

Nonconcave entropies and multifractal spectra

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 - ▶ Nonconcave entropies
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- 3 New method for nonconcave spectra



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Nonconcave entropies in multifractals
and the thermodynamic formalism

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Methods for calculating nonconcave entropies

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Large deviation theory

- Random variable: A_n
- Probability density: $P(A_n = a)$

Large deviation principle (LDP)

$$P(A_n = a) \approx e^{-nI(a)}$$

- Meaning of \approx :

$$\begin{aligned} \ln P(a) &= -nI(a) + o(n) \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{n} \ln P(a) &= I(a) \end{aligned}$$

- Rate function: $I(a) \geq 0$

Goals of large deviation theory

- 1 Prove that a large deviation principle exists
- 2 Calculate the rate function

Result 1: Varadhan's Theorem

- LDP:

$$P(A_n = a) \approx e^{-nI(a)}$$

- Exponential expectation:

$$E[e^{nf(A_n)}] = \int e^{nf(a)} P(A_n = a) da$$

- Limit functional:

$$\lambda(f) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \ln E[e^{nf(A_n)}]$$



- Courant Institute
- Abel Prize 2007

Theorem: Varadhan (1966)

$$\lambda(f) = \max_a \{f(a) - I(a)\}$$

Special case: $f(a) = ka$

$$\lambda(k) = \max_a \{ka - I(a)\}$$

Result 2: Gärtner-Ellis Theorem

Scaled cumulant generating function (SCGF)

$$\lambda(k) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \ln E[e^{nkA_n}], \quad k \in \mathbb{R}$$

Theorem: Gärtner (1977), Ellis (1984)

If $\lambda(k)$ is differentiable, then

- 1 Existence of LDP:

$$P(A_n = a) \approx e^{-nI(a)}$$

- 2 Rate function:

$$I(a) = \max_k \{ka - \lambda(k)\}$$

- $I(a)$ is the Legendre transform of $\lambda(k)$
- $I(a)$ is strictly convex



Richard S. Ellis



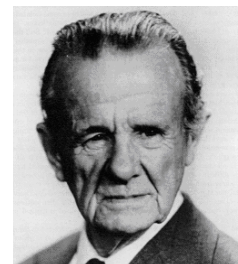
J. Gärtner

Sums of IID random variables

Cramér (1938)

- Sample mean:

$$S_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad X_i \sim p(x), \quad \text{IID}$$



- SCGF:

$$\lambda(k) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \ln E[e^{nkS_n}] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \ln E \left[\prod_{i=1}^n e^{kX_i} \right] = \ln E[e^{kX}]$$

Gaussian

$$\lambda(k) = \mu k + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} k^2, \quad k \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$I(s) = \frac{(s - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}, \quad s \in \mathbb{R}$$

Exponential

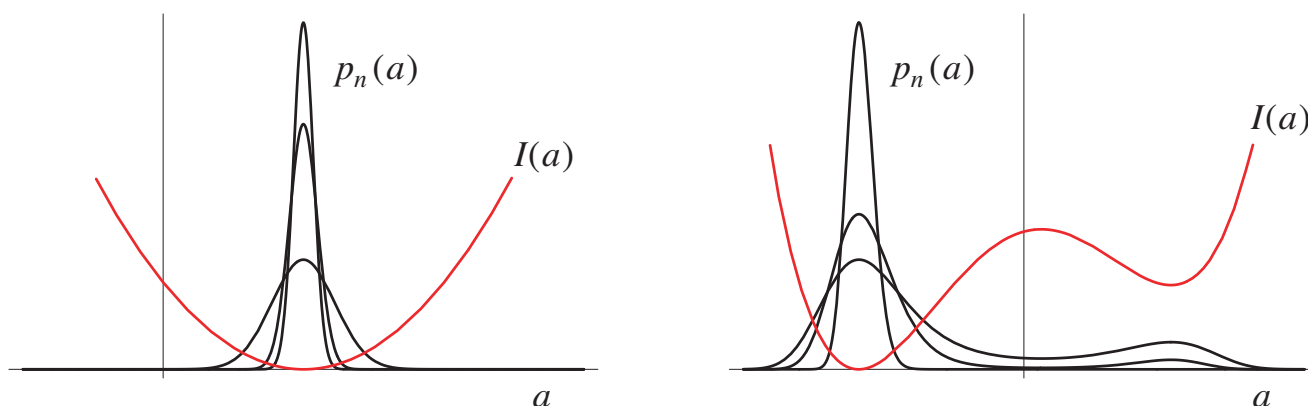
$$\lambda(k) = -\ln(1 - \mu k), \quad k < \frac{1}{\mu}$$

$$I(s) = \frac{s}{\mu} - 1 - \ln \frac{s}{\mu}, \quad s > 0$$

General properties

$$P(A_n = a) \approx e^{-nI(a)}$$

- Most probable value = typical value = min and zero of I
- Zero of I = Law of Large Numbers
- Local parabolic minimum = Central Limit Theorem



Nonconvex rate function

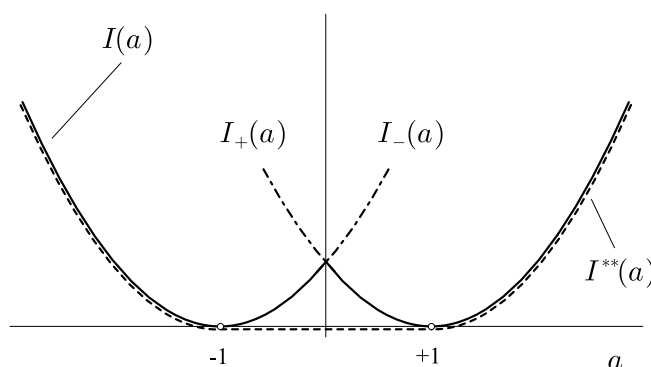
loffe (1993)

- Mixed Gaussian sample mean:

$$A_n = Y + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1), \quad Y \sim \mathcal{U}\{-1, 1\}$$

- LDP: $P(A_n = a) \approx e^{-nI(a)}$
- Rate function:

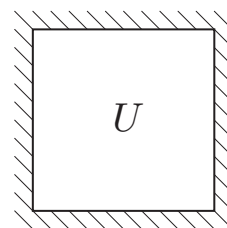
$$I(a) = \begin{cases} \frac{(a+1)^2}{2} & a \leq 0 \\ \frac{(a-1)^2}{2} & a > 0 \end{cases}$$



- $I(a)$ cannot be obtained from GE Theorem
- $\lambda(k)$ has nondifferentiable point
- Legendre transform of $\lambda(k)$ gives convex envelope $I^{**}(a)$

Nonconcave entropies in statistical mechanics

- N particles
- Microscopic configuration: $\omega = x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N$
- Energy: $U(\omega)$



Entropy

- Density of states:

$$\rho(u) = |\{\omega : U/N = u\}|$$

- LDP: $\rho(u) \approx e^{Ns(u)}$
- Entropy:

$$s(u) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \ln \rho(u)$$

Free energy

- Partition function:

$$Z(\beta) = \sum_{\text{states}} e^{-\beta U}$$

- LDP: $Z(\beta) \approx e^{-N\varphi(\beta)}$
- Free energy:

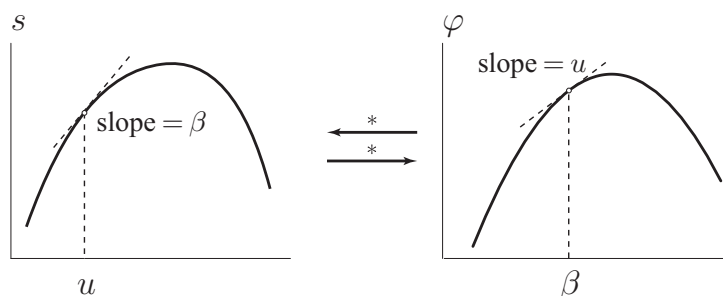
$$\varphi(\beta) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{N} \ln Z(\beta)$$

Concave vs nonconcave entropy

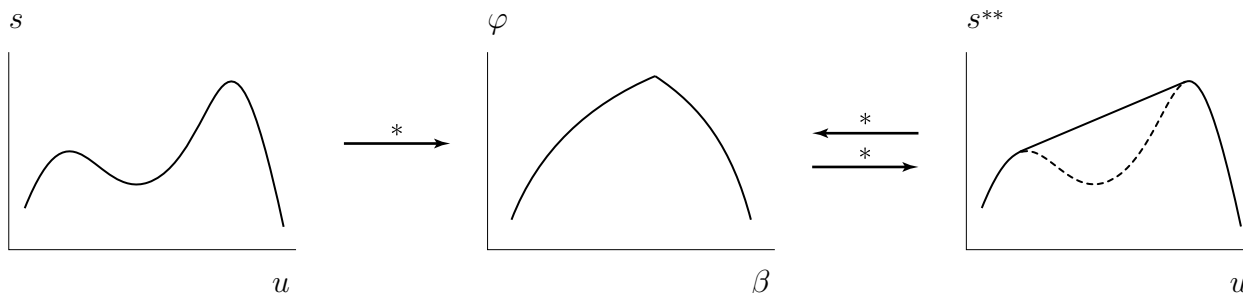
- Concave entropy:

$$\varphi(\beta) = \inf_u \{\beta u - s(u)\}$$

$$s(u) = \inf_\beta \{\beta u - \varphi(\beta)\}$$



- Nonconcave entropy:

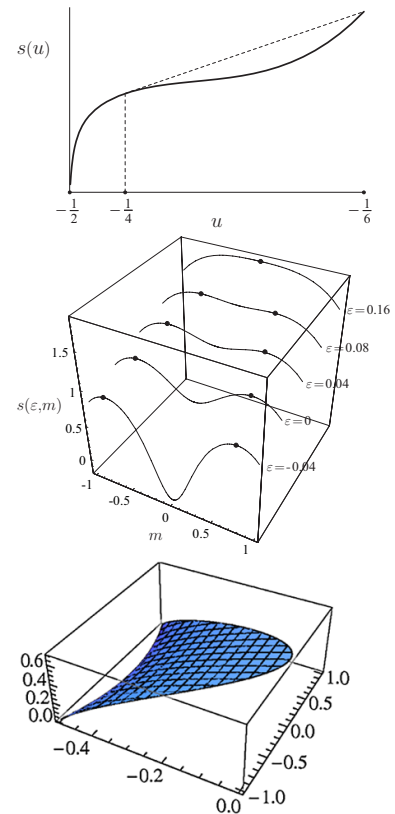


- $s^{**}(u) =$ concave envelope of $s(u)$
- $\varphi(\beta)$ is nondifferentiable for $s(u)$ nonconcave

Examples

(Campa, Dauxois & Ruffo Phys Rep 2009)

- Gravitational systems
 - ▶ Stars
 - ▶ Globular clusters
- Spin systems
 - ▶ Potts model
 - ▶ ϕ^4 model
- 2D turbulence
- Optical lattices
- Quantum spins
 - ▶ Heisenberg model

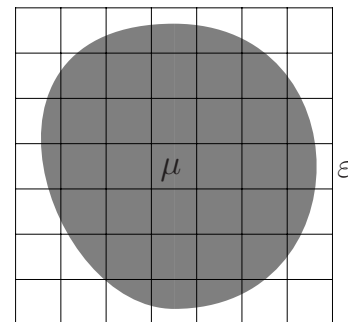


- Long-range interaction
- Short-range interaction \Rightarrow concave entropy

Multifractal formalism

- Measure: $\mu(x)$
- Coarse-graining: $p_{i,\epsilon} = \int_{i\text{th box}} d\mu(x)$
- Local exponent:

$$p_{i,\epsilon} \sim \epsilon^{\alpha_i}, \quad \alpha_{i,\epsilon} = \frac{\ln p_{i,\epsilon}}{\ln \epsilon}$$



Structure function

- Partition function:

$$S_\epsilon(q) = \sum_i \epsilon^{q\alpha_{i,\epsilon}}$$

- LDP: $S_\epsilon(q) \sim \epsilon^{\tau(q)}$
- Structure function:

$$\tau(q) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln S_\epsilon(q)}{\ln \epsilon}$$

Distribution of local exponents

- Histogram:

$$n_\epsilon(\alpha) = \# \text{ boxes with } \alpha_\epsilon \in [\alpha, \alpha + d\alpha]$$

- LDP: $n_\epsilon(\alpha) \sim \epsilon^{-f(\alpha)}$
- Multifractal spectrum:

$$f(\alpha) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} - \frac{\ln n_\epsilon(\alpha)}{\ln \epsilon}$$

Concave vs nonconcave spectrum

(HT & Beck JSP 2005)

- Varadhan:

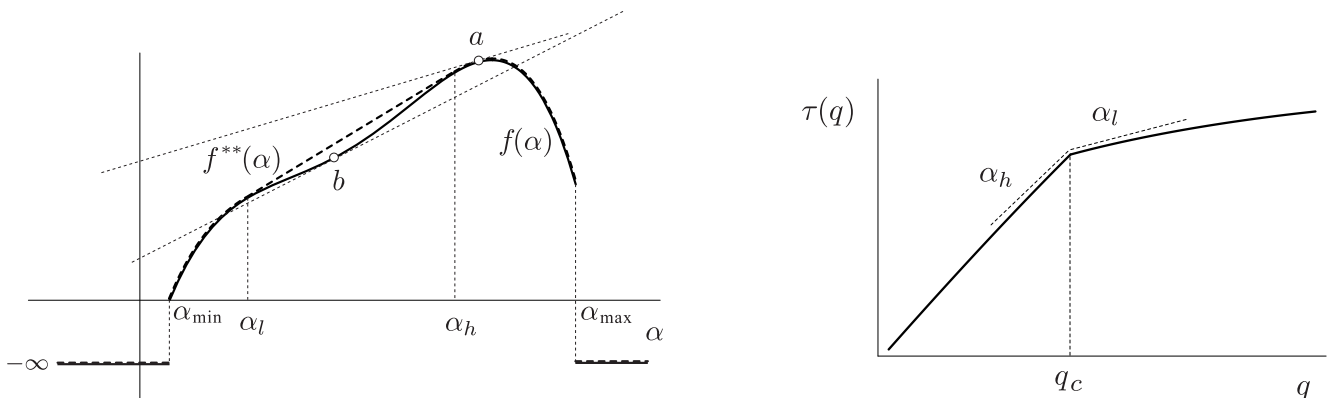
$$\tau(q) = \inf_{\alpha} \{q\alpha - f(\alpha)\}$$

- Concave spectrum:

$$f(\alpha) = \inf_q \{q\alpha - \tau(q)\}$$

- Nonconcave spectrum:

$$f(\alpha) \leq f^{**}(\alpha) = \inf_q \{q\alpha - \tau(q)\}$$



Examples from physics

(HT & Beck JSP 2005)

- Turbulence

- ▶ $dv(l) = |v(x+l) - v(x)|$
- ▶ $\langle (dv)^p \rangle \sim l^{\zeta_p}$

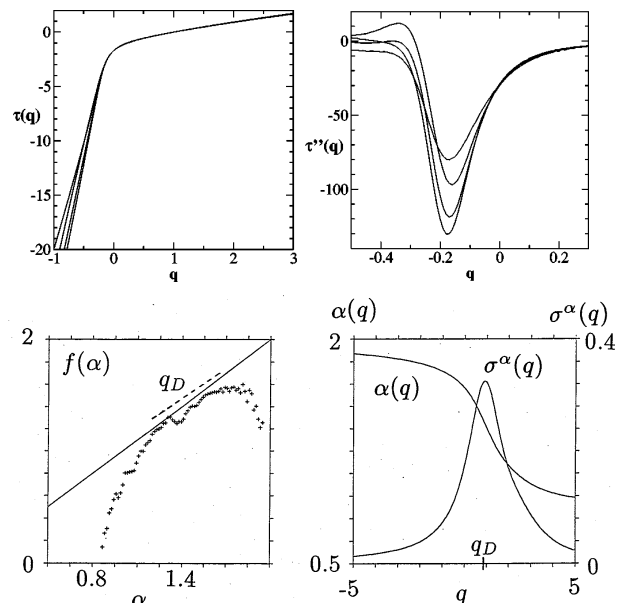
- Limited diffusion

- ▶ Jensen *et al.* PRE 2002

- Chaotic systems

- ▶ Strange attractors
- ▶ Hénon map
- ▶ Driven damped pendulum
- ▶ Tominaga *et al.* PTP 1990

- Dynamical indices spectra



- Concavity of $f(\alpha)$ assumed in most cases
- Related to multifractal or q phase transitions
- How to obtain nonconcave $f(\alpha)$?

Generalized canonical ensembles

(Costeniuc, Ellis, HT & Turkington, JSP 2005; PRE 2006)

(HT & Beck JSP 2005)

Canonical

$$S_\varepsilon(q) = \sum_i \varepsilon^{q\alpha_{i,\varepsilon}}$$

$$\tau(q) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln S_\varepsilon(q)}{\ln \varepsilon}$$

Generalized canonical

$$S_{g,\varepsilon}(q) = \sum_i \varepsilon^{q\alpha_{i,\varepsilon} + g(\alpha_{i,\varepsilon})}$$

$$\tau_g(q) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln S_{g,\varepsilon}(q)}{\ln \varepsilon}$$

Generalized Gärtner-Ellis Theorem

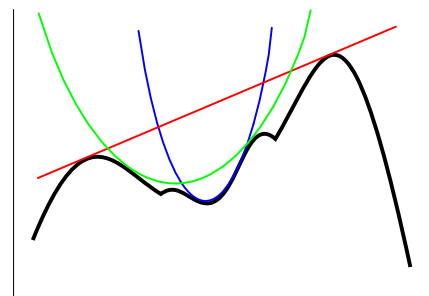
- Choose g
- If $\tau_g(q)$ is differentiable, then

$$f(\alpha) = \inf_q \{q\alpha - \tau_g(q)\} + g(\alpha)$$

Choice for g

$$S_{g,\varepsilon}(q) = \sum_i \varepsilon^{q\alpha_{i,\varepsilon} + g(\alpha_{i,\varepsilon})}$$

- Canonical:
 - ▶ $g = 0$
 - ▶ $g = \text{const}$
 - ▶ $g = \gamma\alpha$
- Gaussian: $g(\alpha) = \gamma\alpha^2$
- Betrag: $g(\alpha) = \gamma|\alpha|$
- Others?



Universal equivalence

- Any spectrum can be obtained with Gaussian ensemble
- $\gamma > \gamma_c = \max f''(\alpha)$
- γ related to local curvature of $f(\alpha)$
- Supporting parabola interpretation
- Also works for rate functions / entropies

Example: Mixed Gaussian sample mean

- Gaussian SCGF:

$$\lambda_\gamma(k) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \ln E[e^{nkA_n + n\frac{\gamma}{2}A_n^2}]$$

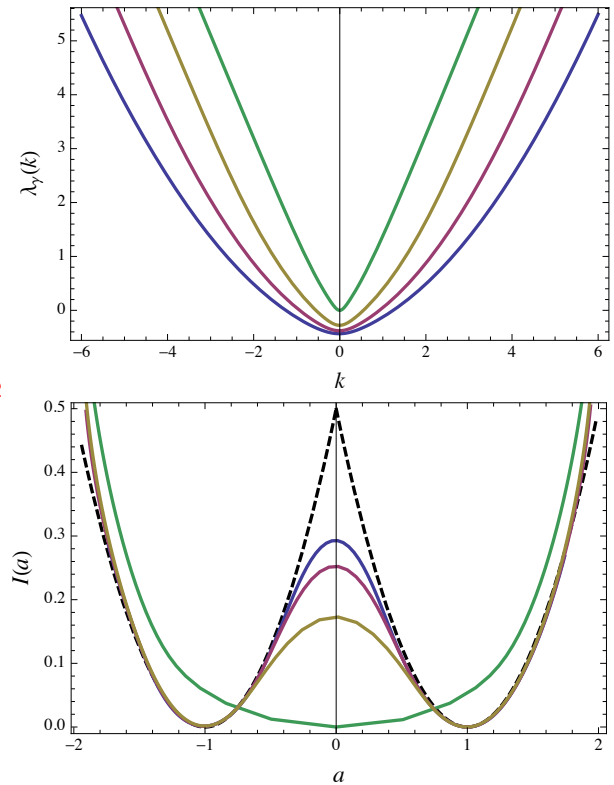
- Sample: $\{A_n^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^L$
- SCGF estimator:

$$\lambda_\gamma(k) = \frac{1}{n} \ln \frac{1}{L} \sum_{j=1}^L e^{nkA_n^{(j)} + n\frac{\gamma}{2}(A_n^{(j)})^2}$$

- Rate function:

$$I(a) = \inf_k \{ka - \lambda_\gamma(k)\} + \frac{\gamma}{2}a^2$$

- Simulations: $L = 2000, n = 10$
 $\gamma = -3, -2, -1, 0$



Open questions

Generalized formalism

- Apply to real multifractals / signals
- Numerical / sampling issues for Gaussian ensemble
- Other functions g ?


Previous studies


- Revisit past studies of (concave?) spectra
- Nonconcave for $\varepsilon > 0$ but concave for $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$?


Other


- Source of nonconcavity for multifractals
- Physics: Long-range interaction or mixed phases
- Long-range time correlations?

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