

On kernels of some random operators.

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1. Problem:

Let $\xi(t)$ be a random process with continuous trajectories, $\Phi : C[0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $\eta = \Phi(\xi(\cdot))$ be a random variable. When do we have $\mathcal{P}_\eta \ll \mathfrak{m}$? What are the properties of the density?

2. Another problem:

Let $\mathcal{R} : C[0, T] \rightarrow C[0, T]$ be a linear mapping:

$\mathcal{R}(f + g) = \mathcal{R}f + \mathcal{R}g$, $\mathcal{R}(\alpha f) = \alpha \mathcal{R}f$ and suppose that $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R}(\omega)$ is a random linear mapping.

The question is if \mathcal{R} is a.s. an integral operator and what is its domain?

$$\mathcal{R}f(x) = \int r(x, y)f(y) dy$$

What are the properties of the kernel?

Example: Let $w(s)$, $s \geq 0$ be a standard Wiener process.

$$\mathcal{R}f(x) = \int_0^t f(x - w(\tau)) d\tau,$$

Let us find the expression for the kernel:

$$f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(y) \delta(x - y) dy$$

$$\mathcal{R}f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(y) \int_0^t \delta(x - y - w(\tau)) d\tau dy = f * r(t, x),$$

where

$$r(t, x) = \int_0^t \delta(x - w(\tau)) d\tau.$$

Consider the Fourier transform

$$\widehat{r}(t, p) = \int_0^t e^{ipw(\tau)} d\tau.$$

To prove $r(t, \cdot) \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ a.s., it is sufficient to prove $\widehat{r}(t, \cdot) \in L_2(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{P} \times \mathbf{m})$ or

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} dp \mathbf{E} \left| \int_0^t e^{ipw(\tau)} d\tau \right|^2 < \infty$$

For $|p| > 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} \left| \int_0^t e^{ipw(\tau)} d\tau \right|^2 &= 2\operatorname{Re} \int_0^t d\tau_1 \int_0^{\tau_1} d\tau_2 \mathbf{E} e^{ip(w(\tau_1) - w(\tau_2))} = \\ &= 2 \int_0^t d\tau_1 \int_0^{\tau_1} d\tau_2 e^{-\frac{p^2}{2}(\tau_1 - \tau_2)} \leq \frac{C}{p^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Additional possibilities: $r(t, \cdot) \in \mathcal{H}_\alpha$ for any $\alpha \in [0, 1/2)$, where

$\mathcal{H}_\alpha = \{g : \mathbf{E} \int (1 + |p|^{2\alpha}) |\widehat{g}(p)|^2 dp < \infty\}$.

So we have proved that $r(t, \cdot) \in W_2^\alpha(\mathbb{R})$ a.s.

Let $\xi_x(t)$, $t \geq 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ be a solution of a stochastic differential equation

$$d\xi_x(t) = b(\xi_x(t))b'(\xi_x(t)) dt + b(\xi_x(t)) dw(t),$$

$$\xi_x(0) = x.$$

Assume that

1. $b \in C_b^2(\mathbb{R})$.
2. $\theta_0 = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}} b(x) > 0$.
3. $\exists b_0 > 0$ such that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} b(x) = b_0$.
4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} b'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} b''(x) = 0$.
5. $b(x) - b_0 \in L_1(\mathbb{R}) \cap L_2(\mathbb{R})$.

Suppose that

$$b_0 = 1.$$

The Markov family $\xi_x(t)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ generates a semigroup $P^t : C(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow C(\mathbb{R})$, where for any $f \in C(\mathbb{R})$

$$u(t, x) = P^t f(x) = \mathbf{E}f(\xi_x(t)).$$

The function $u(t, x)$ satisfies the backward Kolmogorov equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\mathcal{A}u,$$

with an initial condition

$$u(0, x) = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} u(t, x) = f(x),$$

where

$$\mathcal{A} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} \left(b^2(x) \frac{d}{dx} \right) > 0.$$

Define $P^t f(x)$ for $f \in L_2$.

$$P^t f(x) = \mathbf{E}f(\xi_x(t)).$$

Consider the self-adjoint operator \mathcal{A} , on the domain $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) = W_2^2(\mathbb{R})$.

We have

$$P^t = e^{-t\mathcal{A}},$$

and

$$e^{-t\mathcal{A}}f(x) = \mathbf{E}f(\xi_x(t)).$$

We are interested in a probabilistic representation of the resolvent operator.

Some ideas:

For any λ such that $\operatorname{Re} \lambda < 0$ and any $f \in C(\mathbb{R})$ we have

$$(\mathcal{A} - \lambda I)^{-1} f = \int_0^{\infty} e^{\lambda \tau} e^{-\tau \mathcal{A}} f \, d\tau$$

$$(\mathcal{A} - \lambda I)^{-1} f(x) = \mathbf{E} \int_0^{\infty} e^{\lambda \tau} f(\xi_x(\tau)) \, d\tau = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{E} \int_0^t e^{\lambda \tau} f(\xi_x(\tau)) \, d\tau.$$

Consider a random operator \mathcal{R}_λ^t , where

$$\mathcal{R}_\lambda^t : f \mapsto \int_0^t e^{\lambda \tau} f(\xi_x(\tau)) \, d\tau.$$

What can we say about \mathcal{R}_λ^t ? If $\lambda = 0$ the kernel is a local time.

$\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{R}_\lambda^t) = ?$ How to define an operator in the case $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > 0$?

Let $\lambda = a + bi$.

First suppose that $a = \operatorname{Re} \lambda \leq 0$. In this case set

$$\mathcal{R}_\lambda^t f(x) = \int_0^t f(\xi_x(\tau)) e^{\lambda\tau} d\tau.$$

Using $f(x) = \int f(y) \delta(x - y) dy$ we get

$$\mathcal{R}_\lambda^t f(x) = \int f(y) \int_0^t e^{\lambda\tau} \delta(\xi_x(\tau) - y) d\tau dy = \int f(y) r_\lambda(t, x, y) dy,$$

where

$$r_\lambda(t, x, y) = \int_0^t e^{\lambda\tau} \delta(\xi_x(\tau) - y) d\tau.$$

First idea is to use the Fourier transform.

The operator $\mathcal{A} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} (b^2(x) \frac{d}{dx})$ is self-adjoint,

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) = \sigma_{ac}(\mathcal{A}) = [0, \infty).$$

Let $\varphi(x, k)$ be generalized eigenfunctions of the continuous spectrum of the operator \mathcal{A} . For any $k \in \mathbb{R}$ it is a solution

$$\mathcal{A}\varphi(x, k) = \frac{k^2}{2}\varphi(x, k)$$

such that

$$\int \varphi(x, k) \overline{\varphi(x, k')} dx = \delta(k - k')$$

and

$$\int \varphi(x, k) \overline{\varphi(x', k)} dk = \delta(x - x').$$

The choice of $\varphi(x, k)$ is not unique, so we choose $\varphi(x, k)$ such that they have an analytical continuation on k to the upper half-plane and for $\text{Im } k > 0$ we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \varphi(x, k) = 0$. (If $\mathcal{A} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ then $\varphi(x, k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{ikx}$).

The functions $\varphi(x, k)$ define the kernel of an unitary operator $\Psi : L_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L_2(\mathbb{R})$. The operator Ψ weaves the operator \mathcal{A} and the multiplication operator by the function $\frac{k^2}{2}$.
Namely define the unitary operator by

$$\Psi : f(x) \mapsto (L_2) \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-M}^M f(x) \overline{\varphi(x, k)} dx = (\Psi f)(k),$$

$$\Psi^{-1} : g(k) \mapsto (L_2) \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-M}^M g(k) \varphi(x, k) dk = (\Psi^{-1} g)(x).$$

$$\mathcal{A}f = g \Leftrightarrow \frac{k^2}{2}(\Psi f)(k) = (\Psi g)(k).$$

$$F(\mathcal{A})f = g \Leftrightarrow F\left(\frac{k^2}{2}\right)(\Psi f)(k) = (\Psi g)(k).$$

$$\mathbf{E}\varphi(\xi_x(t), k) = e^{-\frac{k^2 t}{2}} \varphi(x, k).$$

$$\mathcal{D}(F(\mathcal{A})) = \left\{ f \in L_2(\mathbb{R}) : F\left(\frac{k^2}{2}\right)(\Psi f)(k) \in L_2(\mathbb{R}) \right\}.$$

Lemma

There exists a constant $L > 0$ such that for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$, and $k \in \mathbb{R}$ we have $|\varphi(x, k)| \leq L$.

Lemma

$\varphi(x, k) \neq 0$ for $\text{Im } k > 0$.

Lemma

Let a function g satisfies the condition

$\int_{\mathbb{R}} (1 + |k|^{2\alpha}) |g(k)|^2 dk < \infty$ for some $\alpha \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$. Then $\Psi^{-1}g \in W_2^\alpha(\mathbb{R})$.

Suppose that $a = \operatorname{Re} \lambda \leq 0$. In this case

$$r_\lambda(t, x, y) = \int_0^t e^{\lambda\tau} \delta(\xi_x(\tau) - y) d\tau.$$

Let us calculate $\Psi r_\lambda(t, x, y)$ with respect to y . We have

$$\delta(\xi_x(\tau) - y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \overline{\varphi(y, k)} \varphi(\xi_x(\tau), k) dk$$

So that

$$r_\lambda(t, x, y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \overline{\varphi(y, k)} \int_0^t \varphi(\xi_x(\tau), k) e^{\lambda\tau} d\tau dk.$$

We get

$$(\overline{\Psi r_\lambda})(t, x, k) = \int_0^t \varphi(\xi_x(\tau), k) e^{\lambda\tau} d\tau.$$

(It is a kernel of the operator $\mathcal{R}_\lambda^t \Psi^{-1} = \mathcal{R}_\lambda^t \Psi^*$.)

Now suppose that $a = \operatorname{Re} \lambda > 0$. For $|k| > \sqrt{2a}$ we define Ψ_{r_λ} as before. For $|k| < \sqrt{2a}$ set

$$(\overline{\Psi_{r_\lambda}})(t, x, k) = -\frac{\varphi(x, k)}{\varphi(0, i|k|)} \int_0^t \varphi(\xi_0(\tau), i|k|) e^{-\lambda\tau} d\tau.$$

Define the space \mathcal{H}_α of $L_2(\mathbb{R})$ -valued random variables g

$$\mathcal{H}_\alpha = \left\{ g : \mathbf{E} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (1 + |k|^{2\alpha}) |(\Psi g)(k)|^2 dk < \infty \right\},$$

If $g \in \mathcal{H}_\alpha$, then $g \in W_2^\alpha(\mathbb{R})$ a.s.

Theorem

1. For any $\alpha \in [0, \frac{1}{2})$ there exists the uniform in $x \in \mathbb{R}$ limit:

$$r_\lambda(t, x, \cdot) = (\mathcal{H}_\alpha) \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} r_\lambda(t, x, \cdot, M),$$

where

$$(\Psi r_\lambda)(t, x, k, M) = \mathbf{1}_{[-M, M]}(k) \int_0^t (\Psi r_\lambda)(\tau, x, k) d\tau.$$

2. If $a = \operatorname{Re} \lambda < 0$ then for any $\alpha \in [0, \frac{1}{2})$ there exists the uniformly in $x \in \mathbb{R}$ limit:

$$r_\lambda(\infty, x, \cdot) = (\mathcal{H}_\alpha) \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} r_\lambda(t, x, \cdot).$$

Theorem

For any fixed $0 \leq t < \infty$ with probability 1 the operator \mathcal{R}_λ^t is a bounded operator in $L_2(\mathbb{R})$.

Theorem

There exists a constant $C > 0$ such that for any $f \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ we have

$$\mathbf{E} \|\mathcal{R}_\lambda^t f\|_2^2 \leq C \|f\|_2^2.$$

Theorem

1. If $\operatorname{Re} \lambda < 0$ then for any $f \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ we have

$$\mathbf{E} \int_{\mathbb{R}} r_{\lambda}(\infty, \cdot, y) f(y) dy = (\mathcal{A} - \lambda I)^{-1} f.$$

2. If $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq 0$ and $\lambda \notin \sigma(\mathcal{A})$ then for any $f \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ we have

$$(L_2) \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{E} \int_{\mathbb{R}} r_{\lambda}(t, \cdot, y) f(y) dy = (\mathcal{A} - \lambda I)^{-1} f. \quad (1)$$

3. If $\lambda \in \sigma(\mathcal{A})$ then (1) holds for any $f \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A} - \lambda I)^{-1}$.

Some generalizations

$$\mathcal{A} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} \left(b^2(x) \frac{d}{dx} \right) + V(x),$$

where $V(x)$ is a rapidly decreasing potential.

$$\sigma(\mathcal{A}) = \{-k_1^2, \dots, -k_N^2\} \cup [0, \infty).$$

$$L_2(\mathbb{R}) = \text{span}\{\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_N\} \oplus H_{ac}^{\mathcal{A}}$$

$$\varphi_j \in L_2(\mathbb{R}), j = 1, 2, \dots, N; \quad \varphi(\cdot, k) \notin L_2(\mathbb{R}).$$

Using $\varphi(x, k)$ we define an isometric operator

$$\Psi : L_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L_2(\mathbb{R}), \quad \Psi^* : L_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow H_{ac}^{\mathcal{A}}.$$

$$\Psi\Psi^* = Id \quad \Psi^*\Psi = P_{ac}^{\mathcal{A}}$$

the projector onto an absolutely continuous subspace.

In this case for $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \leq 0$ set

$$\mathcal{R}_\lambda^t f(x) = \int_0^t e^{\lambda\tau} (P_{ac}^A f)(\xi_x(\tau)) e^{-\int_0^\tau V(\xi_x(s)) ds} d\tau,$$

where P_{ac}^A is the projector onto an absolutely continuous subspace. The kernel t_{ac}^A of the projector P_{ac}^A has the form

$$t_{ac}^A(x, y) = \int \varphi(x, k) \overline{\varphi(y, k)} dk$$

We get

$$\overline{\Psi_{\mathcal{R}_\lambda^t}}(t, x, k) = \int_0^t e^{\lambda\tau} \varphi(\xi_x(\tau), k) e^{-\int_0^\tau V(\xi_x(s)) ds} d\tau.$$

We use the identity

$$\mathbf{E} \varphi(\xi_x(\tau), k) e^{-\int_0^\tau V(\xi_x(s)) ds} = e^{-\frac{k^2\tau}{2}} \varphi(x, k).$$

Non-self-adjoint case.

$$\mathcal{B} = -\frac{1}{2}b^2(x)\frac{d^2}{dx^2} - a(x)\frac{d}{dx} + W(x)$$

$$bb' - a \in L_1(\mathbb{R})$$

The operator \mathcal{B} is similar to a self-adjoint one. Let \mathcal{A} be self-adjoint.

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{K}^{-1}\mathcal{A}\mathcal{K}, \quad \|\mathcal{K}\|_{L_2 \rightarrow L_2} < \infty, \quad \|\mathcal{K}^{-1}\|_{L_2 \rightarrow L_2} < \infty$$

$$F(\mathcal{B}) = \mathcal{K}^{-1}F(\mathcal{A})\mathcal{K}.$$

The operator \mathcal{B} is self-adjoint in the scalar product

$$\langle u, v \rangle_K = \langle Ku, Kv \rangle.$$

Consider the operator

$$\mathcal{B} = -\frac{1}{2}b^2(x)\frac{d^2}{dx^2} - a(x)\frac{d}{dx} + W(x).$$

This operator is similar to the operator

$$\mathcal{A} = -\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dx}\left(b^2(x)\frac{d}{dx}\right) + W(x) + V(x),$$

where $\mathcal{K}^{-1}f(x) = G(x)f(x)$

$$G(x) = \exp\left(\int_0^x H(y) dy\right), \quad H(y) = \frac{b(y)b'(y) - a(y)}{b^2(y)}.$$

Let $\xi_x(t)$, $t \geq 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ be a solution of the stochastic differential equation

$$d\xi_x(t) = a(\xi_x(t)) dt + b(\xi_x(t)) dw(t), \quad \xi_x(0) = x.$$

In this case

$$\mathcal{R}_\lambda^t f(x) = \int_0^t e^{\lambda\tau} (P_{ac}^B f)(\xi_x(\tau)) e^{-\int_0^\tau W(\xi_x(s)) ds} d\tau,$$

where $P_{ac}^B = \mathcal{K}^{-1} P_{ac}^A \mathcal{K}$ is the projector on the absolute continuous subspace.