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## KIEFER'S LAW OF THE ITERATED LOGARITHM FOR THE VECTOR OF UPPER ORDER STATISTICS

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Abstract: Let  $\{X_n\}$  be a sequence of independent identically distributed random variables with a common continuous distribution function and let  $M_{j,n}$  denote the *j*th upper order statistic among  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$ ,  $n \ge j$ . For a large class of distributions, we obtain the law of the iterated logarithm for  $\{M_{1,n}, M_{2,n}\}$ , properly normalized. As a consequence, we establish a law of the iterated logarithm for the spacings  $\{M_{1,n} - M_{2,n}\}$ .

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