Branching Structures within Random walks on Z and their Applications

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Branching Structure for (1,1) RW

Suppose $\limsup_{n\to\infty} X_n = \infty$. Define $T_1 = \inf\{n : X_n > 0\}$. Let $U_0 = 1$, and for i < 0,

$$U_i = \# \{ 0 \le n < T_1 : X_n = i + 1, X_{n+1} = i \}.$$

Then U_0, U_{-1}, \dots forms a branching process with

$$P(U_{i-1} = k | U_i = 1) = q_i^k p_i, \ k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$



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(L,R) random walk

Fix $1 \leq L, R \in \mathbb{Z}$. Let $\Lambda = \{-L, -L + 1, ..., R\}/\{0\}$. Environment: $\omega = (\omega_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$ where for $i \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\omega_i = (\omega_i(l))_{l \in \Lambda}$ is a probability measure on $i + \Lambda$. Random walk $\{X_n\}$: a Markov Chain, starting from 0, with transition probabilities

$$P_{\omega}(X_{n+1} = i + l | X_n = i) = \omega_i(l), \ l \in \Lambda.$$



Branching structure for (L,1) RW

Consider (L, 1) RW. Suppose $\limsup_{n \to \infty} X_n = \infty$. Define $T_1 = \inf\{n > 0 : X_n > 0\}.$ Let $U_0 = \mathbf{e}_1$ and for $i \le 0, \ l = 1, ..., L,$ $U_{i,l} = \#\{0 \le n < T_1 : X_n > i, X_{n+1} = i - l + 1\}.$ Set $U_i = (U_i - U_i)$

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$$P_{\omega} \left(U_{i-1} = (u_1, ..., u_L) \middle| U_i = \mathbf{e}_1 \right) = \frac{(u_1 + ... + u_L)!}{u_1! \cdots u_L!} \omega_i (-1)^{u_1} \cdots \omega_i (-L)^{u_L} \omega_i (1).$$



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For $L \geq l \geq 2$,

$$P_{\omega} \left(U_{i-1} = (u_1, ..., \mathbf{1} + u_{l-1}, ..., u_L) \middle| U_i = \mathbf{e}_l \right)$$

= $\frac{(u_1 + ... + u_L)!}{u_1! \cdots u_L!} \omega_i (-1)^{u_1} \cdots \omega_i (-L)^{u_L} \omega_i (1).$

Theorem (Hong and Wang 2013)

Suppose that $\limsup_{n\to\infty} X_n = \infty$. Then $U_0, U_{-1}, U_{-2}, \dots$ forms an *L*-type branching process whose offspring distributions are

$$P_{\omega}(U_{i-1} = (u_1, ..., u_L) | U_i = e_1)$$

= $\frac{(u_1 + ... + u_L)!}{u_1! \cdots u_L!} \omega_i (-1)^{u_1} \cdots \omega_i (-L)^{u_L} \omega_i (1),$

and for $2 \leq l \leq L$,

$$P_{\omega} \left(U_{i-1} = (u_1, ..., 1 + u_{l-1}, ..., u_L) | U_i = e_l \right)$$

= $\frac{(u_1 + ... + u_L)!}{u_1! \cdots u_L!} \omega_i (-1)^{u_1} \cdots \omega_i (-L)^{u_L} \omega_i (1).$

Furthermore,

$$T_1 = 1 + \sum_{i \le 0} U_i(2, 1, ..., 1)^t.$$

Branching Structure for (2,2) RW

Consider (2,2) RW. Suppose $\limsup_{n\to\infty} X_n = \infty$. Define $T_1 = \inf\{n \ge 0 : X_n > 0\}.$



Figure. The figure illustrates type \mathcal{A} , \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{C} excursions at i. We draw only the first step and the last step, omitting all things between these two steps. Between these two steps, the walk walks below i - 1.

Define for $i \leq 0$ and j = 1, 2, 3,

 $A_{i,j} = \# \{ \mathcal{A}_{i,j} \text{ excursions before } T_1 \},$

 $B_{i,j} = \# \{ \mathcal{B}_{i,j} \text{ excursions before } T_1 \},$ $C_{i,j} = \# \{ \mathcal{C}_{i,j} \text{ excursions before } T_1 \},$ $U_i = (A_{i,1}, A_{i,2}, A_{i,3}, B_{i,1}, B_{i,2}, B_{i,3}, C_{i,1}, C_{i,2}, C_{i,3}).$ Define for $i \leq 0$ and j = 1, 2, 3,

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Suppose that $\limsup_{n\to\infty} X_n = \infty$. Then $\{U_i\}_{i\leq 1}$ is a 9-type non-homogeneous branching processes whose immigration law and offsprings distributions will be stated below.

Theorem

Suppose that $\limsup_{n\to\infty} X_n = \infty$. Then

$$T_1 = 1 + \sum_{i \le 0} U_i(2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 2, 1)^t,$$

$$E^{0}_{\omega}(T_{1}) = 1 + \sum_{i \leq 0} u_{1}Q_{0} \cdots Q_{i}(2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 2, 1)^{t}$$

where $Q_i \in \mathbb{R}^9 \times \mathbb{R}^9$, $u_1 \in \mathbb{R}^9$ depending only on ω .

Define for $k \leq i$,

$$f_k(i, i+1) = P_{\omega}^k \text{(the walk hits } (i, \infty) \text{ at } i+1);$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{i,1} &:= \omega_i(-1) \sum_{n,m \ge 0} \frac{(n+m)!}{n!m!} [\omega_{i-1}(-1)f_{i-2}(i-2,i-1)]^n \\ &\times [\omega_{i-1}(-2)f_{i-3}(i-2,i-1)]^m \omega_{i-1}(1), \\ \alpha_{i,3} &:= \omega_i(-1) \sum_{n,m \ge 0} \frac{(n+m)!}{n!m!} [\omega_{i-1}(-1)f_{i-2}(i-2,i-1)]^n \\ &\times [\omega_{i-1}(-2)f_{i-3}(i-2,i-1)]^m \omega_{i-1}(2), \\ \alpha_{i,2} &:= \omega_i(-1) - \alpha_{i,1} - \alpha_{i,3}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha_{i,1} = \frac{\omega_i(-1)\omega_{i-1}(1)}{1 - \omega_{i-1}(-1)f_{i-2}(i-2,i-1) - \omega_{i-1}(-2)f_{i-3}(i-2,i-1)},$$

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$$\mathcal{B}_{i,1} \leftrightarrow \beta_{i,1}, \ \mathcal{B}_{i,2} \leftrightarrow \beta_{i,2}, \ \mathcal{B}_{i,3} \leftrightarrow \beta_{i,3};$$
$$\mathcal{C}_{i,1} \leftrightarrow \gamma_{i,1}, \ \mathcal{C}_{i,2} \leftrightarrow \gamma_{i,2}, \ \mathcal{C}_{i,3} \leftrightarrow \gamma_{i,3}.$$



Figure. Adding the imaginary step $\{1 \rightarrow 0\}$, the path before T_1 forms a type \mathcal{A} particle, it may be a $\mathcal{A}_{1,1}$, $\mathcal{A}_{1,2}$ or $\mathcal{A}_{1,3}$ excursion.

$$P_{\omega}(U_{1} = \mathbf{e}_{1}) = P_{\omega}^{0}(A_{1,1} = 1) = \frac{\alpha_{1,1}}{\alpha_{1,1} + \alpha_{1,2} + \alpha_{1,3}},$$

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$$P_{\omega}(U_{1} = \mathbf{e}_{2}) = P_{\omega}^{0}(A_{1,2} = 1) = \frac{\alpha_{1,2}}{\alpha_{1,1} + \alpha_{1,2} + \alpha_{1,3}}.$$
(1)

(a) Offspring distributions of $A_{i+1,1}$, $A_{i+1,3}$, $C_{i+1,1}$ and $C_{i+1,3}$ particles $C_{i+1,1} C_{i+1,3}$



Figure. $\mathcal{A}_{i+1,1}$, $\mathcal{A}_{i+1,3}$, $\mathcal{C}_{i+1,1}$ and $\mathcal{C}_{i+1,3}$ share the same offspring distribution. They could only give births to $\mathcal{A}_{i,1}$, $\mathcal{A}_{i,2}$, $\mathcal{B}_{i,1}$ and $\mathcal{B}_{i,2}$ particles.

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With
$$\zeta_i = 1 - \alpha_{i,1} - \alpha_{i,2} - \beta_{i,1} - \beta_{i,2}$$
, for $k = 1, 3, 7, 9$,
 $P^0_{\omega}(U_i = (a, b, 0, c, d, 0, 0, 0, 0) | U_{i+1} = \mathbf{e}_k)$
 $= \frac{(a+b+c+d)!}{a!b!c!d!} \alpha^a_{i,1} \alpha^b_{i,2} \beta^c_{i,1} \beta^d_{i,2} \zeta_i.$

(b) Offspring distributions of $A_{i+1,2}$, and $C_{i+1,2}$ particles



Figure. Offsprings of $\mathcal{A}_{i+1,2}$, $\mathcal{C}_{i+1,2}$. Before the last step happens, with probability 1, a $\mathcal{B}_{i,3}$ or $\mathcal{A}_{i,3}$ excursion would be born.

$$P^{0}_{\omega}(A_{i,3} = 1 | U_{i+1} = \mathbf{e}_{2} \text{ or } \mathbf{e}_{8}) = \frac{\alpha_{i,3}}{\alpha_{i,3} + \beta_{i,3}},$$
$$P^{0}_{\omega}(B_{i,3} = 1 | U_{i+1} = \mathbf{e}_{2} \text{ or } \mathbf{e}_{8}) = \frac{\beta_{i,3}}{\alpha_{i,3} + \beta_{i,3}}.$$

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(c) Offspring distributions of $\mathcal{B}_{i+1,1}$, and $\mathcal{B}_{i+1,3}$ particles



Figure. The offsprings of $\mathcal{B}_{i+1,1}$ and $\mathcal{B}_{i+1,3}$. Since at last, the walk jumps from *i* to some position above *i*, before the last step happens, it must return to *i* from below. Therefore with probability 1, a $C_{i,1}$ or a $C_{i,2}$ excursion would be born.

(d) Offspring distribution of $\mathcal{B}_{i+1,2}$ particles

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Figure. The offsprings (case 1) of $\mathcal{B}_{i+1,2}$ excursion. The walk never visited *i* between the first and the last step. Therefore, only a type $C_{i,3}$ excursion would be born.



Figure. The offsprings (case 2) of $\mathcal{B}_{i+1,2}$ excursion. Between the first and the last step, the walk did visit *i*. Therefore $P^0_{\omega}(\mathcal{C}_{i,1} + \mathcal{C}_{i,2} = 1) = 1$ and $P^0_{\omega}(\mathcal{A}_{i,3} + \mathcal{B}_{i,3} = 1) = 1$.

$$P^{0}_{\omega}(U_{i} = (0, ..., 0, 1) | U_{i+1} = \mathbf{e}_{5}) = \frac{\gamma_{i,3}}{\beta_{i+1,2}},$$

$$\begin{split} P^{0}_{\omega}(U_{i} = (0, ..., 0, 1) \big| U_{i+1} = \mathbf{e}_{5}) &= \frac{\gamma_{i,3}}{\beta_{i+1,2}}, \\ P^{0}_{\omega}(U_{i} = (a, b, \mathbf{1}, c, d, 0, \mathbf{1}, 0, 0) \big| U_{i+1} = \mathbf{e}_{5}) \\ &= \frac{(a+b+c+d)!}{a!b!c!d!} \alpha^{a}_{i,1} \alpha^{b}_{i,2} \beta^{c}_{i,1} \beta^{d}_{i,2} \zeta_{i} \frac{(\beta_{i+1,2} - \gamma_{i,3})\gamma_{i,1}\alpha_{i,3}}{\beta_{i+1,2}(\gamma_{i,1} + \gamma_{i,2})(\alpha_{i,3} + \beta_{i,3})}, \\ P^{0}_{\omega}(U_{i} = (a, b, \mathbf{1}, c, d, 0, 0, \mathbf{1}, 0) \big| U_{i+1} = \mathbf{e}_{5}) \\ &= \frac{(a+b+c+d)!}{a!b!c!d!} \alpha^{a}_{i,1} \alpha^{b}_{i,2} \beta^{c}_{i,1} \beta^{d}_{i,2} \zeta_{i} \frac{(\beta_{i+1,2} - \gamma_{i,3})\gamma_{i,2}\alpha_{i,3}}{\beta_{i+1,2}(\gamma_{i,1} + \gamma_{i,2})(\alpha_{i,3} + \beta_{i,3})}, \\ P^{0}_{\omega}(U_{i} = (a, b, 0, c, d, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, 0, 0) \big| U_{i+1} = \mathbf{e}_{5}) \\ &= \frac{(a+b+c+d)!}{a!b!c!d!} \alpha^{a}_{i,1} \alpha^{b}_{i,2} \beta^{c}_{i,1} \beta^{d}_{i,2} \zeta_{i} \frac{(\beta_{i+1,2} - \gamma_{i,3})\gamma_{i,1}\beta_{i,3}}{\beta_{i+1,2}(\gamma_{i,1} + \gamma_{i,2})(\alpha_{i,3} + \beta_{i,3})}, \\ P^{0}_{\omega}(U_{i} = (a, b, 0, c, d, \mathbf{1}, 0, \mathbf{1}, 0) \big| U_{i+1} = \mathbf{e}_{5}) \\ &= \frac{(a+b+c+d)!}{a!b!c!d!} \alpha^{a}_{i,1} \alpha^{b}_{i,2} \beta^{c}_{i,1} \beta^{d}_{i,2} \zeta_{i} \frac{(\beta_{i+1,2} - \gamma_{i,3})\gamma_{i,1}\beta_{i,3}}{\beta_{i+1,2}(\gamma_{i,1} + \gamma_{i,2})(\alpha_{i,3} + \beta_{i,3})}. \end{split}$$

Random walk in random environment



 Ω : collection of $\omega = (\omega_x)_{x \in \mathbb{Z}}$ where for $x \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\omega_x = (\omega_{xy})_{y \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is a probability measure on \mathbb{Z} .

 θ : shift operator on Ω defined by $(\theta \omega)_x := \omega_{x+1}$.

 \mathcal{F} : Borel σ -algebra on Ω .

 \mathbb{P} : a probability measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) , being i.i.d. or ergodic.

For a realization of ω , consider a Markov chain $\{S_n\}_{n\geq 0}$ with transitional probabilities

$$P^{x_0}_{\omega}(S_{n+1} = x + y | S_n = x) = \omega_{xy} \text{ for all } n \ge 0, \ P^{x_0}_{\omega}(S_0 = x_0) = 1.$$

 $\{S_n\}$: random walk (with unbounded jumps) in random environment ω .

$$P^{x_0}_{\omega}$$
: the quenched law.

 $P^{x_0}(\cdot) = \int P^{x_0}_{\omega}(\cdot) \mathbb{P}(d\omega)$: the annealed law.

Some applications of Branching Structure for random walk

If for some $1 \leq L, R \in \mathbb{Z}$,

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Bremont (2009) proved a LLN for (L, R) RWRE, but for $\min\{L, R\} \ge 2$, no explicit velocity was given.

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RWRE with unbounded jumps

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Condition A

(A1) \mathbb{P} is stationary and ergodic;

(A2) \mathbb{P} -a.s. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_{\omega}(S_n = y | S_0 = x) > 0$, for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$;

(A3) There exists some C > 0 such that for all s > 0, \mathbb{P} -a.s.

$$\sum_{|j| \ge s} \omega_{0j} < Ce^{-s}.$$

Andjel 1988, 0-1 law

Under condition (A), we have $P(X_n \to \infty) = 1$ or $P(X_n \to -\infty) = 1$ or $P(X_n \text{ is recurrent}) = 1$.

For $\rho \in \mathbb{N}$, let

$$\omega_{xy}^{\varrho} = \begin{cases} \omega_{xy}, & \text{if } 0 < |y| < \varrho, \\ 0, & \text{if } |y| \ge \varrho, \\ \omega_{x0} + \sum_{y:|y| \ge \rho} \omega_{xy}, \text{if } y = 0. \end{cases}$$

Let $\{S_n^{\varrho}\}$ be random walk in truncated environment ω^{ϱ} . Define

$$N^{\varrho}_{\infty}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{S^{\varrho}_n = x\}}.$$

Condition B

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Theorem (Wang 2014)

Suppose that Condition C holds and $E(T) < \infty$. Then

$$P\text{-a.s.}, \ \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} = v_{\mathbb{P}} > 0$$

where

$$v_{\mathbb{P}} = \frac{\mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k \leq 0} E_{\theta^{-k}\omega} \left(U_k | S_{T=i}\right) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} j\omega_{0j}\right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} E\left(T | S_T = i\right)}$$

Remark

(1) We prove the LLN when the tails of the jumps decay polynomially.

(2) We do not need the uniform transience condition (B4) used in Comets and Popov 2012. However

(3) We don't know how to calculate $E^0_{\omega}(T_1)$, so we could not give explicitly the velocity $v_{\mathbb{P}}$, except for some special case e.g.

 $\mathbb{P}(\omega_{0y} = 0 \text{ for all } y \ge 2) = 1.$

BDP with bounded jumps in random environment



 $L, R \ge 1$ are two integers(jump size).

 $\begin{array}{l} \Omega \ : \ \text{collection of} \ \omega \ = \ (\omega_i)_{i\in\mathbb{Z}} \ = \ (\mu_i^L,...,\mu_i^1,\lambda_i^1,...,\lambda_i^R)_{i\in\mathbb{Z}},\\ \mu_i^l,\lambda_i^r\geq 0,\ i\in\mathbb{Z},\ l=1,...,L,\ r=1,...,R. \end{array}$

- \mathcal{F} : Borel σ -algebra on Ω .
- θ : shift operator on Ω defined by $(\theta \omega)_i = \omega_{i+1}$.
- \mathbb{P} : a probability measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) which is assumed to be i.i.d. or sometimes stationary and ergodic.

Random environment ω is a random element of Ω chosen according to \mathbb{P} .

(L,R) BDPRE

Given a realization of ω , let $\{N_t\}_{t>0}$ be a continuous time Markov chain, which waits at a state n an exponentially distributed time with parameter $\sum_{l=1}^{L} \mu_n^l + \sum_{r=1}^{R} \lambda_n^r$ and then jumps to n-i with probability $\mu_n^i/(\sum_{l=1}^L \mu_n^l + \sum_{r=1}^R \lambda_n^r)$, i = 1, ..., Lor to n+j with probability $\lambda_n^j/(\sum_{l=1}^L \mu_n^l + \sum_{r=1}^R \lambda_n^r), j =$ 1, ..., R. $\{N_t\}_{t>0}$ is called a birth and death process with bounded jumps in random environment ((L,R) BDPRE in short).

- P_{ω} : quenched probability;
- P: annealed probability.

Condition D (D1) $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, \theta)$ forms a stationary and ergodic system. (D2) the measure \mathbb{P} is uniformly elliptic, that is,

$$\mathbb{P}\Big(\varepsilon < \mu_0^l, \lambda_0^r < M, 1 \le l \le L, 1 \le r \le R\Big) = 1$$

for some small $\varepsilon > 0$ and large M > 0.

Define $T_1 = \inf[t > 0 : N_t > 0].$

Theorem (LLN for (L,R) BDPRE)

Suppose that conditions (D) holds and $\gamma_R \ge 0$. Then (a) $ET_1 < \infty \Rightarrow \lim_{t\to\infty} \frac{N_t}{t} = v_{\mathbb{P}} > 0$, *P*-a.s.; (b) $ET_1 = \infty \Rightarrow \lim_{t\to\infty} \frac{N_t}{t} = 0$, *P*-a.s..

$v_{\mathbb{P}} =$

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}\Big(\sum_{r=1}^{R}\sum_{k\leq 0}E_{\theta^{-k}\omega}\Big(\sum_{j=1}^{U_{k}}\xi_{kj}|N_{T_{1}}=r\Big)\Big(\sum_{l=1}^{L}(-l)\mu_{0}^{l}+\sum_{r=1}^{R}r\lambda_{0}^{r}\Big)\Big)}{\sum_{r=1}^{R}E(T_{1}|N_{T_{1}}=r)}$$
$$U_{k} := \#\{n:N_{\tau_{n}}=k,\tau_{n}< T_{1}\},$$
$$P_{\omega}(\xi_{kj}>t)=e^{-(\sum_{l=1}^{L}\mu_{k}^{l}+\sum_{r=1}^{R}\lambda_{k}^{r})t}, t\geq 0.$$

Theorem (LLN for (2,2) BDPRE)

Let $\pi(\omega)$ and $D(\omega)$ be certain functions of ω . Suppose L = R = 2and $\gamma_R \ge 0$. Then \mathbb{P} -a.s., (a) $\mathbb{E}(\pi(\omega)) < \infty \Rightarrow \lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{N_t}{t} = \frac{\mathbb{E}(\pi(\omega)(2\lambda_0^2 + \lambda_0^1 - \mu_0^1 - 2\mu_0^2))}{\mathbb{E}(D(\omega))};$ (b) $\mathbb{E}(\pi(\omega)) = \infty \Rightarrow \lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{N_t}{t} = 0.$

Idea: Let $\{X_n\} = \{N_{nh}\}$ be *h*-skeleton process of $\{N_t\}$. $\{X_n\}$ is a **RWRE with unbounded jumps.** LLN of $\{X_n\} \Rightarrow$ LLN of $\{N_t\}$.

Using the branching structure for (L, R) random walk, we calculate

$$E_{\theta^{-k}\omega} \Big(\sum_{j=1}^{U_k} \xi_{kj} | N_{T_1} = r \Big) \text{ and } \sum_{r=1}^R E_\omega(T_1 | N_{T_1} = r),$$

which lead to the **explicit velocity** of LLN of $\{N_t\}$.

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