

# EXTREMES OF ORDER STATISTICS OF SELF-SIMILAR PROCESSES

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**Abstract:** Let  $\{X_i(t), t \geq 0\}, 1 \leq i \leq n$  be independent copies of a self-similar process  $\{X(t), t \geq 0\}$ . For given positive constants  $u, T$ , define the set of  $r$ th conjunctions  $C_{r,T,u} := \{t \in [0, T], X_{r:n}(t) \geq u\}$  with  $X_{r:n}(t)$  the  $r$ th largest order statistics of  $X_1(t), \dots, X_n(t), t \geq 0$ . In numerous applications such as brain mapping and digital communication systems, of interest is the approximation of the probability that the set of conjunctions  $C_{r,T,u}$  is not empty. In this paper, we obtain, by imposing the Albin's Conditions on  $X$ , an exact asymptotic expansion of this probability as  $u$  tends to infinity as well as the asymptotic tail distributions of the mean sojourn time of  $X_{r:n}$  over an increasing interval. Further, we explain our results by some examples concerning bi-fractional Brownian motion, sub-fractional Brownian motion and the generalized skew Gaussian process.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\{X(t), t \geq 0\}$  be a self-similar process with index  $\kappa > 0$  and  $P$ -continuous sample paths, i.e., the finite-dimensional distributions (f.d.d.) of  $X(\lambda t)$  coincide with those of  $\lambda^\kappa X(t)$  for all  $\lambda > 0$ . Denote by  $X_1, \dots, X_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$  independent copies of  $X$ . The main object of interest in this contribution is the  $r$ th order statistics process  $X_{r:n}$  defined from  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  in the usual way, i.e., for any  $t \geq 0$

$$(1) \quad X_{n:n}(t) \leq \dots \leq X_{1:n}(t).$$

For a given positive threshold  $u$  and a fixed positive constant  $T$  define the set of  $r$ th conjunction  $C_{r,T,u}$  by

$$C_{r,T,u} := \{t \in [0, T] : X_{r:n}(t) \geq u\}$$

and set

$$(2) \quad p_{r,T}(u) := \mathbb{P}\{C_{r,T,u} \neq \emptyset\} = \mathbb{P}\left\{\sup_{t \in [0, T]} X_{r:n}(t) \geq u\right\}.$$

Of interest is the calculation of  $p_{r,T}(u)$  in various applications, for instance, for the analysis of functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) data and the surface roughness during all machinery processes. For smooth Gaussian random fields approximations of  $p_{r,T}(u)$  are discussed for instance in [8, 16, 24]; results for non-Gaussian random fields can be found for instance in [10]. The recent contributions [17, 19] derived asymptotic expansions of  $p_{r,T}(u)$

considering a stationary (Gaussian) process  $X$ . It is well-known that the stationary random field cannot be used to model phenomena and data sets that exhibit certain non-stationary characteristics such as long-range dependence (LRD). Such situations arise naturally in limit theorems of random walks and other stochastic processes, and they have been applied to model various phenomena in a wide range of scientific areas including telecommunications, internet traffic, image processing and mathematical finance. These processes are always related to self-similar processes such that the scaling of time is equivalent to an appropriate scaling of space. We refer to the monographs [23, 20, 11, 12] for complete expositions on theoretical and practical aspects of self-similar processes.

Motivated by [5, 19] and the tractability of self-similar processes, in this paper, we shall investigate the asymptotic behaviour of  $p_{r,T}(u)$  as  $u \rightarrow \infty$  and  $T$  fixed. The main methodology employed here is from Patrik Albin [5].

As mentioned therein, there are no systematic approaches to non-stationary extremes comparable with stationary theories. Albin's theory of extremes for self-similar non-stationary processes, concerning checking a couple of conditions can be developed that performs (at least) as well as stationary counterparts.

The main contributions of this paper are three-folded. The first is the extensional results of the mean sojourn time of  $X$  into those of  $r$ th order statistics process  $X_{r:n}$  (see below Propositions 2.1, 2.2). The second is that the asymptotic results of the survival probability of  $\sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t)$  over an increasing interval (see Theorems 3.1–3.4) holds under some common conditions imposed on  $X$ . Finally, several examples, such as Gaussian processes (see, e.g. bi-fractional Brownian motion, sub-fractional Brownian motion) and non-Gaussian processes (see, e.g., the generalized self-similar skew-Gaussian process), are considered to utilize our results (see, Theorems 4.1, 4.2).

This paper is organized as follows: In Section 2 we state our main conditions and some preliminary results. In Section 3, we present the main results following by some examples and an application concerning a generalized self-similar skew-Gaussian processes. In Section 5 we present all the proofs of our results.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES AND TECHNICAL CONDITIONS FOR SELF-SIMILAR PROCESSES

In this section, we state first the so-called Conditions A, B, C and  $C'$  imposed on the self-similar process  $X$ , which are extremely useful to formulate the extreme properties of  $X$ ; see, e.g., [5], and then we establish two asymptotic preliminaries for the mean sojourn time of  $X_{r:n}$  over an increasing interval, which are new and useful to understand our main results in Section 3.

Throughout this paper, we consider  $\{X(t), t \geq 0\}$  to be the self-similar process  $X$  with index  $\kappa > 0$  and  $P$ -continuous sample paths, and the  $r$ th order statistics process  $X_{r:n}$  is given as in (1) generated by  $X$ , and assume that the distribution function (df) of  $X(1)$ , denoted by  $G$ , has an infinite right endpoint and continuous at infinity. Let  $J$  be an interval such that  $J \subseteq (-1, \infty)$  with  $0 \in J$ , and  $q = q(u)$  a non-increasing, positive function such that  $Q = 1/\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} q(u)$  exists and  $\tilde{a} = 1/(2 \sup_{u < \infty} q(u)) > 0$ . The function  $q$  and the notation  $Q, \tilde{a}$  are depicted in all conditions and theorems.

**Condition A:** (Gumbel MDA and Conditional limit distribution) Assume that  $G$  belongs to the Gumbel max-domain of attraction (MDA), denoted by  $G \in D(\Lambda)$ , that is, there exists some positive measurable function  $w = w(u)$  such that

$$(3) \quad \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - G(u + x/w)}{1 - G(u)} = e^{-x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Further, there exists an  $(\mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\})$ -valued process  $\{\xi(t), t \geq 0\}$  such that

$$(4) \quad \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \bigcap_{i=1}^m \{w(X(1 - qt_i) - u) > x_i\} \mid X(1) > u \right\} = \mathbb{P} \left\{ \bigcap_{i=1}^m \{\xi(t_i) > x_i\} \right\}$$

holds for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $t_i \in [0, Q)$  and continuity points  $x_i \in J$  for the functions  $\mathbb{P}\{\xi(t_i) > \cdot\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , respectively. The assumption that  $G \in D(\Lambda)$  implies that  $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} 1/(uw(u)) = 0$  and that  $w$  is self-neglecting, i.e., the limit holds locally uniformly for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  that (see, e.g., [18])

$$(5) \quad \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{w(u + x/w(u))}{w(u)} = 1.$$

**Condition B:** (Short-lasting-exceedance) We have

$$(6) \quad \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \int_{d \wedge (1/q)}^{1/q} \mathbb{P}\{X(1 - qt) > u \mid X(1) > u\} dt = 0.$$

Condition B is void if  $Q < \infty$ , and if Condition A holds then Condition B can be interpreted as  $\mathbb{E} \left( \int_0^Q \mathbb{I}_{(u, \infty)}(\xi(t)) dt \right)$  where  $\mathbb{I}_S(\cdot)$  is the indicator function of a set  $S$ . More generally, Proposition 2 in [5] showed that it holds when  $\beta_3 > 0$  (see (10) for a precise definition). Condition B is developed to be used for establishing the tail asymptotic of stationary processes under consideration; see, e.g., [13, 2, 3, 7].

Moreover, Propositions 2.1, 2.2 below show that Conditions A, B imposed on  $X$  hold also for the order statistics process  $X_{r:n}$ , which will be utilized to establish the lower bound of extremes; see Theorem 3.1.

To state the two tightness Conditions C and C' used for establishing the upper bound of extremes, we denote  $t_a^u(0) = 1$  and

$$t_a^u(k+1) = t_a^u(k) (1 - aq(t_a^u(k))^{-\kappa} u)$$

for  $k \leq K \equiv K(a, u) = \sup\{k \in \mathbb{N} : t_a^u(k)^{-\kappa} u < \infty\}$  where  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a \in (0, \tilde{a}]$  are given.

**Condition C:** For some choice of  $\sigma > 0$  and  $a \in (0, \tilde{a}]$ , we have

$$\mathbf{v}(a, \sigma) \equiv \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0, 1]} X(t) > u + \sigma/w, \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\}}{\mathbb{E}(L(u)/q) + \mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\}} < \infty,$$

with  $L(u) = \int_0^1 \mathbb{I}_{(u, \infty)}(X(t)) dt$ , the mean sojourn time of  $X$  over the threshold  $u$  on  $[0, 1]$ .

**Condition C':** Condition C holds with  $\lim_{a \downarrow 0} \mathbf{v}(a, \sigma) = 0$  for each  $\sigma > 0$ .

Conditions C and C' are often verified via Propositions 3–5 in [5], which are basically a few estimates related to the tail behavior of the one- and two- dimensional distributions of the involved process. For convenience, we state Proposition 3 (ii) below, denoted by Condition C\*, which is a sufficient condition of Condition C'.

**Condition C\***: Suppose that there exist positive constants  $\lambda_0, \rho, b, D$  and  $d > 1$  such that

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ X(1 - qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}, X(1) \leq u + \frac{v}{w} \right\} \leq Dt^d \lambda^{-b} \mathbb{P} \{X(1) > u\}$$

holds for all  $u$  large and all  $0 < t^\rho < \lambda \leq \lambda_0, v \geq 0$ .

In our setting, most results require that the function  $p(u) = u^{-1/\kappa} q(u)$  satisfies that the limit  $\hat{p}(x)$  given by

$$(7) \quad \hat{p}(x) = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p(u + x/w)}{p(u)}$$

exists and is continuous for  $x > 0$ .

In addition, we need another two requirements that there is a  $\rho \geq 0$  such that

$$(8) \quad \beta_1 = \liminf_{v \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{u \in [v, \infty]} \frac{u^\rho p(u)}{v^\rho p(v)} > 0,$$

and that

$$(9) \quad \beta_2 = \limsup_{v \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{u \in [v, \infty]} \frac{vw(v)}{uw(u)} < \infty.$$

Generally, (7), (8) hold when for instance  $q$  is non-increasing and regular varying at infinity. While (9) is natural since  $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} 1/(uw(u)) = 0$ . Finally, the behaviors of extremes will depend on whether the limits

$$(10) \quad \beta_3 = \liminf_{u \rightarrow \infty} uq(u)w(u) \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_4 = \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} uq(u)w(u)$$

are finite or infinite; see, e.g., Theorem 3.3 and Theorem 3.4 in Section 3.

Next, we establish the following generalizations of Proposition 1 and Theorem 1 in [5] concerning the asymptotic properties of  $L_r(u)$ , the mean sojourn time of  $r$ th order statistics process  $X_{r:n}$  over threshold  $u$ , that is,

$$(11) \quad L_r(u) \equiv L_r(1; u), \quad L_r(s; u) = \int_0^s \mathbb{I}_{(u, \infty)}(X_{r:n}(t)) dt, \quad s \in [0, 1].$$

**Proposition 2.1.** *Suppose that  $G \in D(\Lambda)$  with the auxiliary function  $w$ . Then, the df of  $X_{r:n}(1)$  belongs to the Gumbel MDA with the auxiliary function  $w_r(u) = rw(u)$ , and*

$$(12) \quad \mathbb{E}(L_r(u)) = \frac{1}{r} \frac{1}{\kappa u w} \mathbb{P} \{X_{r:n}(1) > u\} (1 + o(1)), \quad u \rightarrow \infty.$$

More generally, we can obtain below the bounds of the asymptotic distribution of  $L_r(u)$  if Conditions A, B and (7), (8) are satisfied by the generated process  $X$ . Let therefore  $\{\xi_{r:r}(t), t \geq 0\}$  be the minimum process of  $r$  independent copies  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_r$  of the random process  $\xi$ , and with  $\hat{p}(s)$  given by (7)

$$(13) \quad \Theta_r(x) \equiv r \int_0^\infty \mathbb{P} \left\{ \int_0^Q \mathbb{I}_{(u, \infty)}(\xi_{r:r}(t)) dt > \frac{x}{\hat{p}(s)} \right\} e^{-rs} ds, \quad x \geq 0.$$

**Proposition 2.2.** *Suppose that Condition A and (7) hold for the process  $X$ . Then, for each  $x \geq 0$  we have*

$$\liminf_{u \rightarrow \infty} \int_x^\infty \frac{\mathbb{P} \{L_r(u)/q > y\}}{\mathbb{E}(L_r(u)/q)} dy \geq \Theta_r(x).$$

*If additionally Condition B and (8) hold, then for each  $x \geq 0$  we have*

$$\limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \int_x^\infty \frac{\mathbb{P} \{L_r(u)/q > y\}}{\mathbb{E}(L_r(u)/q)} dy \leq \Theta_r(x-).$$

**Remark 2.3.** Note that, in view of Propositions 2.1, 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\} &\geq \max \left( \mathbb{P} \{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}, \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x \mathbb{P} \{L_r(u)/q > y\} dy \right) \\ &\geq \max \left( \mathbb{P} \{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}, \frac{1 - \Theta_r(x^-)}{x} \mathbb{E} (L_r(u)/q) \right), \quad x > 0. \end{aligned}$$

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we shall establish our main results which extend those for the self-similar process  $X$ . The first theorem is concerned to the lower bound for  $\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\}$  without knowing the size of  $uq(u)w(u)$ . While the remaining three theorems require some knowledge of it.

**Theorem 3.1.** Suppose that Conditions A and B hold, and that (7) holds. Then we have

$$\liminf_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathbb{E} (L_r(u)/q) + \mathbb{P} \{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\} > 0.$$

Next, we establish the upper bound of extremes, which requires the tightness Condition C and the knowledge that  $\beta_3 > 0$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Suppose that Condition C and  $\beta_3 > 0$  are satisfied for the self-similar process  $X$ . If further (8) holds, then we have

$$\limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathbb{E} (L_r(u)/q) + \mathbb{P} \{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\} < \infty.$$

From Proposition 2.1 and Theorem 3.1, Theorem 3.2 above,  $\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\}$  could behaves like  $\mathbb{P} \{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}$  or  $\mathbb{E} (L_r(u)/q)$ , which finally depends on  $uq(u)w(u)$ . Next, we shall establish the two sharp extremes depends on that  $\beta_4$  is infinite and finite, respectively.

**Theorem 3.3.** Suppose that Condition C' and  $\beta_3 > 0$  are satisfied for the self-similar process  $X$ . Assume further that (8) holds, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_4 = \infty &\implies \liminf_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathbb{P} \{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\} = 1 \\ \beta_3 = \infty &\implies \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathbb{P} \{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.4.** Suppose that Conditions A, C' and  $\beta_3 > 0$  are satisfied for the self-similar process  $X$ . Assume additionally that (7)–(9) and  $\beta_4 < \infty$  hold. Then we have

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathbb{E} (L_r(u)/q)} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\} = \lim_{x \downarrow 0} \frac{1 - \Theta_r(x)}{x} := -\Theta_r'(0)$$

exists with  $\Theta_r'(0) \in (0, \infty)$ .

**Corollary 3.5.** *Theorem 3.4 still hold if Condition C' and  $\beta_3 > 0$  are replaced by Conditions B and C\*.*

**Remark 3.6.** a) *Since  $X_{r;n}$  is self-similar, Theorems 3.1–3.4 can be easily rewritten for  $p_{r,T}(u)$ .*

b) *Most of self-similar processes satisfy the conditions required in the above theorems; see for instance the fractional Brownian motion, totally skewed linear fractional  $\alpha$ -stable motion and Rosenblatt process in [5].*

c) *We can drop the assumption on  $G \in D(\Lambda)$  with infinite endpoint to the general cases that  $G$  belonging to the three max-domain of attractions; see, e.g., [3, 5].*

#### 4. EXAMPLES AND APPLICATIONS

**Examples of Gaussian process  $X$**  Several important examples of Gaussian processes are self-similar processes.

We present below two interesting Gaussian processes (see, e.g., [14, 15]):

Bi-fractional Brownian motion: Consider  $\{B_{h,k}, t \geq 0\}$  with  $h \in (0, 1)$ ,  $k \in (0, 1]$  to be a bi-fBm, i.e., a centered self-similar Gaussian process with covariance function given by

$$\mathbb{E}(B_{h,k}(t)B_{h,k}(s)) = \frac{1}{2^k} \left( (t^{2h} + s^{2h})^k - |t - s|^{2hk} \right), \quad t, s \geq 0.$$

In particular, the bi-fBm  $B_{h,1}$  is the fBm with Hurst index  $h$ . It follows by routine calculations that the Lamperti's transformation  $\tilde{B}_{h,k}(t) \equiv e^{-\kappa t} B_{h,k}(e^t)$  with  $\kappa = hk$  is a centered stationary Gaussian process with covariance function satisfying that

$$\mathbb{E} \left( \tilde{B}_{h,k}(0) \tilde{B}_{h,k}(t) \right) = 1 - 2^{-k} t^{2hk} + o(|t| + |t|^{2hk}), \quad t \rightarrow 0.$$

Sub-fractional Brownian motion: The sub-fBm  $\{S_h(t), t \geq 0\}$  with  $h \in (0, 1)$  is a centered self-similar Gaussian process with covariance given by

$$\mathbb{E}(S_h(t)S_h(s)) = t^{2h} + s^{2h} - \frac{1}{2} \left( (t + s)^{2h} + |t - s|^{2h} \right), \quad t, s \geq 0.$$

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$$\mathbb{E} \left( \tilde{S}_h(0) \tilde{S}_h(t) \right) = (2 - 2^{2h-1}) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2(2 - 2^{2h-1})} t^{2h} + o(|t| + |t|^{2h}) \right), \quad t \rightarrow 0.$$

Note that the correlation functions of the above centered stationary Gaussian processes have regular varying tails at zero. Using the well-known results for stationary Gaussian processes (see, e.g., [21, 6]) and the Lamperti's propositions in [5], it is easy to show that the above two self-similar Gaussian processes satisfy the conditions of Theorems 3.1–3.4; see also Theorems 4.1, 4.2 below.

**The generalized self-similar skew-Gaussian processes:** Recently, the skew-Gaussian processes have received a lot of attentions from both theoretical and applicable fields; see, e.g., [1, 9, 19]. Next, we will consider this non-Gaussian self-similar process and establish the tail asymptotic results by using our theorems in Section 3. The main methodology used here is to first analyze the Lamperti's associated stationary process, and then transfer the results to itself via Propositions 6–9 in [5].

Let  $\{\chi(t), t \geq 0\}$  be a centered self-similar Gaussian process with index  $\kappa > 0$  and covariance satisfies

$$(14) \quad \mathbb{E}(\chi(1)\chi(1+t)) = 1 + \kappa t - D|t|^\alpha + o(|t| + |t|^\alpha), \quad t \rightarrow 0$$

for some constant  $\alpha \in (0, 2]$  and  $D > 0$ . Note that the classes of random processes satisfying (14) are very big, for instance the bi-fBm and the sub-fBm above. In particular, (14) holds with  $D = 1/2, \kappa = \alpha/2$  if  $\chi(t) = Z(t)$ , a standard fBm with Hurst index  $\alpha/2 \in (0, 1]$  and  $\mathbf{Cov}(Z(s), Z(t)) = 2^{-1}(s^\alpha + t^\alpha - |s - t|^\alpha)$ ,  $s, t \geq 0$ .

Denote by  $\chi_i, i \leq m+1, m \in \mathbb{N}$  independent copies of  $\chi$ , then our generalized skew Gaussian process  $\zeta_{m,\delta}, \delta \in [0, 1]$  is defined as (set  $|\boldsymbol{\chi}(t)| := \delta(\sum_{i=1}^m \chi_i^2(t))^{1/2}$ )

$$(15) \quad \zeta_{m,\delta}(t) \equiv \delta |\boldsymbol{\chi}(t)| + \sqrt{1 - \delta^2} \chi_{m+1}(t), \quad t \geq 0.$$

Therefore,  $\zeta_{m,\delta}$  is associated to the stationary process  $\tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}$  via the Lamperti's transformation such that  $\tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(t) := \delta |\tilde{\boldsymbol{\chi}}(t)| + \sqrt{1 - \delta^2} \tilde{\chi}_{m+1}(t)$ , which has independent standardized Gaussian components  $\tilde{\chi}_i(t), i \leq m+1$  drawn from  $\tilde{\chi}(t) = e^{-\kappa t} \chi(e^t)$  satisfying

$$(16) \quad \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\chi}(0)\tilde{\chi}(t)) = 1 - D|t|^\alpha + o(|t| + |t|^\alpha), \quad t \rightarrow 0.$$

As for the  $\chi$ -process  $\zeta_{m,1}$  studied by [5], we need to impose further a bound condition on the covariance function (14): There exists some  $h > 0$  such that

$$(17) \quad \sup_{t \in [\varepsilon, h]} e^{-\kappa t} \mathbb{E}(\chi(1)\chi(e^t)) < 1 \quad \text{for } \varepsilon \in (0, h].$$

Note that the stationary Gaussian process satisfying (16) is studied first by [21], and then is extended to the  $\tilde{\zeta}_{m,1}$  was by [22]. Our results for  $\zeta_{m,\delta}$  and the results on its mean sojourn time below are new for  $m \geq 1$  and  $\delta \in (0, 1]$ . For notational simplicity, let  $E$  be a unit exponential random variable (rv) which is independent of the standard fBm  $Z$  with Hurst index  $\alpha/2 \in (0, 1]$ . And  $Z_i, i \leq r$  and  $E_i, i \leq r$  are  $r$  independent copies of  $Z$  and  $E$ , respectively.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $\{\zeta_{m,\delta}(t), t \geq 0\}$  be defined by (1) satisfying (14) and (17) with  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ . Let  $X_{r:n}$  be generated by  $\zeta_{m,\delta}, \delta \in [0, 1]$ . Then Propositions 2.1, 2.2 and Corollary 3.5 hold with  $w(u) = (1 \vee u)^{-1}, q(u) = (1 \vee u)^{-2/\alpha}$  and  $\mathbb{P}\{X_{r:n}(1) > u\} = n!/(r!(n-r)!)(\mathbb{P}\{\zeta_{m,\delta}(1) > u\})^r(1 + o(1))$ , and (set  $m := 1, 0^0 := 1$  if  $\delta = 0$ )*

$$\mathbb{P}\{\zeta_{m,\delta}(1) > u\} = \delta^{m-1} \frac{2^{1-m/2}}{\Gamma(m/2)} u^{m-2} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2}{2}\right) (1 + o(1)),$$

$$\Theta_r(x) = \mathbb{P}\left\{\int_0^\infty \mathbb{I}_{(u,\infty)}\left(\min_{1 \leq i \leq r} (\sqrt{2}Z_i(D^{1/\alpha}t) - Dt^\alpha + E_i - \beta_4 \kappa t)\right) dt > x\right\},$$

where  $\beta_4 = 1$  if  $\alpha = 1$ , and 0 otherwise.

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $\{\zeta_{m,\delta}(t), t \geq 0\}$  be defined by (1) to be satisfied by (14) with  $\alpha \in (1, 2]$ . Let  $X_{r:n}$  be generated by  $\zeta_{m,\delta}, \delta \in [0, 1]$ . Then Propositions 2.1, 2.2 and Corollary 3.5 hold where  $w(u) = (1 \vee u)^{-1}, q(u) = (1 \vee u)^{-2}, \Theta_r(x) = e^{-\kappa r x}$  and  $\mathbb{P}\{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}$  is the same as in Theorem 4.1.*

## 5. PROOFS

In this section, we will first give, by verifying Conditions A, B imposed on  $X$  holds with the order statistics  $X_{r:n}$ , respectively, the proofs of Propositions 2.1, 2.2. Then our main results (Theorems 3.1–3.4, Corollary 3.5) follow mainly by the verifications of the tightness Conditions C, C' and C\*. We end this section with the proofs of Theorems 4.1, 4.2 concerning the generalized self-similar skew-Gaussian process.

In what follows, we write  $\stackrel{d}{=}$  for the equality in distributions and  $\xrightarrow{d}$  for the convergence in distribution (or the convergence of finite-dimensional distribution if both sides of it are random processes).

**Proof of Proposition 2.1:** Note that  $\{X_{r:n}(t), t \geq 0\}$  is a self-similar process with index  $\kappa$ , and further as  $u \rightarrow \infty$

$$(18) \quad \frac{\mathbb{P}\{X_{r:n}(s) > u\}}{\mathbb{P}\{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}} = \left( \frac{\mathbb{P}\{X(s) > u\}}{\mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\}} \right)^r (1 + o(1))$$

holds uniformly for  $s \in (0, 1)$ . It follows that the marginal distribution  $G_r(x) = \mathbb{P}\{X_{r:n}(1) > x\}$  belongs to the Gumbel MDA with auxiliary function  $rw$ . Further since  $X_{r:n}$  is a self-similar process with index  $\kappa$ , in view of Proposition 1 in [5], the claim follows. We complete the proof.  $\square$

**Proof of Proposition 2.2:** It follows from Proposition 2.1 that

$$\hat{p}_r(x) = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p(u + x/w_r(u))}{p(u)} = \hat{p}(x/r)$$

exists and continuous for  $x > 0$ . Further, it follows from Lemma 2 in [5] that  $\mathbb{P}\{\xi(t) > x\}$  is continuous at  $x = 0$  for each  $t \in (0, Q)$ . Thus, in view of Theorem 1 in [5], the lower bound follows if we verify that (4) holds for the order statistics process  $X_{r:n}$  by taking the limit process  $\xi_{r:r}$  at  $x_i = 0$ .

Indeed, (4) follows for  $r = n$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , since

$$(19) \quad \begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}\left\{X_{n:n}(1 - qt_i) > u, i \leq m \mid X_{n:n}(1) > u\right\} \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}\{X_{n:n}(1 - qt_i) > u, i \leq m, X_{n:n}(1) > u\}}{\mathbb{P}\{X_{n:n}(1) > u\}} \\ &\rightarrow \mathbb{P}\left\{\min_{1 \leq j \leq n} \xi_j(t_i) > 0, i \leq m\right\}, \quad u \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, (4) holds for all  $r < n$  if we show that,

$$(20) \quad \begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}\left\{X_{r:n}(1 - qt_i) > u, i \leq m \mid X_{r:n}(1) > u\right\} = \frac{\mathbb{P}\{X_{r:n}(1 - qt_i) > u, i \leq m, X_{r:n}(1) > u\}}{\mathbb{P}\{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}} \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}\{\min_{1 \leq j \leq r} X_j(1 - qt_i) > u, i \leq m, \min_{1 \leq j \leq r} X_j(1) > u\}}{\mathbb{P}\{\min_{1 \leq j \leq r} X_j(1) > u\}} (1 + \Upsilon_r(u)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Upsilon_r(u) \rightarrow 0$  holds uniformly for  $m \in \mathbb{N}, t_i \in (0, Q)$  as  $u \rightarrow \infty$ .

In the following, we only present the proof for the case that  $r = n - 1$  and  $m = 1$ , the other cases follow by similar arguments. Note that we have by Lemma 3.1 in [19]

$$\mathbb{P}\{X_{(n-1):n}(1) > u\} = n\mathbb{P}\{X_{(n-1):(n-1)}(1) > u\} (1 + o(1))$$



and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{P} \{X_{(n-1):n}(1-qt_1) > u, X_{(n-1):n}(1) > u\} \\
&= \mathbb{P} \{X_{(n-1):n}(1-qt_1) > u > X_{n:n}(1-qt_1), X_{n:n}(1) > u\} \\
&\quad + \mathbb{P} \{X_{n:n}(1-qt_1) > u, X_{(n-1):n}(1) > u > X_{n:n}(1)\} \\
&\quad + \mathbb{P} \{X_{(n-1):n}(1-qt_1) > u > X_{n:n}(1-qt_1), X_{(n-1):n}(1) > u > X_{n:n}(1)\} \\
&\quad + \mathbb{P} \{X_{n:n}(1-qt_1) > u, X_{n:n}(1) > u\} \\
&=: I_{1u} + I_{2u} + I_{3u} + I_{4u}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since (4) implies that as  $u \rightarrow \infty$

$$\mathbb{P} \{X_n(1-qt_1) < u, X_n(1) > u\} = \mathbb{P} \{X_n(1-qt_1) < u | X_n(1) > u\} \mathbb{P} \{X_n(1) > u\} = o(1),$$

holds uniformly with  $t_1 \in (0, Q)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{1u} &= n\mathbb{P} \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} X_j(1-qt_1) > u, \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} X_j(1) > u \right\} \mathbb{P} \{X_n(1-qt_1) < u, X_n(1) > u\} \\
&= n\mathbb{P} \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} X_j(1-qt_1) > u, \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} X_j(1) > u \right\} o(1).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $I_{2u} = n\mathbb{P} \{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} X_j(1-qt_1) > u, \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} X_j(1) > u \} o(1)$ . Using further the fact that  $\mathbb{P} \{X_n(1-qt_1) < u, X_n(1) < u\} = 1 + o(1)$  holds uniformly with  $t_1 \in (0, Q)$  as  $u \rightarrow \infty$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{3u} &= \sum_{i, i'=1, \dots, n} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq n, j \neq i} X_j(1-qt_1) > u, X_i(1-qt_1) < u, \min_{1 \leq j' \leq n, j' \neq i'} X_{j'}(1) > u, X_{i'}(1) < u \right\} \\
&= n\mathbb{P} \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} X_j(1-qt_1) > u, \min_{1 \leq j' \leq n-1} X_{j'}(1) > u \right\} \mathbb{P} \{X_n(1-qt_1) < u, X_n(1) < u\} \\
&\quad + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-2} X_j(1-qt_1) > u, \min_{1 \leq j' \leq n-2} X_{j'}(1) > u \right\} \\
&\quad \times \mathbb{P} \{X_{n-1}(1-qt_1) < u, X_{n-1}(1) > u\} \mathbb{P} \{X_n(1-qt_1) > u, X_n(1) < u\} \\
&= n\mathbb{P} \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} X_j(1-qt_1) > u, \min_{1 \leq j' \leq n-1} X_{j'}(1) > u \right\} (1 + o(1)).
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, since (19) implies that as  $u \rightarrow \infty$

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq n-k} X_j(1-qt_1) > u, \min_{1 \leq j' \leq n-k} X_{j'}(1) > u \right\} = \left( \mathbb{P} \{X(1) > u\} \right)^{n-k} O(1), \quad k = 0, 1, 2,$$

the claim (20) follows for  $r = n - 1$  and  $m = 1$ . Thus, we complete the proof of the lower bound.

Next, we consider the upper bound. In view of Theorem 1 in [5], it suffices to show that, for sufficiently large  $u$  and some  $D > 0$

$$\mathbb{P} \{X_{r:n}(1-qt) > u | X_{r:n}(0) > u\} \leq D\mathbb{P} \{X(1-qt) > u | X(0) > u\}$$

holds locally uniformly with  $t \in (0, Q)$ . Indeed, for  $r = n$ , we have

$$\mathbb{P} \{X_{n:n}(1-qt) > u | X_{n:n}(1) > u\} = \left( \mathbb{P} \{X(1-qt) > u | X(1) > u\} \right)^n$$

and for  $r < n$ , similar arguments as for (20) yield that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P} \left\{ X_{r:n}(1-qt) > u \mid X_{r:n}(1) > u \right\} &= \left( \mathbb{P} \left\{ X(1-qt) > u \mid X(1) > u \right\} \right)^r (1 + \Upsilon_r(u)) \\ &\leq D \left( \mathbb{P} \left\{ X(1-qt) > u \mid X(1) > u \right\} \right)^r, \quad \text{for large } u \end{aligned}$$

holds uniformly for  $t \in (0, Q)$  and some positive constant  $D$ . Therefore, Condition B holds for the order statistics process  $X_{r:n}$ . Consequently, the upper bound follows from Theorem 1 in [5]. We complete the proof.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 3.1:** In view of Theorem 2 in [5] (note: there was an error that Condition B should be Conditions A, B), it suffices to verify that Conditions A, B are satisfied by  $X_{r:n}$ , which are already shown in the proof of Proposition 2.2. We conclude the result.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 3.2:** In view of Theorem 3 in [5], it suffices to show the tightness Condition C holds for the order statistics  $X_{r:n}$ , i.e., for given  $\sigma > 0$  and  $a \in (0, \tilde{a}]$ , that

$$(21) \quad \mathbf{v}_r(a, \sigma) \equiv \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u + \sigma/w, \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_{r:n}(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\}}{\mathbb{E}(L_r(u)/q) + \mathbb{P}\{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}} < \infty.$$

Letting  $\tilde{u} = u + \sigma/w(u)$  and  $\tilde{q} = q(\tilde{u})$ , note that the auxiliary function  $w$  is self-neglecting (cf. (5)) and (8) holds. It follows from Proposition 1 and Theorem 3 in [5] that

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X(t) > \tilde{u} \right\}}{\mathbb{E}(L(u)/q) + \mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\}} &\leq \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X(t) > \tilde{u} \right\}}{\mathbb{E}(L(\tilde{u})/\tilde{q}) + \mathbb{P}\{X(1) > \tilde{u}\}} \\ &\times \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathbb{E}(L(\tilde{u})/\tilde{q}) + \mathbb{P}\{X(1) > \tilde{u}\}}{\mathbb{E}(L(u)/q) + \mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\}} \leq \left( \frac{2}{\beta_1} + 1 \right) D, \end{aligned}$$

where  $D$  is some constant (which may change line by line below). Using further (12),  $\beta_3 > 0$  and the inequality that  $(a+b)^n \leq 2^n(a^n + b^n)$ ,  $a, b > 0$ , we have, for  $r = n$

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{n:n}(t) > \tilde{u}, \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_{n:n}(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\} \\ &\leq \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_j(t) > \tilde{u}, j \leq n, \bigcup_{i=1}^n \left\{ \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_i(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\} \right\} \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_i(t) > \tilde{u}, \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_i(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\} \left( \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X(t) > u + \sigma/w \right\} \right)^{n-1} \\ &\leq D \mathbf{v}(a, \sigma) \left( \mathbb{E}(L(u)/q) + \mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\} \right)^n \leq D \left( (\mathbb{E}(L(u)/q))^n + (\mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\})^n \right) \mathbf{v}(a, \sigma) \\ &\leq D \left( \mathbb{E}(L_n(u)/q) + \mathbb{P}\{X_{n:n}(1) > u\} \right) \mathbf{v}(a, \sigma) \quad \text{for sufficiently large } u. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we present only the proof for  $r = n - 1$ , the other cases follows by similar arguments. Since  $\mathbf{v}(a, \sigma)$  is finite,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{(n-1):n}(t) > \tilde{u}, \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_{(n-1):n}(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\} \\
& \leq n \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_j(t) > \tilde{u}, j \leq n-1, \cup_{i,j=1,\dots,n} \left\{ \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_i(t_a^u(k)) \leq u, \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_j(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\} \right\} \\
& \leq n \sum_{i,j=1,\dots,n-1} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_i(t) > \tilde{u}, \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_i(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\} \\
& \quad \times \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_j(t) > \tilde{u}, \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_j(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\} \left( \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X(t) > \tilde{u} \right\} \right)^{n-3} \\
& \quad + 2n \sum_{i=1,\dots,n-1, j=n} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_i(t) > u + \sigma/w, \max_{0 \leq k \leq K} X_i(t_a^u(k)) \leq u \right\} \left( \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X(t) > \tilde{u} \right\} \right)^{n-2} \\
& \leq Dn(c_{n-1,2}\mathbf{v}^2(a, \sigma) + 2(n-1)\mathbf{v}(a, \sigma)) \left( \mathbb{E}(L(u)/q) + \mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\} \right)^{n-1} \left( \text{set } c_{n,l} = \frac{n!}{l!(n-l)!} \right) \\
& \leq D \left( \mathbb{E}(L_{n-1}(u)/q) + \mathbb{P}\{X_{(n-1):n}(1) > u\} \right) \mathbf{v}(a, \sigma).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we obtain that (21) holds for  $r = n - 1$ . We complete the proof.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 3.3:** In view of Theorem 4 in [5], it suffices to show that the tightness Condition C' holds for the order statistics  $X_{r:n}$ , i.e., for each  $\sigma > 0$

$$(22) \quad \lim_{a \downarrow 0} \mathbf{v}_r(a, \sigma) = 0.$$

In fact, it follows from the similar arguments as for (21) that if  $\mathbf{v}(a, \sigma)$  is bounded uniformly for  $a \in (0, \tilde{a}]$  and  $\sigma > 0$ , then  $\mathbf{v}_r(a, \sigma) \leq D\mathbf{v}(a, \sigma)$  with some constant  $D > 0$  not depending on  $a$ . Consequently, it follows that (22) holds and we then finish the proof.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 3.4:** In view of Proposition 2 in [5], the fact that the df of  $X_{r:n}(1)$  belongs to  $D(\Lambda)$  and  $\beta_3 > 0$  imply that Condition B holds for the order process  $X_{r:n}$ . Further, the proved (20) and (22) show that Conditions A and C' hold for the order process  $X_{r:n}$ . Therefore, in view of Theorems 5, 6 in [5], we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \limsup_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathbb{E}(L_r(u)/q)} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\} \leq \liminf_{x \downarrow 0} \frac{1 - \Theta_r(x)}{x} \\
& \leq \limsup_{x \downarrow 0} \frac{1 - \Theta_r(x)}{x} \leq \liminf_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathbb{E}(L_r(u)/q)} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{t \in [0,1]} X_{r:n}(t) > u \right\},
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Theta_r(x) = \int_0^\infty \mathbb{P} \left\{ \int_0^Q \mathbb{I}_{(u, \infty)}(\xi_{r:r}(t)) dt > \frac{x}{\hat{p}(s/r)} \right\} e^{-s} ds, \quad x \geq 0.$$

Further, Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.2 show that the limit is positive and finite.  $\square$

**Proof of Corollary 3.5:** Since in view of Proposition 3 (ii) in [5], Condition C\* implies that Condition C' holds for the self-similar process  $X$ , it suffices to verify that Condition C\* holds for the order statistics process  $X_{r:n}$ , i.e.,

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ X_{r:n}(1 - qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}, X_{r:n}(1) \leq u + \frac{v}{w} \right\} \leq D^* t^d \lambda^{-b} \mathbb{P}\{X_{r:n}(1) > u\}$$

for all  $u$  large and all  $0 < t^\rho \leq \lambda \leq \lambda_0, v \geq 0, D^* > 0$ .

Note that since the process  $X$  is self-similar,

$$\mathbb{P}\{X(1-qt) > u + (\lambda + v)/w\} \leq \mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\}$$

holds uniformly for  $1 - qt \in (0, 1)$ . We have, with the involved constants given as in Condition C\*, for  $r = n$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}\left\{X_{n:n}(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}, X_{n:n}(1) \leq u + \frac{v}{w}\right\} \\ &= \mathbb{P}\left\{X_i(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}, i \leq n, \bigcup_{j=1, \dots, n} \{X_j \leq u + \frac{v}{w}\}\right\} \\ &\leq n\mathbb{P}\left\{X(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}, X(1) \leq u + \frac{v}{w}\right\} \left(\mathbb{P}\left\{X(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}\right\}\right)^{n-1} \\ &\leq nDt^d \lambda^{-b} (\mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\})^n. \end{aligned}$$

While for  $r < n$ , we show only the proof for  $r = n - 1$  and the other cases follow by the similar arguments.

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}\left\{X_{(n-1):n}(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}, X_{(n-1):n}(1) \leq u + \frac{v}{w}\right\} \\ &= n\mathbb{P}\left\{X_i(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}, i \leq n-1, \bigcup_{i,j=1, \dots, n} \{X_i \leq u + \frac{v}{w}, X_j \leq u + \frac{v}{w}\}\right\} \\ &\leq n \sum_{i,j=1, \dots, n-1} \left(\mathbb{P}\left\{X(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}, X(1) \leq u + \frac{v}{w}\right\}\right)^2 \left(\mathbb{P}\left\{X(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}\right\}\right)^{n-3} \\ &\quad + 2n \sum_{i=1, \dots, n-1, j=n} \mathbb{P}\left\{X_i(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}, X_i(1) \leq u + \frac{v}{w}\right\} \left(\mathbb{P}\left\{X(1-qt) > u + \frac{\lambda + v}{w}\right\}\right)^{n-2} \\ &\leq n(c_{n-1,2} + 2(n-1))Dt^d \lambda^{-b} (\mathbb{P}\{X(1) > u\})^{n-1} \leq D^* t^d \lambda^{-b} \mathbb{P}\{X_{(n-1):n}(1) > u\} \end{aligned}$$

holds for large  $u$  and all  $0 < t^\rho \leq \lambda \leq \lambda_0, v \geq 0, D^*$  a positive constant.

Consequently, by Corollary 1 in [5], the desired result follows.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 4.1:** Without loss of generality, we assume that  $D = 1$ . In view of Lemma 3.4 in [19], we obtain that the marginal distribution  $G \in D(\Lambda)$  with auxiliary function  $w(u) = (1 \vee u)$ , and (7)–(10) holds with  $\beta_3 = \beta_4 = 1$  if  $\alpha = 1$ , 0 otherwise. Further, Lemma 3.5 in [19] shows that the f.d.d. of  $\{w(\tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(-qt) - u) \mid (\tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(-qt) > u)\}$  converges to those of  $\sqrt{2}Z(t) - t^\alpha + E$ . Thus, in view of Proposition 9 (ii) in [5], Condition A holds with  $\xi(t) \stackrel{d}{=} \sqrt{2}Z(t) - t^\alpha + E - \beta_4 \kappa t$ .

Further, it follows from Lemma 3.6 in [19] that there exists some positive constant  $K_p$  and  $p > m$  such that

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(qt) > u \mid \tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(0) > u\right\} \leq \begin{cases} K_p t^{-\alpha p/2}, & qt \in (0, \epsilon], \\ K_p u^{m-1-p}, & qt \in (\epsilon, T], \end{cases}$$

which together with Proposition 7 in [5] implies that Condition B holds.

In view of Lemma 3.7 in [19], there exist some positive constants  $D^*, p, \lambda_0$  and  $d > 1$  such that

$$(23) \quad \mathbb{P}\left\{\tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(qt) > u + \frac{\lambda}{w}, \tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(0) \leq u\right\} \leq D^* t^d \lambda^{-p} \mathbb{P}\left\{\tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(0) > u\right\}$$

for  $0 < t^{\alpha/2} < \lambda < \lambda_0$  and large  $u$ . Thus, it follows from Proposition 2 in [4] and Proposition 8 in [5] that Condition C' is satisfied for the generalized self-similar skew-Gaussian process  $\zeta_{m,\delta}$ . Therefore, we complete the proof.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 4.2:** Since  $\alpha > 1$  and  $q(u) = (1 \vee u)^{-2}$ , Lemma 3.5 in [19] shows that the f.d.d. of  $\{w(\tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(-qt) - u) \mid (\tilde{\zeta}_{m,\delta}(0) > u)\}$  converges to those of  $E$ . Thus, in view of Proposition 9 (ii) in [5], Condition A holds with  $\xi(t) \stackrel{d}{=} E - \kappa t$ .

We obtain using (14) that  $\mathbb{E}(\tilde{\chi}(0)\tilde{\chi}(t)) \geq 1 - 2|t|$  for small  $t$ . It further follows from the arguments for Lemma 3.7 in [19] that (23) holds, and thus in view of Proposition 7 in [5] that Condition C' hold. Moreover, since  $\beta_3 = 1 > 0$ , Condition B follows from Proposition 2 in [5].

Consequently, the desired result follows by a routine calculation giving that  $\Theta_r(x) = e^{-\kappa r x}$ ,  $x > 0$ .  $\square$

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