

# Fluctuations and Extreme Values in Multifractal Patterns<sup>1</sup>

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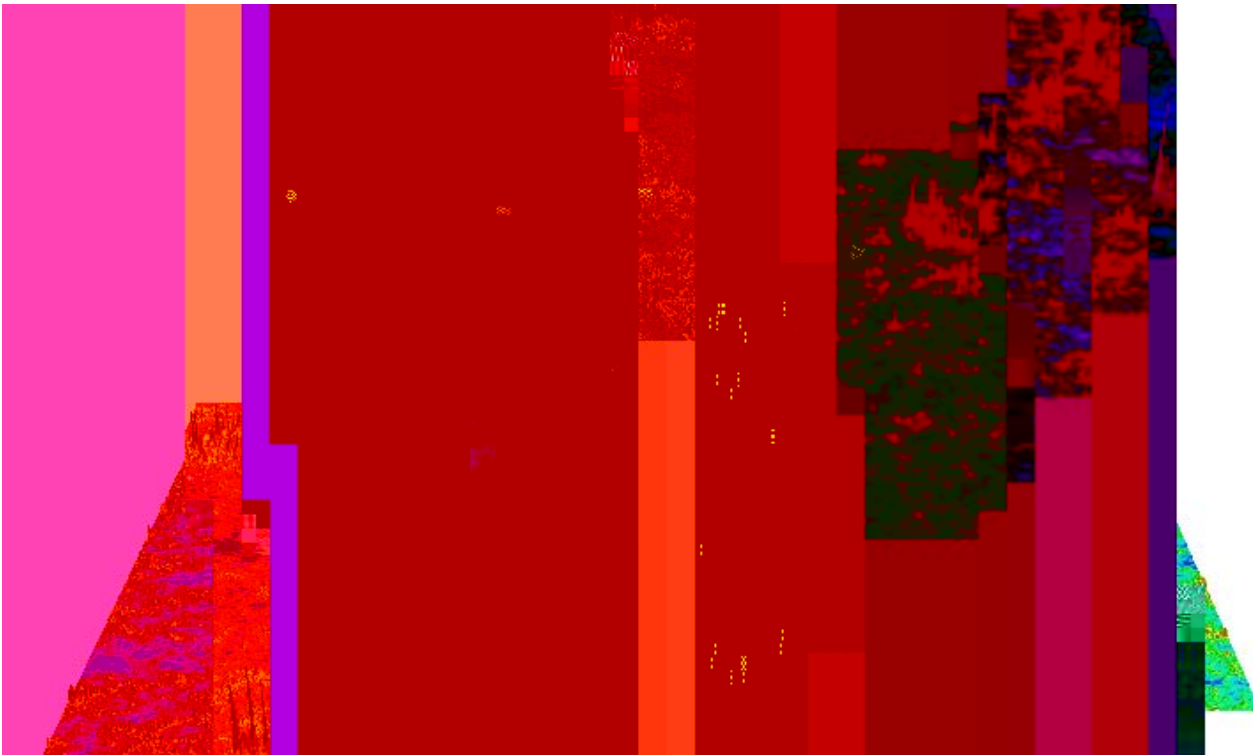
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## Disorder-generated multifractals:

Disorder-generated multifractal patterns display high variability over a wide range of space or time scales, associated with huge fluctuations in intensity which can be visually detected. Another common feature is presence of certain long-ranged **powerlaw-type correlations** in data values.



Intensity of a multifractal wavefunction at the point of Integer Quantum Hall Effect.

Courtesy of F. Evers, A. Mirlin and A. Mildenberger.



From disorder-generated multifractals to log-correlated fields:

Disorder-generated multifractal patterns of intensities  $h(\mathbf{r})$  are typically **self-similar**

$$\mathbb{E} [h^q(\mathbf{r}_1) h^s(\mathbf{r}_2)] \sim \frac{L^{y_{q;s}}}{a^{j|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|}} \quad \text{with } y_{q;s} = 0, m = 1, 1.322, 0, 1, S, Q, BT, \dots$$

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## Ideal Gaussian periodic 1/f noise:

We will use a (regularized) model for ideal Gaussian periodic **1/f** noise defined as

$$V(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} (v_n e^{int} + \bar{v}_n e^{-int}) ; \quad t \in [0; 2\pi)$$

where  $v_n, \bar{v}_n$  are **complex standard Gaussian i.i.d.** with  $\mathbb{E} [v_n \bar{v}_n] = 1$ . It implies the formal covariance structure:

$$\mathbb{E} [V(t_1) V(t_2)] = 2 \ln 2 \sin \frac{t_1 - t_2}{2} ; \quad t_1 \neq t_2$$

**Regularization procedure (YVF & Bouchaud 2008):** subdivide the interval  $[0; 2\pi)$  by a finite number  $M$  of observation points  $t_k = \frac{2\pi}{M} k$  where  $k = 1; \dots; M$ , and replace the function  $V(t); t \in [0; 2\pi)$  with a sequence of  $M$  random mean-zero Gaussian variables  $V_k$  correlated according to the  $M \times M$  **covariance matrix**  $C_{km} = \mathbb{E} [V_k V_m]$  such that the off-diagonal entries are given by

$$C_{k \neq m} = 2 \ln 2 \sin \frac{t_k - t_m}{2}$$

## Circular-logarithmic model (YF & Bouchaud 2008):

An example of the  $1=f$  signal sequence generated for  $M = 4096$  according to the above prescription is given in the figure.

The upper line marks the typical value of the **extreme value threshold**  $V_m = 2 \ln M - \frac{3}{2} \ln \ln M$ .

The lower line is the level  $\frac{1}{2} V_m$  and blue dots mark points supporting  $V_i > \frac{1}{2} V_m$ .

**Questions we would like to answer:** How many points are typically above a given level of the noise? How strongly does this number fluctuate for  $M \gg 1$  from one realization to the other? How to understand the typical position  $V_m$  and statistics of the **extreme values** (maxima or minima), etc. And, after all, what parts of the answers are **universal** and what is the universality class?



## Statistics of the counting function $N_M(x)$ and threshold of extreme values:

By relating moments of the counting function  $N_M(x) = \int_x^1 M(y) dy$  for log-correlated **1=f noise** to **Selberg integrals** we are able to show that the probability density for the (scaled) counting function  $n = N_M(x) = N_t(x)$  is given by:

$$P_x(n) = \frac{4}{x^2} e^{-n \frac{4}{x^2}} n^{1 + \frac{4}{x^2}}; \quad n \leq n_c(x); \quad 0 < x < 2:$$

with  $n_c \rightarrow 1$  for  $M \rightarrow 1$  and the **characteristic scale**  $N_t(x)$  given by

$$N_t(x) = \frac{M^{1 - \frac{4}{x^2}}}{x \ln M} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{4}{x^2})} = \mathbb{E} [f N_M(x) g] \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{4}{x^2})}$$

**Note:** For  $x \rightarrow 2$  the **typical**



## From $1/f$ noise to Riemann $(1/2 + it)$ :

One can argue that **log-mod** of the Riemann zeta-function  $(1/2 + it)$  **locally** resembles a (non-periodic) version of the  **$1/f$  noise**. One can exploit this fact to predict statistics of **moments** and **high values** of the Riemann zeta along the critical line using the previously exposed theory (**YVF, Hiary, Keating** 2012).

## Our approach to statistics of $(1/2 + it)$ :

We expect a **single** unitary matrix of size  $N_T = \log(T/2)$  to model the Riemann zeta  $(1/2 + it)$  statistically, over a range

## Our predictions for $(1=2 + it)$ and CUE characteristic polynomials:

For the **maximum value**:  $\max_T |j(1=2 + it)|$  we expect

$$\log \max(T) = \log N_T + \frac{c}{2} \log \log N_T + [\text{rand. noise}]$$

## Our predictions for $(1=2 + it)$ and CUE characteristic polynomials:

We further expect

$$\log \max(T) \sim \log N_T \sim \frac{3}{4} \log \log N_T \sim \frac{1}{2} x; \quad N_T = \log(T=2)$$

where  $x$  is distributed with a probability density behaving in the tail as  $(x \rightarrow -\infty) \sim |x| e^x$ .

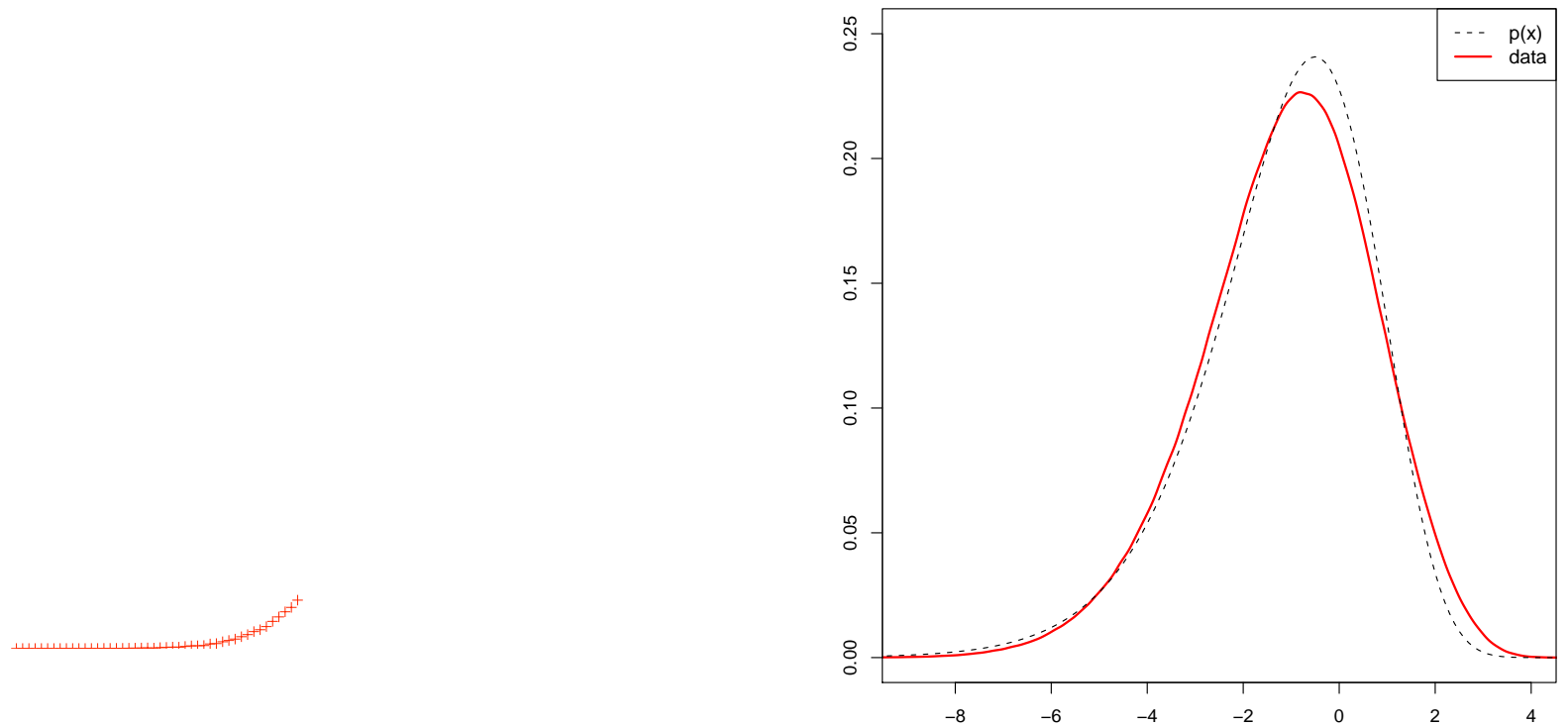


Figure 1: Statistics of maxima for CUE polynomials (left:  $N = 50; 10^6$  samples) and  $j(1=2 + it)j$  (right:  $N_T = 65; 10^5$  samples) compared to periodic noise prediction  $p(x) = 2e^x K_0(2e^{x=2})$ .

## Threshold of extreme values for self-similar multifractal fields:

The value  $c = \frac{3}{2}$  is a universal feature of systems with **logarithmic** correlations.

Apart from  $1=f$  noise and its incarnations (characteristic polynomials of random matrices & zeta-function along the critical line) the new universality class is believed to include the  $2D$  Gaussian free field, branching random walks & polymers on disordered trees, some models in turbulence and financial mathematics and, with due modifications the **disorder-generated multifractals**.

Namely, consider a multifractal random **probability measure**  $p_i$   $M^i$ ;  $i = 1, \dots, M$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^M p_i = 1$  characterized by a general non-parabolic **singularity spectrum**  $f(\cdot)$  with the left endpoint at  $\cdot = \cdot > 0$ . Then very similar consideration based on insights from **Mirlin & Evers** 2000 suggests that the **extreme value threshold** should be given by  $p_m = M^{-m}$ , where  $m$

$$m = \left( \ln p_m \right) / \left( \ln M + \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{f'(\cdot)} \ln \ln M \right)$$

## Threshold of extreme values for self-similar multifractal fields:

**Work in progress:** testing such a prediction for multifractal eigenvectors of a  $N \times N$  random matrix ensemble introduced by E. Bogomolny & O. Giraud, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **106** 044101 (2011) based on **Rujsenaars-Schneider** model of  $N$  interacting particles. Preliminary numerics is supportive of the theory.

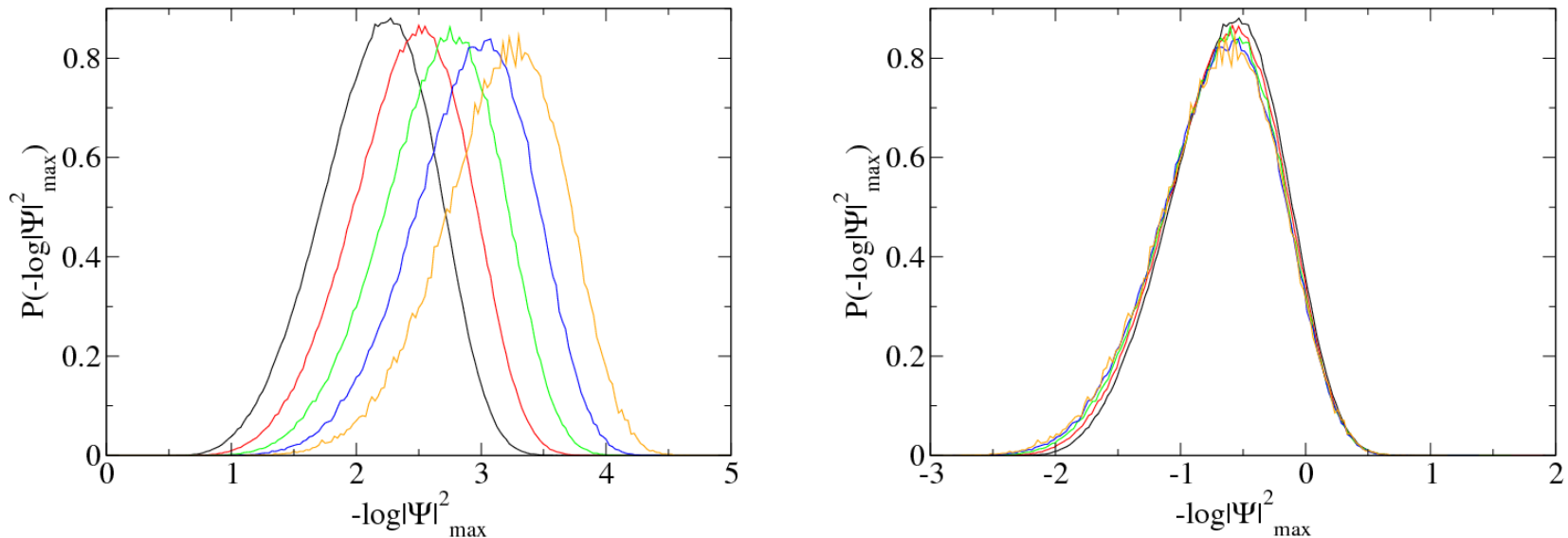


Figure 2: Statistics of maxima for eigenvectors of RS model for sample sizes  $M = 2^n$  with  $n = 8; \dots; 12$ .  
**left:** raw data **right:** each curve is shifted by  $\ln M + \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{F^\theta} \ln \ln M$ ; data by **Olivier Giraud**