

# Decay rate of Logarithmic Signature

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Let

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Then  $\log S(X)_{0,1}$  has *finite radius of convergence (ROC)* ie  $\exists \lambda > 0$ ,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n \|LS_n(X)\| = \infty$$

- for all finite variation  $X$  except when  $X$  is a straight line.
- $\|\cdot\|$  can be projective norm/Hilbert Schmidt/Injective norm.

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