

MOMENTS OF MAXIMA OF STABLE PROCESSES AND FIELDS

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Open Problem (Xiao (2010)): Can we give “sharp lower and upper bound” on $E|M_n|^\beta$ for $\beta \in (0, \alpha)$?

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NOTE: This quantity is nothing but $2^{-nH} E|M_{2^n}|^\beta$ and therefore, a sharp upper bound on $E|M_{2^n}|^\beta$ can help determine the smoothness of the paths.

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$$M : S_0 \rightarrow L^0(\Omega)$$

is called an $S\alpha S$ Random Measure on (S, \mathcal{S}) with control measure μ if

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This was formalized by **Samorodnitsky (2004)** for $d = 1$. **Roy and Samorodnitsky (2008)** established a generalization of this for $d > 1$. Continuous parameter extension is handled in another paper of **Samorodnitsky (2004)** ($d = 1$ case) and a paper of **Roy (2010)** ($d > 1$ case).

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Theorem

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If $\{\phi_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{Z}^d}$ is conservative then,

$$E \left(M_n^\beta \right) = o(n^{d\beta/\alpha}).$$

Otherwise, for some $a > 0$,

$$E \left(M_n^\beta \right) \sim an^{d\beta/\alpha}.$$

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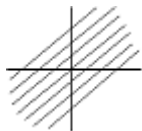
Define $X_{(i,j)} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f \circ \phi_{(i,j)}(s) M(ds)$, $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$.

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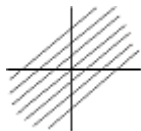


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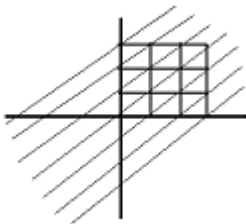
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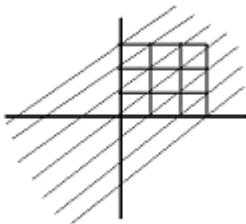
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Since $\{X_{(0,k)}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is generated by $\{\phi_{(0,k)}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$, which is not conservative, we have,

$$E(M_n)^\beta \sim cn^{\beta/\alpha} \text{ for some } c > 0.$$

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Theorem

Let $0 < \beta < \alpha$.

If $\{\phi_t\}_{t \in F}$ is conservative then,

$$E \left(M_n^\beta \right) = o(n^{p\beta/\alpha}).$$

Otherwise, for some $a > 0$,

$$E \left(M_n^\beta \right) \sim an^{p\beta/\alpha}.$$

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