

# U-STATISTICS AND DOUBLE STABLE INTEGRALS

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## Summary

We derive the tail behaviour of the double stable integral

$$I(h) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 h(x, y) X(dx) X(dy),$$

where  $X$  is a completely asymmetric stable process.

**1. Introduction.** First we shall show the relation between the double stable integral and a simple U-statistic. Let  $\{X(t): 0 \leq t < \infty\}$  be a completely asymmetric stable process with characteristic exponent  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\beta = 1$ . For the theory of stable distributions we refer to Gnedenko-Kolmogorov [GK 54], Breiman [Bre 68] or Feller[Fel 71]. A summary can be found in Mijneer [Mij 75]. We use the notation as used in [Mij 75]. See [Mij 75] section 3.2 for a review of properties of stable processes. The random variables  $X_i, i = 1, 2, \dots$  are i.i.d. and

have the same distribution as  $X(1)$ .  $X \stackrel{d}{=} Y$  means that  $X$  and  $Y$  have the same distribution.  $X \in D(\alpha, \beta)$  (resp.  $D_N(\alpha, \beta)$ ) means that  $X$  belongs to the domain of (resp. normal) attraction of the stable distribution with parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-2/\alpha} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^n \sum_{j=1}^n X_i X_j &\stackrel{d}{=} n^{-2/\alpha} \sum_{i \neq j} \{X(i) - X(i-1)\} \{X(j) - X(j-1)\} \\ &\stackrel{d}{=} \sum_{i \neq j} \{X(in^{-1}) - X((i-1)n^{-1})\} \{X(jn^{-1}) - X((j-1)n^{-1})\}. \end{aligned}$$

This quadratic form is in a natural way related to the double stable integral

$$I(h) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 h(x, y) X(dx) X(dy) \tag{1.1}$$

where the function  $h$  is given by

$$h(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \text{ and } x \neq y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{1.2}$$

The existence of double stable integrals is proved in Szulga and Woyczynski [SW 83]. Easy to investigate are integrals where the function  $h$  is of the type

$$h(x, y) = \phi(x)\phi(y). \tag{1.3}$$

For Wiener-Ito integrals we can restrict ourselves to functions  $h$  of this particular structure. See Denker [Den 85], lemma 2.2.3. In Section 3 we derive the tail behaviour of the integral (1.1) in the case  $h$  is defined by (1.2). In Section 4 we give the behaviour when  $h$  satisfies (1.3).

$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j \neq i}^n X_i X_j$  is a (simple) example of a U-statistic. These U-statistics have

been introduced by Hoeffding [Hoe 48]. For the general theory of U-statistics see Serfling [Ser 80], Shorack and Wellner [SW 86] and a review of Dehling [Deh 85].

Next we summarize the limit behaviour of the mentioned U-statistic. We distinguish several cases.

**Case I.**  $X_i$  has a finite second moment.  $EX_1 = \mu$  and  $\sigma^2(X_1) = \sigma^2$ .

**Case Ia.** The non-degenerate case:  $\mu \neq 0$ . We write  $X_i = \mu + \sigma U_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$  where  $U_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$  are i.i.d. with  $EU_i = 0$  and  $\sigma^2(U_i) = 1$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} Y_n &= n^{-1}(n-1)^{-1} \sum_{i \neq j} X_i X_j \\ &= \mu^2 + 2n^{-1}\mu\sigma \sum U_i + \sigma^2 n^{-1}(n-1)^{-1} \left\{ (\sum U_i)^2 - \sum U_i^2 \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

This implies

$$n^{1/2}(Y_n - \mu^2) = 2\mu\sigma n^{-1/2}(\sum U_i) + \sigma^2(n-1)^{-1}n^{-1/2} \left\{ (\sum U_i)^2 - \sum U_i^2 \right\}. \tag{1.5}$$

It follows from the central limit theorem that the first term on the right hand side of (1.5) has a normal limit distribution with expectation 0 and variance  $(2\mu\sigma)^2$ .

The second term on the right converges in probability to 0 for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , by the central limit theorem and the law of large numbers.

**Case Ib.** In the degenerate case, i.e.  $\mu = 0$ , we have

$$Y_n = \sigma^2 n^{-1} (n-1)^{-1} \left\{ \left( \sum U_i \right)^2 - \sum U_i^2 \right\}. \quad (1.6)$$

Thus

$$n Y_n \sigma^{-2} = (n-1)^{-1} n \left\{ \left( n^{-1/2} \sum U_i \right)^2 - n^{-1} \sum U_i^2 \right\} \quad (1.7)$$

which converges by the central limit theorem and the law of large numbers to a random variable  $\chi_1^2 - 1$ , where  $\chi_1^2$  has a chi-square distribution with one degree of freedom.

**Case II.** Let  $X_1 \in D(\alpha, \beta)$  with  $1 < \alpha < 2$ . Then  $\mu = EX_1$  exists and we can write  $X_i = \mu + \sigma U_i$ , where  $EU_i = 0$  and  $\sigma$  is some scale parameter. (Remark that the variance of  $X_1$  is infinite.)

**Case IIa.** In the non-degenerate case we have (1.4). Now there exists a slowly varying function  $h$  such that  $n^{-1/\alpha} h^{-1}(n) \sum_{i=1}^n U_i$  converges in distribution to a stable random variable with distribution function  $F(\cdot; \alpha, \beta)$ . We write

$$\begin{aligned} h^{-1}(n) n^{1-1/\alpha} (Y_n - \mu^2) &= 2\mu\sigma h^{-1}(n) n^{-1/\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i \\ &\quad + n^{-1/\alpha} (n-1)^{-1} h^{-1}(n) \sigma^2 \left\{ \left( \sum U_i \right)^2 - \sum U_i^2 \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (1.8)$$

Thus the first term on the right hand side has a stable limit distribution. Since  $1 < \alpha < 2$  it follows that  $n^{-1/\alpha} (n-1)^{-1} h^{-1}(n) \left( \sum U_i \right)^2$  converges to 0 in probability.

The random variable  $U_i^2 \in D(\alpha/2, 1)$ ; thus there exists a slowly varying function  $h_1$  such that  $n^{-2/\alpha} h_1^{-1}(n) \sum U_i^2$  converges in distribution to a stable random variable with distribution function  $F(\cdot; \alpha/2, 1)$ . Hence it follows that  $n^{-1/\alpha} (n-1)^{-1} h^{-1}(n) \sum U_i^2$  converges in probability to 0.

General U-statistics in this case are considered in Malevich and Abdalimov [MA 77]. For many random variables  $X_i \in D(\alpha, \beta)$  we can choose  $h_1 = h^2$ . But this is not in general true. From now on we restrict ourselves to those random

variables in the domain of attraction where we have  $h_1 = h^2$ .

**Case IIb.** In the degenerate case we have

$$\sum_{i \neq j} X_i X_j = \sigma^2 \left\{ \left( \sum U_i \right)^2 - \sum U_i^2 \right\}.$$

As in Case IIa and with the assumption made above, we have that the distribution of  $n^{-1/\alpha} h^{-1}(n) \sum U_i$  converges weakly to  $F(\cdot; \alpha, \beta)$  and the distribution of  $n^{-2/\alpha} h^{-2}(n) \sum U_i^2$  to  $F(\cdot; \alpha/2, 1)$ . Thus the statistics  $\sigma^{-2} n^{-2/\alpha} h^{-2}(n) \sum_{i \neq j} X_i X_j$  converge in distribution to the random variable  $S_\alpha^2 - S_{\alpha/2}$ , where  $S_\alpha$  and  $S_{\alpha/2}$  are dependent stable random variables with distribution functions  $F(\cdot; \alpha, \beta)$  and  $F(\cdot; \alpha/2, 1)$ .

This is a special case of a theorem on products of stable random variables. See Avram and Taqu [AT 86].

We delete the case  $\alpha = 1$  for well-known normalizing difficulties.

**Case III.**  $X_1 \in D(\alpha, \beta)$  with  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . The random variable  $X_1$  has no finite expectation. This case is the same as Case IIb.

**2. The Characteristic Function.** In this section we consider i.i.d. positive random variables  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  with common distribution function  $G$  given by

$$1 - G(x) = x^{-\alpha} \quad x > 1 \quad 0 < \alpha < 1. \tag{2.1}$$

Thus we have  $X_1 \in D_N(\alpha, 1)$ . Let  $U_1, U_2, \dots$  be i.i.d. uniformly distributed on  $(0, 1)$ . Thus  $G^{-1}(U_1) \stackrel{d}{=} X_1$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_n &= \sum_{i \neq j} X_i X_j \stackrel{d}{=} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n G^{-1}(U_i) \right\}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \{G^{-1}(U_i)\}^2 \\ &\stackrel{d}{=} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n U_i^{-1/\alpha} \right\}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n U_i^{-2/\alpha} \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n U_{(i)}^{-1/\alpha} \right\}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n U_{(i)}^{-2/\alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $U_{(1)} < \dots < U_{(n)}$  a.s.

$$= 2U_{(1)}^{-1/\alpha} \left\{ \sum_{i=2}^n U_{(i)}^{-1/\alpha} \right\} + \left\{ \sum_{i=2}^n U_{(i)}^{-1/\alpha} \right\}^2 - \sum_{i=2}^n U_{(i)}^{-2/\alpha}.$$

Given  $U_{(1)} = u$  we have

$$T_n | U_{(1)} = u \stackrel{d}{=} 2u^{-1/\alpha} \left\{ \sum_{i=2}^n \bar{U}_i^{-1/\alpha} \right\} + \left\{ \sum_{i=2}^n \bar{U}_i^{-1/\alpha} \right\}^2 - \sum_{i=2}^n \bar{U}_i^{-2/\alpha} \quad (2.2)$$

where  $\bar{U}_2, \dots, \bar{U}_n$  are i.i.d. and uniformly distributed on  $(u, 1)$ .  $\bar{U}_2$  has a finite expectation and finite variance. We have for  $u \downarrow 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &:= E\bar{U}_2^{-1/\alpha} = (1-u)^{-1} \alpha (1-\alpha)^{-1} (u^{-(1-\alpha)/\alpha} - 1) \\ &\sim (1-u)^{-1} \alpha (1-\alpha)^{-1} u^{-1/\alpha} + 1 \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^2 &:= E\bar{U}_2^{-2/\alpha} = (1-u)^{-1} \alpha (2-\alpha)^{-1} (u^{-(2-\alpha)/\alpha} - 1) \\ &\sim (1-u)^{-1} \alpha (2-\alpha)^{-1} u^{-2/\alpha} + 1. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

This implies that

$$\sigma^2(\bar{U}_2^{-1/\alpha}) \sim \sigma^2 \quad \text{for } u \downarrow 0.$$

Given  $U_{(1)} = u$ , the random variable

$$V_{n-1} = \left( \sum_{i=2}^n \bar{U}_i^{-1/\alpha} \right)^2 - \sum_{i=2}^n \bar{U}_i^{-2/\alpha} \quad (2.5)$$

is again a U-statistic. Define, for  $i = 1, \dots, n$   $Y_i = \bar{U}_i^{-1/\alpha} - \mu$ . Then we have

$$V_{n-1} = EV_{n-1} + \mu(n-2) \sum_{i=2}^n Y_i + \sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ i \neq j}}^n Y_i Y_j. \quad (2.6)$$

One easily computes for small  $u$

$$E2n^{-2/\alpha} u^{-1/\alpha} \left( \sum_{i=2}^n \bar{U}_i^{-1/\alpha} \right) \approx 2\alpha (1-\alpha)^{-1} (nu)^{-2/\alpha+1},$$

$$En^{-2/\alpha} V_{n-1} \approx \alpha^2 (1-\alpha)^{-2} (nu)^{-2/\alpha+2},$$

$$\sigma^2 \left( 2u^{-1/\alpha} n^{-2/\alpha} \left( \sum_{i=2}^n \bar{U}_i^{-1/\alpha} \right) \right) \approx 4\alpha (2-\alpha)^{-1} (nu)^{-4/\alpha+1},$$

$$\sigma^2 \left( n^{-2/\alpha} \mu (n-2) \sum_{i=2}^n Y_i \right) \approx c (nu)^{-4/\alpha+3}, \text{ for some constant } c$$

and

$$\sigma^2 \left( n^{-2/\alpha} \sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ i \neq j}}^n Y_i Y_j \right) \approx (nu)^{-4/\alpha+2}.$$

We shall derive the characteristic function (cf.)  $f^*$  of the limit distribution of

$$n^{-2/\alpha} T_n^* = 2n^{-2/\alpha} U_{(1)}^{-1/\alpha} \sum_{i=2}^n \bar{U}_i^{-1/\alpha} + n^{-2/\alpha} EV_{n-1}. \tag{2.7}$$

In section 3 we shall give an estimate for the difference of this cf.  $f^*$  and the cf.  $f$  of the double stable integral for small values of the argument. For technical reasons we restrict ourselves to the case  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \alpha < 1$ . See section 3.

One easily obtains that  $n U_{(1)}$  converges for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , in distribution to the exponential distribution. For  $k_n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $k_n = o(n)$  for  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we have

$$P((nk_n)^{-1} < U_{(1)} < n^{-1}k_n) \rightarrow 1 \tag{2.8}$$

for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Take  $t > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} E e^{itn^{-2/\alpha} T_n^*} &= E_{U_{(1)}} \left\{ E e^{itn^{-2/\alpha} T_n^*} \mid U_{(1)} \right\} \\ &= n \int_0^1 (1-u)^{n-1} \left\{ E e^{itn^{-2/\alpha} T_n^*} \mid U_{(1)} = u \right\} du. \end{aligned}$$

From (2.7) we have

$$E \left( e^{itn^{-2/\alpha} T_n^*} \mid U_{(1)} = u \right) = E e^{2itn^{-2/\alpha} u^{-1/\alpha} \sum_{j=2}^n \bar{U}_j^{-1/\alpha} + itn^{-2/\alpha} n(n-1)\mu^2}$$

$$= e^{itn^{-2/\alpha}n(n-1)\mu^2} \left\{ Ee^{2itn^{-2/\alpha}\bar{U}_2^{-1/\alpha}} \right\}^{n-1},$$

where

$$Ee^{2itn^{-2/\alpha}u^{-1/\alpha}\bar{U}_2^{-1/\alpha}} = (1-u) \int_u^1 e^{2itn^{-2/\alpha}u^{-1/\alpha}y^{-1/\alpha}} dy.$$

Consider the integral

$$\begin{aligned} I &= (1-u)^{-1} \int_u^1 (e^{2itn^{-2/\alpha}u^{-1/\alpha}y^{-1/\alpha}} - 1) dy \\ &= (1-u)^{-1} \alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha n^{-2} u^{-1} \int_{2n^{-2/\alpha}u^{-1}t}^{2n^{-2/\alpha}u^{-2/\alpha}t} (e^{iv} - 1) v^{-1-\alpha} dv. \end{aligned}$$

This integral is well-known in the derivation of the characteristic function of a stable random variable. We define

$$\phi(x) = \int_0^x (e^{iv} - 1) v^{-1-\alpha} dv. \tag{2.9}$$

We have

$$\phi(\infty) = -\alpha^{-1} \Gamma(1-\alpha) e^{-\pi i(\alpha/2)}. \tag{2.10}$$

See Laha and Rohatgi [LR79] p. 333. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(t) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ee^{itn^{-2/\alpha}T_n^*} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \int_{(nk_n)^{-1}}^{k_n n^{-1}} (1-u)^{n-1} (1+I)^{n-1} e^{it\alpha^2(1-\alpha)^{-2}(un)^{-2/\alpha+2}} du \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{k_n^{-1}}^{k_n} e^{-nu} e^{nI} e^{it\alpha^2(1-\alpha)^{-2}(un)^{-2/\alpha+2}} dnu \tag{2.11} \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-y} e^{it\alpha^2(1-\alpha)^{-2}y^{-2/\alpha+2}} e^{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha y^{-1} \phi(2ty^{-2/\alpha})} dy. \end{aligned}$$

**3. Tail Behaviour of the Stable Integral.** In order to obtain the behaviour of the tail of the double stable integral we need the expansion of its cf,  $f$  near the

origin. We rewrite the cf.  $f^*$  given in (2.11). Let

$$\phi_1(x) = \int_0^x (\cos v - 1) v^{-1-\alpha} dv \tag{3.1}$$

$$\phi_2(x) = \int_0^x \sin v v^{-1-\alpha} dv \tag{3.2}$$

and let the function  $g_t$  be defined by

$$g_t(y) = \begin{cases} e^{-y} e^{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha y^{-1}} \phi_1(2ty^{-2/\alpha}) & \text{for } 0 < y < \infty \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases} \tag{3.3}$$

Then  $\phi_1(\infty)$  and  $\phi_2(\infty)$  follow from (2.10). We have

$$f^*(t) = \int_0^\infty e^{it\alpha^2(1-\alpha)^{-2}y^{-2/(\alpha+2)}} e^{i\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha y^{-1}} \phi_2(2ty^{-2/\alpha}) g_t(y) dy. \tag{3.4}$$

Since for  $y > (2t)^{\alpha/2}$  both  $2^\alpha t^\alpha y^{-1}$  and  $2ty^{-2/\alpha}$  are small, we easily obtain

$$\int_{(2t)^{\alpha/2}}^\infty g_t(y) dy = \int_{(2t)^{\alpha/2}}^\infty e^{-y} dy + O(t^\alpha) \tag{3.5}$$

for  $t \downarrow 0$ . Obviously we have

$$\int_0^{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha} g_t(y) dy = O(t^\alpha) \tag{3.6}$$

for  $t \rightarrow 0$ . Then

$$\int_{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha}^{(2t)^{\alpha/2}} g_t(y) dy = \int_{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha}^{(2t)^{\alpha/2}} \left\{ 1 - y + \alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha y^{-1} \phi_1(2ty^{12/\alpha}) \right\} dy + \text{error}. \tag{3.7}$$

Using the definition of  $\phi_1$  and by partial integration we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \int_{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha}^{(2t)^{\alpha/2}} y^{-1} \phi_1(2ty^{-2/\alpha}) dy &= 2 \int_1^{\alpha^{-2/\alpha} 2^{-1} t^{-1}} z^{-1} \phi_1(z) dz \\ &= 2\phi_1(\alpha^{-2/\alpha} 2^{-1} t^{-1}) \log(\alpha^{-2/\alpha} 2^{-1} t^{-1}) + O(t^\alpha) \text{ for } t \downarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

With similar calculations as above we show that the error in the right hand side

of (3.7) is  $O(t^\alpha)$  for  $t \downarrow 0$ . Combining the results in (3.5), (3.6) and the result above, we obtain

$$\int_0^\infty g_t(y) dy = 1 + 2^{1+\alpha} t^\alpha \phi_1(\alpha^{-2/\alpha} 2^{-1} t^{-1}) \log(t^{-1}) + O(t^\alpha)$$

for  $t \downarrow 0$ .

For the expansion of  $f^*$  we have to distinguish two cases:  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ . As mentioned before, we only consider the case  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \alpha < 1$ . See after (3.11). Now we have  $t^{\alpha/(2(1-\alpha))} < t^\alpha < t^{\alpha/2}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(t) &= \int_0^\infty e^{it\alpha^2(1-\alpha)^{-2}y^{-2/\alpha+2}} e^{i\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha y^{-1} \phi_2(2ty^{-2/\alpha})} g_t(y) dy \\ &= \int_0^{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha} + \int_{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha}^{(2t)^{\alpha/2}} + \int_{(2t)^{\alpha/2}}^\infty = I_1 + I_2 + I_3. \end{aligned}$$

Obviously we have

$$I_1 = O(t^\alpha) \text{ for } t \downarrow 0,$$

For  $y > (2t)^{\alpha/2}$  we have that  $ty^{-2/\alpha+2}$ ,  $2^\alpha t^\alpha y^{-1}$  and  $2ty^{-2/\alpha}$  are small. Expansion of the integrand gives

$$I_3 = \int_{(2t)^{\alpha/2}}^\infty e^{-y} dy + O(t^\alpha) \text{ for } t \downarrow 0.$$

$I_2$  is the most interesting part. We have

$$I_2 = \int_{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha}^{(2t)^{\alpha/2}} \left\{ 1 + it\alpha^2(1-\alpha)^{-2}y^{-2/\alpha+2} + i\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha y^{-1} \phi_2(2ty^{-2/\alpha}) \right\} g_t(y) dy \quad (3.9)$$

+ error.

For  $\alpha \geq \frac{1}{2}$  we have

$$t \int_{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha}^{(2t)^{\alpha/2}} y^{-2/\alpha+2} dy = O(t^\alpha).$$

And, as in computation of the integral of  $g_t$ , we have

$$\alpha t^\alpha \int_{\alpha 2^\alpha t^\alpha}^{(2t)^{\alpha/2}} y^{-1} \phi_2(2ty^{-2/\alpha}) dy = 2t^\alpha \phi_2(\alpha^{-2/\alpha} 2^{-1} t^{-1}) \log(\alpha^{-2/\alpha} 2^{-1} t^{-1}) + O(t^{2\alpha}).$$

One easily shows that the error on the right hand side of (3.9) is also  $O(t^\alpha)$  for  $t \downarrow 0$ . Combining the foregoing results, one obtains in the case  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \alpha < 1$

$$f^*(t) - 1 = ct^\alpha \log(t^{-1}) + O(t^\alpha) \tag{3.10}$$

for  $t \downarrow 0$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) - f^*(t) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_{U_{(1)}} \left[ E \left\{ e^{in^{-2/\alpha} T_n} \mid U_{(1)} \right\} - E \left\{ e^{in^{-2/\alpha} T_n^*} \mid U_{(1)} \right\} \right] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_{U_{(1)}} \left[ E e^{2in^{-2/\alpha} U_{(1)}^{-1/\alpha} \sum_{j=2}^n \bar{U}_j^{-1/\alpha}} \left\{ e^{in^{-2/\alpha} V_{n-1}} - e^{in^{-2/\alpha} EV_{n-1}} \right\} \mid U_{(1)} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Applying the inequality

$$|e^{ix} - e^{iy}| \leq |x - y|$$

and similar calculations as above, we obtain, for  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \alpha < 1$ ,

$$|f(t) - f^*(t)| = O(t^\alpha) \text{ for } t \downarrow 0.$$

This implies the following expansion for  $f$

$$f(t) - 1 \sim ct^\alpha \log(1/t) \tag{3.11}$$

for  $t \downarrow 0$ .

In the case  $0 < \alpha < 1/2$  it is more delicate to obtain an estimate for  $f - f^*$ . For that reason we delete this case.

From the theory of characteristic functions we obtain from the expansion of  $f$

$$P(I(h) > x) \sim ax^{-\alpha} \log x \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

See, for example, Feller [Fel. 71] section xvii.12, problem 14.

**4. Extension.** In the previous section we considered the integral

$$I(h) = \iint h(x, y) X(dx) X(dy)$$

where  $X$  is a completely asymmetric stable process and  $h$  is given by (1.2). We can extend the integral to functions given by (1.3).

**THEOREM 4.1.** Let  $I(h)$  be given as above and

$$h(x, y) = \begin{cases} \phi(x)\phi(y) & \text{for } x \neq y \\ 0 & \text{for } x = y \end{cases}.$$

Suppose  $\phi$  positive and  $\int_0^1 \phi(x)^\alpha dx < \infty$ . Then

$$I(h) \stackrel{d}{=} \left\{ \int_0^1 \phi^\alpha(x) dx \right\}^{2/\alpha} \left\{ S_\alpha^2 - S_{\alpha/2} \right\}$$

where  $S_\alpha$  and  $S_{\alpha/2}$  are dependent stable random variables.

**PROOF.**

$$\begin{aligned} I(h) &= \lim \left[ \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \phi(i/n) n^{-1/\alpha} X_i \right\}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \phi^2(i/n) n^{-2/\alpha} X_i^2 \right] \\ &\stackrel{d}{=} \left[ \left\{ \int_0^1 \phi^\alpha(x) dx \right\}^{1/\alpha} X \right]^2 - \left\{ \int_0^1 \phi^\alpha(x) dx \right\}^{2/\alpha} S_{\alpha/2} \\ &= \left\{ \iint_{00}^{11} h^\alpha(x, y) dx dy \right\}^{1/\alpha} \left\{ S_\alpha^2 - S_{\alpha/2} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

See also section 1, case IIb. The first limit follows from properties of stable random variables. One shows the second limit by using characteristic functions.

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**Remark.** We can obtain the tail behaviour as in the case  $h$  satisfies (1.2). Note that the dependency of  $S_\alpha$  and  $S_{\alpha/2}$  depends on  $\phi$ .

In Samorodnitsky and Szulga [SS 88] the asymptotic behaviour of the tail of  $I(h)$  is given in the case of a symmetric stable process. They obtain if  $h$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem 4.1

$$P(|I(h)| > x) \sim C_\alpha(h) x^{-\alpha} \log x \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

**5. The Behaviour of the Extremal Term.** In this section we consider the term  $U_{(1)}^{-1/\alpha}U_{(2)}^{-1/\alpha}$  where  $U_{(1)}$  and  $U_{(2)}$  are the order statistics of a uniform distribution. Let  $\Gamma_i, i = 1, 2, \dots$  be the arrivals of a Poisson process. We have

$$\begin{aligned} P(U_{(1)}^{-1/\alpha}U_{(2)}^{-1/\alpha} > n^{2/\alpha}x) &= P(U_{(1)}U_{(2)} \leq n^{-2}x^{-\alpha}) \\ &= P\left(\frac{\Gamma_1^{-1/\alpha}\Gamma_2^{-1/\alpha}}{\Gamma_n^{-2/\alpha}} > n^{2/\alpha}x\right) \\ &\sim P(\Gamma_1^{-1/\alpha}\Gamma_2^{-1/\alpha} > x) = P(\Gamma_1\Gamma_2 < x^{-\alpha}) \\ &= x^{-\alpha} \int_{x^{-\alpha/2}}^{\infty} y^{-1}e^{-y}dy + \int_0^{x^{-\alpha/2}} ye^{-y}dy \\ &= x^{-\alpha} \int_{x^{-\alpha/2}}^{\infty} y^{-1}e^{-y}dy + 1 - e^{-x^{-\alpha/2}} - x^{-\alpha/2}e^{-x^{-\alpha/2}} \\ &\sim \frac{1}{2}\alpha x^{-\alpha} \log x \quad \text{for large } x. \end{aligned}$$

We have seen a similar tail behaviour for the double  $\alpha$ -stable integral.

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