

# FINE REGULARITY OF LÉVY PROCESSES AND LINEAR FRACTIONAL STABLE MOTION

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The multifractal nature of Lévy processes has first been investigated by Jaffard [7]. This seminal article, later extended in [4, 5], shows that the singularity spectrum of an  $\mathbf{R}^d$ -valued Lévy process  $X$ , characterized by the Lévy-Khintchine triplet  $(a, Q = 0, \pi)$ , is almost surely equal to

$$d_X(h) = \begin{cases} \beta h & \text{if } h \in [0, \frac{1}{\beta}]; \\ -\infty & \text{if } h \in (\frac{1}{\beta}, \infty] \end{cases} \quad \text{where } \beta = \inf \left\{ \delta \geq 0 : \int_{\mathbf{R}^d} (1 \wedge \|x\|^\delta) \pi(dx) < \infty \right\}. \quad (1)$$

Our work [1] investigates the generalization of the aforementioned result within the 2-microlocal analysis framework. The later provides a tool, named the *2-microlocal frontier* and denoted  $s' \mapsto \sigma_{X,t}(s')$ , which gives a finer description of the local regularity of a stochastic process (as described in [6, 2]). In particular, it embraces the common pointwise and local Hölder exponents, since respectively  $\alpha_{X,t} = -\inf\{s' : \sigma_{X,t}(s') \geq 0\}$  and  $\tilde{\alpha}_{X,t} = \sigma_{X,t}(0)$ .

Classic multifractal analysis studies geometrical properties of the iso-Hölder sets  $E_h = \{t \in \mathbf{R} : \alpha_{X,t} = h\}$ . Hence, from a 2-microlocal point of view, it is natural to consider the following extensions of  $(E_h)_{h \in \mathbf{R}_+}$

$$\tilde{E}_h = \{t \in E_h : \forall s' \in \mathbf{R}; \sigma_{X,t}(s') = (h + s') \wedge 0\} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{E}_h = E_h \setminus \tilde{E}_h.$$

**Theorem 1.** *Sample paths of a Lévy process  $X$  characterized by  $(a, Q = 0, \pi)$  a.s. satisfy*

$$\dim_{\mathcal{H}}(\tilde{E}_h) = \begin{cases} \beta h & \text{if } h \in [0, \frac{1}{\beta}]; \\ -\infty & \text{if } h \in (\frac{1}{\beta}, \infty] \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \dim_{\mathcal{H}}(\hat{E}_h) \leq \begin{cases} 2\beta h - 1 & \text{if } h \in (\frac{1}{2\beta}, \frac{1}{\beta}); \\ -\infty & \text{if } h \in [0, \frac{1}{2\beta}] \cup [\frac{1}{\beta}, \infty]. \end{cases}$$

The generalization of Equation (1) obtained in Theorem 1 happens to be interesting for the study of another class of stochastic processes, named linear fractional stable motion (LFSM) and defined by

$$X_t = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \left\{ (t-u)_+^{H-1/\alpha} - (-u)_+^{H-1/\alpha} \right\} M_{\alpha,\beta}(du),$$

where  $M_{\alpha,\beta}$  is an  $\alpha$ -stable random measure and  $H \in (0, 1)$ .

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $X$  be a LFSM parametrized by  $\alpha \in (1, 2)$  and  $H \in (\frac{1}{\alpha}, 1)$ . Then, its multifractal spectrum is almost surely equal to*

$$d_X(h) = \begin{cases} \alpha(h - H) + 1 & \text{if } h \in [H - \frac{1}{\alpha}, H]; \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The later result highly relies on the stability of the 2-microlocal frontier under the action of fractional operators.

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