

NOTE ON EXIT TIME FOR NONLINEAR PAST-DEPENDENT RECURSIONS

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Abstract

In present work studied the AR(1) stochastic model with recurrent relations and small "noise". It is proved the estimate for exit times.

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1.Introduction

The present paper deals with a small stochastic perturbation of a nonlinear one-dimensional dynamic system of the form

$$x_{n+1} = f_{n+1}(x_n), x_0 \in [-1, 1], n \in N \quad (1.1)$$

where the map $f: \square \rightarrow [-1, 1]$ has a unique stable fixed point $x_0 = 0$. An interesting and well studied example is logistic family $f_\alpha(x) = \alpha x(\text{mod } 1), \alpha \in [0, 1], x \in (0, 1)$ (see for instance {Collet Ekhmann On iterated...}). This family was studied by dynamical renormalisation group method. The renormalisation group method in dynamical systems first used by M. Feigenbaum in his universality theory {see [7], [8]}. Notice that the many problems of population theory of biology can be reduced to study the dynamical systems of type (1.1) (see for instance [9]). To study the small stochastic perterbutions is one of fundamental problems of the theory of stochastic persecutions of dynamical systems (see [2], [4]).

An interesting problem is to investigate the exit time for a stochastic process $Y_n, n > 0$.

Klebaner and Liptser in [1] proved a large deviation principle (LDP) for a class of past-dependent models. As an example, they used the univariate autoregressive process $X_n^{(\varepsilon)}, n \geq 1$ defined as

$$X_{n+1}^{(\varepsilon)} = f(X_n^{(\varepsilon)}) + \varepsilon \xi_{n+1} \quad (1.2)$$

where a contractive $f(x)$ is continuous function on \square^1 and ε is positive parameter, $\{\xi_n, n \geq 1\}$ is an i.i.d. sequences of standard normal random variables.

The process $X_n^{(\varepsilon)}$ has a stationary distribution which is normal with mean 0 and variance $\frac{1}{1-a^2}$. Klebaner and Liptser showed that the family of processes $X_n^{(\varepsilon)}$

obeys an LDP with rate of speed ε^2 and rate function

$$I(\underline{u}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} (u_t - au_{t-1})^2, & u_0 = x_0, \\ \infty, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

For each $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0]$ we define the exit function by

$$\tau^{(\varepsilon)} := \min \left\{ n \geq 1 : |X_n^{(\varepsilon)}| \geq 1 \right\}$$

Klebaner and Liptser in [1] applying large deviation principle (LDP) proved that

$$\limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon^2 \log E_{x_0} \tau \leq \frac{1}{2} (1 - a^2).$$

G.Hognas and B.Jung in [6] investigated the estimates for the exit times in the case some piecewise contractive function f . Also, it is proved for AR(1) with contractive function $f_a(x) := ax^2$ with parameter $a \in (0, 1)$ the following bounds

$$\limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon^2 \log E_{x_0} \tau \leq \frac{1}{2} (1 - a^2), \text{ if } 0 < a < \frac{1}{2},$$

and

$$\limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon^2 \log E_{x_0} \tau \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{4a^2} \right), \text{ if } \frac{1}{2} \leq a.$$

In present work we study the stochastic sequence defined by past-dependent recursion with small noise

$$\begin{cases} X_{n+1}^{(\varepsilon)} = a \left| \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} X_n^{(\varepsilon)} \right) \right| + \varepsilon \zeta_{n+1}, \\ X_0 = 0. \end{cases}$$

where the parameters $\varepsilon > 0, a \in [0, 1]$ and $\{\zeta_n, n \geq 1\}$ is an i.i.d. sequence of standard Gaussian random variables with parameters (0,1).

Next we formulate the main result of our paper.

Theorem 1.1. Let $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0]$, $a \in (0, 1)$. Consider the stochastic sequence $\{X_n^{(\varepsilon)}, n \geq 1\}$ defined by (1.3) and the exit time $\tau_a = \min \{k : |X_k^{(\varepsilon)}| \geq 1\}$. Then there exists a number $0 < P_a < \frac{1}{2}$, such that

$$\overline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon^2 \log E\tau_a \leq P_a$$

2. Large deviation principle for a past-dependent stochastic process

Following Varadhan [3], family $(X_n^\varepsilon)_{k \geq m}$ is said to satisfy the LDP in the metric space (R^∞, ρ) with the rate of speed $q(\varepsilon)$ and the **rate function** $J(u)$ if

(0) there exists a function $q(\varepsilon) J = J(\underline{u}), \underline{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots) \in R^\infty$ which takes values in $[0, \infty]$ such that for every $\alpha \geq 0$ the set $\Phi(\alpha) = \{\underline{u} \in R^\infty : J(\underline{u}) \leq \alpha\}$ is compact in $(\square^\infty, \rho_\infty)$;

(1) For every closed set $F \in (\square^\infty, \rho_\infty)$

$$\overline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} q(\varepsilon) \log P\left(\left(X_n^{(\varepsilon)}\right)_{n \geq m} \in F\right) \leq -\inf_{\underline{u} \in F} J(\underline{u});$$

(2) For every open set $G \in (\square^\infty, \rho_\infty)$

$$\underline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} q(\varepsilon) \log P\left(\left(X_n^{(\varepsilon)}\right)_{n \geq m} \in G\right) \geq -\inf_{\underline{u} \in G} J(\underline{u}).$$

As was mentioned in Introduction, the LDP for $\{X_n^{(\varepsilon)}, n \geq m\}$ is implied by the LDP for family $\varepsilon \xi$ (ξ is a copy of ξ_n).

In the work of F.K. Klebaner and R.Sh. Liptser [1] found sufficient conditions for the existence of a LDP for the family ξ , and these conditions are formulated only in terms of the distribution. It is assumed that (see [1])

(C1)

$$-E\xi = 0$$

$$-Ee^{t\xi} < \infty, t \in R \text{ "Cramer's condition"}$$

(C2) With a cumulant function $H(t) = \log Ee^{t\xi}$ and the Fenchel-Legendre

$L(v) = \sup_{t \in R} [tv - H(t)]$, there exist a function $q(\varepsilon)$, decreasing to 0 as $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$, and a nonnegative function $I(v) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} q(\varepsilon) L(v/\varepsilon), v \in R$ with properties:

$$-I(0) = 0$$

$$-\lim_{|v| \rightarrow \infty} I(v) = \infty$$

(C3) If $I(v) < \infty$ for some v , then $t_v^\varepsilon = \arg \max \left(t \frac{v}{\varepsilon} - H(t) \right)$ is finite and

$$\overline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{q(\varepsilon)}{\varepsilon} \left| t_v^\varepsilon \right| < \infty \text{ va } \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon^2 H''(t_v^\varepsilon) = 0$$

We notice also that the Cramer condition implies $H'(0)=0$ and $H''(t) \geq 0$ and left continuity of $I(v)$ in a vicinity of $v_0 = \inf \{v > 0 : I(v) = \infty\}$ (correspondingly, right continuity for $v_0 < 0$). **Klebaner F and Lipster R in [1] proved the following theorem.**

Theorem (see[1]). Assume **(C₁)- (C₃)**. Then:

1) the family $\{\mathcal{E}_\xi^\varepsilon\}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0}$ obeys to the LDP with rate of speed $q(\varepsilon)$ and the function $I(v)$ defined in **(C₂)**;

2) the family $\{\{\mathcal{E}_\xi^\varepsilon\}_{k \geq 1}\}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0}$ obeys the LDP in the metric space (R^∞, ρ) with the rate function $(\underline{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots) \in R^\infty)$.

$$I_\infty(\underline{v}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} I(v_k);$$

3) the family $\{(X_k^\varepsilon)_{k \geq m}\}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0}$ obeys the LDP in the metric space (R^∞, ρ) with the rate function $(\underline{u} = (u_m, u_{m+1}, \dots) \in R^\infty)$

$$J_\infty(\underline{u}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \inf_{v_k: u_k = f(u_{k-1}, \dots, u_{k-m}, v_k)} I(v_k), & u_i = x_i, i = 0, \dots, m-1 \\ \infty, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where $\inf(\emptyset) = \infty$.

3. Proof of the Theorem 1.1

In the section we prove the Theorem 1.1.

Prove. By definition

$$f(x) = a \left| \sin \frac{\pi}{2} x \right|, \quad 0 < a < 1, \quad x \in [-1, 1].$$

We find the infimum of the following rate function

$$I(y_0, y_1, \dots, y_N) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (y_n - f(y_{n-1}))^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \left(y_n - a \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} y_{n-1} \right) \right)^2$$

We consider the case $N = 2$. Then $S(y_1) = y_1^2 + (1 - f(y_1))^2 = y_1^2 + \left(1 - a \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} y_1 \right) \right)^2$

It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} S'(y_1) &= 2y_1 + 2 \left(1 - a \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} y_1 \right) \right) \left(-a \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} y_1 \right) \right) \frac{\pi}{2} = \\ &= 2y_1 - a\pi \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} y_1 \right) \left(1 - a \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} y_1 \right) \right) = 2y_1 - a\pi \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} y_1 \right) + a^2 \frac{\pi}{2} \sin(\pi y_1) \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$S(0) = 1, S(1) = 1 + (1-a)^2, S'(0) = -a\pi, S'(1) = 2 \quad (1.4)$$

We find the second derivative $S''(y_1)$:

$$\begin{aligned} S''_a(y_1) &= \left[2y_1 - a\pi \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) + a^2 \frac{\pi}{2} \sin(\pi y_1) \right]' = \\ &= 2 + a \frac{\pi^2}{2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) + a^2 \frac{\pi^2}{2} \cos(\pi y_1) = 2 + a \frac{\pi^2}{2} \left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) + a \cos(\pi y_1) \right) = \\ &= 2 + a \frac{\pi^2}{2} \left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) + a \left(\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) \right) \right) = \\ &= 2 + a \frac{\pi^2}{2} \left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) - a \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) + a \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Since $0 < a < 1$ and $0 \leq y_1 \leq 1$, we have

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) - a \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) \left(1 - a \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}y_1\right) \right) \geq 0,$$

Consequently,

$$S''_a(y_1) \geq 2, \forall a \in (0,1) \text{ and } y_1 \in [0,1].$$

The last inequality shows that the function $S_a(y_1)$ is convex up on interval $[0,1]$. This, together with (1.4) i.e. initial values of $S_a(y_1)$ and $S'_a(y_1)$ at boundary points $y_1 = 0, y_1 = 1$. We get that there exists a point $\chi_a \in (0,1)$, such that,

$$P_a = S_a(\chi_a) < 1. \text{ The theorem 1.1 completely proved.}$$

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