On multifractal phenomena

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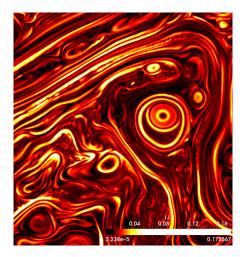


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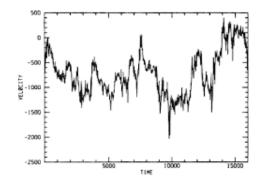


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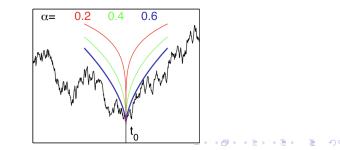
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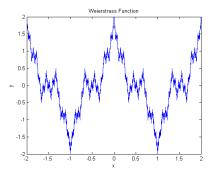
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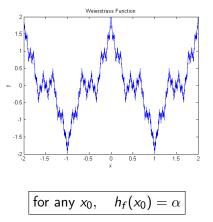
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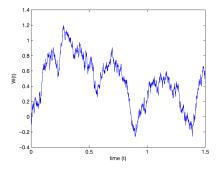
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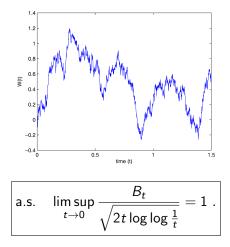


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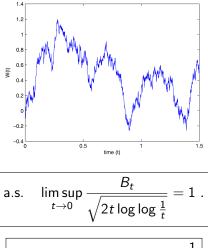
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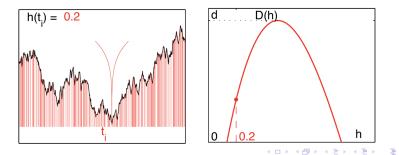
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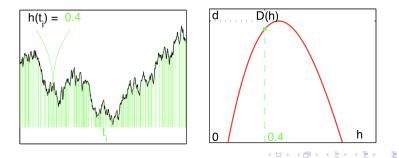


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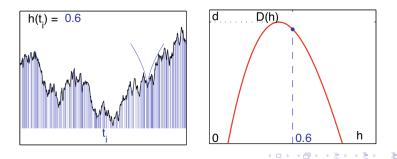


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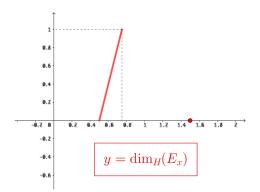
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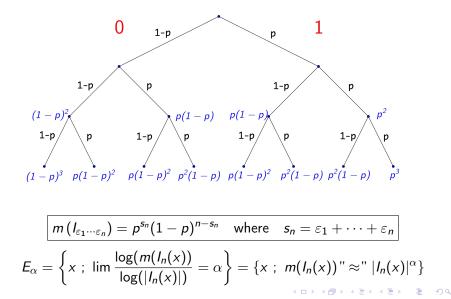
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A toy example : the Bernoulli measure



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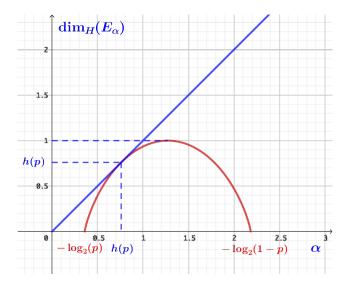
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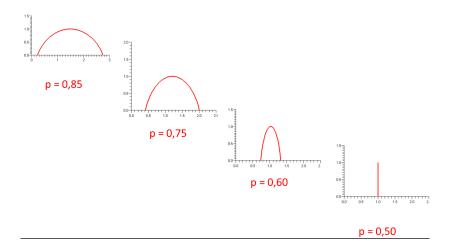
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The spectrum of the Bernoulli measure m



Different values of p



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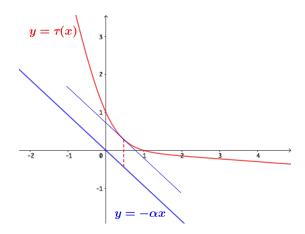
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where $\tau^*(\alpha) = \inf_t(t\alpha + \tau(t))$ is the Legendre transform of τ .

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The Legendre transform



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The multifractal formalism scheme

Compute the structure function $\boldsymbol{\tau}$

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Compute the Legendre transform τ^{\ast}

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The expected value is $\dim_H(E_\alpha) = \tau^*(\alpha)$

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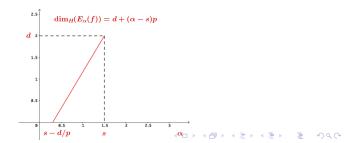
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$$\dim_H (E_{\alpha}(f)) \leq d + (\alpha - s)p.$$

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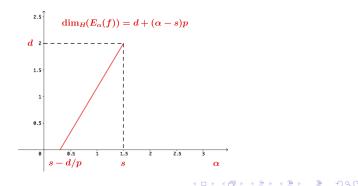
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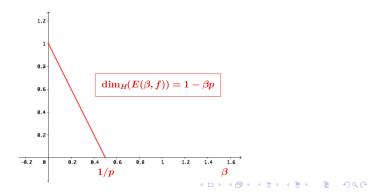
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Theorem (Bayart, H.)
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Let $p \ge 1$

• For quasi all function $f \in L^p(\mathbb{T})$,

$$\forall \beta \in [0, 1/p], \quad \dim_H \left(E(\beta, f) \right) = 1 - \beta p . \tag{3.1}$$

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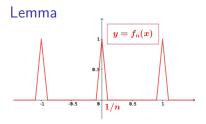
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Remark

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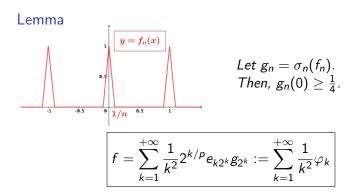
$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \sup_{n} \frac{|S_n f(x)|^p}{(\log n)^{p+\varepsilon}} \, dx \le C \|f\|_p^p$$

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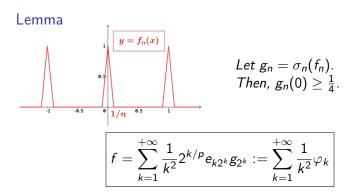
Let $g_n = \sigma_n(f_n)$. *Then*, $g_n(0) \ge \frac{1}{4}$.

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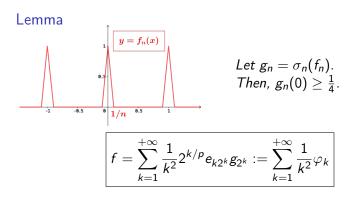


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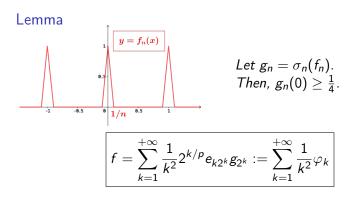


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