

**Multifractal random walks
as fractional Wiener integrals**

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MOTIVATIONS

Scale invariance property : Find a stochastic process $(X_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$ such that the moments of the fluctuations at different scales behave as

$$\mathbb{E} (|X(t + \tau) - X(\tau)|^q) \sim C_q(\tau) \tau^{\xi(q)}.$$

Definition : If $\xi(q) = qH$, X is a monofractal process.

Example : Fractional Brownian motion.

Definition : If the scaling exponent $q \mapsto \xi(q)$ is non linear, X is a multi fractal process.

Related to the multifractal formalism through the Legendre transformation.

Applications :

- stock prices in finance (Lee at al 06)
- teletraffic in the Internet (Barral at al 05)
- ranging from turbulence in hydrodynamics (Mandelbrot 74)

Multifractal processes

Random non negative multifractal measures (MRM)

- multiplicative binomial cascades of Mandelbrot (74)
- compound Poisson cascades of Barral et al (02)
- log-infinitely divisible multifractal measures (Bacry et al 02)

Multifractal random walk (MRW) :

Two approaches

- by subordination $X(t) = B(M([0, t]))$ where M is a multifractal measure, B self similar process with stationary increments, independent of M
- by integration $X(t) = \int_0^t Q(u)dB(u)$, N stationary nonnegative multifractal noise (Barral et al (02))

If B is a Brownian motion the two approaches give the same process (Bacry Muzy) (03)

Muzy et al (02), Ludena (06) introduce the case B fractional Brownian motion

Infinitely divisible cascading noise (IDC)

Definition An IDC noise is a family $((Q_r(t), t \in \mathbb{R})_r)$ of processes

$$Q_r(t) = \frac{e^{M(C_r(t))}}{\mathbb{E}(e^{M(C_r(t))})},$$

where $C_r(t) = \{(t', r') : r \leq r' \leq 1, t - \frac{r'}{2} \leq t' < t + \frac{r'}{2}\}$, M is an infinitely divisible, independently scattered random measure,

$$\mathbb{E}(e^{qM(A)}) = e^{-\rho(q)m(A)}$$

$$dm(t, r) = \begin{cases} dt \left(c \frac{dr}{r^2} + c^* \delta_1 \right) & \text{if } 0 < r \leq 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } r > 1. \end{cases}$$

Lemma : Moments

$$\mathbb{E}(Q_r(0)^q) = e^{-\varphi(q)m(C_r(0))},$$

$$\mathbb{E}(Q_r(t)Q_r(s))e^{-\varphi(2)m(C_r(t) \cap C_r(s))},$$

$\varphi(q) = \rho(q) - q\rho(1)$ is concave, $\varphi(0) = \varphi(1) = 0$ and $\varphi(2) < 0$.

Proposition : Exact scale invariance Bacry Muzy (03)

$(c^* = c)$,

$\{Q_{rt}(tu)\}_{u \in [0,1]} \stackrel{d}{=} e^{\Omega t} \{Q_r(u)\}_{u \in [0,1]}$ where Ω is independent of M and $\mathbb{E}(e^{q\Omega t}) = t^{c\varphi(q)}$.

Fractional Wiener integral

Let B^κ be a fractional Brownian motion with Hurst parameter $\kappa + 1/2 \in (0, 1)$,

Definition : The Wiener fractional integral ($\mathcal{I}^\kappa(f)$, $f \in \mathcal{L}^\kappa$) is the Gaussian process with covariance function

$\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{I}^\kappa(f)\mathcal{I}^\kappa(g)) = \langle f, g \rangle_\kappa$, where

- $\kappa > 0$ (Pipiras Taqqu (03)) not complete inner product space

$$\mathcal{L}^\kappa = \left\{ f : \int \int_{[0,t]^2} |f(u)| |f(v)| |u - v|^{2\kappa-1} dudv < \infty \right\}$$

with inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle_\kappa = \int \int_{[0,t]^2} f(u)g(v) |u - v|^{2\kappa-1} dudv,$$

- $\kappa < 0$

$$\mathcal{L}^\kappa = \left\{ g \in L^2[0, t], g_{||}^\kappa \in L^2[0, T] \right\}$$

$$g_{||}^\kappa(u) = \frac{|g(u)|(t-u)^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t |g(s) - g(u)| (u-s)_+^{\kappa-1} ds$$

with inner product $\langle f, g \rangle_\kappa = \langle f^\kappa, g^\kappa \rangle_{L^2[0,t]}$ and f^κ defined as $f_{||}^\kappa$ without absolute values.

Lemma : For $s < s'$, $\mathcal{I}^\kappa(\mathbf{1}_{[s,s']}) = B^\kappa(s) - B^\kappa(s')$.

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Lemma : (Scale invariant case $c^* = 0$)

For $r > 0$ $Q_r \in \mathcal{L}^\kappa$ and $\mathbb{E}(\langle Q_r, Q_r \rangle_\kappa) \sim C(t)n(r)^2$ where

$$n(r)^2 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } c\varphi(2) + 2\kappa > 0, \\ -\ln r & \text{if } c\varphi(2) + 2\kappa = 0, \\ r^{c\varphi(2)+2\kappa} & \text{if } c\varphi(2) + 2\kappa < 0. \end{cases}$$

Notation : $Z_r^\kappa(t) = \int_0^t Q_r(u)dB^\kappa(u)$.

Theorem : Existence results

For fixed $t \in \mathbb{R}$; $(Z_r^\kappa(t))_r$ converges in $L^2(\Omega)$ if and only if $c\varphi(2) + 2\kappa > 0$.

Definition : The limit process, $(Z_t^\kappa)_{t>0}$ is called Multifractal random walk as fractional integral.

Question :

Convergence of $(n(r)^{-1}Z_r^\kappa(t))_r$ when $c\varphi(2) + 2\kappa > 0$?

Not in $L^2(\Omega)$.

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Proposition

1. Let B be a Brownian motion,

$(r^{-\frac{c\varphi(2)}{2}} \int_0^t Q_r(u) dB(u), t \in [0, 1])_r$ converge in law the sens of finite dimensional marginal in law.

2. Conditionnaly to $\sigma(M(A), A \text{ Borelian})$, for fixed t , $(\int_0^t Q_r(u) dB_u)_r$ converges weakly to 0.

Lemma : The following processes are non negative martingales

- for fixed u , $(Q_r(u))_r$,
- $(r^{-c\frac{\varphi(2)}{2}} \int_0^1 Q_r(u)^2 du)_r$,
- for all nonnegative $f \in L^2[0, 1]$, $(\int_0^1 f(u) Q_r(u) du)_r$

and converge almost surely.

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proof :

1. Conditionnaly to $\sigma(M(A), A \text{ Borelian})$,
 $(r^{-c\varphi(2)} \int_0^{t_i} Q_r(u) dB(u))_r)_{i=1}^n$ is a family of Gaussian random vectors with covariance matrix
 $(r^{-c\varphi(2)} \int_0^{t_i \wedge t_j} Q_r(u)^2 du)_{i,j}$ which converge when r goes to 0, when it converges in law.

2. $(r^{-c\frac{\varphi(2)}{2}} Q_r)_r$ converges weakly to 0 in $L^2|0, 1]$ since

- the family of its norm $(r^{-c\varphi(2)} \int_0^1 Q_r(u)^2 du)$ converges
- and if for $j = 0, ..2^k$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\xi_{j,k}$ is the Haar function

$$\xi_{j,k} = 2^{j/2} \left[\mathbf{1}_{\left[\frac{2k-2}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{2k-1}{2^{j+1}}\right[} - \mathbf{1}_{\left[\frac{2k-1}{2^{j+1}}, \frac{2k}{2^{j+1}}\right[} \right]$$

then $(\int_0^1 \xi_{j,k}(u) Q_r(u) du)_r$ converges.

- Since $\varphi(2) < 0$, $(r^{-c\varphi(2)} \int_0^1 \xi_{j,k}(u) Q_r(u) du)_r$ converges to 0.

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proof :

Let $F \in L^2(\Omega, \sigma(B))$, having a stochastic gradient

$$\mathbb{E}_M(F \int_0^1 Q_r(u) dB_u) = \mathbb{E}_M(\langle DF, Q_r \rangle_{L^2(du)})$$

converge to 0.

$$\mathbb{E}_M([\int_0^1 Q_r(u) dB_u]^2) = \int_0^1 Q_r(u)^2 du \text{ converges,}$$

conclude to weak convergence using density of

$\{F, \in L^2(\Omega, \sigma(B)), \text{ having a stochastic gradient } \}$ in $L^2(\Omega, \sigma(B))$.

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Proposition :

For fixed t ,

for all $F \in L^\infty(\Omega, \mathbb{P})$ $(\mathbb{E}(F n(r)^{-1} \int_0^t Q_r(u) dB_u^\kappa)_r)$ converges to 0.

Proof : Let $F = F_Q \times F_{B^\kappa}$ such that

- F_Q bounded $\sigma(M(A), A \text{ Borelian})$ measurable,
- F_{B^κ} bounded $\sigma(B^\kappa)$ measurable, having a stochastic gradient with respect to B^κ , $DF_{B^\kappa} \in L^2(du)$.

Integration by part yields

$$\mathbb{E}(F n(r)^{-1} \int_0^t Q_r(u) dB_u^\kappa) = \mathbb{E}(F_Q \langle DF_{B^\kappa}, Q_r \rangle_{L^2(du)}).$$

and conclude with a density argument.

Remark : $\kappa \neq 0$, not weak convergence conditionnaly to $\sigma(M(A), A \text{ Borelian})$ since no almost sure convergence result for $(\langle Q_r, Q_r \rangle_{\mathcal{L}^\kappa})_r$.

Numerical synthesis

Numerical simulation of $(Z_r^\kappa(n/N))_{n=1}^N$ using Riemann sums :

- $(B^\kappa(k/K))_{k=0}^{K-1}$ using circulant embedding method (Bardet at al) 03),
- $(Q_r(k/K))_{k=0}^{K-1}$ using Chainais at al (05)
- $N < K = RN$ and $r \gg 1/K$.

$$Z_r^\kappa(n/N) \sim \sum_{k=1}^{K-1} Q_r(k/K) (B^\kappa(k/K) - B^\kappa(k - 1/K)),$$

Properties of MRW

Proposition Exact scale invariance case

For $c\varphi(2) + 2\kappa > 0$, $t \in [0, 1]$,
 $\mathbb{E}(|Z_\kappa(t)|^q) = C_q t^{(\kappa + \frac{1}{2})q + c\varphi(q)}$.

Proposition : Scale invariance case

Under suitable conditions, $c\varphi(2) + 2\kappa > 0$, $t \in [0, 1]$, for $q > 0$
 there exists \overline{C}_q, C_q ,

$$C_q t^{c\varphi(q) + (\kappa + 1/2)q} \leq \mathbb{E}(|Z_\kappa(t)|^q) \leq \overline{C}_q t^{c\varphi(q) + (\kappa + 1/2)q}.$$