Y,  $r = 1, 2, \ldots$ , i.e.  $U(1) = 1$  and  $U(r) = \min\{i >$  $U(r-1): Y_i > Y_{U(r-1)}\}, r = 2, 3, \dots$  Then

$$
K = \min\{r \ge 0 : Y_{U(r+1)} > X\}.
$$

Assume that  $P(F_Y(X) < 1) > 0$ . The exact distribution, mean and variance of  $\boldsymbol{K}$  is

$$
P(K = x) = \frac{1}{x!}E(\overline{F}_Y(X)(-\log(\overline{F}_Y(X)))^r I_{(0,1)}(F_Y(X))), x = 0, 1, ...
$$

 $E(K) = -E(\log(\overline{F}_Y(X))I_{(0,1)}F_Y(X))$  and

 $Var(K) = -E(\log(\overline{F}_Y(X))I_{(0,1)}F_Y(X)) + Var(\log(\overline{F}_Y(X))I_{(0,1)}F_Y(X))$ 

## Chapter 4

# Main Results

Assume that  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  are independent random variables with continuous distribution functions  $F_1(t)$ ,  $F_2(t)$ , ...,  $F_n(t)$ , respectively and  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_2$ , ...,  $Y_m$  are independent copies of random variable  $Y$  with continuous distribution function  $G$ . Let  $X_{1:n} \leq \cdots \leq X_{n:n}$  be the order statistics constructed from  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$ . For  $1 \leq r < s \leq n$ , let us define the random variable

$$
S_m = \sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i,
$$

where  $\xi_i$  is zero when  $Y_{i_1} \in (X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})$  and 1 otherwise. It is clear that  $S_m$  is the number of observations falling into random threshold  $(X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})$  and is the exceedance statistic defined as

$$
P\{S_m = k\}
$$
  
=  $\sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m} P\{\xi_{i_1} = 1, \dots, \xi_{i_k} = 1, \xi_{i_{k+1}} = 0, \dots, \xi_{i_m} = 0\}$   
=  $\sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m} P\{Y_{i_1} \in (X_{r:n}, X_{s:n}), \dots, Y_{i_k} \in (X_{r:n}, X_{s:n}),$  (4.1)  
 $Y_{i_{k+1}} \notin (X_{r:n}, X_{s:n}), \dots, Y_{i_m} \notin (X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})\}$ 

The distribution theory of exceedance statistics have been studied in numerous papers which appeared in recent years in statistical literature. See e.g. [\[3\]](#page-97-0), [\[79\]](#page-104-4), [\[5\]](#page-97-3), [\[6\]](#page-97-4), [\[7\]](#page-97-1), [\[13\]](#page-98-2), [\[12\]](#page-98-3) and [\[4\]](#page-97-5).

In general, the derivation of the distribution of exceedance statistic  $S_m$  faces technical difficulties connected with the permanent expressions for joint distribution function. Indeed, one has

$$
P\{S_m = k\} = \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m} \int \int P\{Y_{i_1} \in (x, y), \dots, Y_{i_k} \in (x, y), \qquad (4.2)
$$

$$
Y_{i_{k+1}} \notin (x, y), \dots, Y_{i_m} \notin (x, y)\} f_{r,s}(x, y) dx dy,
$$

where the summation extends over all m! permutations  $(i_1, i_2, \ldots, i_m)$  of  $1, 2, \ldots, m$ .

Considering the formula [\(1.4\)](#page-15-0) one can observe that even for the special distributions  $F_1, F_2, \ldots, F_n$  the calculation of  $P\{S_m = k\}$  meets with great difficulties and the formula that can be obtained is not convincing for applications. However, the asymptotic distribution of  $\frac{S_m}{m}$  can be found by using the functional representations using empirical distribution functions.

In this study we focus on asymptotic distributions of exceedance statistics based on INID random variables. We show that  $\frac{S_m}{m}$  converges in distribution to the random variable  $G(X_{s:n}) - G(X_{r:n})$ . Afterwards, we investigate some special distributions for which the distribution of exceedance statistics can be expressed in a good form. More precisely, we consider the  $F^{\alpha}$  scheme introduced by [\[62\]](#page-103-3) (see also [\[62\]](#page-103-3), [\[67\]](#page-103-4), [\[68\]](#page-103-5)) and in a special case when  $r = 1$  and  $s = n$  derive the distribution function of  $G(X_{n:n}) - G(X_{1:n}).$ 

**Theorem 4.1** Assume that  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n, \ldots$  and  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_n, \ldots$  are idependent. It is true that

$$
\lim_{m \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le x \le 1} \left\{ \left| P \left\{ \frac{S_m}{m} \le x \right\} - P \left\{ W_{rs} \le x \right\} \right| \right\} = 0,\tag{4.3}
$$

where  $W_{rs} = G(X_{s:n}) - G(X_{r:n}).$ 

Proof. We have

<span id="page-63-0"></span>
$$
S_m = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \xi_i = \sum_{i=1}^{m} I_{\{(X_{r:n} \mid X_{s:n})\}}(Y_i)
$$
\n(4.4)

where  $I_A(x) = 1$  if  $x \in A$  and  $I_A(x) = 1$  if  $x \notin A$ . Using the representation [\(4.4\)](#page-63-0) and conditioning on  $X_{r:n}$  and  $X_{s:n}$  we can write

<span id="page-63-1"></span>
$$
P\left\{\frac{S_m}{m} \leq x\right\}
$$
  
=  $P\left\{\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} I_{\{(X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})\}}(Y_i) \leq x\right\}$   
=  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\left\{\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} I_{\{(X_{r:n}, X_{s:n})\}}(Y_i) \leq x | X_{r:n} = t, X_{s:n} = z\right\} dF_{X_{r:n}, X_{s:n}}(t, z)$   
=  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\left\{\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} I_{\{(t,z)\}}(Y_i) \leq x\right\} dF_{X_{r:n}, X_{s:n}}(t, z)$  (4.5)  
=  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{\{(t,z)\}}(u) dG_m^*(u) \leq x\right\} dF_{X_{r:n}, X_{s:n}}(t, z)$ 

where  $G_m^*(u) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{n=1}^{m}$  $\sum_{i=1} I_{\{Y_i \leq u\}}$  is the empirical distribution function of sample  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_m.$ 

Denote the functional of  $G$  as

$$
\Im(G) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{(t,z)}(u) dG(u) \tag{4.6}
$$

and then

$$
\Im(G_m^*) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{(t,z)}(u) dG_m^*(u).
$$

Since the functional  $\Im(.)$  is continuous according to uniform metric, and using

Glivenko-Cantelli Theorem  $P\{w : \sup_u |G_m^*(u) - G(u)| \to 0\} = 1$  we have

$$
\Im(G_m^*) \to \Im(G), \text{ a.s. as } m \to \infty,
$$

i.e.

$$
P\left\{w: \lim_{m\to\infty} \Im(G_m^*) = \Im(G)\right\} = 1.
$$

Then from [\(4.5\)](#page-63-1) we have for  $m \to \infty$ 

$$
P\left\{\frac{S_m}{m} \leq x\right\}
$$
\n
$$
= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{(t,z)}(u) dG_m^*(u) \leq x\right\} dF_{X_{r:n},X_{s:n}}(t,z)
$$
\n
$$
\to \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{(t,z)}(u) dG(u) \leq x\right\} dF_{X_{r:n},X_{s:n}}(t,z)
$$
\n
$$
= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{(t,z)}(u) dG(u) \leq x \mid X_{r:n} = t, X_{s:n} = z\right\} dF_{X_{r:n},X_{s:n}}(t,z)
$$
\n
$$
= P\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{(X_{r:n},X_{s:n})}(u) dG(u) \leq x\right\}
$$
\n
$$
= P\left\{\int_{X_{r:n}}^{X_{s:n}} dG(u) \leq x\right\}
$$
\n
$$
= P\left\{G(X_{s:n}) - G(X_{r:n}) \leq x\right\}
$$

Thus the Theorem is proved.

**Remark 4.2** The distribution function of the random variable  $W_{rs}$  in case of independent and identically distributed random variables can be found in [\[28\]](#page-99-0).

For INID random variables the distribution of  $W_{rs}$  in general has complicated form. However, for some special cases this distribution can be easily calculated.

 $\Box$ 

In the following theorem the pdf of  $W_{1n} = G(X_{n:n}) - G(X_{1:n})$  is derived. It is interesting that this pdf can be expressed in terms of permutations with inversions, incomplete beta function and hypergeometric functions. For permutation with inversions see [\[51\]](#page-102-2) and for incomplete beta function and hypergeometric functions see [\[22\]](#page-99-1). Below we provide information about permutations with inversions which can be found e.g. [\[55\]](#page-102-3).

## 4.1 Asymptotic distribution of the exceedance statistics from INID random variables

#### Permutation Inversions

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n$  be a permutation of the set  $\{1, 2, \ldots, n\}$ . If  $i < j$  and  $a_i > a_j$ , the pair  $(a_i, a_j)$  is called an "inversion" of the permutation.

For example, the permutation 4312 has five inversions which are  $(4,3)$ ,  $(4,1)$ ,  $(4, 2), (3, 1)$  and  $(3, 2)$ . Each inversion is a pair of elements that is *out of order*, and it's clear that the only permutation with no inversions is the unordered permutation. Let  $I_n(k)$  denote the number of permutations of length n with k inversions. In the following an explicit formula for  $I_n(k)$  when  $k \leq n$  (see [\[51\]](#page-102-2)) is given

$$
I_n(k) = {n+k-1 \choose k} + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (-1)^j {n+k-u_j-j-1 \choose k-u_j-j} + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (-1)^j {n+k-u_j-1 \choose k-u_j}.
$$

The binomial coefficients are defined to be zero when the lower index is negative. The  $u_j$  are the pentagonal numbers defined as

$$
u_j = \frac{j(3j-1)}{2}
$$
  $j = 1, 2, ....$ 



Table 1. The exact value of  $I_n(k)$  for specific n and k values

<span id="page-66-0"></span>**Theorem 4.3** Let  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n, \ldots$  be a sequence of independent random variables with the continuous distribution functions  $F_1, F_2, \ldots, F_n, \ldots$ , respectively and  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_m$  be independent copies of random variable Y with continuous distribution function G where

$$
F_i(t) = G^i(t), \quad \forall t \in R, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.
$$
 (4.7)

Consider  $W_n \equiv W_{1n} = G(X_{n:n}) - G(X_{1:n})$ . Then the pdf of  $W_{1n}$  is

<span id="page-67-0"></span>
$$
f_{W_n}(w)
$$
  
=  $I_n(0) \left[ w^{n-2} \frac{2\binom{n}{2}}{\binom{n}{2}+1} \left( 1 - w^{\binom{n}{2}+1} \right) + n w^{n-1} \left( 1 - w^{\binom{n}{2}} \right) \right]$   
+  $\sum_{i=1}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_n(i) \left\{ 2(-1)^{-(i+1)} \binom{n}{2} w^{\binom{n+1}{2}-1} Beta \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{w}, i + 1, \binom{n}{2} - i + 1 \right] \right\}$   
+  $n(-1)^{-(i+1)} \left( \binom{n}{2} - i \right) w^{\binom{n+1}{2}} Beta \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{w}, i + 1, \binom{n}{2} - i \right]$   
-  $n (1 - w)^i w^{n-2} {}_{2}F_1 \left[ 1, \binom{n}{2} + 1, i + 1, 1 - \frac{1}{w} \right]$   
+  $i(-1)^{-(i+1)} \left( \binom{n}{2} - i \right) w^{\binom{n+1}{2}-1} Beta \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{w}, i, \binom{n}{2} - 1 \right]$  (4.8)

if  $0 \leq w \leq 1$  and  $f_W(w) = 0$ , otherwise. In  $(4.8)$   $_2F_1[a, b, c, z]$  is the Gaussian hypergeometric function which is defined as

$$
{}_2F_1[a, b, c, z] = 1 + \frac{ab}{1!c}z + \frac{a(a+1)b(b+1)}{2!c(c+1)}z^2 + \cdots
$$

$$
= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n(b)_n}{(c)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}
$$

and  $(x)_n = \frac{\Gamma(x+n)}{\Gamma(x)} = x(x+1)\dots(x+n-1)$  for  $n \geq 0$ , and  $Beta[z, a, b]$  is the incomplete beta function defined by

$$
Beta[z, a, b] \equiv \int_{0}^{z} u^{a-1} (1 - u)^{b-1} du.
$$

**Remark 4.4** In special cases when  $n = 2, n = 3$ , the pdf given in [\(4.8\)](#page-67-0) is

$$
f_{W_2}(w) = 2 - 2w, \ 0 \le w \le 1
$$
  

$$
f_{W_3}(w) = 9w - 18w^2 + 14w^3 - 5w^4, \ 0 \le w \le 1,
$$

respectively. It is clear that these densities are polynomial for any n.

Before proving Theorem [4.3](#page-66-0) we need some auxiliary lemmas. Also the following theorem due to [\[25\]](#page-99-2) will be used in the proof.

<span id="page-68-0"></span>**Theorem 4.5** ([\[25\]](#page-99-2). see [\[27\]](#page-99-3) Section 6.4, Theorem B) The number  $I_n(k)$  of permutations of n with  $k$  inversions satisfies the following recurrence relations:

$$
I_n(k) = \sum_{\max(0,k-n+1) \le j \le k} I_{n-1}(j)
$$

for each  $n \geq 1$ .  $I_n(0) = 1$  for each  $n \geq 1$  and  $I_0(k) = 1$  for each  $k \geq 1$ .

**Lemma 4.6** For any  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and positive integer n the following identity is valid

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{n} (y^{i} - x^{i}) = (y - x)^{n} \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_{n}(i) y^{\binom{n}{2} - i} x^{i}.
$$

*Proof.* We use mathematical induction. For  $n = 1$  we have

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{1} (y^{i} - x^{i}) = (y - x) = (y - x) \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{1}{2}} I_{1}(i) y^{\binom{1}{2} - i} x^{i}
$$

$$
= (y - x) [I_{1}(0)y^{0}x^{0}] = (y - x),
$$

and for  $n = 2$  we have

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{2} (y^{i} - x^{i}) = (y - x)(y^{2} - x^{2}) = (y - x)^{2} \sum_{i=0}^{2} I_{2}(i) y^{2} (-i)^{2}
$$

$$
= (y - x)^{2} [I_{2}(0)y^{1}x^{0} + I_{2}(1)y^{0}x^{1}]
$$

$$
= (y - x)^2 (x + y) = (y - x)(y^2 - x^2).
$$

Therefore the assertion of the lemma is clearly true for  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$ .

Now, using mathematical induction we will show that if for each  $n \geq 1$  it is true that

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{n} (y^{i} - x^{i}) = (y - x)^{n} \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_{n}(i) y^{\binom{n}{2} - i} x^{i},
$$

then

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} (y^i - x^i) = (y - x)^{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} I_{n+1}(i) y^{\binom{n+1}{2} - i} x^i.
$$

Indeed, one has

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} (y^i - x^i) = (y^{n+1} - x^{n+1}) \prod_{i=1}^n (y^i - x^i)
$$
  
\n
$$
= (y - x)(y^n + y^{n-1}x + \dots + yx^{n-1} + x^n) \prod_{i=1}^n (y^i - x^i)
$$
  
\n
$$
= (y - x)^{n+1} (y^n + y^{n-1}x + \dots + yx^{n-1} + x^n) \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_n(i) y^{\binom{n}{2} - i} x^i
$$
  
\n
$$
= (y - x)^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_n(i) y^{\binom{n}{2} - i + n - k} x^{i+k}
$$
  
\n
$$
= (y - x)^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \left[ I_n(0) y^{\binom{n}{2} + n - k} x^k + I_n(1) y^{\binom{n}{2} + n - k - 1} x^{k+1} + \dots + I_n(\binom{n}{2} - 1) y^{n+k+1} x^{\binom{n}{2} + k - 1} + I_n(\binom{n}{2}) x^{\binom{n}{2} + k} \right].
$$

Therefore,

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} (y^i - x^i) = (y^{n+1} - x^{n+1})
$$
\n
$$
\times \left[ I_n(0) y^{\binom{n}{2}+n} + I_n(1) y^{\binom{n}{2}+n-1} x + \dots + I_n(\binom{n}{2}) y^n x^{\binom{n}{2}} \right.
$$
\n
$$
+ I_n(0) y^{\binom{n}{2}+n-1} x + I_n(1) y^{\binom{n}{2}+n-2} x^2 + \dots + I_n(\binom{n}{2}) y^{n-1} x^{\binom{n}{2}+1}
$$
\n
$$
+ \dots
$$
\n
$$
+ I_n(0) y^{\binom{n}{2}+1} x^{n-1} + I_n(1) y^{\binom{n}{2}} x^n + \dots + I_n(\binom{n}{2}) y x^{\binom{n}{2}+n-1}
$$
\n
$$
+ I_n(0) y^{\binom{n}{2}} x^n + I_n(1) y^{\binom{n}{2}-1} x^{n+1} + \dots + I_n(\binom{n}{2}) x^{\binom{n}{2}+n} \right]
$$

and

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} (y^i - x^i) = (y^{n+1} - x^{n+1}) \left[ I_n(0) y^{\binom{n}{2} + n} \right.
$$
  
+  $(I_n(0) + I_n(1)) y^{\binom{n}{2} + n - 1} x$   
+  $(I_n(0) + I_n(1) + I_n(2)) y^{\binom{n}{2} + n - 2} x^2 + \cdots$   
+  $(I_n(0) + I_n(1) + \cdots + I_n(n)) y^{\binom{n}{2}} x^n$   
+  $(I_n(1) + I_n(2) + \cdots + I_n(n+1)) y^{\binom{n}{2} - 1} x^{n+1}$   
+  $(I_n(2) + I_n(3) + \cdots + I_n(n+2)) y^{\binom{n}{2} - 2} x^{n+2} + \cdots$   
+  $I_n(\binom{n}{2} + n) x^{\binom{n}{2} + n}.$ 

Finally, using Theorem [4.5](#page-68-0) one can write

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} (y^i - x^i) = (y^{n+1} - x^{n+1})
$$
\n
$$
\left[ \sum_{\max(0,0-(n+1)+1) \leq j \leq 0} J_n(j) y^{n+1} + \sum_{\max(0,1-(n+1)+1) \leq j \leq 1} J_n(j) y^{n+1} - x + \cdots \right]
$$
\n
$$
+ \sum_{\max(0,0)} J_n(j) y^{n+1} - x^{n+1} \prod_{\max(0,0)} J_n(j) - x^{n+1} \prod_{\max
$$

which proves the Lemma.

**Lemma 4.7** Let the conditions of the Theorem [4.3](#page-66-0) be satisfied. Denote by  $H(x, y)$ the joint distribution function of  $G(X_{1:n})$  and  $G(X_{n:n})$ . It is true that

$$
H(x,y) = y^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} - (y-x)^n \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_n(i) y^{\binom{n}{2} - i} x^i,
$$
\n(4.9)

for  $0 \le x \le y$  and  $0 \le y \le 1$ , where  $I_n(k)$  denote the number of permutations of length n with k inversions.

 $\Box$
Proof.

<span id="page-72-0"></span>
$$
H(x, y)
$$
  
=  $P \{ G(X_{1:n}) \le x, G(X_{n:n}) \le y \}$   
=  $P \{ X_{n:n} \le G^{-1}(y) \} - P \{ G^{-1}(x) < X_{1:n}, X_{n:n} \le G^{-1}(y) \}$   
=  $P \{ X_1 \le G^{-1}(y), \dots, X_n \le G^{-1}(y) \}$   
 $- P \{ G^{-1}(x) < X_1 \le G^{-1}(y), \dots, G^{-1}(x) < X_n \le G^{-1}(y) \}$   
=  $\prod_{i=1}^n F_i(G^{-1}(y)) - \prod_{i=1}^n [F_i(G^{-1}(y)) - F_i(G^{-1}(x))]$   
=  $\prod_{i=1}^n y^i - \prod_{i=1}^n [y^i - x^i],$  (11)

where  $G^{-1}(x) = \min\{t \in \mathbb{R} : G(t) \geq x\}$  is the quantile function of G.

Then using Lemma [4.6](#page-68-0) the last expression given in [\(4.10\)](#page-72-0) can be written in terms of permutation with inversions as

$$
H(x,y) = y^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} - (y-x)^n \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_n(i) y^{\binom{n}{2} - i} x^i.
$$

Remark 4.8 [\[59\]](#page-102-0) showed that

<span id="page-72-1"></span>
$$
\frac{1}{(1-t)^n} \prod_{i=1}^n (1-t^i) = \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_n(i) t^i.
$$
 (4.11)

Using  $(4.11)$  one has

$$
\prod_{i=1}^{n} (y^{i} - x^{i}) = y^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left( 1 - \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{i} \right)
$$
\n
$$
= y^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \left( 1 - \left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right)^{n} \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_{n}(i) \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{i}
$$

and

$$
H(x,y) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} y^{i} - \prod_{i=1}^{n} (y^{i} - x^{i})
$$
  
=  $y^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \left\{ 1 - \left( 1 - \left( \frac{x}{y} \right) \right)^{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n} I_{n}(i) \left( \frac{x}{y} \right)^{i} \right\}.$  (4.12)

<span id="page-73-0"></span>**Corollary 4.9** Let the function  $h(x, y)$  denote the joint probability density function of  $G(X_{1:n})$  and  $G(X_{n:n})$ . Then

$$
h(x,y) = (y-x)^n \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_n(i) y^{\binom{n}{2} - i} x^i
$$
  
 
$$
\times \left[ \frac{2\binom{n}{2}}{(y-x)^2} + \frac{n\left(\binom{n}{2} - i\right)}{(y-x)y} - \frac{ni}{(y-x)x} - \frac{\left(\binom{n}{2} - i\right)i}{yx} \right] (4.13)
$$

for  $0 \le x \le y$  and  $0 \le y \le 1$ , where  $I_n(k)$  denote the number of permutations of length n with k inversions.

Proof.

$$
h(x,y) = \frac{\partial^2 H(x,y)}{\partial x \partial y}
$$
  
\n
$$
= -\frac{\partial^2 (y-x)^n \sum_{i=0}^{n} \left[ I_n(i) y^{\binom{n}{2} - i} x^i \right]}{\partial x \partial y}
$$
  
\n
$$
= -\frac{\binom{n}{2}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} I_n(i)} \frac{\partial^2 \left[ (y-x)^n y^{\binom{n}{2} - i} x^i \right]}{\partial x \partial y}
$$
  
\n
$$
= (y-x)^n \sum_{i=0}^{n} I_n(i) y^{\binom{n}{2} - i} x^i
$$
  
\n
$$
\times \left[ \frac{2\binom{n}{2}}{(y-x)^2} + \frac{n(\binom{n}{2} - i)}{(y-x)y} - \frac{ni}{(y-x)x} - \frac{(\binom{n}{2} - i)i}{yx} \right].
$$

Now using Lemma [4.6](#page-68-0) and Corollary [4.9](#page-73-0) we are ready to prove Theorem [4.3.](#page-66-0)

*Proof.* (*Proof of Theorem [4.3](#page-66-0)*) It is clear that the probability density function of  $W_n = G(X_{n:n}) - G(X_{1:n})$  can be obtained from the joint probability density function of  $G(X_{1:n})$  and  $G(X_{n:n}) - G(X_{1:n})$  using the linear transformation. Denote  $G(X_{1:n}) = Z_1$  and  $G(X_{n:n}) = Z_2$ . Using transformation  $T_1 = Z_1, T_2 = Z_2 - Z_1$ , we have  $Z_1 = T_1$ ,  $Z_2 = T_1 + T_2$ . The Jacobian of this transformation equals to 1 and therefore

$$
f_{T_1,T_2}(y_1, y_2) = f_{Z_1, Z_2(y_1, y_1+y_2)|J|^{-1}}
$$

$$
f_{T_2}(w) = \int_0^{1-w} f_{Z_1, Z_2}(y_1, y_1+y_2) dy_1
$$

$$
f_{W_n}(w) = \int_0^{1-w} f_{G(X_{1:n}), G(X_{n:n})}(x, x+w) dx
$$

 $\Box$ 

$$
f_{W_n}(w) = \int_0^{1-w} h(x, x+w) dx
$$
  
\n
$$
= \sum_{i=0}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_n(i) \int_0^{1-w} (x+w)^{\binom{n}{2}-i} x^i \left[ 2\binom{n}{2} w^{n-2} + \frac{n(\binom{n}{2}-i) w^{n-1}}{(x+w)} - \frac{n i w^{n-1}}{x} - \frac{\binom{n}{2}-i) i w^n}{(x+w)x} \right] dx
$$
  
\n
$$
= I_n(0) \left[ \frac{2\binom{n}{2}}{\binom{n}{2}+1} w^{n-2} (1-w^{\binom{n}{2}+1}) + n w^{n-1} \left( 1-w^{\binom{n}{2}} \right) \right]
$$
  
\n
$$
+ \sum_{i=1}^{\binom{n}{2}} I_n(i) \left\{ 2(-i)^{-(i+1)} \binom{n}{2} w^{\binom{n+1}{2}-1} B \epsilon t a \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{w}, i+1, \binom{n}{2} - i + 1 \right] + n(-1)^{-(i+1)} \left( \binom{n}{2} - i \right) w^{\binom{n+1}{2}-1} B \epsilon t a \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{w}, i+1, \binom{n}{2} - i \right] - n(1-w)^i w^{(n-2)} {}_2F_1 \left[ 1, 1 + \binom{n}{2}, i+1, 1 - \frac{1}{w} \right]
$$
  
\n
$$
+ i(-1)^{-(i+1)} \left( \binom{n}{2} - i \right) w^{\binom{n+1}{2}-1} B \epsilon t a \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{w}, i, \binom{n}{2} - 1 \right]
$$
  
\nfor  $n \ge 1, 0 \le w \le 1$ .

Thus the theorem is proved.

#### $\Box$

### 4.2 Some numerical results

#### 4.2.1 Moments of the distribution of W

In Theorem [4.3](#page-66-0) for special case of  $F_i = G^i$ , we have obtained the expression of  $f_{W_n}(w)$ , the pdf of the limiting distribution  $P\{W_{1n} \leq x\} = P\{G(X_{n:n}) G(X_{1:n}) \leq x$  which is given in [\(4.8\)](#page-67-0). This pdf presents an independent interest and below we provide some numerical results and graphs concerning the numerical characteristics, as first, second and third moments, variance and skewness of the distribution.

$\eta$	$E(W_n)$	$E(W_n^2)$	$E(W_n^3)$	$Var(W_n)$	<i>Skewness</i>
$\overline{2}$	0.333333	0.166667	0.100000	0.0555556	0.565685
3	0.466667	0.269048	0.175000	0.0512698	0.137187
$\overline{4}$	0.529293	0.326647	0.222161	0.0464964	0.00484184
5	0.562734	0.360383	0.251653	0.0437131	$-0.0377184$
6	0.582385	0.381309	0.270722	0.0421366	$-0.0492966$
7	0.594799	0.395001	0.283555	0.0412154	$-0.0502751$
8	0.603094	0.404379	0.292525	0.0406568	$-0.0480019$
9	0.60889	0.411053	0.299006	0.0403066	$-0.0451022$
10	0.613089	0.415959	0.303826	0.0400806	$-0.0424507$

Table 2. Moments, variance and skewness of  $f_{W_n}(w)$ 

for  $n = 2, ..., 10$ .

Below we provide the graphs of the pdf and cdf of  $W_n$  for different values of  $\boldsymbol{n}$ .



Figure 1. The graphs of  $f_{W_n}$  for  $n = 2, \ldots, 9$ .

Since  $f_{W_2}(w) = 2 - 2w$ , as can be seen from the Figure 1 for  $n = 2$  the pdf of





Figure 2. The graphs of  $F_{W_n}$  for  $n = 2, \ldots, 9$ .

Figure 3 and Figure 4 below provides the graphs of  $E(W_n)$ ,  $E(W_n^2)$ ,  $E(W_n^3)$ and skewness with respect to  $n$ .



Figure 3. The graphs of moments and variance with respect to n.



Figure 4. The graph of skewness with respect to  $n$ .

Additionally, from Figure 2-4 and Table 1 it can be seen that the moments  $E(W_n)$ ,  $E(W_n^2)$ ,  $E(W_n^3)$  increase as n increases. The graph of  $f_{W_n}(w)$  is right skewed for  $n = 2, 3$  and left skewed for  $n > 3$ .

#### 4.2.2 An application in insurance models

Suppose that the stationary series  $\{Y_i, i = 1, 2, ...\}$  exhibits long-range dependence and has a marginal distribution function G with upper endpoint  $y^G = sup\{y : G(y) < 1\}$ . Interest is in upper extreme values of  $\{Y_i\}$ , which we take to be those that exceed a threshold u such that  $1 - G(u)$  is small. In his study of emergency markets, [\[72\]](#page-103-0) noted that Latin American markets have significantly fatter tails than industrial markets. So, depending on the chosen threshold value  $u$ , the industrial markets data coming from regions with stable economics rarely show extreme realizations. However, the finance data generally exhibit extreme observations. The key to deriving all statistical models for such extreme values is the asymptotic theory as  $u \to y^G$  (see [\[23\]](#page-99-0), Chapter 2). The most widely used approach is peaks over threshold method. A motivation of using INID random variables to model the extremes can be found in [\[32\]](#page-100-0). The authors derive and illustrate the advantage of a new model for the distribution of a peaks over a threshold obtained under a subasymptotic threshold  $u < y<sup>G</sup>$ . The suggested exceedance modeling involves identifying independent clusters (with possible dependent extremes within the cluster) over  $u$ , selecting a cluster maxima  $X_i$  in the ith cluster and fitting these by independent Pareto random variables.

The exceedance models are used also in the modeling of insurance claims, in the case of existence of observations exceeding predefined thresholds in the portfolios. In general, under the assumption that the claim sizes are iid random variables, it is common to use the loss distributions which fit the observed data well, for example, the lognormal, Weibull, Pareto, Generalized Pareto. However, these loss distributions fail to fit the data in the case of the existence of long tails in exceedance models. Since insurance claims data generally includes large extreme observations and may not be identically distributed, modeling them with INID random variables is more realistic than the iid case. Focusing on the exceedances and using the proper distribution in models can provide a new and efficient approach. The exact distribution and the asymptotic properties of the number of observations falling near the maximum for iid case have been studied by [\[66\]](#page-103-1), [\[53\]](#page-102-1), [\[65\]](#page-103-2), [\[43\]](#page-101-0) and [\[19\]](#page-99-1).

[\[41\]](#page-101-1) describes a claim reinsurance treaties model in which  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_k, \ldots$ are INID random variables that denote the claim sizes arising from a specific portfolio with continuous cumulative distribution functions  $F_1, F_2, \ldots, F_k, \ldots$ , respectively. Let  $X_{1:k} \leq X_{2:k} \leq \cdots \leq X_{k:k}$  be the ordered values of claim sizes in the given portfolio corresponding to the random sample  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_k$ . Let  $\{N_1(t), t \geq 0\}$  be a stochastic process which counts the number of claims that occur in  $[0, t], t \geq 0$  and we observe  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_{N_1(t)}$  claims up to time  $t > 0$ . We assume that  $N_1(t)$  is independent of  $X_i's$ . Let  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_m, \ldots$  be the sequence of independent and identically distributed random variables with the common continuous distribution function  $G$  and let us assume that given  $N_2(t) = m$  the random sample  $(Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_{N_2(t)})$  is the unprocessed claim sizes in another specific portfolio, where  $\{N_2(t), t > 0\}$  is another counting process independent of Y's. The following statistic  $S_{N_2(t)}$  counts the number of claims from the second portfolio which falls between the lower and the higher claim sizes in the first portfolio.

Denote

$$
\xi_i = \begin{cases} 1, & Y_i \in (X_{1:N_1(t)}, X_{N_1(t):N_1(t)}) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
$$

and

$$
S_{N_2(t)} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_2(t)} \xi_i.
$$

Therefore, conditioning on  $N_1(t)$  and  $N_2(t)$ , a model for the second claim sizes can be represented by the probability density function obtained in [\[41\]](#page-101-1). The results can be useful in evaluating the asymptotic distributional properties of the number of claims whose size falls between the lower and higher thresholds of the first portfolio. For example, the data can be assumed to be INID with very special case of  $F^{\alpha}$  scheme as in the paper. This assumption is supported with the consideration in practical applications saying that the distribution function of the first claim is greater than the distribution function of the second claim and so on. Mathematically, this can be written as  $P\{X_1 \le t\} \ge P\{X_2 \le t\} \ge \cdots \ge$  $P\{X_n \leq t\},\ldots$  therefore the  $F^{\alpha}$  scheme can be accomplished for this case.

## Chapter 5

## **Conclusions**

Exceedance models have been of great interest to researchers. Various aspects of exceedance statistics have been studied by the researches from different disciplines of science. Especially in quality control models, finance, insurance, modelling flood risk, etc. This study contributes to the growing body of research that addresses the impact of exceedances in models mentioned above.

In this dissertation, we explore the distributions of INID order statistics and the recurrence relations between them regarding the symmetric functions. Afterwards we deal with some difficulties of obtaining the limiting distribution of exceedances when they are from INID random variables. Based on the work of [\[3\]](#page-97-0) the asymptotic distribution of exceedance statistics from INID random variables is derived considering  $F^{\alpha}$ -scheme. Consideration of  $F^{\alpha}$ -scheme in calculation of such problems contributes to the understanding of a INID random variables concept and also makes the calculations easier.

Moreover, the function we introduce in this study involves permutations with inversions and Gaussian hypergeometric function. So we give some detailed information based on permutations with inversions. The statistical characteristics of this function and graphical representations of them are derived and included in the study.

# Appendix A

## Mathematica Codes

### A.1 Permutations with inversions

The following Mathematica code which provides the coefficients list of the n permutations with the k inversions is retrieved from the website  $(\text{http://oeis.org/}$  $(\text{http://oeis.org/}$  $(\text{http://oeis.org/}$ [search?q=1%2C4%2C9%2C15%2C20%2C22&sort=&language=&go=Search](http://oeis.org/search?q=1%2C4%2C9%2C15%2C20%2C22&sort=&language=&go=Search)) in the On-Line Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences (OEIS)

 $In [1] := f[n_+] := Co\,efficientList [Expand@Product [Sum[x^i, j])$  $\left\{\left[\right., 0\right., \left]\right., \left\{\right., \left[\right., \left[\right., \left[\right. \right. \right. \right\}], \left[\left.\left[\right., \left[\right. \right. \right] \right.$ 

 $nn=9;T[1,1]=1;T[n_-,1]=0;$ 

$$
T[n_-,k_-] \! := \! T[n,k] \! = \! Sum\left[T[n-i_-,k-1],\{i_-,1,k-1\}\right]
$$

MatrixForm  $[Table [T[n, k], {n, nn}, {k, nn}]$ ];

So the coefficients are listed below:

 $\text{In } [2] := A[1] = \{1\};$ 

 $\text{In } [3] := A[2] = \{1, 1\};$ 

 $In [4] := A[3] = \{1, 2, 2, 1\};$ 

 $\text{In } [5] := A[4] = \{ 1, 3, 5, 6, 5, 3, 1 \};$ 

 $\text{In } [6] := \text{A}[5] = \{1, 4, 9, 15, 20, 22, 20, 15, 9, 4, 1\};$ 

 $\text{In } [7] := \text{A}[6] = \{1, 5, 14, 29, 49, 71, 90, 101, 101, 90, 71, 49, 29, \ldots\}$  $14, 5, 1$ ;

 $\text{In} [8] := A[7] = \{1, 6, 20, 49, 98, 169, 259, 359, 455, 531, 573,$  $573, 531, 455, 359, 259, 169, 98, 49, 20, 6, 1$ ;

 $\text{In } [9] := \text{A}[8] = \{1, 7, 27, 76, 174, 343, 602, 961, 1415, 1940, 2493, \ldots\}$ 3017 ,3450 ,3736 ,3836 ,3736 ,3450 ,3017 ,2493 ,1940 ,1415 ,961 ,  $602, 343, 174, 76, 27, 7, 1$  ;

 $\text{In } [1 0] := \text{A}[9] = \{1, 8, 35, 111, 285, 628, 1230, 2191, 3606, 5545,$ 8031 ,11021 ,14395 ,17957 ,21450 ,24584 ,27073 ,28675 ,29228 , 28675 ,27073 ,24584 ,21450 ,17957 ,14395 ,11021 ,8031 ,5545 , 3606 ,2191 ,1230 , 628 ,28 5 ,111 ,35 ,8 ,1 };

## A.2 Code for the probability density function  $f_W(n)$

 $\text{In } [11] := e[n_-, i_-] := \text{Integrate } [\text{w} \hat{n}(n_-, i_-)] / \text{w}^2 \text{ x}^i(w + x)$  $\hat{I}$  ( n ( n - 1)/2 − i )+n ( n ( n - 1)/2-i )/wx  $\hat{i}$  (w + x )  $\hat{I}$  ( n ( n - 1)/2-i - 1)  $-ni /wx^{\prime}(i-1)(w+x)^{n}(n(n-1)/2-i)-i(n(n-1)/2-i)x^{n}(i-1)(w+x)$  $\hat{I}$  (n(n-1)/2-i-1)), {x, 0, 1 – w}, Assumptions–>n(n-1)/2 >= i  $> 0$  &  $\&$ n $>1$  &  $\&$  0  $\&$   $\&$ 

In 
$$
[12]: = k[n.] := w^*(n)(n(n-1)/((n(n-1)/2+1)w^2)(1-w^2(n(n-1)/2+1)) + n/w(1-w^*(n(n-1)/2)))
$$
  
\nIn  $[13]: = r[n]. := Expand [k[n]+Sum[A[n][[i+1]]e[n, i],$   
\n{i, 1, Binomial [n, 2]}]]  
\nIn  $[14]: = r[1]$   
\nOut  $[14] = 0$   
\nIn  $[15]: = r[2]$   
\nOut  $[15] = 2-2w$   
\nIn  $[16]: = Plot [r[2], {w, 0, 1}]$   
\nOut  $[16]: =$   
\n $20$   
\nIn  $[16]: = 20$ 

 $\overline{1.0}$ 

 $0.6$ 

 $0.8\,$ 



 $0.2$ 

 $0.4$ 

 $1.0\,$ 

 $0.5$ 

Out  $[17] := 2s - s^2$ 

 $In [18]: = \text{ Plot } [\text{Integrate } [r2 [2], \{w, 0, s\}], \{s, 0, 1\}]$ 



 $In [19]: = r3 [3]$ Out[19]= 9w−18wˆ2+14wˆ3−5wˆ4

 $In [20]: = Plot [r3[3], \{w, 0, 1\}]$  $Out[20]=$ 



 $In [21]: = Integrate [r3[3], \{w, 0\,, s\}]$ 

Out $[21] = (9 s \text{° } 2)/2 - 6 s \text{° } 3 + (7 s \text{° } 4)/2 - s \text{° } 5$ 

 $In [22] := Plot [Integrate [(r3[3], \{w, 0\,, s\}], \{w, 0\,, 1\}]$  $Out[22]=$ 



 $In [23] = r4 [4]$ 

Out $[23] = (288w^2)/7 - 144w^3 + 228w^4 - 210w^5 + (364w^6)/$ 3−44wˆ7+9wˆ8−(31wˆ9 )/21

 $In [24] := Plot [r4[4], \{w, 0, 1\}]$ 

 $Out[24]=$ 



 $In [25] := Integrate [r4[4], \{w, 0, s\}]$ 

Out $[25] = (96 s<sup>3</sup>)/7-36 s<sup>4</sup>+(228 s<sup>5</sup>)/5-35 s<sup>6</sup>+(52 s<sup>7</sup>)/3$  $-(11 s<sup>°</sup>8)/2 + s<sup>°</sup>9-(31 s<sup>°</sup>10)/210$ 

 $In [26] := Plot [Integrate [r4[4], {w, 0, s}], {s, 0, 1}]$ 





 $\text{In} [27] {:=} \;\, \text{Plot} [\text{r5 } [5], \{\text{ w},\!0,1\}]$ 

 $Out[27]=$ 







 $In [29]:= Plot[r6[6], \{ w, 0, 1 \}]$ 

 $\mathrm{Out}[29]{=}$ 



 $\pmb{\quad \text{In}[30]\text{:=}\text{ Plot}[\text{Integrate} \text{ }[\text{r6} \text{ }[\text{6}],\{\text{ } \text{w,0,s}\}\text{]},\{ \text{ s\,},0,1\}]}\\$ 



 $\pmb{\quad \text{In}[32]:=\text{ Plot}[\text{Integrate} \text{ } [77, \{ \text{ } w, 0, s \} ], \text{ } \{ \text{ } s, 0, 1 \}]}$ 



 $\pmb{\quad \text{In}[34]:=\text{ Plot}[\text{Integrate}\left[\text{r8}\left[8\right],\left\{\text{ w},0,\text{s}\right\}],\left\{\text{ s},0,1\right\}]}\\$ 



 $\text{In} [35] {:=} \;\, \text{Plot} [\texttt{r9}\,[9], \{\,\texttt{w}\xspace{,}0\xspace{,}1\}]$ 

 $Out[35]=$ 

 $Out[34]=$ 



 $In [36]:= Plot[Integrate [r9 [9], \{ w, 0, s \}], \{ s, 0, 1 \}]$  $Out[36]=$ 



### **A.3** Expected value of  $f_W(w)$

 $\text{In } [37] := \text{ex } [\text{n}_-, \text{i}_+] := \text{Integrate } [\text{w } \text{Integrate } [(w \text{m})$  $(n(n-1)/w^2 x^i (w+x)^{(n(n-1)/2-i)}+n(n(n-1)/2-i)$  $/\text{wx}$ î (w+x) ^(n(n−1)/2−i −1)−ni/w x ^(i −1)(w+x)  $\hat{I}$  ( n ( n−1)/2- i ) – i ( n ( n−1)/2- i ) x  $\hat{I}$  ( i -1)(w+x)  $\hat{I}$  ( n ( n -1)  $(2-i-1))$ , {x,0,1-w}, Assumptions  $\rightarrow$  n(n-1)/2  $\ge i > 0$ &  $n>1$  &  $0 < w < 1$ ,  $\{w, 0, 1\}$ 

 $\text{In } [38] := \text{ker } [n_{-}] := \text{Integrate } [w(w^{(n)}_n) (n(n-1))$  $(( n(n-1)/2+1)w^2)(1-w^2(n(n-1)/2+1))+n/w(1-w)$  $\hat{m}(n(n-1)/2))$ ), {w, 0, 1}

 $\text{In } [39] := \text{ex } [\text{n}].:=\text{N}[\text{Expand } [\text{kex } [\text{n}]+\text{Sum }[\text{A}[\text{n}]]$  $[$ [ $i+1$ ]] ex [n, i],  $\{i, 1, Binomial[n, 2] \}$ 

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\text{In } [40] := \text{ex } [1]Out[40] = 0\text{In } [41] := \text{ex } [2]Out[41]= 0.333333
\text{In } [42] := \text{ex } [3]Out[42]= 0.466667
\text{In} [43 := \text{ex} [4]Out[43]= 0.529293
\text{In } [44] := \text{ex } [5]Out[44]= 0.562734
\text{In } [45] := \text{ex } [6]Out[45]= 0.582385
\text{In } [46] := \text{ex } [7]Out[46]= 0.594799
\text{In} [47] := \text{ex} [8]Out[47]= 0.603094
\text{In } [48] := \text{ex } [9]Out[48]= 0.60889
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### A.4  $h(x, y)$  and  $H(x, y)$  and their plots

In [49]: = e1 [n., i.] := 
$$
(y-x)^n (n(n-1)/(y-x)^2 x^i (y)
$$
  
\n $(n(n-1)/2-i)+n(n(n-1)/2-i)/(y-x) x^i (y)^n (n(n-1))$ 

$$
/2-i-1)-ni/(y-x)x^{(i-1)(y)^{(n(n-1)/2-i)-i(n(n-1))}
$$
  

$$
/2-i)x^{(i-1)(y)^{(n(n-1)/2-i-1))}
$$

 $In [50]: = Integrate [x y e1[n,i], {y,0,1}, {x,0,y},$ Assumptions  $\rightarrow$  n(n-1)/2>=i> 0]

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In [51]: = \text{pdfh}[n_{-}] := Simplify \left[ Sum[A[n] \left[ [i+1] \right] e1[n,i] \right],\{i, 0, Binomial[n, 2]\}]
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 $\text{In } [52]:= \text{ intpdfh } [n_{-}]:=\text{Simplify } [\text{ Integrate } [\text{Sum}[A[n]]$  $[ [i +1] ]$ e1 $[ n, i ]$ , { $i, 0,$  Binomial $[ n, 2 ]$ }  $]$ , { $y, 0, 1$ }, { $x, 0, y$ } ]

 $\text{In} [53] := \text{pdfh} [2]$ 

 $Out[53] = 2 (x + y)$ 

 $\text{In } [54] := \text{ Plot3D} [\text{pdfh} [2], \{y, 0, 1\}, \{x, 0, y\}]$ 

 $Out[54]=$ 



 $In [55]:= Plot3D [pdfh [3], {y, 0, 1}, {x, 0, y}]$ 

 $Out[55]=$ 



 $\text{In} \, [ \, 56 \, ] := \, \text{Plot3D} \, [ \, \text{pdfh} \, [ \, 4 \, ] \, \, , \{ \, \text{y} \, , \text{0} \, , \text{1} \, \} \, \, , \{ \, \text{x} \, , \text{0} \, \, , \text{y} \, \} \, ]$ 

 $Out[56]=$ 



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