

Formation of tails in nonconservative kinetic models

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- Set

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- Then, $g_0(v) = h_0(v)$, and $h(v, \tau)$ satisfies

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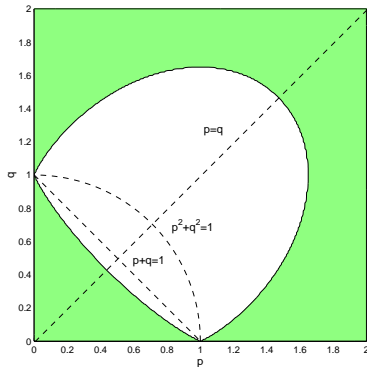
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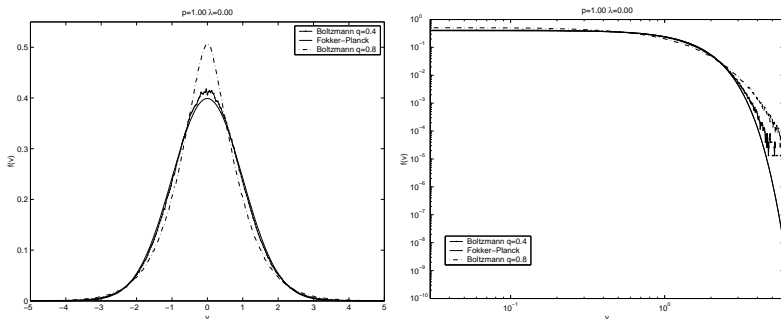
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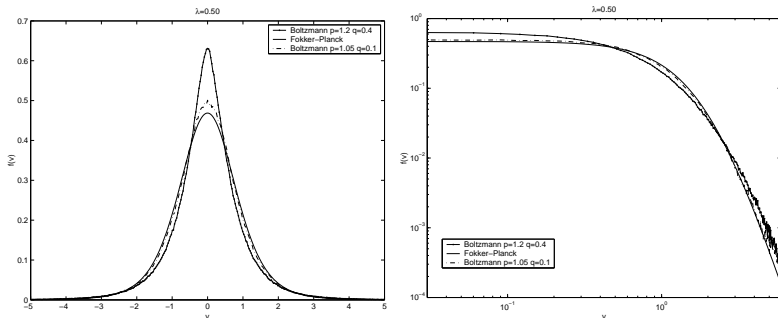
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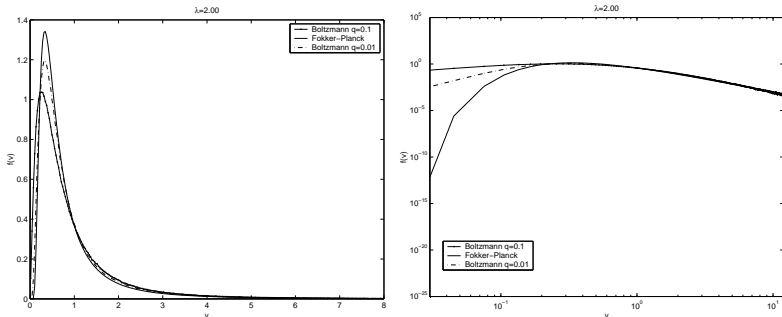
Formation of power laws



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Pareto tails



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