# Central limit theorem for the measure of balls in non-conformal dynamics 

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## Remark

If in addition $\mu$ is ergodic then the pointwise dimension $d_{\mu}$ is equal to $\operatorname{dim}_{H} \mu \mu$-a.e.:

$$
\mu(B(x, \varepsilon)) \approx \varepsilon^{\operatorname{dim}_{H} \mu}
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converges as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, in distribution, to a random variable $\mathcal{N}\left(0, \sigma^{2}\right)$.
The variance $\sigma^{2}=0$ iff $\mu_{\varphi}$ is absolutely continuous.

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## Finer structure of the invariant measure

Following Przytycki, Urbanski \& Zdunik we get (using functional CLT rather than Law of iterated logarithm)

Corollary
Under the assumptions of the main theorem :

- the measure $\mu_{\varphi}$
- the Hausdorff measure in dimension $\operatorname{dim}_{H} \mu_{\varphi}$ are mutually singular iff $\mu_{\varphi}$ is not absolutely continuous wrt Lebesgue.

Fluctuations of the measure of balls

## Numerical (non-rigorous) illustration for Hénon map I



## Numerical (non-rigorous) illustration for Hénon map II


$\log \left(\mu_{\varphi}\left(B\left(x_{i}, \varepsilon\right)\right)\right) / \log (\varepsilon)$ for (30) randomly chosen centers $x_{i}$

## Numerical (non-rigorous) illustration for Hénon map III



Histogram of $\log \left(\mu_{\varphi}(B(x, \varepsilon))\right) / \log (\varepsilon)$ (for $\left.\varepsilon=0.1\right)$

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## A fibered partition

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There is an invariant splitting $E^{u} \oplus E^{u u}$ defined $\mu$-a.e. with Lyapunov exponents $\lambda^{u}$ and $\lambda^{u u}$.

Choose $x_{0}$ and $y_{0}$ such that $S_{0}=\left\{x_{0}\right\} \times \mathbb{T} \cup \mathbb{T} \times\left\{y_{0}\right\}$ is small. Let $\mathcal{R}_{n}$ be the partition into connected components of $T^{-n}\left(\mathbb{T}^{2} \backslash S_{0}\right)$.
Let $\mathcal{P}_{n}=\pi \mathcal{R}_{n}$.
Let $F_{k}=\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} f^{\prime} \circ f^{j}$ and $G_{k}=\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \circ T^{k}$.

## Definition

Let $\varepsilon>0$. Define

- $n_{\varepsilon}(x, y)$ the largest integer $n$ s.t. $\left|G_{n}(x, y)\right| \varepsilon \leq 1$
- $m_{\varepsilon}(x)$ the largest integer $m$ s.t. $\left|F_{m}(x)\right| \varepsilon \leq 1$
- multi-temporal approximation of the ball

$$
C_{\varepsilon}(x, y)=\mathcal{R}_{n_{\varepsilon}(x, y)}(x, y) \cap \mathcal{P}_{m_{\varepsilon}(x)}(x) \times \mathbb{T}
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From balls to cylinders
Measure of the approximation as a Birkhoff sum

## The fibered partition $\mathcal{R}_{n}$



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Key lemma
We have $\log \mu_{\varphi}\left(C_{\varepsilon}(x, y)\right) \approx S_{n_{\varepsilon}(x, y)}(\varphi-\psi \circ \pi)(x, y)+S_{m_{\varepsilon}(x, y)} \psi \circ \pi(x, y)$

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## Weak invariance principle

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## Theorem (WIP, Folklore*)

The process $\mathcal{Y}_{k}$ converges in distribution towards a bi-dimensional Brownian motion $\mathcal{B}(t)$ with covariance $Q$ (in particular $\mathcal{B}(t) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, t Q))$.
*immediate from ASIP for vector valued functions [Melbourne, Nicol]

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## Definition

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- $\Gamma_{k}$ converges in probability to the deterministic $\Gamma$ and $\mathcal{Z}_{k}$ converges in distribution to $\mathcal{B}$
- thus $\left(\mathcal{Z}_{k}, \Gamma_{k}\right)$ converges in distribution to $(\mathcal{B}, \Gamma)$
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## Proof.

(1) If $(T, \mu)$ mixes rapidly Lipschitz observables and $d_{\mu}$ exists then $\tau_{\varepsilon}(x) \approx \varepsilon^{-\operatorname{dim}_{H} \mu} \mu$-a.e. [Rousseau-S 10]. Refine so that log-normal fluctuations are preserved: strong approximation.
(2) CLT for measure of balls (the main theorem)
(1) and (2) gives the result by Slutsky theorem.

## Numerical (non-rigorous) illustration for Hénon map IV


$\log \left(\tau_{\varepsilon}\left(x_{i}\right)\right) / \log (\varepsilon)$ for (30) randomly chosen centers $x_{i}$

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Histogram of $\log \left(\tau_{\varepsilon}\left(x_{i}\right)\right) / \log (\varepsilon)$ (for $\left.\varepsilon=0.1\right)$


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