

# Some spectral problems associated to non-self-adjoint self-similar semi-groups

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## Introduction

### Definition

$P = (P_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is a  **$H$ -invariant Lamperti-Feller semi-group on  $\mathbb{R}^+$**  (for short **H-iLF**) if  $\bar{P}$  is a Feller semi-group on  $\mathbb{R}^+$  and for any  $f \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^+)$ ,

- 1  $\exists \nu$  a non-degenerate probability measure on  $\mathbb{R}^+$  such that

$$\nu P_t f = \nu f.$$

- 2  $\exists H > 0$  such that the deterministic space-time transform

$$(K_t)_{t \geq 0} = (P_{\log(1+t)} \circ d_{(1+t)^H})_{t \geq 0}$$

defines a Feller semi-group on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ , where  $d_c f(x) = f(cx)$ .

- 3  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} P_t f(x) = P_t f(0), \forall t > 0$ .

We aim to characterize this class of semi-groups and study their discrete spectrum and eigenvalues expansion.

## Some motivation/remarks

- From a result of Lamperti (62), we know that  $K$  is the semi-group of a **positive  $H$ -self-similar Markov processes (pssMp)  $X$** , with infinite lifetime and 0 as an entrance boundary point. With  $H = 1$ , we have

$$P_t f(x) = K_{e^t-1} \circ d_{e^{-t}} f(x) = \mathbb{E}_x [f(e^{-t} X_{e^t-1})] = \mathbb{E}_{e^{-t}x} [f(X_{1-e^{-t}})].$$

Thus,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P_t f(x) = \lim_{x \downarrow 0} \mathbb{E}_x [f(X_1)]. \quad (1)$$

- The class of infinitesimal generators associated to  $K$  or  $P$  includes well-known operators such as several type of fractional derivatives and differential-difference operators.

- Beside one specific instance, these semi-groups are non self-adjoint.

Unlike for self-adjoint operators, there is no spectral theorem available.

The spectral analysis of non-self-adjoint operator is *Terra incognita* (Pavlov, 83).

Davies (06): *Studying non-self-adjoint operators is like being a vet rather than a doctor: one has to acquire a much wider range of knowledge, and to accept that one cannot expect to have as high a rate of success when confronted with particular cases.*

- McKean(56), Gettoor(58), Karlin and McGregor(66), Ogura (70).

## Characterization of H-iLF semi-groups

We denote by  $\mathcal{N}$  the set of functions  $\Psi$  of the form, for any  $z \in i\mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\Psi(z) = mz + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}z^2 + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^{zy} - 1 - zy)\Pi(dy), \quad (2)$$

where  $m, \sigma \geq 0$ ,  $\Pi$  is a  $\sigma$ -finite measure satisfying  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y^2 \wedge |y|) \Pi(dy) < \infty$ .

### Theorem

There is a bijection between  $\mathcal{N}$  and the set of H-iLF semi-groups.

For each  $\Psi \in \mathcal{N}$ , the infinitesimal generator of  $P^\Psi$ , when  $H = 1$ , is given by

$$\mathbf{L}^\Psi f(x) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2}xf''(x) + \left(m + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} - x\right)f'(x) + \frac{1}{x} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (f(e^y x) - f(x) - yxf'(x)) \Pi(dy).$$

There exists an absolutely continuous probability measure  $\nu^\Psi$  such that

$$\nu^\Psi P_t^\Psi f = \lim_{x \downarrow 0} \mathbb{E}_x [f(X_1^\Psi)].$$

$P_t^\Psi : L^2(\nu^\Psi) \rightarrow L^2(\nu^\Psi)$  is a contraction.

## The program

If  $\Pi \neq 0$ , we show that  $P$  is non-self-adjoint w.r.t. to  $\nu$ , i.e. there exists a Feller semi-group  $\widehat{P} \neq P$  such that

$$\langle P_t f, g \rangle_\nu = \langle f, \widehat{P}_t g \rangle_\nu.$$

- ① Discrete spectrum  $S_d$ : Find  $\lambda_n \in \mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $\exists \mathcal{P}_n \in L^2(\nu)$  with

$$P_t \mathcal{P}_n(x) = e^{-\lambda_n t} \mathcal{P}_n(x).$$

- ② Properties of  $(\mathcal{P}_n)_{\lambda_n \in S_d}$  in  $L^2(\nu)$  (completeness, Bessel property, ...)  
③ Existence and properties of co-eigenfunctions  $\nu_n$  of  $P_t$ , i.e. for  $\lambda_n \in S_d$ ,

$$\langle P_t f, \nu_n \rangle_\nu = e^{-\lambda_n t} \langle f, \nu_n \rangle_\nu.$$

- ④ If  $S = S_d$ , deduce for  $t > T$ , expansion on  $\mathcal{H} \subset L^2(\nu)$ , i.e. for  $f \in \mathcal{H}$

$$P_t f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda_n t} \langle f, \nu_n \rangle_\nu \mathcal{P}_n(x).$$

## A special instance:

Let  $\Psi(z) = z^2$ , i.e.  $\sigma = \sqrt{2}$ ,  $m = 0$ ,  $\Pi = 0$  in (2).

- Its semi-group  $Q = P^\Psi$  defines a diffusion which is self-adjoint w.r.t.  $\nu^\Psi(x) = \gamma(x) = e^{-x}$  and

$$Lf(x) = xf''(x) + (1-x)f'(x).$$

- Moreover,  $\forall f \in L^2(\gamma)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ ,

$$Q_t f(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} e^{-nt} \langle f, \mathcal{L}_n \rangle_\gamma \mathcal{L}_n(x)$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_n$  are the Laguerre polynomials

$$\mathcal{L}_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} x^k$$

or also

$$\mathcal{L}_n(x) = e^x \frac{1}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^n e^{-x}) = \frac{1}{\gamma(x)} \mathcal{R}^{(n)}(\gamma(x)).$$

- This is our starting point ...

## Intertwining of semi-groups

The semi-groups  $P$  and  $Q$  acting on  $L^2(\nu_P)$  and  $L^2(\nu_Q)$  respectively are said to intertwine if there exists

$$\Lambda : L^2(\nu_Q) \mapsto L^2(\nu_P)$$

a Markov kernel such that

$$\Lambda Q_t = P_t \Lambda.$$

Dynkin (65), Diaconis-Fill (90), Carmona et al. (98).

- Assume that  $\mathcal{L}_n$  is an eigenfunction of  $Q$  associated to  $e^{-\lambda_n t}$ , then

$$P_t \Lambda \mathcal{L}_n = \Lambda Q_t \mathcal{L}_n = e^{-\lambda_n t} \Lambda \mathcal{L}_n.$$

- Assume that  $\nu_n$  is a co-eigenfunction of  $P$  associated to  $e^{-\lambda_n t}$ , then  $\Lambda^* \nu_n = \mathcal{L}_n$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Q_t f, \Lambda^* \nu_n \rangle_{\nu_Q} &= \langle \Lambda Q_t f, \nu_n \rangle_{\nu_P} = \langle P_t \Lambda f, \nu_n \rangle_{\nu_P} = e^{-\lambda_n t} \langle \Lambda f, \nu_n \rangle_{\nu_P} \\ &= e^{-\lambda_n t} \langle f, \Lambda^* \nu_n \rangle_{\nu_Q}. \end{aligned}$$



## Intertwining of iHFL semi-groups

For a positive r.v.  $V$ , we define its multiplicative kernel by

$$\mathcal{V}f(t) = \mathbb{E} [f(tV)] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^+} f(ty)\nu(y)dy.$$

- From (1), we have, with  $\Psi \in \mathcal{N}$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}_0 [f(X_t^\Psi)] = \mathbb{E}_0 [f(tX_1^\Psi)] = \mathcal{V}^\Psi f(t).$$

where  $V_\Psi$  is a positive r.v. with density distribution  $\nu^\Psi$ .

- If  $\mathcal{V}^\Psi$  is injective on  $C_0(\mathbb{R}^+)$  and for some positive r.v.  $M$

$$V_\Psi \stackrel{d}{=} V_{\Psi_1} \times M$$

with  $\Psi_1 \in \mathcal{N}$  then using a criteria from Carmona et al. (01), one can show that

$$\mathcal{M}P_t^\Psi = P_t^{\Psi_1}\mathcal{M}.$$

We recall the Wiener-Hopf factorization, for  $z \in i\mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\Psi(z) = -\phi_+(-z)\phi_-(z),$$

where the Bernstein functions  $\phi_{\pm}$

$$\phi_{\pm}(z) = q_{\pm} + \delta_{\pm}z + \int_0^{\infty} (1 - e^{-zy}) \mu_{\pm}(dy).$$

where  $q_{\pm}, \delta_{\pm} \geq 0$  and  $\int_0^{\infty} (1 \wedge y) \mu_{\pm}(dy) < \infty$ .

$\phi_{\pm}$  correspond to the Laplace exponents of increasing Lévy processes  $H^{\pm}$  associated to the Lévy process linked to  $\Psi$ .

Let us denote

$$\mathcal{N}_- = \{\psi \in \mathcal{N}; \Pi(d\mathbf{y})\mathbb{I}_{\{y>0\}} = \mathbf{0}\},$$

$$\mathcal{N}_P = \{\Psi \in \mathcal{N} \setminus \mathcal{N}_-; \Pi(d\mathbf{y})\mathbb{I}_{\{y>0\}} = \pi(y)d\mathbf{y} \text{ and } \pi \text{ non-increasing}\}.$$

$\mathcal{N}_-$  corresponds to processes with downwards jumps only.

### Theorem (Intertwining)

- 1 For any  $\psi \in \mathcal{N}_-$ , we have  $\psi(z) = z\phi_-(z)$  and

$$P_t^\psi \mathcal{I}_{\phi_-} = \mathcal{I}_{\phi_-} Q_t,$$

where  $I_{\phi_-} = \int_0^\infty e^{-H_s^-} ds$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{\phi_-} : L^2(\gamma) \mapsto L^2(\nu^\psi)$  is a contraction.

- 2 For any  $\Psi \in \mathcal{N}_P$ , we have

$$\mathcal{V}_{\phi_+} P_t^\Psi = P_t^\Psi \mathcal{V}_{\phi_+},$$

where  $\Psi(z) = -\phi_+(-z)\phi_-(z)$ ,  $\psi(z) = z\phi_-(z) \in \mathcal{N}_-$  and  $\nu^{\phi_+}$  is the stationary measure of  $P^{\phi_+}$ ,  $\mathcal{V}_{\phi_+} : L^2(\nu^\Psi) \mapsto L^2(\nu^{\phi_+})$  is a contraction.

## Ideas of the proof:

1- With  $\mathbf{e} \sim \text{Exp}(1)$  the stationary law of  $Q_t$  and  $V_\psi$  the stationary law of  $P^\psi$  we prove that

$$\mathbf{e} \stackrel{d}{=} V_\psi \times I_{\phi_-}, \quad (3)$$

through moment identification, due to Bertoin and Yor (02) and P.(10),

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ (V_\psi \times I_{\phi_-})^k \right] = \prod_{j=1}^k \phi_-(j) \times \frac{k!}{\prod_{j=1}^k \phi_-(j)} = k! = \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{e}^k], \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N},$$

and (3) follows.

For the intertwining to hold, it remains to prove the injectivity of  $\mathcal{V}_\psi f(t) = \mathbb{E} [f(tV_\psi)]$  or equivalently

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ V_\psi^{iu-1} \right] \neq 0, \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (4)$$

Then (3) and (4) imply that

$$P_t^\psi \mathcal{I}_{\phi_-} = \mathcal{I}_{\phi_-} Q_t.$$

2- Similarly,

$$\mathcal{V}_{\phi_+} P_t^\Psi = P_t^\psi \mathcal{V}_{\phi_+},$$

would follow from

$$V_\Psi \stackrel{d}{=} V_{\phi_+} \times V_\psi.$$

With  $\mathcal{M}_{V_\Psi}(z) = \mathbb{E} \left[ V_\Psi^{z-1} \right]$  we have from Maulik-Zwart (06) that, for  $z \in i\mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\mathcal{M}_{V_\Psi}(z+1) = \frac{\Psi(z)}{z} \mathcal{M}_{V_\Psi}(z) = \frac{-\phi_-(z)\phi_+(-z)}{z} \mathcal{M}_{V_\Psi}(z). \quad (5)$$

Next, if  $\Psi \in \mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{P}}$ , then  $\psi(z) = z\phi_-(z) \in \mathcal{N}_-$ . Split formally to get

$$\mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(z+1) = \frac{\psi(z)}{z} \mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(z), \quad \Re(z) > 0,$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{V_{\phi_+}}(z+1) = \frac{-\phi_+(-z)}{z} \mathcal{M}_{V_{\phi_+}}(z), \quad \Re(z) \leq 1.$$

Based on result a Webster (97) on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ , we show that both equations have an unique solution which can be expressed in terms of generalized Weierstrass products and thus **assuming that uniqueness of (5) holds**

$$\mathcal{M}_{V_\Psi}(z) = \mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(z)\mathcal{M}_{V_{\phi_+}}(z) = \frac{1}{\phi'_+(0+)} \frac{\Gamma(1-z)}{W_{\phi_+}(1-z)} W_{\phi_-}(z),$$

where

$$W_\phi(z) = \frac{e^{-\gamma_\phi z}}{\phi(z)} \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\phi(j)}{\phi(j+z)} e^{\frac{\phi'(k)}{\phi(k)} z}$$

with  $|\gamma_\phi| = \left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\phi'(k)}{\phi(k)} - \log \phi(n) \right) \right| < \infty$ .

The uniqueness follows from an argument due to Kuznetsov and Pardo (12) which requires estimates of the rate of exponential decay of  $f(b) = |W_\phi(a + ib)|$ .

## Eigenfunctions and discrete spectrum

### Proposition (Eigenfunctions 1-)

Let  $\psi \in \mathcal{N}_-$ , then for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$P_t^\psi \mathcal{P}_n^\psi(x) = e^{-nt} \mathcal{P}_n^\psi(x)$$

where

$$\mathcal{P}_n^\psi(x) = \mathcal{I}_{\phi_-} \mathcal{L}_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \frac{k!}{\prod_{j=1}^k \phi_-(k)} x^k.$$

$(\mathcal{P}_n^\psi)_{n \geq 0}$  is a complete Bessel sequence in  $L^2(\nu^\psi)$  but it is not a Riesz basis.

$(\mathcal{P}_n^\psi)_{n \geq 0}$  is a Bessel sequence in  $L^2(\nu^\psi)$  if there exists  $C > 0$  such that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |\langle f, \mathcal{P}_n^\psi \rangle_{\nu^\psi}|^2 \leq C \|f\|_{\nu^\psi}^2 \quad \forall f \in L^2(\nu^\psi). \quad (6)$$

For any  $(c_n)_{n \geq 0} \in \ell^2$ , the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \mathcal{P}_n^\psi(x)$  converges in  $L^2(\nu^\psi)$ .

## Proposition (Eigenfunctions 2-)

For  $\Psi \in \mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{P}}$  we have  $S_d^{\Psi} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  iff  $\Psi$  is analytic at least on the strip  $0 < \Re z \leq n + \epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ . Moreover,

$$\mathcal{P}_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} \frac{k!}{\prod_{j=1}^k \Psi(j)} x^k.$$

If  $S_d^{\Psi} = \mathbb{N}$ , then  $(\mathcal{P}_n^{\Psi})_{n \geq 0}$  is not a Bessel sequence in  $L^2(\nu^{\Psi})$ .

It is conjectured (see Bertoin and Yor (04)) that  $\nu^{\Psi}$  is moment indeterminate. This would imply that even if  $S_d = \mathbb{N}$  then  $(\mathcal{P}_n^{\Psi})_{n \geq 0}$  is not complete in  $L^2(\nu^{\Psi})$ .

Throughout, we assume that  $\psi \in \mathcal{N}_-$ .



## Eigenvalues expansions

From the intertwining relationship and the expansion of  $Q_t$ , we deduce

$$P_t \mathcal{I}_{\phi_-} f(x) = \mathcal{I}_{\phi_-} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-nt} \langle f, \mathcal{L}_n \rangle_{\gamma} \mathcal{L}_n(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-nt} \langle f, \mathcal{L}_n \rangle_{\gamma} \mathcal{P}_n(x).$$

which holds whenever

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-2nt} \langle f, \mathcal{L}_n \rangle_{\gamma}^2 < \infty.$$

### Theorem

For any  $\psi \in \mathcal{N}_-$  and any  $f \in \mathbf{P}$ , the space of polynomials, we have

$$P_t f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-nt} \langle \mathcal{I}_{\phi_-}^{-1} f, \mathcal{L}_n \rangle_{\gamma} \mathcal{P}_n(x), \quad t \geq 0.$$

A. **Existence of co-eigenfunctions:** If for any  $n \geq 0$ , the equation  $\mathcal{I}_{\phi_-}^* g(x) = \mathcal{L}_n(x)$  has a solution  $g = \nu_n$  in  $L^2(\nu)$  then clearly

$$P_t f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-nt} \langle f, \nu_n \rangle_{\nu} \mathcal{P}_n(x).$$

Since  $(\mathcal{P}_n)_{n \geq 0}$  is a Bessel sequence, the expansion holds whenever

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-2nt} \langle f, \nu_n \rangle_{\nu}^2 < \infty. \quad (7)$$

B. **When does (7) holds?** We have  $\mathcal{I}_{\phi_-}$  is dense but not onto since

$$\|\mathcal{I}_{\phi_-} f\|_{L^2(\nu)} \geq c \|f\|_{L^2(\gamma)}$$

fails even on monomials. Since for any  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^+)$ , we have

$$\langle f, \nu_n \rangle_{\nu} \leq \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^+)} \|\nu_n \nu\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^+)},$$

the expansion holds for any  $t > B$ , whenever

$$\|\nu_n \nu\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^+)} \leq e^{Bn}.$$

## A- What is the form/regularity of the co-eigenfunctions?

By Mellin inversion, the identity  $\mathcal{I}_{\phi_-}^* \nu_n(x) = \mathcal{L}_n(x)$  gives, in the sense of distributions,

$$\nu_n(x) = \frac{\mathcal{R}^{(n)}(\nu(x))}{\nu(x)} = \frac{1}{\nu(x)n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^n \nu(x)).$$

Problems :

- 1  $\nu \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^+)$  ?
- 2  $\nu_n \in L^2(\nu)$  ?

For (1) to hold, we show that we must consider processes of infinite variation:

$$\sigma > 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \int_{-1}^0 |y| \Pi(dy) = \infty.$$

Otherwise,  $\nu \in C^{[K]}(\mathbb{R}^+)$  where  $K = \frac{\bar{\Pi}(0^+)}{\bar{\Pi}(0^+) + m} < \infty$ . Note also that in this latter case  $\text{supp}(\nu) = (0, \bar{\Pi}(0^+) + m)$ .

For (2), i.e.  $\nu_n \in L^2(\nu)$ ?

- $\nu(x) = m^{-1}x^{-1}\nu^*(x^{-1})$   
( $m = 0$  is treated by means of an orbit argument,)
- $\nu^*$  is a positive self-decomposable density distribution.

### Proposition

For almost all  $\psi \in \mathcal{N}_-^\infty = \{\psi \in \mathcal{N}_-; \sigma > 0 \text{ or } \int_{-1}^0 |y|\Pi(dy) = \infty\}$ , we have, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , as  $x \rightarrow 0$

$$(\nu^*)^{(n)}(x) \sim Cmx^{-n-1}\varphi^n(x^{-1})\sqrt{\varphi'(x^{-1})}e^{-\int_{\phi_-(0)}^{x^{-1}} \frac{\varphi(s)}{s} ds}, \quad (8)$$

where  $\varphi : [\phi_-(0), \infty) \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is the inverse function of  $\phi_-(z) = \frac{\psi(z)}{z}$  and  $C > 0$ .

## Sketch of the proof.

- Denote by  $f_k(y) = e^{-ky}(\nu^*)^{(k)}(e^{-y})$ . Then, for  $z \in i\mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{zy} f_k(y) dy = \widehat{f}_k(z) = m(z)_k \mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(z)$$

where  $(z)_k = z(z-1)\dots(z-k+1)$ .

- Since for  $x > 0$

$$\mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(x+1) = \phi_-(x) \mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(x)$$

and  $\phi_-(x)$  is log-concave, we have, from Webster (97), as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\widehat{f}_k(x) = m(x)_k \mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(x) \sim Cm(x)_k \sqrt{\phi_-(x)} e^{\int \log \phi_-(y) dy}.$$

- Also  $\int \log \phi_-(y) dy$  is asymptotically parabolic and a Tauberian theorem due to Balkema et al. (95) gives the proof **provided**  $(\nu^*)^{(k)}(e^{-y})$  is **log-convex in a neighbourhood of infinity**.
- This is stronger than the fact due to Sato and Yamazato (78):  $(\nu^*)^{(k)}(y)$  is *log-concave at zero*.

Then, we have:

- Asymptotics of  $(\nu^*)^{(k)}$  at zero leads to asymptotics for  $(x^k \nu(x))^{(k)}$  at  $\infty$ .  
Using this asymptotics

$$\int_1^\infty (\nu_n(x))^2 \nu(x) dx = \frac{1}{(n!)^2} \int_1^\infty \frac{((x^n \nu(x))^{(n)})^2}{\nu(x)} dx < \infty.$$

- To show that

$$\int_0^1 (\nu_n(x))^2 \nu(x) dx < \infty,$$

we prove a lower bound for  $\nu$  and uniform bounds for  $(x^n \nu(x))^{(n)}$  through Mellin inversion.

Hence  $\nu_n \in L^2(\nu)$ .

We have  $\langle \mathcal{P}_m, \nu_n \rangle_\nu = \delta_{nm}$  and  $(\mathcal{P}_n, \nu_n)_{n \geq 0}$  is a biorthogonal sequence in  $L^2(\nu)$ .

## B- Spectral Expansions via uniform bounds for $\|\nu_n\nu\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)}$

### Theorem

For almost all  $\psi \in \mathcal{N}_-^\infty$ , we have, for any  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  and  $t > T_\psi$ ,  $T_\psi \geq 0$ ,

$$P_t f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-nt} \langle f, \nu_n \rangle_\nu \mathcal{P}_n(x).$$

In particular, for any  $t > T_\psi$ ,

$$p_t(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-nt} \nu_n(y) \mathcal{P}_n(x) \nu(y); \quad k_u(x, y) = p_{\ln \frac{1}{1-u}} \left( \frac{x}{1-u}, y \right).$$

In both cases, we also have absolute convergence. Note that if  $\sigma > 0$  then  $T_\psi = 0$ .

## Sketch of the proof.

Recall that  $\mathcal{M}_{\nu\nu}(z) = (-1)^n \frac{\Gamma(z)}{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(z-n)} \mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(z)$ , for  $\Re(z) > 0$  and

$$\mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(z) = \frac{e^{-\gamma\phi_- z}}{\phi_-(z)} \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\phi_-(k)}{\phi_-(k+z)} e^{\frac{\phi'_-(k)}{\phi_-(k)} z}.$$

Next, we have

- Along lines  $a + ib$

$$|\mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(a + ib)| \asymp C(a) e^{-b \int_{ab^{-1}}^{\infty} \ln \left| \frac{\phi_-(by+ib)}{\phi_-(by)} \right| dy}.$$

- If  $\limsup_{x \rightarrow 0} \bar{\Pi}_-(\lambda x) / \bar{\Pi}_-(x) < 1$ , for some  $\lambda > 1$ , then with some  $\varepsilon \in (0, \pi/2]$

$$|\mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(a + ib)| \lesssim e^{-\varepsilon|b|}.$$

The important observation is the dependence of the asymptotics on

$$H_{\phi_-}(a, b) = \int_{ab^{-1}}^{\infty} \ln \left| \frac{\phi_-(by+ib)}{\phi_-(by)} \right| dy \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right).$$

$\sigma > 0$  or  $\limsup_{x \rightarrow 0} \bar{\Pi}_-(\lambda x) / \bar{\Pi}_-(x) < 1$  ensures that  $\liminf_{b \rightarrow \infty} H_{\phi_-}(a, b) > 0$ .



- Mellin inversion gives

$$\nu_n(x)\nu(x) = C \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^{-a-ib} \frac{(-1)^n \Gamma(z)}{\Gamma(z-n)\Gamma(n+1)} \mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(a+ib) db$$

- If  $|\mathcal{M}_{V_\psi}(a+ib)| \leq e^{-\varepsilon|b|}$  then

$$\|\nu_n\nu\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^+)} \leq Ce^{B_\varepsilon n}$$

- Henceforth our expansion holds for  $t > B_\varepsilon$ .
- When  $\sigma > 0$ , i.e.

$$\Psi(z) = \frac{\sigma^2 z^2}{2} + \dots$$

then  $B_\varepsilon = 0$ .

Thank you !