

Symmetric Lévy Type Operators

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Lévy Type Operators

For any $f \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

$$Lf(x) = \sum_{i,j=1}^d a_{ij}(x) \partial_{ij} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^d b_i(x) \partial_i f(x) + \int (f(x+z) - f(x) - \nabla f(x) \cdot z \mathbb{1}_{\{|z| \leq 1\}}) \nu(x, dz),$$

where $\nu(x, dz)$ is a **Lévy kernel**, i.e., $\nu(x, dz)$ is σ -finite measure on $\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\}$ such that $\int (1 \wedge |z|^2) \nu(x, dz) < +\infty$ for each $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

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- Let

$$L := \sum_{i,j=1}^d a_{i,j} \partial_{i,j} + \sum_{i=1}^d b_i \partial_i,$$

and $\mu(dx) = \rho(x)dx$. Then L is symmetric with respect to μ if and only if

$$b_i(x) = \sum_{j=1}^d \left(a_{i,j}(x) \rho(x)^{-1} \partial_j \rho(x) + \partial_j a_{i,j}(x) \right), \quad 1 \leq i \leq d.$$

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- **Infinitesimal Generator of Lévy Process**

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Assumptions

(1) $\mu(dx) = \rho(x)dx.$

(2) $\int (1 \wedge |z|^2) \nu(x, dz) \in \mathbb{L}_{loc}^2(\mu),$ and for r large enough

$$f_r(x) := \mathbb{1}_{B_{2r}(0)}(x) \int_{\{|z|>r\}} \nu(x, dz) \in \mathbb{L}^2(\mu).$$

$$L : C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathbb{L}^2(\mu)$$

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L is symmetric with respect to the measure μ , if

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(3) For each $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $\nu(x, dz)$ satisfies

$$\int_{\{|z| \leq 1\}} |z| [\nu(x, dz) - \nu(x, -dz)] \in \mathbb{L}_{\text{loc}}^1(\mu).$$

Example

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$$Lf(x) = -(-\Delta)^{\alpha/2}f(x) - xf'(x)$$

on \mathbb{R} . Then

- (1) L is positive recurrent; moreover, its invariant measure $\mu(dx) = \rho(x)dx$ is a symmetric stable distribution and

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- (2) For $\alpha \neq 2$, L is not symmetric with respect to $\mu(dx) = \rho(x)dx$.

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$$L_0 f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \int \left(f(x+z) - f(x) - \mathbb{1}_{\{|z|\leq 1\}} \nabla f(x) \cdot z \right) \\
 \times \frac{c(x, x+z)}{|z|^{d+\alpha}} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{2}} dz,$$

$$b(x) = \frac{1}{2(2\pi)^{d/2}} \int_{\{|z|\leq 1\}} z \left(\frac{c(x, x+z)}{|z|^{d+\alpha}} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{2}} \right. \\
 \left. - \frac{c(x, x-z)}{|z|^{d+\alpha}} e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{2}} \right) dz.$$

Then $L := L_0 + b(x) \cdot \nabla$ is symmetric with respect to

$$\mu(dx) = (2\pi)^{-d/2} e^{-|x|^2/2} dx.$$

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where $\mu(dx) = (2\pi)^{-d/2} e^{-|x|^2/2} dx$.

Exponential Ergodicity and Dirichlet Eigenvalue

First Poincaré Inequality

$$\int f^2 d\mu \leq \lambda_0^{-1} D(f) \quad f|_{(-\infty, 0]} = 0.$$

Second Poincaré Inequality [M.F. Chen (2005)]

$$\int f^2 d\mu \leq \lambda_1^{-1} D(f) \quad \mu(f) = 0,$$

which implies $\|P_t(x, \cdot) - \mu\|_{\text{var}} \leq C(x)e^{-\lambda_1 t}$.

Simple Sufficient Condition

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$$\inf_{x>0} \int_{-\infty}^0 j(x, y) \rho(y) dy > 0$$

Sufficient Condition

Hardy Inequality

$$\sup_{x>0} \int_0^x j(x, y)^{-1} \rho(y) dy < \infty$$

Sufficient Condition

Variational Formula

there exists $\beta \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\beta x^{-2} A(x) - x^{-1} (\bar{b}(x) + D(x)) \right] > 0,$$

where

$$A(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 z^2 \nu(x, dz),$$

$$\bar{b}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\{|z| \leq x\}} z \left[\nu(x, dz) - \nu(x, -dz) \right],$$

$$D(x) = \int_x^\infty z \nu(x, dz).$$

Example

Let

$$j(x, y) = \frac{c(x, y)}{|x - y|^{1+\alpha}} \mathbb{1}_{\{x \neq y\}},$$

where c is non-negative symmetric and $\alpha \in (0, 2)$.

- (1) $\rho(x) = \pi^{-1/2} e^{-x^2}$ and
 $c(x, y) = [(1 + |x|)(1 + |y|)]^\beta (\beta \geq 1 + \alpha)$.
- (2) $\rho(x) = c_\gamma (1 + |x|)^{-\gamma}$ ($\gamma \geq 2$) and
 $c(x, y) = [(1 + |x|)(1 + |y|)]^\beta \mathbb{1}_{\{|x-y| \leq 1\}}$ with
 $\beta \geq 1 + \gamma/2$.

Questions

- What criterion for $\lambda_0 > 0$?
- How to present the exact expression for λ_0 ?

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