

On the frequencies of patterns of rises and falls

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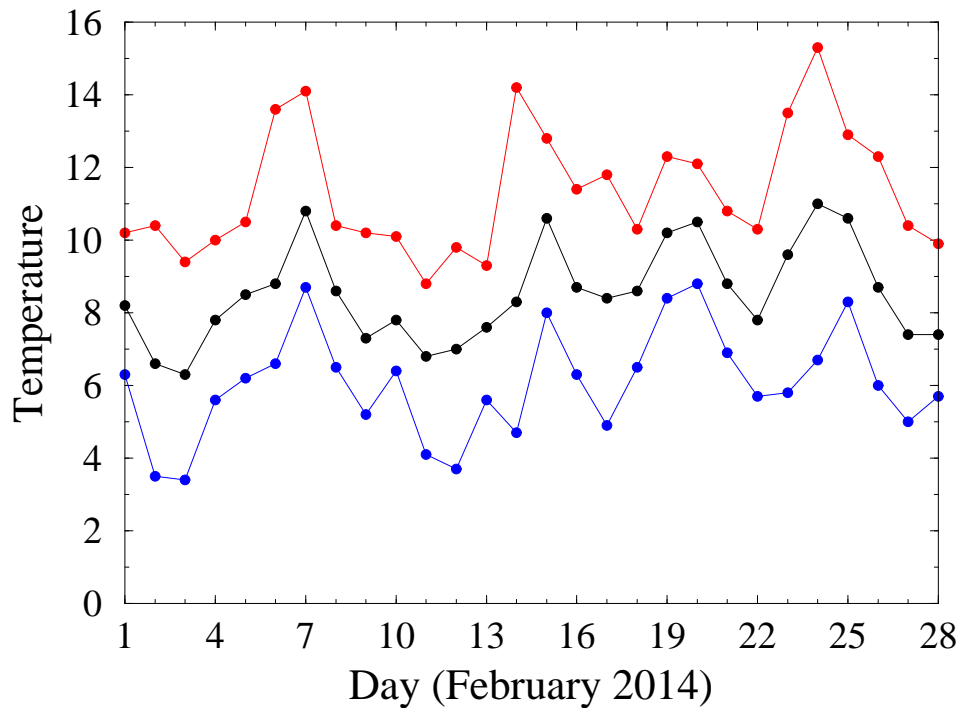
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The problem

- Consider a data series

*e.g. daily temperature (average, **min**, **max**) at Paris Montsouris*



- What is the probability of observing a given pattern ?

*e.g. 3 consecutive rises in the **max** series*

Probabilistic approach

- Data modelled as *i.i.d. random variables* x_i
- Distribution of the x_i can be taken to be *uniform on* $[0, 1]$

If $x_i > x_{i-1}$, there is a **rise** at the i -th place: $\varepsilon_i = +$

If $x_i < x_{i-1}$, there is a **fall** at the i -th place: $\varepsilon_i = -$

- What is the probability $P_n(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$
of observing a given pattern $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$ of n rises and falls ?

Recursive scheme to calculate $P_n(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n)$

- Condition on *last variable*

Let $f_n(x) dx = \text{Prob}\{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n \text{ and } x < x_n < x + dx\}$

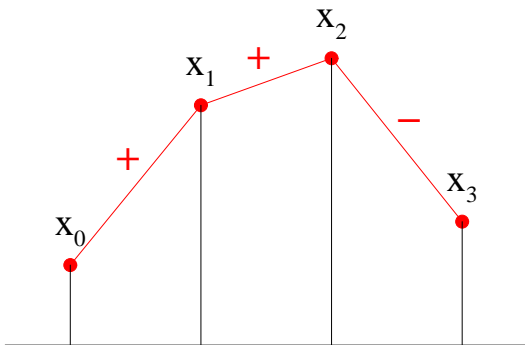
So $P_n(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n) = \int_0^1 f_n(x) dx$

- Linear integral recursion relation (*transfer operator*)

If $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n = +$, then $f_n(x) = \int_0^x f_{n-1}(y) dy$

If $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n = -$, then $f_n(x) = \int_x^1 f_{n-1}(y) dy$

Example: *pattern* $++-$



$$f_1(x) = x, \quad f_2(x) = \frac{x^2}{2}, \quad f_3(x) = \frac{1-x^3}{6}$$

$$P_3(++-) = \frac{1}{8}$$

Motivations

- *Applications*

Null model to which real data could be compared

Recent work on microarray data in genetics (Fink et al 2007)

- *Results*

Alternating patterns yield $P_n \sim (2/\pi)^n$ (André 1879, 1881)

How generic is exponential law $P_n \sim e^{-\alpha n}$?

α has physical interpretation of an entropy

$\alpha_{\min} = \ln \frac{\pi}{2} = 0.451582 \dots$ in spin chain (Derrida & Gardner 1986)

Can α be calculated for all (periodic) families of patterns ?

How is α distributed for long pattern chosen at random ?

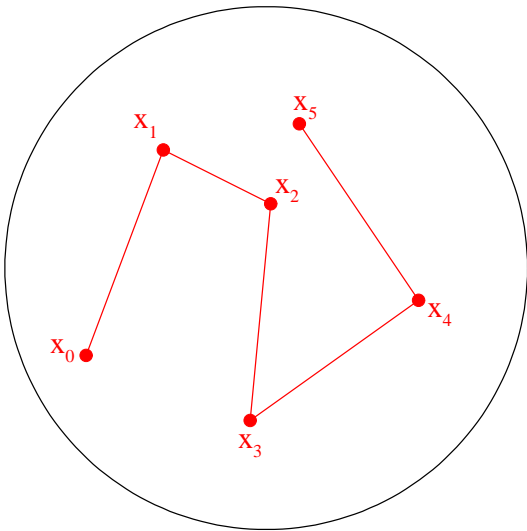
- *Technical*

Reminiscent of calculation of partition function

$$z_n = \left\langle \frac{1}{r_{0,1} r_{1,2} \cdots r_{n-1,n}} \right\rangle$$

of open chain of $n + 1$ points in unit 3-dim ball $(r_{i-1,i} = |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_{i-1}|)$

Context: *Multiple scattering of waves* (with D. Boosé and J.Y. Fortin)



$$z_0 = 1, \quad z_1 = \frac{6}{5}, \quad z_2 = \frac{51}{35}, \quad z_3 = \frac{62}{35},$$

$$z_4 = \frac{4146}{1925}, \quad z_5 = \frac{65532}{25025}$$

$$Z(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} z_n x^n = \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{\tan \sqrt{3x}}{\sqrt{3x}} - 1 \right)$$

$$z_n \sim (12/\pi^2)^n$$

Combinatorial approach

- Data modelled as *uniform random permutation* σ on $n+1$ objects $\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$

If $\sigma_i > \sigma_{i-1}$, there is a **rise** at the i -th place: $\varepsilon_i = +$

If $\sigma_i < \sigma_{i-1}$, there is a **fall** at the i -th place: $\varepsilon_i = -$

The pattern $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$ is the *up-down signature* of σ

(André 1879, 1881; MacMahon 1915, De Bruijn 1970, Viennot 1979 ...)

- The probability reads $P_n(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) = \frac{A_n(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)}{(n+1)!}$

where $A_n(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$ is the number of permutations

whose up-down signature is $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$

Recursive scheme to calculate $A_n(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n)$

- Condition again on *last variable*

Let $a_{n,j}$ be the number of permutations

whose signature is $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n$ and such that $\sigma_n = j$

$$\text{So } A_n(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_{n,j}$$

- Linear recursion relation (De Bruijn 1970, Viennot 1979, Atkinson 1985 ...)

$$\text{If } \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n = +, \text{ then } \begin{cases} a_{n,0} = 0, \\ a_{n,j} = a_{n,j-1} + a_{n-1,j-1} \quad (j = \overrightarrow{1, \dots, n}), \end{cases}$$

$$\text{If } \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n = -, \text{ then } \begin{cases} a_{n,n} = 0, \\ a_{n,j} = a_{n,j+1} + a_{n-1,j} \quad (j = \overleftarrow{0, \dots, n-1}), \end{cases}$$

This is a generalization of the *boustrophedon algorithm*

Alternating permutations and *boustrophedon algorithm*

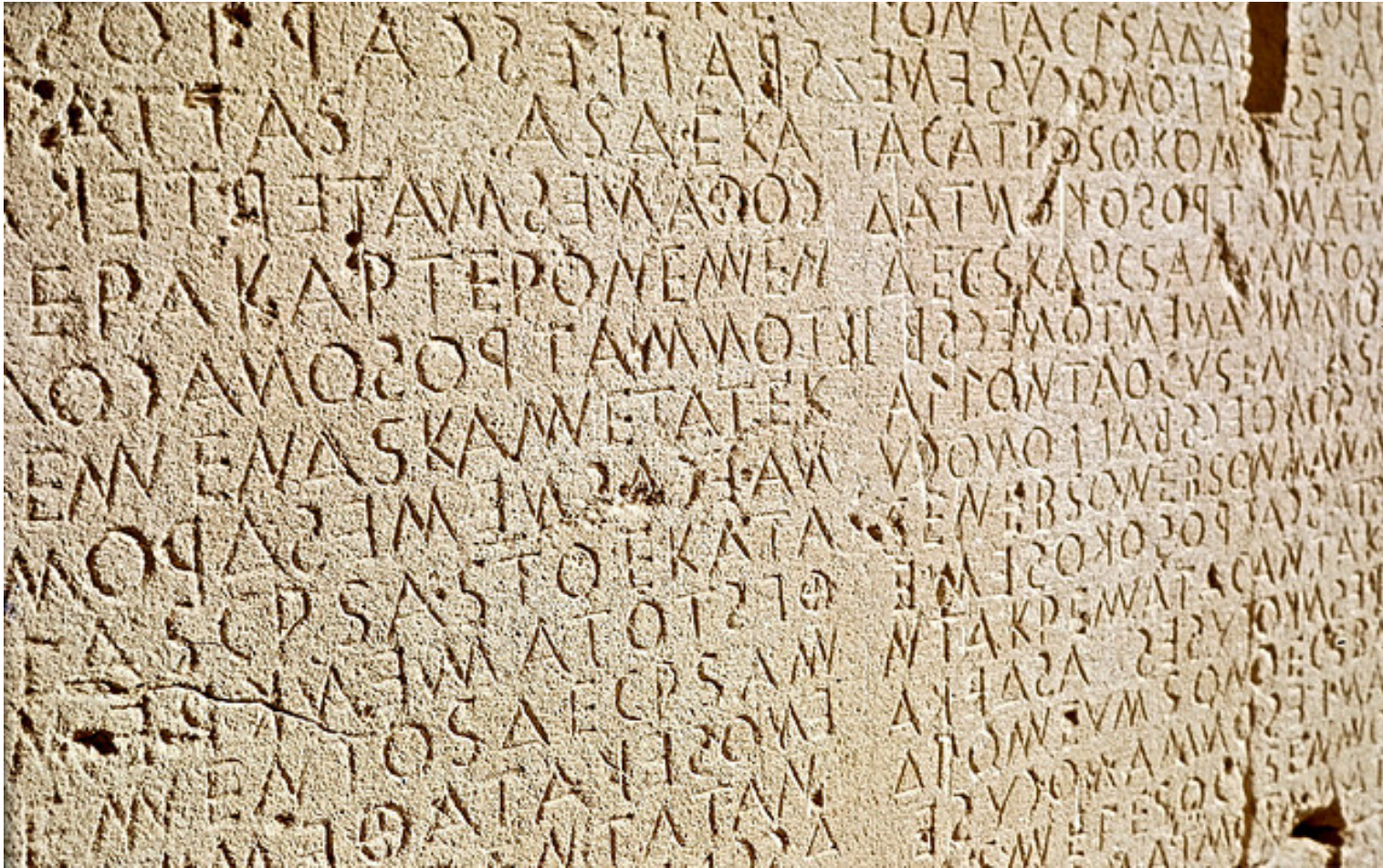
Alternating permutations ($\epsilon_n = + - + - + - \dots$)

$$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow 1 \\ 1 \leftarrow 1 \leftarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 2 \\ 5 \leftarrow 5 \leftarrow 4 \leftarrow 2 \leftarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 14 \rightarrow 16 \rightarrow 16 \\ 61 \leftarrow 61 \leftarrow 56 \leftarrow 46 \leftarrow 32 \leftarrow 16 \leftarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Word *boustrophedon* (“*turning ox*”) introduced in this context by Millar et al (1996)

Construction attributed to Seidel (1877)

Ancient boustrophedonic inscription



Gortyne Island, near Crete (5th century BC)

Explicit correspondence between both approaches

$$P_n = \frac{A_n}{(n+1)!}, \quad P_n = \int_0^1 f_n(x) dx, \quad A_n = \sum_{j=0}^n a_{n,j}$$

- Probabilistic and combinatorial approaches complementary
- Both $f_n(x)$ and $a_{n,j}$ obey linear recursion relations
- Explicit correspondence given by

$$f_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_{n,j} \frac{x^j (1-x)^{n-j}}{j!(n-j)!}$$

The most and least probable patterns

Among the 2^n patterns $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$ of length n

- **Two most probable patterns:** the alternating ones (*see below*)

$+ - + - + - \dots$ and $- + - + - + \dots$

$$P_n \sim (2/\pi)^n, \quad \alpha = \alpha_{\min} = \ln \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (\text{André 1879, 1881})$$

- **Two least probable patterns:** the steady ones

i.e., the rising one $+ + + \dots$ and the falling one $- - - \dots$

Both routes for rising patterns

Probabilistic: $f_n(x) = \frac{x^n}{n!}, \quad P_n = \frac{1}{(n+1)!}$

Combinatorial: $\sigma = I, \quad a_{n,j} = \delta_{nj}, \quad A_n = 1, \quad P_n = \frac{1}{(n+1)!}$

$$\alpha_n \approx \ln n$$

Periodic patterns: the probabilistic route

Alternating patterns ($\epsilon_n = + - + - + - \dots$)

- Recursion relations

$$f_{2k+1}(x) = \int_0^x f_{2k}(y) \, dy, \quad f_{2k}(x) = \int_x^1 f_{2k-1}(y) \, dy$$

- Generating series

$$F_0(z, x) = \sum_{k \geq 0} f_{2k}(x) z^{2k}, \quad F_1(z, x) = \sum_{k \geq 0} f_{2k+1}(x) z^{2k+1}$$

- Integral equations

$$F_0(z, x) = 1 + z \int_x^1 F_1(z, y) \, dy, \quad F_1(z, x) = z \int_0^x F_0(z, y) \, dy$$

- Differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_0}{\partial x^2} = -z^2 F_0, \quad F_0(z, 1) = 1, \quad \frac{\partial F_0(z, 0)}{\partial x} = 0$$

- Solution

$$F_0(z, x) = \frac{\cos zx}{\cos z}, \quad F_1(z, x) = \frac{\sin zx}{\cos z}$$

- Generating series for the P_n

$$\Pi(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} P_n z^n = \frac{1}{z} (F_1(z, 1) + F_0(z, 0) - 1)$$

- Result

$$\Pi(z) = \frac{\sin z + 1 - \cos z}{z \cos z} = \frac{\tan z + \sec z - 1}{z}$$

Recover thus pioneering results by André (1879, 1881)

$$\tan z = \sum_{k \geq 0} P_{2k} z^{2k+1} = \sum_{k \geq 0} A_{2k} \frac{z^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}$$

$$\sec z = 1 + \sum_{k \geq 0} P_{2k+1} z^{2k+2} = 1 + \sum_{k \geq 0} A_{2k+1} \frac{z^{2k+2}}{(2k+2)!}$$

- The A_n are called Euler-Bernoulli numbers or Entringer numbers
- Asymptotic behavior

$$P_n \approx 2 \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^{n+2}$$

- Connection with multiple-scattering problem

$$z_n = 3^{n+1} P_{2n+2}$$

p-alternating patterns: period $p \geq 2$ ending with a single fall

Example: for $p = 3$, $\varepsilon_n = ++-++-++-\dots$

- Generating series

$$F_q(z, x) = \sum_{k \geq 0} f_{kp+q}(x) z^{kp+q} \quad (q = 0, \dots, p-1)$$

- Integral equations

$$F_0(z, x) = 1 + z \int_x^1 F_1(z, y) dy, \quad F_q(z, x) = z \int_0^x F_{q-1}(z, y) dy \quad (q \neq 0)$$

- Differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^p F_0}{\partial x^p} = -z^p F_0, \quad F_0(z, 1) = 1, \quad \frac{\partial^q F_0(z, 0)}{\partial x^q} = 0 \quad (q \neq 0)$$

- Solution

$$F_q(z, x) = \frac{T_{p,q}(zx)}{T_{p,0}(z)}$$

- Result

$$\Pi(z) = \frac{1}{zT_{p,0}(z)} \left(\sum_{q=1}^{p-1} T_{p,q}(z) + 1 - T_{p,0}(z) \right)$$

- Probabilities

$$P_n \approx \mathcal{A}_n e^{-\alpha n}$$

Smallest real positive zero z_0 of $T_{p,0}$

Entropy $\alpha = \ln z_0$

Other zeros at $z_q = z_0 \zeta^q$ for $q = 1, \dots, p-1$

Amplitudes \mathcal{A}_n periodic with period p

Generalized hyperbolic and trigonometric functions

$$p \geq 2, \quad q = 0, \dots, p-1, \quad \zeta = e^{2\pi i/p}$$

$$H_{p,q}(z) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{z^{kp+q}}{(kp+q)!} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \zeta^{-qj} e^{\zeta^j z}$$

$$H'_{p,q} = H_{p,q-1} \quad (q \neq 0), \quad H'_{p,0} = H_{p,p-1}$$

$$T_{p,q}(z) = \sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^k \frac{z^{kp+q}}{(kp+q)!} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \zeta^{-q(j+1/2)} e^{\zeta^{j+1/2} z}$$

$$T'_{p,q} = T_{p,q-1} \quad (q \neq 0), \quad T'_{p,0} = -T_{p,p-1}$$

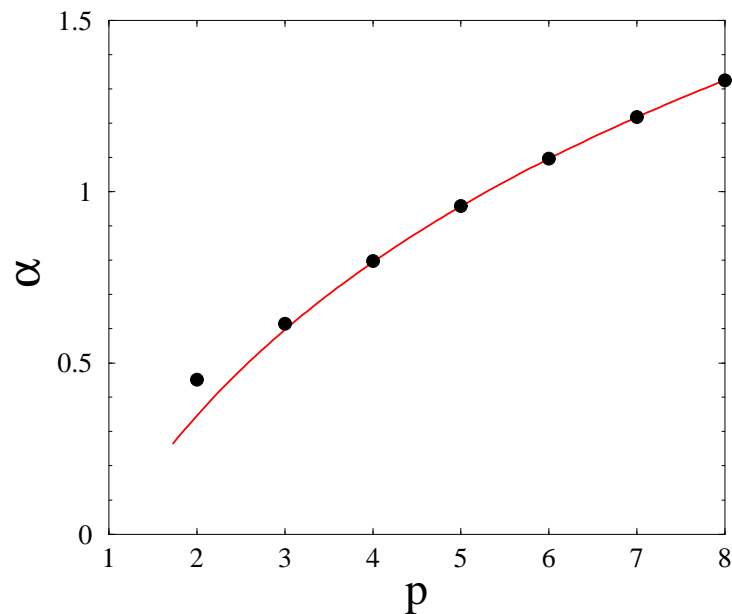
Recover thus Mendes and Remmel's (book preprint) results ... by elementary means

- $p = 2$ yields $z_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\alpha = \alpha_{\min} = \ln \frac{\pi}{2} = 0.451582 \dots$$

- $p \gg 1$ yields $z_0 \approx (p!)^{1/p}$

$$\alpha \approx \frac{\ln p!}{p} \approx \ln p - 1$$



General case

Period $p \geq 2$

$p - v$ rises and v falls per period ($1 \leq v \leq p - 1$), end with a fall

- Differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^p F_0}{\partial x^p} = (-1)^v z^p F_0$$

If $\varepsilon_{p-q} = +$, then $\partial^q F_0 / \partial x^q(z, 0) = 0$

If $\varepsilon_{p-q} = -$, then $\partial^q F_0 / \partial x^q(z, 1) = \delta_{q0}$

- Solution

$$F_0(z, x) = \sum_q C_q(z) H_{p,q}(zx) \quad \text{or} \quad \sum_q C_q(z) T_{p,q}(zx)$$

Sum over the v indices q such that $\varepsilon_{p-q} = -$

Boundary conditions at $x = 1$ yield v linear equations for the $C_q(z)$

- Result

$$C_q(z) = \frac{\cdots}{\Delta(z)}, \quad \Pi(z) = \frac{\cdots}{\Delta(z)}$$

$\Delta(z)$ is $\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{v}$ determinant

Entries are generalized hyperbolic or trigonometric functions

$\Delta(z)$ is entire function of z^p

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More explicitly

- Two falls at distances a and b ($p = a + b$)

$$\Delta(z) = \begin{vmatrix} H_{p,0}(z) & H_{p,b}(z) \\ H_{p,a}(z) & H_{p,0}(z) \end{vmatrix}$$

- Three falls at distances a , b and c ($p = a + b + c$)^f

$$\Delta(z) = \begin{vmatrix} T_{p,0}(z) & T_{p,c}(z) & T_{p,b+c}(z) \\ -T_{p,a+b}(z) & T_{p,0}(z) & T_{p,b}(z) \\ -T_{p,a}(z) & -T_{p,a+c}(z) & T_{p,0}(z) \end{vmatrix}$$

Duality $v \leftrightarrow p - v$ yields infinite sequence of non-linear identities

$$T_{3,0} = H_{3,0}^2 - H_{3,1}H_{3,2}$$

^fThis is the correct form of erroneous equation (8.14) or (69) in preprint

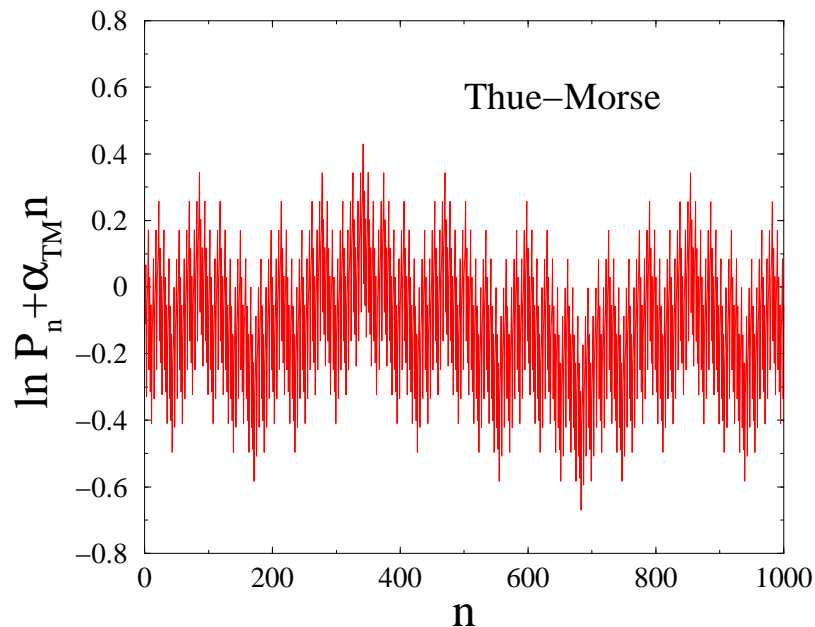
Aperiodic families of patterns

Numerical evidence for generic exponential behavior $P_n \sim e^{-\alpha n}$

i.e., non-trivial entropy α

Example: *Thue-Morse sequence* $ABBABAABBAABABBA \dots$

Generated by substitution $S_{\text{TM}} : \begin{cases} A \rightarrow AB \\ B \rightarrow BA \end{cases}$



$$\alpha_{\text{TM}} = 0.583018 \dots$$

$$\alpha_{\text{Fib}} = 0.562168 \dots$$

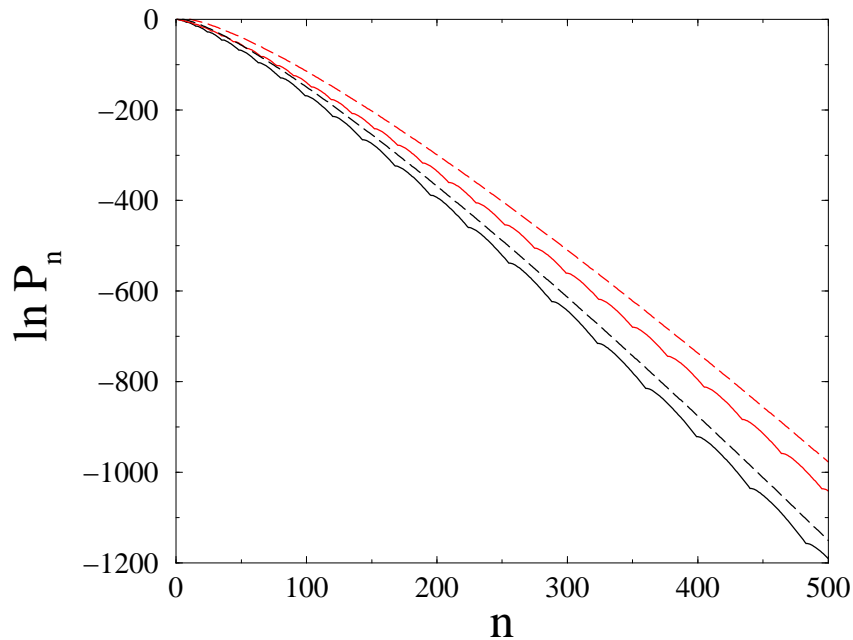
$$\alpha_{\text{RS}} = 0.780693 \dots$$

Chirping patterns

Patterns where rises or falls become *more and more seldom*

Examples:

- *Square chirp*: fall at place n iff $n = k^2$
- *Triangular chirp*: fall at place n iff $n = \frac{k(k+1)}{2}$



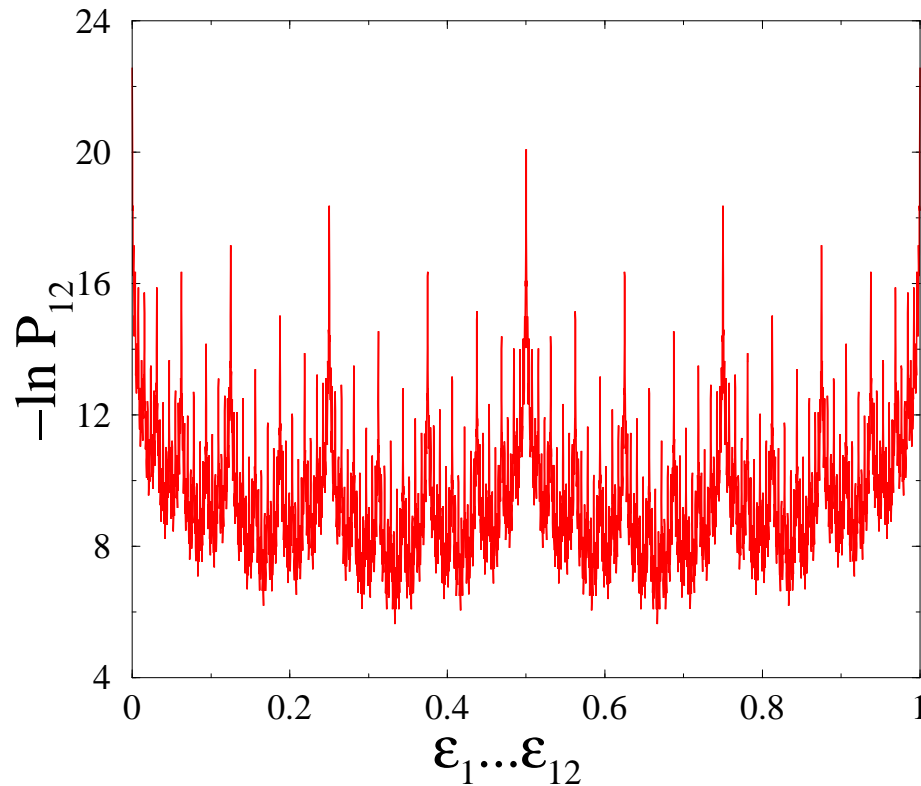
$$\ln P_n \approx -\frac{n \ln n}{2}, \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad \alpha_n \approx \frac{\ln n}{2}$$

can do $\alpha_n \approx \theta \ln n$ for any $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$

Random patterns

Consider all the 2^n patterns $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n$ of n rises and falls

- How large is effective $\alpha_n = -\frac{1}{n} \ln P_n(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n)$?
- Have a look at the 4096 patterns of length $n = 12$



Multifractal formalism (I)

- For $q = 1, 2, \dots$

$$Z_n(q) = \sum_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n} P_n(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)^q$$

is the probability that q independent uniform random permutations on $n + 1$ objects have the same up-down signature

- Mallows & Shepp (1985) have proved large-deviation result

$$Z_n(q) \sim 2^{-n\tau(q)}$$

and calculated $\tau(2)$

- Interpretation: *Generalized (Rényi) dimensions* $D(q)$

$$\tau(q) = (q - 1)D(q)$$

Multifractal formalism (II)

- For fixed α and $\delta \ll \alpha$, define

$$\mathcal{N}(\alpha, \delta) = \left\{ \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n \mid n\alpha < -\ln P_n(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) < n(\alpha + \delta) \right\}$$

- Multifractal hypothesis

$$\dim \mathcal{N}(\alpha, \delta) = f(\alpha), \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad |\mathcal{N}(\alpha, \delta)| \sim 2^{nf(\alpha)}$$

- Correspondence between $\tau(q)$ and $f(\alpha)$

$$Z_n(q) \sim \int_0^\infty e^{-qn\alpha} 2^{nf(\alpha)} d\alpha \sim 2^{-n\tau(q)}$$

Legendre transform:
$$\tau(q) = \min_{\alpha} \left(\frac{q\alpha}{\ln 2} - f(\alpha) \right)$$

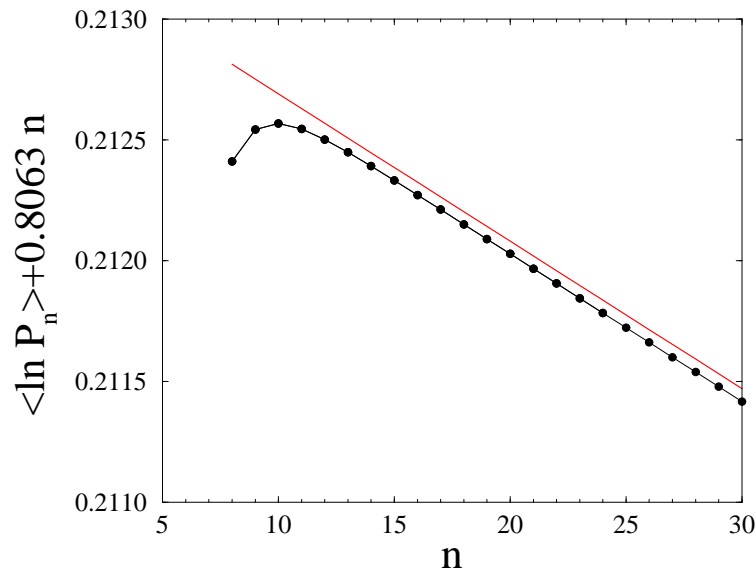
Evidence for full multifractal behavior

Full multifractal behavior means bilateral differential Legendre transform

$$\tau(q) + f(\alpha) = \frac{q\alpha}{\ln 2}, \quad q = \ln 2 f'(\alpha), \quad \alpha = \ln 2 \tau'(q)$$

Define the average $\langle X(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \rangle = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n} X(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n)$

- Typical behavior of P_n



$$\langle \ln P_n \rangle \approx -\alpha_0 n$$

$$\alpha_0 = \ln 2 \tau'(0) = 0.80636111 \dots$$

α_0 is Lyapunov exponent

Notice remarkable accuracy

- Similarly

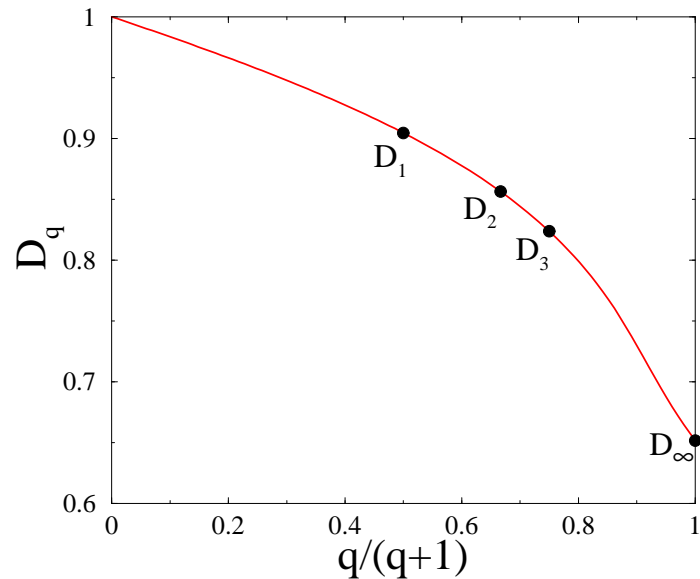
$$\langle (\ln P_n)^2 \rangle - \langle \ln P_n \rangle^2 \approx w_0 n$$

$$w_0 = -\ln 2 \tau''(0) = 0.435600 \dots$$

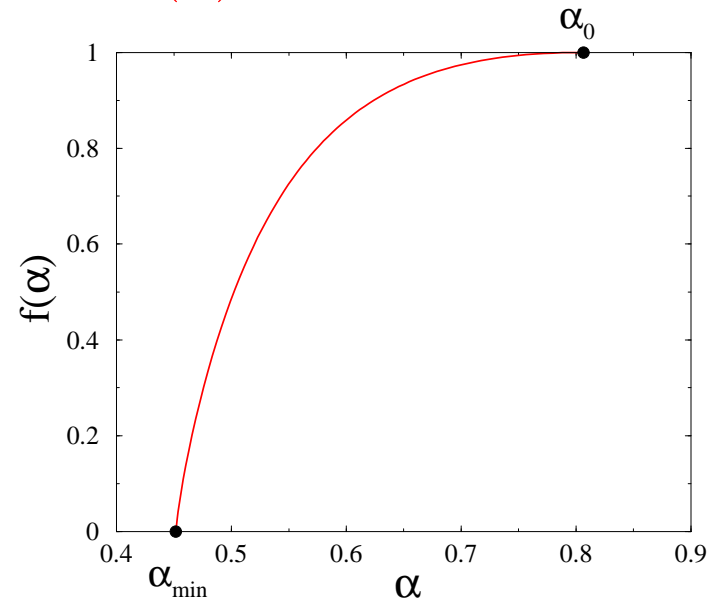
all the cumulants of $\ln P_n$ extensive (grow linearly in the pattern size n)

- Left half a multifractal spectrum:

$$\tau(q) = (q-1)D(q) \text{ for } q \geq 0$$



$$f(\alpha) \text{ for } \alpha_{\min} \leq \alpha \leq \alpha_0$$



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