

## 7.1. Large deviations for jump processes

• Process:  $X_t \in \Lambda = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 9\}$

discrete set of states

• Transition rates:  $W_{ji} = W(i \rightarrow j) \sim$  Prob./time jump  $i \rightarrow j$

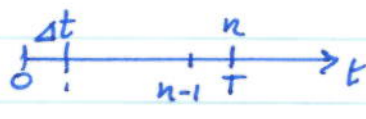
• Escape rate:  $r_i = \sum_{j \neq i} W_{ji} := -G_{ii}$   $\sim$  escape rate from  $i$

• Full generator:  $G_{ji} = W_{ji} - r_i \delta_{ij}$   
 off diagonal diagonal

• Sample mean:  $S_T = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(X_t) dt$

$\rightarrow$  Continuous-time analog of  $S_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i f(X_i)$

• Problem: ① LDP for  $S_T$ ?  
 ② Rate function?

Discretization approach:   $X_i = X_{i\Delta t}$

① Discretization of  $S_T$ :

$$S_T = \frac{1}{n\Delta t} \sum_{i=1}^n f(X_i) \Delta t = S_n$$

② Process  $X_t \rightarrow$  Markov chain  $X_i$

• Infinitesimal propagator:  $\Pi_{\Delta t} = e^{G\Delta t} = \mathbb{1} + G\Delta t$

• Transition probabilities:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_{\Delta t}(j|i) &= P(i \rightarrow j \text{ in } \Delta t) & j \neq i \\ &= G_{ji} \Delta t \\ &= W_{ji} \Delta t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_{\Delta t}(i|i) &= \cancel{G_{ii} \Delta t} \\ &= 1 - r_i \Delta t \end{aligned}$$

no more than one transition in  $\Delta t$

③ SCGF :

$$\lambda(k) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \Delta_0} \frac{1}{T} \ln E[e^{T k S_T}]$$

↓

$$\lambda(k) = \lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow \infty \\ \Delta t \rightarrow 0 \\ n \Delta t \rightarrow \infty}} \frac{1}{n \Delta t} \ln E[e^{n \Delta t k S_n}]$$

$$= \lim_{n \Delta t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n \Delta t} \ln E[e^{\Delta t k \sum_i f(x_i)}]$$

Results of week 5 : Tilted matrix :

$$\Pi_{k, \Delta t}(j|i) = e^{k \Delta t f(j)} \Pi_{\Delta t}(j|i)$$

$$= (1 + k \Delta t f(j)) (\Pi + G_j \Delta t) \quad \Delta t \rightarrow 0$$

$$= \Pi + (G_k)_{ji} \Delta t$$

• Tilted generator:  $G_k = G + k f(j) \Pi$ 

that is,

$$(G_k)_{ji} = G_{ji} + k f(j) \delta_{ij}$$

$$= G_{ji} + k f(i) \delta_{ij}$$

$$= W_{ji} + (k f(i) - r(i)) \delta_{ij}$$

*modified escape rate*• Dominant eigenvalue of  $G_k$ :  $\lambda(G_k)$ • Dominant eigenvalue of  $\Pi_{k, \Delta t}$ :  $\lambda(\Pi_{k, \Delta t}) = e^{\Delta t \lambda(G_k)}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(k) \sim \frac{1}{n \Delta t} \ln e^{\Delta t \lambda(G_k) n} = \lambda(G_k)$$

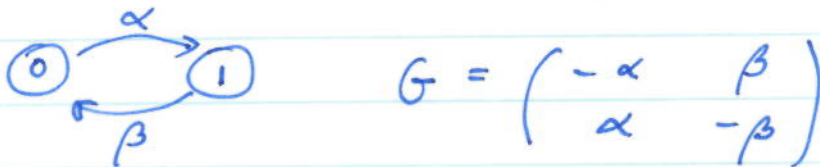
$$\boxed{\lambda(k) = \lambda(G_k)}$$

④ Gärtner-Ellis Theorem:

- $\lambda(k)$  differentiable?  $\Rightarrow$  ① LDP for  $S_T$
- ②  $I(s) = \sup_k \{ks - \lambda(k)\}$

Rem: Other approach: Feynman-Kac integrals / pde for  $E[e^{TkA_T}]$ .

Example: (Exercise 3.6.11 of HT2011)



i.e.  $W_{10} = W(0 \rightarrow 1) = \alpha$   
 $W_{01} = W(1 \rightarrow 0) = \beta$

•  $L_{T,0} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t,0} dt = \overset{\text{mean}}{\text{occupation time at 0}}$

•  $f(i) = \begin{cases} 1 & i=0 \\ 0 & i=1 \end{cases}$

• Tilted generator:

$$(G_k)_{ji} = G_{ji} + k f(i) \delta_{ij}$$

$$G_k = \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha & \beta \\ \alpha & -\beta \end{pmatrix} + k \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha + k & \beta \\ \alpha & -\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

modified rate at 0

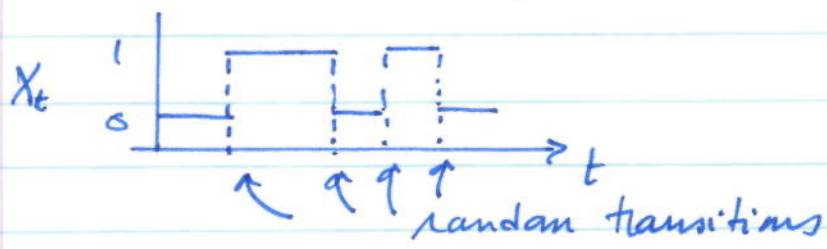
Matrix is not stochastic anymore

$\rightarrow$  Find  $\psi(G_k)$

Find  $I(l)$  for  $P(L_{T,0} = l)$   $l \in [0,1]$

$\rightarrow$  Exercise for this week.

7.2. Pair (current-type) observable



Consider observable that is dependent on these transitions:

$$S_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\text{jumps}} g(X_{t-}, X_{t+})$$

↑ state before jump
↑ state after jump

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t: \Delta X_t \neq 0} g(X_{t-}, X_{t+})$$

↖ sum over all jumps  $\Delta X_t = X_{t+} - X_{t-} \neq 0$

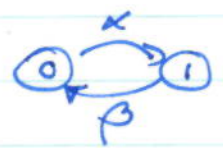
or

$$S_T = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t: \Delta X_t \neq 0} g(X_{t-}, X_{t+})$$

• Result:  $\lambda(k) = \int (G_k)$   
 $(G_k)_{ji} = G_{ji} e^{k g(i,j)}$

→ Derivation as an exercise.

Example: (Exercise 3.6.12 of HT2011) ↗ cf list of quata at end of HT2011  
 3.6.13



$$Q_T = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t: \Delta X_t \neq 0} g(X_{t-}, X_{t+})$$

$$g(x,y) = 1 - \delta_{x,y} = \begin{cases} 0 & x=y & \text{not jump} \\ 1 & x \neq y & \text{jump} \end{cases}$$

$$Q_T = \frac{1}{T} \text{ Number of random jumps in } [0, T]$$

→ Left as exercise.

### 7.3. Large deviations for stochastic differential equations

Particular case: 1D SDE on  $\mathbb{R}$ :

$$dX_t = F(X_t) dt + \sigma dW_t$$

↳ deterministic part / drift      ↳ Wiener motion / diffusion of Week 6

• Generator:  $L = F(x) \frac{d}{dx} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$

• Sample mean:  $S_T = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(X_t) dt$

• Result: SCGF:  $\lambda(k) = \mathcal{J}(L_k)$

Tilted generator:  $L_k = L + kf(x)$

$$= F(x) \frac{d}{dx} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + kf(x)$$

→ Result not proved in class.

Methods of proof: ① Discretization

② Feynman-Kac formula.

• Dominant eigenvalue:

$$L_k \psi(x) = \lambda(k) \psi(x)$$

↳ in general not hermitian!      ↳ eigenfunction

Spectral problem

Example: Langevin or Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process:

$$dX_t = -aX_t dt + \sigma dW_t$$

↳ linear SDE

$$S_T = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T X_t dt$$

$$L_k = -ax \frac{d}{dx} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + kx$$

not self adjoint

→ Exercise: Find  $\lambda(k)$

Find  $I(s)$

Answer:  $I(s) = \frac{a^2 s^2}{2\sigma^2}$

Gaussian fluctuations!

Other observable:

$$S_T = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T X_t^2 dt$$

$$L_h = -ax \frac{d}{dx} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + kx^2$$

→ Exercise: Find  $\lambda(k)$   
"  $I(s)$

Answer: ...

### 7.4. Sanov result for Markov processes

- Markov process:  $X_t$
- Empirical distribution:

$$L_{T,i} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t, i} dt \quad \text{discrete case}$$

$$L_T(x) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta(X_t - x) dt \quad \text{continuous case}$$

= fraction of time spent in  $i$  or in  $x$

- LDP:  $P(L_T = \rho) \asymp e^{-T I(\rho)} \quad T \rightarrow \infty$

- Rate function:

$$I(\rho) = - \inf_{\nu > 0} \left\langle \ln \frac{G \nu}{\nu} \right\rangle_{\rho}$$

$$= - \inf_{\nu > 0} \int dx \rho(x) \ln \frac{(G \nu)(x)}{\nu(x)} \quad \text{not explicit}$$

- Particular case:  $X_t$  is reversible. Then ↗ Detailed balance

$$I(\rho) = - \left\langle \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{P_S}}, G \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{P_S}} \right\rangle_{P_S} \quad \text{↗ Dirichlet form} \geq 0$$

$P_S$ : stationary/invariant density ↙ apply to  $\sqrt{\frac{\rho}{P_S}}$

$$I(\rho) = - \int dx P_S(x) \sqrt{\frac{\rho(x)}{P_S(x)}} \left( G \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{P_S}} \right)(x)$$

Example: O-U process:  $G = L$ .

→ Exercise

$$\text{Answer: } I(\rho) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \int dx P_S(x) \underbrace{\left( \frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{\frac{\rho(x)}{P_S(x)}} \right)^2}_{\geq 0}$$

Zero of  $I(\rho)$ ?