

# A functional Central Limit theorem for the general Brownian motion on the half-line

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- ▶ Finally, let  $\pi_n, \Xi_n : B \rightarrow B_n$  linear operators.

$\pi_n$  are the natural projections while  $\Xi_n$  will play an important role ensuring convergence.

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(C) There exist sequences  $r_n^1 \downarrow 0$  and  $r_n^2 \downarrow 0$  such that,  $f \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathbf{L}^2)$ ,

$$\|\Xi_n f\| \leq r_n^1 \|f\| + r_n^2 \|\mathbf{L}f\| .$$



## Theorem

*Under hypotheses A – C, for any  $f \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathbb{L}^2)$  and for each  $t$  in a compact interval  $[0, b]$  we have that*

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbb{T}_n(t)\pi_n f - \pi_n \mathbb{T}(t)f\| &\lesssim \max\{s_n^1, r_n^1\} \|f\| + \max\{s_n^2, r_n^1, r_n^2\} \|\mathbb{L}f\| \\ &\quad + \max\{s_n^3, r_n^2\} \|\mathbb{L}^2 f\| \end{aligned}$$

By  $f \lesssim g$  we mean that there exists a constant  $c > 0$  such that  $f \leq cg$  in the hole space

Let  $(\mathbf{S}, d)$  be a Polish space (separable completely metrizable topological space). By  $\mathcal{C}_0(\mathbf{S})$  we denote the space of continuous functions vanishing at infinity, i.e., fixed any  $x_0 \in \mathbf{S}$

$$\lim_{d(x, x_0) \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0.$$

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- (II) There is a sequence  $\{f_k : k \geq 0\} \subset \mathcal{C}_0(\mathbf{S})$  such that  $\text{span}(\{f_k\})$  is dense. Additionally, for every  $k$ , there exists  $\{f_{j,k}\} \subset \mathfrak{D}(\mathbf{L}^2)$  satisfying that  $\|f_{j,k} - f_k\| \rightarrow 0$  uniformly as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ ,

(III) For every  $j, k$ , it holds that

$$\|\mathbf{L}f_{j,k}\| \leq h_j^1 \|f_k\| \quad \text{and} \quad \|\mathbf{L}^2 f_{j,k}\| \leq h_2^j \|f_k\| ,$$

where the sequences  $h_j^1$  and  $h_j^2$  satisfies  $\sum_{j \geq 0} 2^{-j} h_j^i < \infty$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Moreover,  $\sum_{k \geq 0} 2^{-k} \|f_k\| < \infty$  and  $\sum_{j,k \geq 0} 2^{-j-k} \|f_{j,k}\| < \infty$ .

(IV) The semigroup  $\mathbb{T}$  associated to the generator  $\mathbf{L}$  is Lipschitz in the sense that, for each  $t \geq 0$ , there exists a constant  $M = M(t)$  such that

$$|\mathbb{T}(t)f(x) - \mathbb{T}(t)f(y)| \leq M \cdot \|f\| \cdot d(x, y)$$

Let us equip the space of sub-probability measures with a suitable distance that implies vague convergence.

### Definition

Let  $\{f_k : k \geq 0\} \subset \mathcal{C}_0(\mathbf{S})$  and  $\{f_{j,k} : j \geq 0\} \subset \mathfrak{D}(\mathbf{L}^2)$  be as in II.

We define

$$\mathbf{d}(\mu, \nu) := \sum_{j,k \geq 0} \frac{1}{2^{j+k}} \left( \left| \int f_{j,k} d\mu - \int f_{j,k} d\nu \right| \wedge 1 \right)$$

for any  $\mu, \nu \in \mathcal{M}_{\leq 1}(\mathbf{S})$ .

## Theorem

Assume hypotheses A – C and I – IV, Let  $\{X(t) : t \in [0, T]\}$  and  $\{X_n(t) : t \in [0, T]\}$  be the feller processes on  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_n$  associated to  $\mathbf{L}$  and  $\mathbf{L}_n$  respectively. Assume that the process starts at  $x_n \in \mathcal{S}_n$  and  $x \in \mathcal{S}$  and  $d(x, x_n) \leq i_n$  for some  $i_n \downarrow 0$ . Fix some  $t > 0$ . Denote by  $\mu$  and  $\mu_n$  the probability distributions on  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_n$  induced by  $X(t)$  and  $X_n(t)$  respectively starting from the points  $x$  and  $x_n$ . then

$$\mathbf{d}(\mu, \mu_n) \lesssim \max\{i_n, s_n^1, s_n^2, s_n^3, r_n^1, r_n^2\}.$$

Moreover, we also have pathwise convergence  $X_n \Rightarrow X$  in the Skorohod space  $\mathbf{D}_{\mathcal{S}}[0, \infty)$ .

## Definition

A general Brownian motion on the positive half-line is a diffusion process  $W$  on the set  $\mathbb{G} := \{\Delta\} \cup [0, \infty)$  such that the absorbed process  $\{W(t \vee T_0) : t \geq 0\}$  on  $[0, \infty)$  has the same distribution as  $B_0$  for any starting point  $x \geq 0$ .

In the definition above, by  $T_0$  we mean the hitting time of zero and  $B_0$  denotes the absorbed BM.



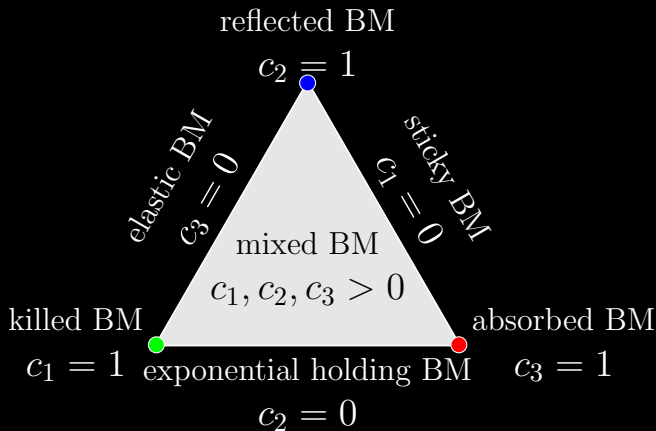
## Theorem

*Any general Brownian motion  $W$  on  $[0, \infty)$  has generator  $L = 1/2\Delta$  with corresponding domain*

$$\mathfrak{D}(L) := \{f \in \mathcal{C}_0^2(\mathbb{G}) : f'' \in \mathcal{C}_0(\mathbb{G}), c_1 f(0) - c_2 f'(0) + c_3/2 f''(0) = 0\}.$$

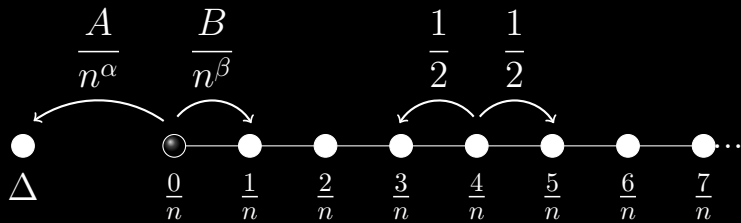
*for some  $c_i \geq 0$  such that  $c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 1$  and  $c_1 \neq 1$ .*

GMB characterization.



**Figur:** Description of the general Brownian motion on the half-line according to the chosen values of  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \geq 0$  on the simplex  $c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 1$ . Note that the killed BM, which formally corresponds to  $c_1 = 1$ , is not rigorously a case of the general BM.

# Boundary Random Walk



Generator of boundary random walk.

$$\mathsf{L}_n f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(x + \frac{1}{n}\right) - f(x) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[ f\left(x - \frac{1}{n}\right) - f(x) \right], & x = \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots \\ \frac{A}{n^\alpha} \left[ f(\Delta) - f\left(\frac{0}{n}\right) \right] + \frac{B}{n^\beta} \left[ f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) - f\left(\frac{0}{n}\right) \right], & \text{for } x = \frac{0}{n}. \end{cases}$$

Fix  $u, t > 0$ . Let  $\{X_n(t) : t \geq 0\}$  be the boundary random walk of parameters  $\alpha, \beta, A, B \geq 0$  sped up by  $n^2$  (that is, whose generator is  $n^2\mathbf{L}_n$ ), starting from the point  $\frac{\lfloor un \rfloor}{n} \in \mathbb{G}_n \subset \mathbb{G}$  and denote by  $\mu_n = \mu_n(t)$  the distribution of  $X_n$  at time  $t > 0$ . Recall the metric  $\mathbf{d}$ , and denote by  $\mu = \mu(t)$  the distribution at time  $t > 0$  of the limit process in each of following cases.

## Theorem

*Suppose the technical conditions. Then*

1. *If  $\alpha = \beta + 1$  and  $\beta \in [0, 1)$ , then  $\{X_n(t) : t \geq 0\}$  converges weakly to  $\{X^{EBM}(t) : t \geq 0\}$  in the  $J_1$ -Skorohod topology of  $D_{\mathbb{G}}[0, \infty)$ , where  $X^{EBM}$  is the elastic BM on  $\mathbb{G} = \{\Delta\} \cup \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  of parameters*

$$c_1 = \frac{B}{A+B}, \quad c_2 = \frac{A}{A+B} \quad \text{and} \quad c_3 = 0$$

*starting from the point  $u$ . Moreover,*

- 1.1 *if  $\beta \in (0, 1)$ , then  $\mathbf{d}(\mu_n, \mu) \lesssim \max\{n^{-\beta}, n^{\beta-1}\}$ ,*
- 1.2 *if  $\beta = 0$ , then  $\mathbf{d}(\mu_n, \mu) \lesssim n^{-1}$ .*

## Theorem

2 If  $\alpha \in (2, +\infty]$  and  $\beta = 1$ , then  $\{X_n(t) : t \geq 0\}$  converges weakly to  $\{X^{SBM}(t) : t \geq 0\}$  in the  $J_1$ -Skorohod topology of  $D_{\mathbb{G}}[0, \infty)$ , where  $X^{SBM}$  is the sticky BM on  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  of parameters

$$c_1 = 0, \quad c_2 = \frac{B}{B+1}, \quad \text{and} \quad c_3 = \frac{1}{B+1}$$

starting from the point  $u$ . Moreover, in this case,

$$\mathbf{d}(\mu_n, \mu) \lesssim \max\{n^{2-\alpha}, n^{-1}\}.$$

## Theorem

3 If  $\alpha = 2$  and  $\beta \in (1, +\infty]$ , then  $\{X_n(t) : t \geq 0\}$  converges weakly to  $\{X^{EHBM}(t) : t \geq 0\}$  in the  $J_1$ -Skorohod topology of  $D_{\mathbb{G}}[0, \infty)$ , where  $X^{EHBM}$  is the exponential holding BM on  $\mathbb{G} = \{\Delta\} \cup \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  of parameters

$$c_1 = \frac{A}{1+A}, \quad c_2 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad c_3 = \frac{1}{1+A}$$

starting from the point  $u$ . Moreover, for  $\beta \in (2, \infty)$ ,

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4 If  $\alpha > \beta + 1$  and  $\beta \in [0, 1)$ , then  $\{X_n(t) : t \geq 0\}$  converges weakly to  $\{X^{RBM}(t) : t \geq 0\}$  in the  $J_1$ -Skorohod topology of  $\mathbf{D}_{\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}}[0, \infty)$ , where  $X^{RBM}$  is the reflected BM on  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ , of parameters

$$c_1 = 0, \quad c_2 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad c_3 = 0$$

starting from the point  $u$ . Moreover, for  $\beta \in (0, 1)$ ,

4.1 if  $1 + \beta < \alpha < 2$ , then  $\mathbf{d}(\mu_n, \mu) \lesssim \max\{n^{-\beta}, n^{-\alpha+\beta+1}, n^{\alpha-2}\}$ ,

4.2 if  $\alpha = 2$ , then  $\mathbf{d}(\mu_n, \mu) \lesssim \max\{n^{-\beta}, n^{\beta-1}\}$ ,

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5 If  $\alpha \in (2, \infty]$  and  $\beta \in (1, +\infty]$ , then  $\{X_n(t) : t \geq 0\}$  converges weakly to  $\{X^{ABM}(t) : t \geq 0\}$  in the  $J_1$ -Skorohod topology of  $D_{\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}}[0, \infty)$ , where  $X^{ABM}$  is the absorbed BM on  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ , of parameters

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starting from the point  $u$ . Moreover, for  $\alpha > 2$  and  $\beta > 2$ ,

$$\mathbf{d}(\mu_n, \mu) \lesssim \max\{n^{2-\alpha}, n^{2-\beta}, n^{-1}\}.$$

## Theorem

6 If  $\alpha = 2$  and  $\beta = 1$ , then  $\{X_n(t) : t \geq 0\}$  converges weakly to  $\{X^{MBM}(t) : t \geq 0\}$  in the  $J_1$ -Skorohod topology of  $D_{\mathbb{G}}[0, \infty)$ , where  $X^{MBM}$  is the mixed BM on  $\mathbb{G} = \{\Delta\} \cup \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  of parameters

$$c_1 = \frac{A}{1 + A + B}, \quad c_2 = \frac{B}{1 + A + B} \quad \text{and} \quad c_3 = \frac{1}{1 + A + B}$$

starting from the point  $u$ . Moreover,  $\mathbf{d}(\mu_n, \mu) \lesssim n^{-1}$ .

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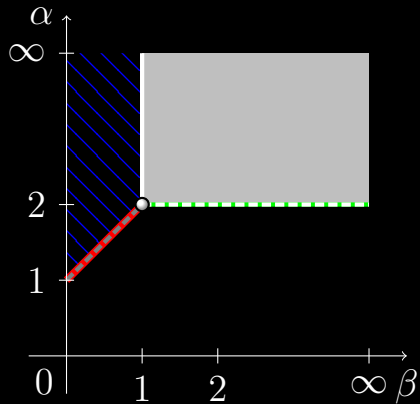
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## Theorem

*If  $\alpha < 1 + \beta$  for  $\beta \in [0, 1]$ , or  $\beta > 1$ , then  $\{\tau_n X_n(t) : t \geq 0\}$  converges weakly to  $\{X^{KBM}(t) : t \geq 0\}$  in the  $J_1$ -Skorohod topology of  $D_{\mathbb{G}}[0, \infty)$ , where in this case  $X^{KBM}$  is the killed BM on  $\mathbb{G} = \{\Delta\} \cup (0, +\infty)$ , which is formally the general BM of parameters*

$$c_1 = 1, \quad c_2 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad c_3 = 0.$$

Phase transition diagram.



- Mixed BM — Stick BM
- Absorbed BM — Exp. Holding BM
- Reflected BM — Elastic BM

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