

Measures and the law of the iterated logarithm

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Dimension of measures

m : probability measure in \mathbb{R}^p .

$$\begin{cases} \dim_*(m) = \inf\{\dim(E); m(E) > 0\} \\ \dim^*(m) = \inf\{\dim(E); m(E) = 1\} \end{cases}$$

In other words

$$\begin{cases} \dim_*(m) = \sup\{s \geq 0; m \ll \mathcal{H}^s\} \\ \dim^*(m) = \inf\{s \geq 0; m \perp \mathcal{H}^s\} \end{cases}$$

Unidimensional measures

$$\dim_*(m) = \dim^*(m) = d$$

In other words :

- There exists E_0 such that $\dim(E_0) = d$ and $m(E_0) = 1$
- $\dim(E) < d \Rightarrow m(E) = 0$

Example : the natural measure on the triadic Cantor set K .

$$\dim_*(m) = \dim^*(m) = \dim(K) = \frac{\ln 2}{\ln 3} .$$

$\dim(m)$ in terms of local regularity

Hölder index at point x :

$$\underline{\dim} m(x) = \liminf_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log m(B(x, r))}{\log r} .$$

$\underline{\dim} m(x)$ is the best of the α such that $m(B(x, r)) \leq C r^\alpha$ for small r .

Proposition (Falconer, Fan, H.)

$$\begin{cases} \dim_*(m) = \text{ess inf } (\underline{\dim} m(x)) \\ \dim^*(m) = \text{ess sup } (\underline{\dim} m(x)) \end{cases}$$

In particular, $\dim_*(m) = \dim^*(m) = d$ if and only if $\underline{\dim} m(x) = d$ dm -almost surely.

Natural questions

Let m be a unidimensional measure with dimension d .

Question

Does there exist a set $E_0 \subset \text{supp}(m)$ such that

$$\forall A, \quad m(A) = C \mathcal{H}^d(A \cap E_0) ?$$

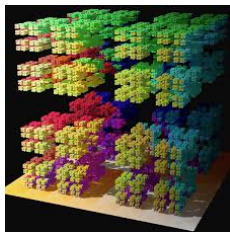
Or in a weaker form :

Question

Does there exist a set $E_0 \subset \text{supp}(m)$ such that

$$\forall A, \quad \frac{1}{C} \mathcal{H}^d(A \cap E_0) \leq m(A) \leq C \mathcal{H}^d(A \cap E_0) ?$$

Sometimes YES !



Selfsimilar Cantor set

$$K = \bigcup_{i=1}^8 S_i(K) \quad m = \sum_{i=1}^8 \frac{1}{8} m \circ S_i^{-1}$$

$$m(A) \approx \mathcal{H}^d(A \cap K) \quad \text{where } d = \dim(K)$$

Bernoulli products on $[0, 1]$

$$m([0, 1/2]) = (1 - p) \quad \text{and} \quad m([1/2, 1]) = p$$

- \mathcal{F}_n : dyadic intervals of the n^{th} generation
- $I_{\varepsilon_1 \dots \varepsilon_n} = \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\varepsilon_i}{2^i}, \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\varepsilon_i}{2^i} + \frac{1}{2^n} \right) \in \mathcal{F}_n$

$$m(I_{\varepsilon_1 \dots \varepsilon_n}) = p^{s_n} (1 - p)^{n - s_n}, \quad \text{where} \quad s_n = \varepsilon_1 + \dots + \varepsilon_n.$$

$$X_n(x) = -\log_2 (p^{\varepsilon_n} (1 - p)^{1 - \varepsilon_n}) = -\log_2 \left(\frac{m(I_n(x))}{m(I_{n-1}(x))} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{S_n}{n} = \frac{\log m(I_n(x))}{\log |I_n(x)|}}$$

Consequence of the law of large numbers

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\log m(I_n(x))}{\log |I_n(x)|}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\log m(I_n(x))}{\log |I_n(x)|} = -p \log_2 p - (1-p) \log_2(1-p) \quad a.s.$$

The measure m is unidimensional with dimension

$$\dim_*(m) = \dim^*(m) = -p \log_2 p - (1-p) \log_2(1-p) := d$$

More precise estimations

Law of the Iterated Logarithm : $\liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n - nd}{\sqrt{2n \ln \ln n}} = -\sigma$ a.s.

Proposition

Take $\Theta(t) = 2\sqrt{2^{\log_2(1/t)} \ln \ln \log_2(1/t)}$. Let

$$\sigma^2 = p(1-p) \left(\log_2 \left(\frac{p}{1-p} \right) \right)^2$$

Then

1. $m \ll \mathcal{H}^\Psi$, where $\Psi(t) = t^d \Theta(t)^{\sigma+\varepsilon}$
2. $m \perp \mathcal{H}^\Psi$, where $\Psi(t) = t^d \Theta(t)^{\sigma-\varepsilon}$.

In particular, $m \perp \mathcal{H}^d$.

And what about $\limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n - nd}{\sqrt{2n \ln \ln n}} = \sigma$ a.s. ?

Related to the packing dimension and the packing measures.

$$\begin{cases} \text{Dim}_*(m) = \inf\{\text{Dim}(E); m(E) > 0\} = \sup\{s \geq 0; m \ll \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^s\} \\ \text{Dim}^*(m) = \inf\{\text{Dim}(E); m(E) = 1\} = \inf\{s \geq 0; m \perp \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^s\}. \end{cases}$$

Proposition

1. $m \ll \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^\Psi$, where $\Psi(t) = t^d \Theta(t)^{-(\sigma-\varepsilon)}$
2. $m \perp \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^\Psi$, where $\Psi(t) = t^d \Theta(t)^{-(\sigma+\varepsilon)}$.

In particular, $\text{Dim}_*(m) = \text{Dim}^*(m) = d$ and $m \ll \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^d$.

Bernoulli products are self-similar measures

$$S_1(x) = x/2 \quad \text{and} \quad S_2(x) = (1+x)/2$$

$$[0, 1] = S_1([0, 1]) \cup S_2([0, 1])$$

$$m = (1-p) m \circ S_1^{-1} + p m \circ S_2^{-1}$$

Self-similar measures : the general case

$$K = \bigcup_{i=1}^k S_i(K)$$

where S_i are similarity transformations with ratio $0 < r_i < 1$.

$$m = \sum_{i=1}^k p_i m \circ S_i^{-1} .$$

OSC : $U \neq \emptyset, \bigcup_{i=1}^k S_i(U) \subset U$ and $\forall i \neq j, S_i(U) \cap S_j(U) = \emptyset$

- $\dim(K) = \delta$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^k r_i^\delta = 1$
- $\dim(m) = d = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k p_i \ln p_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k p_i \ln r_i}$

Log-Log corrections

Theorem (Bhouri, H. 09)

There are two possible cases :

- $d = \delta$ and $m \approx \mathcal{H}^d$
- $d \neq \delta$ and $m \perp \mathcal{H}^d$. More precisely,

$$m \ll \mathcal{H}^{\psi_\varepsilon} \quad \text{but} \quad m \perp \mathcal{H}^{\psi_\varepsilon - \varepsilon}$$

where

$$\psi_\varepsilon(t) = t^d \theta(t)^{\sigma + \varepsilon} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k p_i (\ln p_i - d \ln r_i)^2}{-\sum_{i=1}^k p_i \ln r_i}$$

Makarov Theorem

- Ω : Jordan domain in \mathbb{R}^2
- ω : harmonic measure on Ω

Theorem (Makarov, 1985)

$\dim_*(\omega) = \dim^*(\omega) = 1$. *More precisely*

- if $\psi(t) = o(t)$, then $\omega \perp \mathcal{H}^\psi$
- $\exists c > 0$ such that $\omega \ll \mathcal{H}^\psi$ where $\psi(t) = t\theta(t)^c$

Theorem (Makarov, 1985)

There exists a Jordan domain Ω such that

$$\omega \perp \mathcal{H}^\psi \quad \text{where} \quad \psi(t) = t\theta(t)^c$$

for some $c > 0$.

Harmonic measure on self-similar Cantor sets



Theorem (Makarov-Volberg, Carleson, 1986)

- $\dim_*(\omega) = \dim^*(\omega) = d < \dim(K)$
- *There exists $\sigma > 0$ such that*

$$\begin{cases} \omega \ll \mathcal{H}^\psi & \text{where } \psi(t) = t^d \theta(t)^{\sigma+\varepsilon} \\ \omega \perp \mathcal{H}^\psi & \text{where } \psi(t) = t^d \theta(t)^{\sigma-\varepsilon} \end{cases}$$

Tool : asymptotic independence of the random variables :

$$\left| \log \frac{\omega(XYZ)}{\omega(XY)} - \log \frac{\omega(YZ)}{\omega(Y)} \right| \leq Cq^{|Y|} \quad \text{where } q < 1 .$$

A tool : the structure function τ

- m : probability measure on $[0, 1]^p$
- $\ell \geq 2$ and \mathcal{F}_n : ℓ -adic cubes of the n^{th} generation
- $X_n(x) = -\log_{\ell} \frac{m(I_n(x))}{m(I_{n-1}(x))}$ and $\frac{S_n}{n} = \frac{\log m(I_n(x))}{\log |I_n(x)|}$

$$\tau(q) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \tau_n(q) \quad \text{with} \quad \tau_n(q) = \frac{1}{n \log \ell} \log \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{F}_n} m(I)^q \right).$$

Remark : $\tau_n(1 - q) = \frac{1}{n} \log_{\ell} \mathbb{E}[\ell^{qS_n}]$

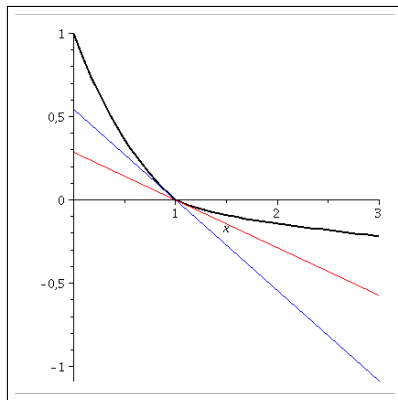
Theorem (H. 98)

$$-\tau'_+(1) \leq \dim_*(m) \leq \text{Dim}^*(m) \leq -\tau'_-(1)$$

In particular, if $\tau'(1)$ exists,

$$\dim_*(m) = \text{Dim}^*(m) = \text{Dim}_*(m) = \text{Dim}^*(m) = -\tau'(1).$$

The structure function τ



τ is convex, decreasing, satisfies $\tau(1) = 0$ and $\tau(0) = \dim(\text{supp}(m))$

Quasi-Bernoulli measures

Definition

A measure m is called a quasi-Bernoulli measure on $[0, 1)$ if

$$\frac{1}{C} m(I)m(J) \leq m(IJ) \leq C m(I)m(J)$$

where $I = I_{\varepsilon_1 \dots \varepsilon_n}$, $J = I_{\varepsilon_1 \dots \varepsilon_p}$ and $IJ = I_{\varepsilon_1 \dots \varepsilon_{n+p}}$.

In other words : $\frac{m(IJ)}{m(I)} \approx m(J)$.

Quasi-Bernoulli measures : ergodic properties

The left shift :

$$\sigma(x) = \ell x \bmod 1 \quad \text{or equivalently} \quad \sigma(0, \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_n \cdots) = 0, \varepsilon_2 \cdots \varepsilon_n \cdots .$$

Proposition (Carleson, H.)

- *0-1 law* : $B_\infty = \bigcap_n \sigma^{-n}(\text{Bor}([0, 1]))$.

$$\forall E \in B_\infty, \quad m(E) = 0 \text{ or } m(E) = 1 .$$

- *Strong mixing property* : (m is supposed σ -invariant)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} m(A \cap \sigma^{-n}(B)) = m(A) m(B) .$$

- *General case* : let $\tilde{m} = \lim_n \frac{1}{n} (m + \cdots + m \circ \sigma^{-(n-1)})$.
 \tilde{m} is σ -invariant, ergodic, quasi-Bernoulli and equivalent to m .

Sub and super multiplicative properties

$$\frac{1}{C} (m(I)m(J))^q \leq m(IJ)^q \leq C (m(I)m(J))^q$$

where C does not depend on q when q is bounded. It follows

$$\sum_{K \in \mathcal{F}_{n+p}} m(K)^{1-q} \approx \left[\sum_{I \in \mathcal{F}_n} m(I)^{1-q} \right] \left[\sum_{J \in \mathcal{F}_p} m(J)^{1-q} \right]$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\ell^q S_{n+p} \right] \approx \mathbb{E} \left[\ell^q S_n \right] \mathbb{E} \left[\ell^q S_p \right]$$

So that

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\ell^q S_n \right] \approx \ell^{n\tau(1-q)} \quad \text{near } 0$$

Quasi-Bernoulli measure are unidimensional measures

Theorem (H. 98)

Let m be a quasi-Bernoulli measure. Then τ is of class C^1 on \mathbb{R} .
In particular, m is unidimensional and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\log(m(I_n(x)))}{\log |I_n(x)|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n}{n} = -\tau'(1) = d \quad \text{a.s. .}$$

A log-log upper bound

Theorem (Bhouri, H. 09)

Let m be a quasi-Bernoulli measure with dimension $d = -\tau'(1)$.

Suppose that

$$\tau(1 - q) = qd + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}q^2 + o(q^2) \quad \text{near } 0 .$$

Then,

$$\begin{cases} \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n - nd}{\sqrt{2n \log_\ell \log_\ell n}} \leq \sigma \\ \liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n - nd}{\sqrt{2n \log_\ell \log_\ell n}} \geq -\sigma \end{cases}$$

dm -almost surely.

The main lemma

Using sub and super multiplicative properties, the following maximal lemma holds :

Lemma

Let $\varepsilon > 0$, $a > 0$ and $n_0 < n_1$. Then,

$$m(\exists k \in \{n_0, \dots, n_1\} ; S_k \geq a + kd) \leq C \ell^{\frac{-a^2}{2n_1(\sigma+\varepsilon)^2}}$$

for $\frac{a}{n_1(\sigma + \varepsilon)^2}$ small enough.

Consequences for the measure m

Corollary

Let $\Theta(t) = \ell \sqrt{2 \log_\ell 1/t \log_\ell \log_\ell \log_\ell 1/t}$. Then, for all $\varepsilon > 0$,

1. $m \ll \mathcal{H}^\Psi$, where $\Psi(t) = t^d \Theta(t)^{\sigma+\varepsilon}$
2. $m \perp \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^\Psi$, where $\Psi(t) = t^d \Theta(t)^{-(\sigma+\varepsilon)}$.

Sketch of Proof of 1 : a. s., for n large enough,

$$\log_\ell(m(I_n(x))) = S_n \geq nd - (\sigma + \varepsilon)\sqrt{2n \ln \ln n}$$

We get

$$\text{a.s., } m(I_n(x)) \leq |I_n(x)|^d \Theta(|I_n(x)|)^{\sigma+\varepsilon} \quad \text{for } n \text{ large enough}$$

There exists a full measure set E_0 such that

$$\forall E, \quad m(E \cap E_0) \leq \mathcal{H}^\Psi(E)$$

Estimations in the reverse sense

Theorem (Bhouri, H. 09)

Let m be a quasi-Bernoulli measure with dimension $d = -\tau'(1)$.
Suppose that for some $\sigma > 0$

$$\tau(1 - q) = qd + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}q^2 + o(q^2) \quad \text{near } 0 .$$

Then,

$$\begin{cases} \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n - nd}{\sqrt{n}} = +\infty \\ \liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n - nd}{\sqrt{n}} = -\infty \end{cases}$$

dm -almost surely.

Consequences for the measure m

Corollary

- $\exists E \subset [0, 1)$ such that $m(E) = 1$ and $\mathcal{H}^d(E) = 0$ ($m \perp \mathcal{H}^d$)
- If $\widehat{\mathcal{P}}^d(E) < +\infty$ then $m(E) = 0$ (in particular $m \ll \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^d$)

More precisely,

Corollary

If $\psi_a(t) = t^d \ell^{a\sqrt{\log_\ell 1/t}}$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\begin{cases} m \perp \mathcal{H}^{\psi_a} \\ m \ll \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^{\psi_a} \end{cases}$$

More generally

Theorem (Bhouri, H. 09)

Let m be a quasi-Bernoulli measure with dimension $d = -\tau'(1)$.
Suppose that for some $\alpha > 0$ and $\beta > 1$

$$\tau(1 - q) = qd + \alpha|q|^\beta + o(q^\beta) \quad \text{near } 0 .$$

Then,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n - nd}{n^{1/\beta}} = +\infty \\ \liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{S_n - nd}{n^{1/\beta}} = -\infty \end{array} \right.$$

dm -almost surely.

In particular, $m \perp \mathcal{H}^d$ but $m \ll \hat{\mathcal{P}}^d$.

The case where τ is analytic

Corollary (Bhouri, H. 09)

Suppose that τ is analytic. Let

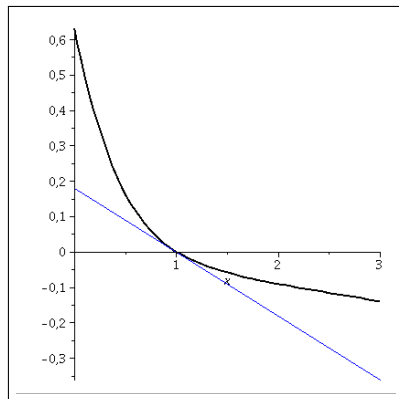
$$\delta = \dim(\text{supp}(m)) \quad \text{and} \quad d = \dim(m) .$$

There are only two possible cases :

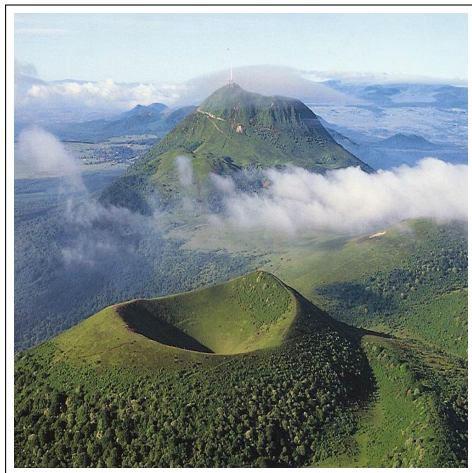
- $d = \delta$ and $m \approx \mathcal{H}^\delta \approx \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^\delta$ on $\text{supp}(m)$
- $d < \delta$ and $m \perp \mathcal{H}^d$ but $m \ll \widehat{\mathcal{P}}^d$

Example : this is the case when the measure m is a Gibbs measure related to an Hölder potential.

Proof



If $\dim(m) < \dim(\text{supp}(m))$, then $\tau(1 - q) = dq + \alpha q^{2k} + o(q^{2k})$



Merci !