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# SPECTRAL CLASSES AND THE PARAMETER DISTRIBUTION SET

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ABSTRACT. The natural projection of a parameter lower (upper) distribution set for a self-similar measure on a self-similar set satisfying the open set condition is the cylindrical lower or upper local dimension set for the Legendre self-similar measure which is derived from the self-similar measure and the self-similar set.

## 1. Introduction

Recently, we [1] investigated the relation between spectral classes of a selfsimilar Cantor set in a set theoretical sense. More recently, using the parameter distribution, we find the parallel results for the self-similar set (attractor of the IFS consisting of  $n \geq 2$ ) similitudes satisfying the OSC (open set condition)) instead of the self-similar Cantor set (attractor of the IFS consisting of 2 similitudes satisfying the SSC (strong separation condition)), which leads to a generalization of [1]. In this paper, we define the Legendre self-similar measures on the self-similar set which is derived from the self-similar measure and the self-similar set. Using the Legendre self-similar measures on the self-similar set, we give full relationship between the natural projection of a parameter lower (upper) distribution set for a self-similar measure on a self-similar set and the cylindrical lower or upper local dimension set for the Legendre self-similar measures.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$  be the set of positive integers and the set of real numbers respectively. An attractor K in the *d*-dimensional Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^d$  of the IFS  $(f_1, \ldots, f_N)$  of contractions where  $N \geq 2$  makes each point  $v \in K$  have an

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infinite sequence  $\omega = (m_1, m_2, \ldots) \in \Sigma = \{1, \ldots, N\}^{\mathbb{N}}$  where

$$\{v\} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_{\omega|n}$$

for  $K_{\omega|n} = K_{m_1,\dots,m_n} = f_{m_1} \circ \cdots \circ f_{m_n}(K)$  [4].  $\omega|n$  denotes the truncation of  $\omega$  to the *n*th place. In such case, we sometimes write  $\pi(\omega)$  for such vusing the natural projection  $\pi : \Sigma \to K$  and call  $K_{\omega|n}$  the cylinder of v. We note that  $K_{\omega|n}$  may be different for the same  $v \in K$  since v may have different codes  $\omega$ . Therefore we write  $K_{\omega|n}$  for such distinction for the cylinder of v. We call such  $K_{\omega|n}$  the cylinders of K and call K a self-similar set if the IFS  $(f_1, \dots, f_N)$  are similitudes. Each infinite sequence  $\omega = (m_1, m_2, \dots)$ in the coding space  $\Sigma$  has the unique subset  $A(x_n(\omega))$  of its accumulation points in the simplex of probability vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^N$  of the vector-valued sequence  $\{x_n(\omega)\} = \{(u_1, \dots, u_N)_n\}$  of the probability vectors where  $u_k$  for  $1 \leq k \leq N$ in the probability vector  $(u_1, \dots, u_N)_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  is defined by

$$u_k = \frac{|\{1 \le l \le n : m_l = k\}|}{n}.$$

From now on, we assume that the similarity ratios of the similarities  $(f_1, \ldots, f_N)$  are  $a_1, \ldots, a_N$  and K is the self-similar set for the IFS  $(f_1, \ldots, f_N)$  satisfying the open set condition [3, 4, 5] and  $\gamma_{\mathbf{p}}$  on K is the self-similar measure associated with  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \ldots, p_N) \in (0, 1)^N$  satisfying  $\sum_{k=1}^N p_k = 1$ . To avoid the degeneration case, we also assume that  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \ldots, p_N) \neq (a_1^s, \ldots, a_N^s)$  with  $\sum_{k=1}^N a_k^s = 1$ .

For each  $q \in \mathbb{R}$ , we define the Legendre self-similar measure by the selfsimilar measure  $\gamma_{\mathbf{p}}$  with respect to q on the self-similar set K by the self-similar measure  $\gamma_{\mathbf{r}}$  associated with  $\mathbf{r} = (r_1, \ldots, r_N) \in (0, 1)^N$  satisfying  $r_k = p_k^q a_k^{\beta(q)}$ such that  $\sum_{k=1}^N p_k^q a_k^{\beta(q)} = 1$ . In particular, if q = 1, then  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{p}$ .

We write  $\underline{E}_{\alpha}^{(\mathbf{r})}(\overline{E}_{\alpha}^{(\mathbf{r})})$  for the set of points at which the cylindrical lower (upper) local dimension of  $\gamma_{\mathbf{r}}$  on K is exactly  $\alpha$ , so that

$$\underline{E}_{\alpha}^{(\mathbf{r})} = \pi \{ \omega \in \Sigma : \liminf_{n \to \infty} \frac{\log \gamma_{\mathbf{r}}(K_{\omega|n})}{\log |K_{\omega|n}|} = \alpha \},\$$
$$\overline{E}_{\alpha}^{(\mathbf{r})} = \pi \{ \omega \in \Sigma : \limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\log \gamma_{\mathbf{r}}(K_{\omega|n})}{\log |K_{\omega|n}|} = \alpha \}.$$

Here  $|K_{\omega|n}|$  denotes the diameter of the cylinder  $K_{\omega|n}$ . From now on, we fix distinct i, j respectively satisfying

$$\frac{\log p_i}{\log a_i} = \min_{1 \le k \le N} \frac{\log p_k}{\log a_k} < \max_{1 \le k \le N} \frac{\log p_k}{\log a_k} = \frac{\log p_j}{\log a_j}$$

In [2], for  $\frac{t \log p_i + (1-t) \log p_j}{t \log a_i + (1-t) \log a_j} = \alpha(t)$  and  $g(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{N} y_k \log p_k}{\sum_{k=1}^{N} y_k \log a_k}$  where  $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \ldots, y_N)$  in the (N-1)-simplex, the lower and upper parameter distribution

sets for the self-similar measure  $\mathbf{p}$  on the self-similar set K are represented by

$$\underline{F}(t) = \{ \omega : \max_{\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))} g(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) = \alpha(t) \}$$

and

$$\overline{F}(t) = \{ \omega : \min_{\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))} g(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) = \alpha(t) \}.$$

## 3. Subset relation and multifractal spectrum

In the following theorems, let  $t_0$  be the real number satisfying

$$\frac{t_0 \log p_i + (1 - t_0) \log p_j}{t_0 \log a_i + (1 - t_0) \log a_j} = g(\mathbf{r}_0, \mathbf{p})$$

for  $\mathbf{r}_0 = (a_1^s, \ldots, a_N^s)$  with  $\sum_{k=1}^N a_k^s = 1$ . In the following theorem, given 0 < t < 1, we have  $\alpha(t) = \frac{t \log p_i + (1-t) \log p_j}{t \log a_i + (1-t) \log a_j}$ . For  $\beta'(q) = -\alpha(t)$ , we put  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (r_1, \ldots, r_N)$  satisfying  $r_k = p_k^q a_k^{\beta(q)}$ . The following theorem gives the relation between the parameter distribution set and the cylindrical local dimension set for the Legendre self-similar measure by the self-similar measure  $\gamma_{\mathbf{p}}$  on the self-similar set K.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $0 \le t \le 1$  and  $0 < t' < t_0 < t'' < 1$ . Then we have the followings:

(1) 
$$\pi(\underline{F}(t)) = \underline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t'))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t'))} = \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t''))} = \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{p})}^{(\mathbf{p})}$$
  
(2)  $\pi(\overline{F}(t)) = \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t'))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t'))} = \underline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t'))} = \underline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{p})}^{(\mathbf{p})}$ 

*Proof.* We note that

$$0 < t_0 \le t < 1 \iff q \ge 0$$

and

$$0 < t \le t_0 < 1 \iff q \le 0.$$

Therefore

$$= t_0 \iff q = 0.$$

From the proof of Theorem 4.1 of [2], it is not to difficult to show that  $\pi(\underline{F}(t)) = \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t''))}$  where  $\mathbf{r}(t'') = (p_1^{q''}a_1^{\beta(q'')}, \dots, p_N^{q''}a_N^{\beta(q'')})$  such that

$$-\beta'(q'') = \frac{t'' \log p_i + (1 - t'') \log p_j}{t'' \log a_i + (1 - t'') \log a_j}$$

for  $t_0 < t'' < 1$ .

Precisely, if  $v \in \pi(\underline{F}(t))$ , then  $v = \pi(\omega)$  with  $g(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) \leq \alpha(t)$  for all  $\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))$ , and  $g(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) = \alpha(t)$  for some  $\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))$  since

$$\{\omega: \max_{\mathbf{y}\in A(x_n(\omega))} g(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) = \alpha(t)\} = \underline{F}(t)$$

by Lemma 3.3 of [2]. We note that  $\alpha(t) = g(\mathbf{r}(t), \mathbf{p})$  from (11.35) of [4]. Since  $q'' \ge 0$ , we have  $g(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{r}(t'')) \le \alpha(t)q'' + \beta(q'') = g(\mathbf{r}(t), \mathbf{r}(t''))$  for all

 $\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))$ , and  $g(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{r}(t'')) = \alpha(t)q'' + \beta(q'') = g(\mathbf{r}(t), \mathbf{r}(t''))$  for some  $\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))$ . Let

$$G = \{\omega : \max_{\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))} g(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{r}(t'')) = g(\mathbf{r}(t), \mathbf{r}(t''))\}.$$

Then  $\pi(G) = \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t''))}$  by the similar arguments of the proof of Theorem 3.4 of [2]. Therefore  $\omega \in G$ . This gives  $v = \pi(\omega) \in \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t''))}$ .

For (1), since  $\overline{E}_{\alpha(t)}^{(\mathbf{p})} = \pi(\underline{F}(t))$  from Theorem 3.4 of [2], we only need to show that  $\overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t''))} \subset \overline{E}_{\alpha(t)}^{(\mathbf{p})}$ . If  $v \in \pi(G) = \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t''))}$ , then  $v = \pi(\omega)$ with  $g(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{r}(t'')) \leq \alpha(t)q'' + \beta(q'') = g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t''))$  for all  $\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))$ , and  $g(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{r}(t'')) = \alpha(t)q'' + \beta(q'') = g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t''))$  for some  $\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))$ . Since q'' > 0 and  $g(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{r}(t'')) = q''g(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{p}) + \beta(q'')$ , we have  $g(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{p}) \leq \alpha(t)$  for all  $\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))$  and  $g(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{p}) = \alpha(t)$  for some  $\mathbf{y} \in A(x_n(\omega))$ . This gives v = $\pi(\omega) \in \pi(\underline{F}(t)) = \overline{E}_{\alpha(t)}^{(\mathbf{p})}$ . We have the rest parts of (1), (2) from the similar arguments above.

Remark 3.2. 0 < t < 1 determines  $\alpha(t)$ , and  $\alpha(t)$  determines  $q \in \mathbb{R}$  from  $\beta'(q) = -\alpha(t)$ . Conversely  $q \in \mathbb{R}$  determines t from  $\beta'(q) = -\alpha(t)$ , and t determines  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ . In particular, if q = 1, then  $\beta(q) = \beta(1) = 0$  and there is  $0 < t_0 < t < 1$  such that  $\alpha(t) = -\beta'(1)$ . For t such that  $\alpha(t) = -\beta'(1)$ ,  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{p}$ .

**Corollary 3.3** ([2]). We have the followings: (1) if  $t_0 < t'' < 1$ , then

$$\pi(\underline{F}(t'')) = \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t''))},$$

(2) if  $0 < t' < t_0$ , then

$$\pi(\underline{F}(t')) = \underline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t'))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t'))},$$

(3) if  $t_0 < t'' < 1$ , then

$$\pi(\overline{F}(t'')) = \underline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t''))}, \mathbf{r}(t'')),$$

(4) if  $0 < t' < t_0$ , then

$$\pi(\overline{F}(t')) = \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t'))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t'))}.$$

*Proof.* Putting t = t' or t = t'', we have the results from the above theorem. For (1) and (3), we note that  $t_0 < t'' < 1 \iff q > 0$ . Therefore  $q = 1 \iff \mathbf{r}(t'') = \mathbf{p}$ .

**Corollary 3.4.** We have the followings: (1) if  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{p}$ , then

$$\pi(\underline{F}(t)) = \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p})}^{(\mathbf{p})},$$

(2) if 
$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{p}$$
, then

 $\pi(\overline{F}(t)) = \underline{E}_{g(\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p})}^{(\mathbf{p})}.$ 

*Proof.* We note that if  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{p}$ , then  $0 < t_0 < t < 1$ . From (1) and (3) of the above corollary, it follows. 

In the following corollary, Dim means the packing dimension and dim means the Hausdorff dimension.

**Corollary 3.5.** We have the followings: (1) if  $t_0 < t'' < 1$ , then

$$\operatorname{Dim}(\bigcup_{t'' \le t \le 1} \pi(\underline{F}(t)) = g(\mathbf{r}(t''), \mathbf{r}(t'')),$$

(2) if  $0 < t' < t_0$ , then

$$\dim(\bigcup_{0 \le t \le t'} \pi(\underline{F}(t)) = g(\mathbf{r}(t'), \mathbf{r}(t')),$$

(3) if  $t_0 < t'' < 1$ , then

$$\dim(\bigcup_{t''\leq t\leq 1}\pi(\overline{F}(t))=g(\mathbf{r}(t''),\mathbf{r}(t'')),$$

(4) if  $0 < t' < t_0$ , then

$$\operatorname{Dim}(\bigcup_{0 \le t \le t'} \pi(\overline{F}(t)) = g(\mathbf{r}(t'), \mathbf{r}(t')).$$

*Proof.* We note that

$$g(\mathbf{r}(t), \mathbf{r}(t'')) = \alpha(t)q'' + \beta(q''),$$

where  $\alpha(t) = \frac{t \log p_i + (1-t) \log p_j}{t \log a_i + (1-t) \log a_j}$  and  $\beta'(q'') = -\alpha(t'')$  where  $\mathbf{r}(t'') = (r_1, \ldots, r_N)$ satisfying  $r_k = p_k^{q''} a_k^{\beta(q'')}$ .

We also note that

$$0 < t_0 \le t'' < 1 \iff q'' \ge 0$$

and

$$0 < t'' \le t_0 < 1 \iff q'' \le 0.$$

If  $t_0 < t'' < 1$ , then from the above theorem

$$\operatorname{Dim}(\cup_{t'' \le t \le 1} \pi(\underline{F}(t)) = \operatorname{Dim}(\cup_{t'' \le t \le 1} \overline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t), \mathbf{r}(t''))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t''))}) \le \sup_{t'' \le t \le 1} g(\mathbf{r}(t), \mathbf{r}(t'')).$$

Since  $\sup_{t'' \le t \le 1} g(\mathbf{r}(t), \mathbf{r}(t'')) = g(\mathbf{r}(t''), \mathbf{r}(t''))$  and Theorem 4.2(1) of [2], (1) follows.

If  $0 < t' < t_0$ , then from the above theorem

$$\dim(\bigcup_{0 \le t \le t'} \pi(\underline{F}(t))) = \dim(\bigcup_{0 \le t \le t'} \underline{E}_{g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t'))}^{(\mathbf{r}(t'))}) \le \sup_{0 \le t \le t'} g(\mathbf{r}(t),\mathbf{r}(t')).$$

Since  $\sup_{0 \le t \le t'} g(\mathbf{r}(t), \mathbf{r}(t')) = g(\mathbf{r}(t'), \mathbf{r}(t'))$  and Theorem 4.3(1) of [2], (2) follows. Similarly (3) and (4) follow. 

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