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- For $H = \frac{1}{2}$, $B^{\frac{1}{2}}$ is a Brownian motion.

Self-similarity :

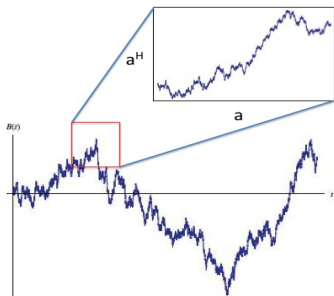
For all $a > 0$, the processes

$$\{a^{-H}B_{at}^H, t \geq 0\}$$

and

$$\{B_t^H, t \geq 0\}$$

have the same probability distribution (they are fractional Brownian motions with Hurst parameter H).



- *Correlated increments* :

(i) For $H \neq \frac{1}{2}$, the fBm B^H has correlated increments :

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(n) &= E(B_1^H(B_{n+1}^H - B_n^H)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left((n+1)^{2H} + (n-1)^{2H} - 2n^{2H} \right) \\ &\sim H(2H-1)n^{2H-2},\end{aligned}$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

- (ii) If $H > \frac{1}{2}$, then $\rho(n) > 0$ and $\sum_n \rho(n) = \infty$ (*long memory*).
- (iii) If $H < \frac{1}{2}$, then $\rho(n) < 0$ (*intermittency*) and $\sum_n |\rho(n)| < \infty$.

• $\frac{1}{H}$ -variation :

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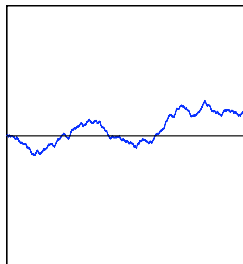
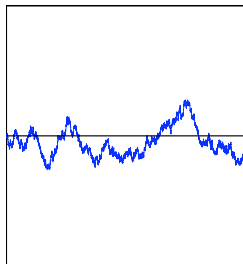
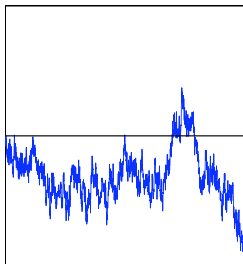
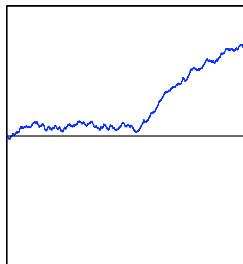
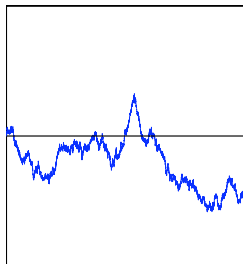
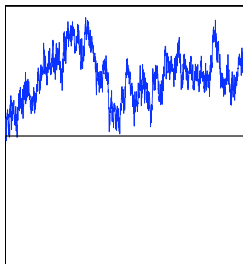
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Proof : By the self-similarity, $\sum_{i=1}^n |\Delta B_{t_i}^H|^{\frac{1}{H}}$ has the same law as

$$\frac{T}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |B_i^H - B_{i-1}^H|^{\frac{1}{H}}.$$

The sequence $\{B_i^H - B_{i-1}^H, i \geq 1\}$ is stationary and ergodic. Therefore, the Ergodic Theorem implies the desired convergence.

Examples of fBm paths :



$H = 0.3$

$H = 0.5$

$H = 0.7$

Fractional noise

- Let $X_k = B_k^H - B_{k-1}^H$. The sequence $\{X_k, k \geq 1\}$ is Gaussian, stationary and centered with covariance

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We have $\rho(n) \sim H(2H-1)n^{2H-2}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Then, for any integer $q \geq 2$ such that $H < 1 - \frac{1}{2q}$, we have

$$\sum_{v \in \mathbb{Z}} |\rho(v)|^q < \infty$$

and the Breuer-Major theorem implies

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{k=1}^n h_q(B_k^H - B_{k-1}^H) \Rightarrow N(0, \sigma_{H,q}^2),$$

where $\sigma_{H,q}^2 = q! \sum_{v \in \mathbb{Z}} \rho(v)^q$.

CLT for the q -variation of the fBm

- For a real $q \geq 1$, set $c_q = E[|Z|^q]$, where $Z \sim N(0, 1)$.
- The Breuer-Major theorem leads to the following convergence :

Theorem

Suppose $H < \frac{1}{2}$ and q is not an even integer. As $n \rightarrow \infty$ we have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[n^{qH} |B_{\frac{k}{n}}^H - B_{\frac{k-1}{n}}^H|^q - c_q \right] \Rightarrow N(0, \tilde{\sigma}_{H,q}^2).$$

Proof : Use that $|x|^q - c_q$ has Hermite rank 1.

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- To study the asymptotic normality, consider

$$F_n = \frac{1}{\sigma_n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[n^{2H} (\Delta_{k,n} B^H)^2 - 1 \right] \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{=} \frac{1}{\sigma_n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[(B_k^H - B_{k-1}^H)^2 - 1 \right],$$

where σ_n is such that $E[F_n^2] = 1$.

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$$\sqrt{n} \log n (\hat{H}_n - H) \Rightarrow N\left(0, \frac{1}{2} \sum_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} \rho^2(r)\right).$$

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- By the isometry property of multiple integrals,

$$1 = E[G_n^2] = 2 \|f_n\|_{L^2([0, T]^2)}^2 = \frac{2}{\sigma_n^2} \sum_{k,j=1}^n \rho^2(k - j) = \frac{2n}{\sigma_n^2} \sum_{|r| < n} \left(1 - \frac{|r|}{n}\right) \rho^2(r).$$

Since $\sum_r \rho^2(r) < \infty$, because $H < \frac{3}{4}$, we deduce that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sigma_n^2}{n} = 2 \sum_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} \rho^2(r).$$

- We can write $D_r[l_2(f_n)] = 2l_1(f_n(\cdot, r))$ and

$$\|D[l_2(f_n)]\|_H^2 = 4(l_2(f_n \otimes_1 f_n) + \|f_n\|_H^2) = 4l_2(f_n \otimes_1 f_n) + 2.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\|D[l_2(f_n)]\|_H^2) &= 16E[(l_2(f_n \otimes_1 f_n))^2] \\ &= 8\|f_n \otimes_1 f_n\|_{L^2([0, T]^2)}^2 \\ &= \frac{16}{\sigma_n^4} \sum_{k,j,i,\ell=1}^n \rho(k-j)\rho(i-\ell)\rho(k-i)\rho(j-\ell) \\ &\leq \frac{16}{\sigma_n^4} \sum_{i,\ell=1}^n (\rho_n * \rho_n)(i-\ell)^2 \\ &\leq \frac{16n}{\sigma_n^4} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (\rho_n * \rho_n)(k)^2 = \frac{16n}{\sigma_n^4} \|\rho_n * \rho_n\|_{\ell^2(\mathbb{Z})}^2, \end{aligned}$$

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and the result follows from $\rho(k) \sim H(2H-1)|k|^{2H-2}$ as $|k| \rightarrow \infty$.

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Theorem (Hu-Lu-N. '13)

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$$\sup_{s \in \mathbb{R}} |p_F(x) - \phi(x)| \leq C_{M,q} \sqrt{E(F^4) - 3}.$$

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where $Z \sim N(0, 1)$, it suffices to estimate the difference

$$E[\mathbf{1}_{\{F > x\}} F] - E[\mathbf{1}_{\{Z > x\}} Z],$$

which can be done by Stein's method and Malliavin calculus.

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$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |p_F(x) - \phi(x)| \leq C_{N, \lambda_N} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i^4}.$$

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Theorem (Hu-N.-Tindel-Xu '14)

Suppose the spectral density of X , f_ρ , satisfies $\log(f_\rho) \in L^1([-\pi, \pi])$. Assume $\sum_{v \in \mathbb{Z}} |\rho(v)|^d < \infty$. Set $\sigma^2 := \sum_{j=d}^q j! a_j^2 \sum_{v \in \mathbb{Z}} \rho(v)^j \in (0, \infty)$. Then for any $p \geq 1$, there exists n_0 such that

$$\sup_{n \geq n_0} E[\|DV_n\|_H^{-p}] < \infty. \quad (1)$$

Therefore, if $q = d$ and $F_n = V_n / \sqrt{E[V_n^2]}$, we have

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |p_{F_n}(x) - \phi(x)| \leq c \sqrt{E[F_n^4]} - 3.$$

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- We use the estimate

$$G_n^{-\frac{p}{2}} \leq \prod_{i=1}^N (G_n^i)^{-\frac{p}{2N}}$$

and we apply the Carbery-Wright inequality to control the expectation of $(G_n^i)^{-\frac{p}{2N}}$ if $\frac{p}{2N}$ is small enough.

Lemma (Carbery-Wright inequality, '01)

There is a universal constant $c > 0$ such that, for any polynomial $Q : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of degree at most d and any $\alpha > 0$, we have

$$E[Q(X_1, \dots, X_n)^2]^{\frac{1}{2d}} P(|Q(X_1, \dots, X_n)| \leq \alpha) \leq cd\alpha^{\frac{1}{d}},$$

where X_1, \dots, X_n are independent random variables with law $N(0, 1)$.

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$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} |\partial_\beta f_F(x) - \partial_\beta \phi_d(x)| \leq c \left(\|C - I\|^{\frac{1}{2}} + \sum_{j=1}^d \sqrt{E[F_j^4] - 3(E[F_j^2])^2} \right)$$

where C is the covariance matrix of F , ϕ_d is the standard d -dimensional normal density, and $\partial_\beta = \frac{\partial^k}{\partial x_{\beta_1} \cdots \partial x_{\beta_k}}$.

Non-Central Limit Theorem for multiple Skorohod integrals

Theorem (Nourdin-N. '10)

Fix an integer $q \geq 1$. Let $F_n = \delta^q(u_n)$, where u_n is a symmetric element in $\mathbb{D}^{2q, 2q}(H^{\otimes q})$. Suppose that $\sup_n \|F_n\|_{q,p} < \infty$ for any $p \geq 2$ and

- (i) $\langle u_n, h \rangle_{H^{\otimes q}} \rightarrow 0$ in L^1 for any $h \in H^{\otimes q}$, and $u_n \otimes_j D^j F_n \rightarrow 0$ in L^2 for all $j = 1, \dots, q-1$,
- (ii) $\langle u_n, D^q F_n \rangle_{H^{\otimes q}} \xrightarrow{L^1} S^2$.

Then, F_n converges stably in law to $N(0, S^2)$.

- The sequence F_n converges stably to $N(0, S^2)$ if for any bounded random variable Z measurable with respect to W and for any $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E \left(e^{i\lambda F_n Z} \right) = E \left(e^{-\frac{\lambda^2}{2} S^2 Z} \right).$$

Sketch of the proof

- To simplify, assume $q = 1$.
- Fix $\Phi_m = (W(e_1), \dots, W(e_m))$, where e_i is a basis of H . It suffices to show that for each m

$$(F_n, \Phi_m) \xrightarrow{\text{Law}} (F_\infty, \Phi_m),$$

where

$$E\left(e^{i\lambda F_\infty} | W\right) = e^{-\frac{\lambda^2}{2} S^2}. \quad (2)$$

- Because the laws of (F_n, Φ) are tight, we can assume the above convergence in law, and it suffices to show that the limit satisfies (2)
- Set $Y = g(\Phi_m)$, where $g \in C_b^\infty(\mathbb{R}^m)$ and define

$$\phi_n(\lambda) = E(e^{i\lambda F_n} Y).$$

- We compute the limit of $\phi'_n(\lambda)$ in two ways :

1. Using weak convergence :

$$\phi'_n(\lambda) = iE(e^{i\lambda F_n} F_n Y) \rightarrow iE(e^{i\lambda F_\infty} F_\infty Y).$$

2. Using Malliavin calculus and our assumptions :

$$\begin{aligned}\phi'_n(\lambda) &= iE(e^{i\lambda F_n} F_n Y) = iE(e^{i\lambda F_n} \delta(u_n) Y) \\ &= iE\left(\left\langle D\left(e^{i\lambda F_n} Y\right), u_n \right\rangle_H\right) \\ &= -\lambda E\left(e^{i\lambda F_n} \langle u_n, DF_n \rangle_H Y\right) + iE\left(e^{i\lambda F_n} \langle u_n, DY \rangle_H\right) \\ &\rightarrow -\lambda E(e^{i\lambda F_\infty} S^2 Y)\end{aligned}$$

- As a consequence,

$$iE(e^{i\lambda F_\infty} F_\infty Y) = -\lambda E(e^{i\lambda F_\infty} S^2 Y).$$

- This leads to a linear differential equation satisfied by the conditional characteristic function of F_∞ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} E(e^{i\lambda F_\infty} | W) = -S^2 \lambda E(e^{i\lambda F_\infty} | W),$$

and we obtain

$$E(e^{i\lambda F_\infty} | W) = e^{-\frac{\lambda^2}{2} S^2}.$$

Corollary

A sequence $F_n = \delta(u_n)$, where $u_n \in \mathbb{D}^{2,2}(H)$, such that $\sup_n \|F_n\|_{2,p} < \infty$ for any $p \geq 1$, converges stably to $N(0, S^2)$ if :

- (i) $\langle u_n, h \rangle_H \rightarrow 0$ in $L^1(\Omega)$, for every $h \in H$.
- (ii) $\langle u_n, DF_n \rangle_H \rightarrow S^2$ in $L^1(\Omega)$.

- Notice that

$$\langle u_n, DF_n \rangle_H = \|u_n\|_H^2 + \langle u_n, \delta(Du_n) \rangle_H.$$

Therefore, a sufficient condition for (ii) is :

$$(ii') \quad \|u_n\|_H^2 \xrightarrow{L^1} S^2 \text{ and } \langle u_n, \delta(Du_n) \rangle_H \xrightarrow{L^1} 0.$$

- Comparison with the *Asymptotic Knight Theorem* for Brownian martingales (Revuz-Yor) :

If $\{u_n, n \geq 1\}$ are square-integrable adapted processes, then, $F_n = \delta(u_n) = \int_0^\infty u_n(s) dW_s$ and the stable convergence of F_n to $N(0, S^2)$ is implied by the following conditions :

- (A) $\int_0^t u_n(s) ds \xrightarrow{P} 0$, uniformly in t in compact sets.
- (B) $\int_0^\infty u_n(s)^2 ds \rightarrow S^2$ in $L^1(\Omega)$.

Applications :

- Weighted variations of the fractional Brownian motion (Nourdin, Réveillac, Tudor, N.) : Assume $\frac{1}{2q} < H < 1 - \frac{1}{2q}$. Then,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{k=1}^n f\left(B_{\frac{k-1}{n}}^H\right) h_q\left(n^H \Delta B_{k,n}^H\right) \xrightarrow{\text{Stably}} \sigma_{H,q} \int_0^1 f(B_s^H) dW_s,$$

where W is a Brownian motion independent of B^H .

- Non-central limit theorem for symmetric integrals with respect to the fractional Brownian motion for critical values of the Hurst parameter (Burdzy, Swanson, Nourdin, Réveillac, Harnett, N.)

Rate of convergence

Theorem (Nourdin-Peccati-N. '16)

Let $F = \delta(u)$, where $u \in \mathbb{D}^{1,2}(H)$ and $F \in \mathbb{D}^{1,2}$. Let $S \geq 0$ be such that $S^2 \in \mathbb{D}^{1,2}$ and let η be a $N(0, 1)$ random variable independent of X . Assume that $\varphi \in C_b^3$. Then :

$$\begin{aligned} & |E[\varphi(F)] - E[\varphi(S\eta)]| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi''\|_\infty E[|\langle u, DF \rangle_H - S^2|] + \frac{1}{3} \|\varphi'''\|_\infty E[|\langle u, DS^2 \rangle_H|]. \end{aligned}$$

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- Finally, integrating in t ,

$$|E[\varphi(F)] - E[\varphi(S_\epsilon\eta)]| \leq \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi''\|_\infty E[|\langle u, DF \rangle_H - S^2 - \epsilon|] \\ + \|\varphi'''\|_\infty E[|\langle u, DS^2 \rangle_H|] \int_0^1 \frac{1-t}{4\sqrt{t}} dt,$$

and the conclusion follows because $\int_0^1 \frac{1-t}{4\sqrt{t}} dt = \frac{1}{3}$.

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Theorem (Nourdin-N.-Peccati '16)

Let $H \in (\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4})$ and $f \in C^4(\mathbb{R})$ such that $|f^{(i)}(x)| \leq c_1 \exp(c_2|x|^\beta)$ for some $\beta < 2$ and for $i = 0, \dots, 4$. Let

$$S = \sqrt{\sigma_H \int_0^1 f^2(B_s^H) ds},$$

with $\sigma_H^2 = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \rho_H(k)^2$. Suppose $E[S^{-\alpha}] < \infty$ for some $\alpha > 2$. Then,

$$|E[\varphi(F_n)] - E[\varphi(S\eta)]| \leq C_{f,H} \max_{1 \leq i \leq 5} \|\varphi^{(i)}\|_\infty n^{-(|2H-\frac{1}{2}| \wedge |2H-\frac{3}{2}|)},$$

where η is a $N(0, 1)$ random variable independent of B^H .