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# Fractional fields indexed by metric spaces

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## $H$ -sssi fields indexed by $\mathbb{R}^n$

Fields invariant

- by isometry

$$(X(i(M)) - X(i(O)))_{M \in \mathbb{R}^n} \stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{=} (X(M) - X(O))_{M \in \mathbb{R}^n}$$

- by scaling  $\lambda > 0$ , index  $H$

$$(X(\lambda M))_{M \in \mathbb{R}^n} \stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{=} \lambda^H (X(M))_{M \in \mathbb{R}^n}$$

## Existence

- Gaussian case :  $0 < H \leq 1$
- Stable case:
  - $0 < H \leq 1/\alpha$  if  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$
  - $0 < H < 1$  if  $1 < \alpha < 2$

Why this set of parameters  $(H, \alpha)$ ?

## An application

Texture simulation: e.g. cloud

Texture brought by a surface?

## $H$ -sssi field

$X$   $H$ -sssi  $\Rightarrow$  normalized increments constants in distribution

$$\frac{X(M) - X(N)}{\|MN\|^H} \stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{=} Ct$$

(equivalence if Gaussian)

## Fields indexed by $(E,d)$

Replace  $\|MN\|$  by  $d(M, N)$ :

$$\frac{X(M) - X(N)}{d(M, N)^H} \stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{=} Ct$$

First question: existence depending on  $H$ ?

## Distances of negative type (nt)

$d$  is nt if

$$\forall n \geq 2; \forall \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n, \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = 0, \forall M_1, \dots, M_n:$$

$$\sum_{i,j} \lambda_i \lambda_j d(M_i, M_j) \leq 0$$

**Examples:** Euclidean norm, geodesic distances on spheres and hyperbolic spaces and trees.



## Consequences of Schönberg's theorem

$$\beta_E = \sup\{\beta > 0 \text{ st } d^\beta \text{ nt} \}$$

- $0 < \beta \leq \beta_E$ :  $d^\beta$  nt.
- $\beta > \beta_E$ :  $d^\beta$  non nt.

## Some values of $\beta_E$

- $\beta_E < \infty$  except particular case
- Metric square (side=1, diagonal  $0 < d \leq 2$ )
  - $0 < d \leq 1$ :  $\beta_E = +\infty$
  - $1 < d \leq 2$ :  $\beta_E = 1/\log_2 d$
- Euclidean space  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_{\ell^2})$ :  $\beta_E = 2$
- Smooth manifold:  $\beta_E \leq 2$
- Smooth manifold, curvature  $> 0$ :  $\beta_E < 2$

## Some values of $\beta_E$ (ctd)

- Sphere + geodesic distance:  $\beta_E = 1$
- Hyperbolic space + geodesic distance:  $\beta_E = 1$
- Tree + geodesic distance:  $\beta_E \geq 1$
- $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_{\ell^q})$  with  $n \geq 3, q > 2$ :  $\beta_E = 0$

## Distances defined by a measure (dm)

$(M, N) \mapsto d(M, N)$  is dm if

there exists a measure  $\mu$

and an application  $M \mapsto H_M, E \rightarrow \mathbf{H}$  such that

$$d(M, N) = \mu(H_M \Delta H_N) ,$$

$\Delta$ : symmetric difference between sets

- $\text{dm} \Rightarrow \text{nt}$

## Examples of distances $d_m$

- Euclidean norm  $\|\cdot\|^\beta$  with  $0 < \beta \leq 1$  (Chentsov, Takenaka)
- Geodesic distance on spheres (Lévy)
- Geodesic distance on hyperbolic spaces (Takenaka & Kubo & Urakawa, Robertson)
- Geodesic distance on trees (Valette)

## Gaussian fields

An other consequence of Schönberg's theorem

$$d^\beta \text{ nt} \Leftrightarrow (d^\beta(O, M) + d^\beta(O, N) - d^\beta(M, N)) \text{ nnd}$$

FBM exists iff  $0 < H \leq \beta_E/2$

The Euclidean case  $\beta_E = 2$  is atypical.

## Stable fields (spheres, hyperbolic spaces)

Existence iff  $0 < H \leq 1/\alpha$

- $H > 1/\alpha$ : no (Schönberg)
- $1/2 \leq H \leq 1/\alpha$ : dm + Chentsov-Takenaka's construction
- $0 < H \leq 1/2$ : new construction

## Multifractional brownian motion

$$|t|^{H(t)+H(s)} + |s|^{H(t)+H(s)} - |t-s|^{H(t)+H(s)} \text{ nnd?}$$

$$c_{H(t)+H(s)}(|t|^{H(t)+H(s)} + |s|^{H(t)+H(s)} - |t-s|^{H(t)+H(s)})$$

$$c_H = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|e^{iy} - 1|^2 dy}{|y|^{2H} |y|}$$

always nnd.



## Multifractional brownian fields (ctd)

$$\mu_n(dx) = \frac{\Gamma(n/2)}{\pi^{n/2}} \frac{dx_1 \dots dx_n}{\|x\|^n},$$

unique, up to a constant, measure invariant by homotheties and rotation

$\mu$ , extension of  $\mu_n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^\infty$

invariant by homotheties and  $\ell^2$ -rotation

$$C_H = \int_{\ell^2} \frac{|e^{i\langle(1,0,0,\dots),y\rangle} - 1|^2}{\|y\|^{2H}} \mu(dy)$$

## Multifractional brownian fields: covariance

$d$  of negative type,  $H(M) \in (0, 1/2)$ :

$$R(M, N) = C_{H(M)+H(N)}(d^{H(M)+H(N)}(O, M) + d^{H(M)+H(N)}(O, N) - d^{H(M)+H(N)}(M, N)),$$