

Lower Bounds for non-Archimedean Lyapunov Exponents

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We define the *Lyapunov Exponent* of ϕ to be

$$L_v(\phi) := \int_{\mathbf{P}_K^1} \log_v[\phi']_\zeta d\mu_\phi(\zeta) .$$

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Proof Ingredients:

- Entropy
- Equidistribution
- Ruelle's Inequality

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A Special Case

Theorem (J., 2015)

If ϕ has good reduction and also has separable reduction, then $L_v(\phi) = 0$.

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Applies to:

- Maps of (potential) good reduction.
- Lattès Maps

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Proof Idea - Logarithmic Equidistribution

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Theorem (J., 2015)

Let K be a complete, algebraically closed non-Archimedean valued field. Let $\phi \in K(z)$ have degree $d \geq 2$, and let ν be a probability measure on \mathbf{P}_K^1 with bounded potentials. Then for any rational function $g \in K(z)$, we have

$$\int \log_v[g]_z \, d\left(\frac{1}{d^n} \phi^{n*} \nu\right)(z) \rightarrow \int \log_v[g]_z \, d\mu_\phi(z) .$$

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