

Subordination operators of Dirichlet forms

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Abstract

Let $(W_\alpha)_{\alpha>0}$ be the associated resolvent to a given Dirichlet form and P an operator defined on $L^2(X, m)$. In this work, we give some conditions on P so that the family of operators $\{V_\lambda := (I - P_\lambda)^{-1}W_\lambda, \lambda > 0\}$ defines a resolvent associated to a Dirichlet form, where $P_\lambda = (I - \lambda W_\lambda)P$.

1 Preliminaries

We consider the Hilbert space $H = L^2(X, m)$, where X is a given locally compact topological space with a countable basis, and m is a positive Radon measure on X with $Supp[m] = X$ and $m(X) < +\infty$.

By $(u, v) = \int_X uvm(dx)$ we denote the inner product of H , and by $\|\cdot\|$ the related norm.

If $D \in H$, we denote by D_+ the subset of m-a.e. positive functions.

Definition 1.1 ([5]) *A symmetric linear operator A on H with a dense domain $D(A)$, is said to be monotone if, for all $u \in D(A)$, $(Au, u) \geq 0$. A is maximal if moreover it satisfies $R(I+A) = H$ that is, for all $f \in H$ there exists $u \in D(A)$ such that $u+Au = f$.*

Lemma 1.1 ([7]) *The product of two commuting self adjoint monotone operators on H is a monotone operator.*

A symmetric Dirichlet form on H is a closed symmetric nonnegative bilinear form ε with domain $D(\varepsilon)$ such that $u \in D(\varepsilon)$ implies that $u^+ \wedge 1 \in D(\varepsilon)$ and $\varepsilon(u^+ \wedge 1, u^+ \wedge 1) \leq \varepsilon(u, u)$ for all $u \in D(\varepsilon)$. The last property will be called the sub-Markovian property of ε . To any Dirichlet form $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ on H one can associate a unique self adjoint negative operator L with domain $D(L)$ which satisfies

- i) $D(L) \subset D(\varepsilon)$
- ii) $\varepsilon(u, v) = (-Lu, v)$; for all $u \in D(L), v \in D(\varepsilon)$

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Let $\{W_\beta := (\beta I - L)^{-1}, \beta > 0\}$ and $\{T_t, t > 0\}$ be the sub-Markovian strongly continuous resolvent and semigroup associated to the operator L . To the semigroup $\{T_t, t > 0\}$ and the resolvent $\{W_\beta, \beta > 0\}$, we associate the following approximants

$$\varepsilon^{(t)}(u, v) := \frac{1}{t}(u - T_t u, v) ; \quad \text{for all } u, v \in H$$

$$\varepsilon^{(\beta)}(u, v) := \beta(u - \beta W_\beta u, v) ; \quad \text{for all } u, v \in H.$$

We get

$$D(\varepsilon) = \{u \in H; \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon^{(t)}(u, u) < +\infty\}$$

$$\varepsilon(u, v) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon^{(t)}(u, v) ; \quad \text{for all } u, v \in D(\varepsilon)$$

and

$$D(\varepsilon) = \{u \in H ; \lim_{\beta \rightarrow +\infty} \varepsilon^{(\beta)}(u, u) < +\infty\}$$

$$\varepsilon(u, v) = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow +\infty} \varepsilon^{(\beta)}(u, v) ; \quad \text{for all } u, v \in D(\varepsilon).$$

Definition 1.2 ([6]) *Let $\alpha \in]0, +\infty[$. A function $u \in H$ is called α -excessive if $e^{-\alpha t} T_t u \leq u$ for all $t > 0$.*

Proposition 1.1 ([9]) *Let $u \in H$ and $\alpha > 0$. If u is α -excessive then $u \geq 0$ and $\beta W_{\beta+\alpha} u \leq u$, for all $\beta > 0$. Moreover, for $u \in D(\varepsilon)$, the following assertions are equivalent*

- i) u is α -excessive.
- ii) $\beta W_{\beta+\alpha} u \leq u$; for all $\beta > 0$.
- iii) $\varepsilon_\alpha(u, v) \geq 0$; for all $v \in D_+(\varepsilon)$.

We denote by \mathbf{E}_α , the set of α -excessive functions in $D(\varepsilon)$, and $\mathbf{E} = \bigcap_{\alpha > 0} \mathbf{E}_\alpha$.

2 Perturbation

Let $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ be a symmetric Dirichlet form on H , $(W_\alpha)_{\alpha > 0}$ the associated resolvent and L the associated infinitesimal generator. In all this section we assume that P is a linear symmetric monotone operator on H such that $Pf \in \mathbf{E}$, for all $f \in H_+$ that it satisfies

H_1) $\|P\| \leq 1$ and for all $\lambda > 0$, $(I - P_\lambda)$ is invertible with $(I - P_\lambda)^{-1} = \sum_{n \geq 0} P_\lambda^n$.

H_2) $Pu \in D(L)$ for all $u \in H$.

H_3) (LP) is self-adjoint, that is $(LP)^* = LP$.

Remark: We have $D(LP) = H$ and LP is continuous by Hellinger-Toeplitz's theorem [13].

Lemma 2.1 $-L(I - P)$ is a maximal monotone operator.

Proof : Let $u \in D(L)$ and $(I - L)u := f$. Using lemma 1.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
(-L(I - P)u, u) &= (((I - P) - L(I - P))u, u) - ((I - P)u, u) \\
&= ((I - P)(I - L)u, u) - ((I - P)u, u) \\
&= ((I - P)f, W_1f) - ((I - P)W_1f, W_1f) \\
&= ((I - P)(I - W_1)f, W_1f) \\
&= (W_1(I - P)(I - W_1)f, f) \\
&\geq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $-L(I - P)$ is a self-adjoint operator by the hypothesis (H_3) .

Using ([4], proposition 1.1.2) we have that $-L(I - P)$ is a maximal monotone operator.

Corollary 2.1 ([5]) We have

i) $-L(I - P)$ is closed.

ii) For all $\alpha > 0$, $\alpha I - L(I - P)$ is one to one from $D(L)$ into H , $(\alpha I - L(I - P))^{-1}$ is a bounded operator and $\|\alpha(\alpha I - L(I - P))^{-1}\| \leq 1$.

Theorem 2.1 Let $V_\alpha = (\alpha I - L(I - P))^{-1}$ for every $\alpha > 0$. Then

i) $V_\alpha = (I - P_\alpha)^{-1}W_\alpha$ for all $\alpha > 0$.

ii) $(V_\alpha)_{\alpha > 0}$ is strongly continuous resolvent of contraction on H and $W_\alpha f \leq V_\alpha f$ for all $f \in H_+$.

Proof

i) For all $\alpha > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha I - L + LP &= (\alpha I - L)(I + (\alpha I - L)^{-1}LP) \\
&= (\alpha I - L)(I + W_\alpha(\alpha I - W_\alpha^{-1})P) \\
&= (\alpha I - L)(I + (\alpha W_\alpha - I)P) \\
&= (\alpha I - L)(I - P_\alpha).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$V_\alpha = (\alpha I - L + LP)^{-1} = (I - P_\alpha)^{-1}W_\alpha \text{ for all } \alpha > 0.$$

ii) For all $\alpha > 0$ and $\beta > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(\beta - \alpha)V_\alpha V_\beta &= V_\alpha(\beta - \alpha)V_\beta \\
&= V_\alpha((\beta I - L(I - P)) - (\alpha I - L(I - P)))V_\beta \\
&= V_\alpha - V_\beta.
\end{aligned}$$

We also get

$$(\beta - \alpha)V_\beta V_\alpha = V_\alpha - V_\beta.$$

Hence

$$V_\alpha - V_\beta = (\beta - \alpha)V_\alpha V_\beta = (\beta - \alpha)V_\beta V_\alpha.$$

Remark 2.1 1. For all $u, v \in D(L)$, ${}^P\varepsilon(u, v) := (-L(I - P)u, v)$. $({}^P\varepsilon, D(L))$ is closable, its closure $({}^P\varepsilon, D({}^P\varepsilon))$ is a symmetric closed form and

$${}^P\varepsilon(u, v) = (-L(I - P)u, v) ; \quad \text{for all } u \in D(L) , \quad v \in D({}^P\varepsilon).$$

By definition $({}^P\varepsilon, D({}^P\varepsilon))$ is associated with the resolvent $(V_\alpha)_\alpha > 0$.

2. $({}^P\varepsilon, D({}^P\varepsilon))$ preserves the positivity (i.e. ${}^P\varepsilon(u, u^+) \geq 0$, for all $u \in D({}^P\varepsilon)$), because the associated resolvent $(V_\alpha)_\alpha > 0$ preserves the positivity.

3. The module contraction operates on $({}^P\varepsilon, D({}^P\varepsilon))$ that is

$${}^P\varepsilon(|u|, |u|) \leq {}^P\varepsilon(u, u) ; \quad \text{for all } u \in D({}^P\varepsilon).$$

4. There exists $c > 0$, such that ${}^P\varepsilon(u, u) \leq c(\varepsilon(u, u) + \|u\|^2)$, for all $u \in D(\varepsilon)$.

Remark 2.2 If $1 - P_\alpha \in \mathbf{E}_\alpha$, for all $\alpha > 0$, then $1 - P1 \in \mathbf{E}$.

Proposition 2.1 The following statements are equivalent

- i) $1 - P1 \in \mathbf{E}$.
- ii) $(V_\alpha)_\alpha > 0$ is sub-Markovian.
- iii) ${}^P\varepsilon(u^+ \wedge 1, u^+ \wedge 1) \leq {}^P\varepsilon(u, u)$, for all $u \in D({}^P\varepsilon)$.

Proof i) implies ii). We have

$$\alpha W_\alpha(1 - P1) \leq 1 - P1,$$

hence

$$\alpha W_\alpha 1 \leq (I - P_\alpha)1,$$

then

$$\alpha V_\alpha 1 = \alpha(I - P_\alpha)^{-1} W_\alpha 1 \leq 1.$$

ii) implies i). Let $\alpha > 0$, there exists a sequence $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset H$ such that $f_n \geq 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\sup_n V_\alpha f_n = 1$. We have

$$V_\alpha f_n - P_\alpha V_\alpha f_n = W_\alpha f_n \in \mathbf{E}_\alpha.$$

Hence, $1 - P_\alpha 1 \in \mathbf{E}_\alpha$.

ii) and iii) are equivalent (cf the proof of theorem 4.4 [9])

Definition 2.1 ([3]) Let $(\varepsilon^1, D(\varepsilon^1))$, $(\varepsilon^2, D(\varepsilon^2))$ be two Dirichlet forms on H . $(\varepsilon^1, D(\varepsilon^1))$ is said to be subordinate to $(\varepsilon^2, D(\varepsilon^2))$ and we write $\varepsilon^1 \ll \varepsilon^2$, if and only if $D(\varepsilon^2) \subset D(\varepsilon^1)$ and $\varepsilon^1(f, g) \leq \varepsilon^2(f, g)$; for all $f, g \in D_+(\varepsilon^2)$.

We assume that the following additional condition is satisfied
 $H_4) 1 - P1 \in \mathbf{E}$.

Proposition 2.2 $({}^P\varepsilon, D({}^P\varepsilon))$ is a Dirichlet form on H subordinate to $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$.

Proof We have

$${}^P\varepsilon_\alpha(V_\alpha u, v) = (u, v) ; \text{ for all } u \in H, v \in D({}^P\varepsilon).$$

Then by Remark 2.1 and Proposition 2.1, $({}^P\varepsilon, D({}^P\varepsilon))$ is a Dirichlet form on H .
Let $u, v \in D_+(\varepsilon) \subset D_+({}^P\varepsilon)$. We have

$$\varepsilon(u, v) = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow +\infty} \beta(u - \beta W_\beta u, v)$$

and

$${}^P\varepsilon(u, v) = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow +\infty} \beta(u - \beta V_\beta u, v).$$

But

$$W_\beta u \leq V_\beta u ; \text{ for all } \beta > 0.$$

Hence

$${}^P\varepsilon(u, v) \leq \varepsilon(u, v).$$

Therefore $({}^P\varepsilon, D({}^P\varepsilon))$ is a Dirichlet form on H subordinate to $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$.

Proposition 2.3 Let $\alpha \in]0, 1]$, and set ${}^{\alpha, P}\varepsilon(u, v) = \alpha\varepsilon(u, v) + (1 - \alpha){}^P\varepsilon(u, v)$, for all $u, v \in D(\varepsilon)$. Then $({}^{\alpha, P}\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ is a Dirichlet form on H subordinate to $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$. Moreover,

$${}^{\alpha, P}\varepsilon_\lambda(G_{\lambda, \alpha} u, v) = (u, v), \text{ for all } u \in H, v \in D(\varepsilon),$$

where

$$G_{\lambda, \alpha} f = \sum_{n \geq 0} (1 - \alpha)^n P_\lambda^n W_\lambda f.$$

Proof

Let $\alpha > 0$, note that $({}^{\alpha, P}\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ is obviously a Dirichlet form on H subordinate to $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$.

Let $u \in D(L)$ and $v \in D(\varepsilon)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{\alpha, P}\varepsilon(u, v) &= \alpha\varepsilon(u, v) + (1 - \alpha){}^P\varepsilon(u, v) \\ &= \alpha(-Lu, v) + (1 - \alpha)(-L(I - P)u, v) \\ &= (-(\alpha L + (1 - \alpha)L(I - P))u, v) \\ &= (-(L - (1 - \alpha)LP)u, v) \end{aligned}$$

then the associated generator to $({}^{\alpha,P}\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ is $L - (1 - \alpha)LP$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
G_{\lambda,\alpha} &= (\lambda I - L + (1 - \alpha)LP)^{-1} \\
&= [(\lambda I - L)(I + (1 - \alpha)W_\alpha LP)]^{-1} \\
&= [(\lambda I - L)(I + (1 - \alpha)(\lambda W_\lambda - I)P)]^{-1} \\
&= (I - (1 - \alpha)(I - \lambda W_\lambda)P)^{-1}(\lambda I - L)^{-1} \\
&= (I - P_{\lambda,\alpha})^{-1}W_\lambda \quad (\text{where } P_{\lambda,\alpha} = (1 - \alpha)P_\lambda) \\
&= \sum_{n \geq 0} P_{\lambda,\alpha}^n W_\lambda \\
&= \sum_{n \geq 0} (1 - \alpha)^n P_\lambda^n W_\lambda.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $(G_{\lambda,\alpha})_{\lambda > 0}$ is the associated resolvent to $({}^{\alpha,P}\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$.

Remark 2.3 Let $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in [0, 1]$ such that $\alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2$, then we have

$${}^{\alpha_1,P}\varepsilon \ll {}^{\alpha_2,P}\varepsilon$$

Recall that ([6]), a Dirichlet form $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ is said to be regular if $D(\varepsilon) \cap C_0(X)$ is dense in $D(\varepsilon)$ with respect to $\varepsilon_1(\cdot) = \varepsilon(\cdot) + (\cdot, \cdot)$, and dense in $C_0(X)$ with respect to the uniform convergence topology. $C_0(X)$ being the set of continuous functions with compact support.

Assume in the following that $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ is a regular Dirichlet form on H and $C_0(X) \subset D(\varepsilon)$. Then $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ can be expressed as follows (Beurling-Deny [6]) :

$$\begin{aligned}
\varepsilon(u, v) &= \varepsilon^{(c)}(u, v) + \int \int_{X \times X - \Delta} (u(x) - u(y))(v(x) - v(y))J(dx dy) \\
&\quad + \int_X uvdk(x), \quad \text{for all } u, v \in C_0(X)
\end{aligned}$$

where $\varepsilon^{(c)}$ is a symmetric form, $D(\varepsilon^{(c)}) = C_0(X)$ and satisfies $\varepsilon^{(c)}(u, v) = 0$ for all $u, v \in D(\varepsilon^{(c)})$, v constant on a neighborhood of $\text{supp}u$. J is a positive Radon measure on $X \times X$ of the diagonal Δ and k is a positive Radon measure on X .

Remark 2.4 Let $B(u, v) = \varepsilon(u, v) - {}^P\varepsilon(u, v)$; for all $u, v \in D(\varepsilon)$. B is a symmetric bilinear form and $B(u, v) \geq 0$ for all $u, v \in D_+(\varepsilon)$, there exists a symmetric positive measure σ on $X \times X$ such that

$$B(u, v) = \int \int_{X \times X} u(x)v(y)\sigma(dx dy), \quad \text{for all } u, v \in C_0(X).$$

Furthermore

$$\varepsilon(u, v) = {}^P\varepsilon(u, v) + \int \int_{X \times X} u(x)v(y)\sigma(dx dy), \quad \text{for all } u, v \in C_0(X).$$

The following is obvious.

Corollary 2.2 (${}^P\varepsilon, D({}^P\varepsilon)$ is a regular Dirichlet form on H . In particular for all $u, v \in C_0(X)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} {}^P\varepsilon(u, v) &= {}^P\varepsilon^{(e)}(u, v) + \int \int_{X \times X - \Delta} (u(x) - u(y))(v(x) - v(y)) dJ^P(x, y) \\ &\quad + \int_X u(x)v(x) dk^P(x) \end{aligned}$$

where $J^P = J + \frac{\sigma}{2} |_{X \times X - \Delta}$.

Proposition 2.4 We have

$$D(\varepsilon) \cap {}^P\mathbf{E}_\alpha = \{u \in \mathbf{E}_\alpha; u - P_\alpha u \in \mathbf{E}_\alpha\}.$$

Proof Let $u \in D(\varepsilon) \cap {}^P\mathbf{E}_\alpha$, then

$$\varepsilon_\alpha(u, v) \geq 0, \text{ for all } v \in D_+(\varepsilon).$$

Hence $u \in \mathbf{E}_\alpha$. Conversely, if $u \in \mathbf{E}_\alpha$ and $u - P_\alpha u \in \mathbf{E}_\alpha$, for every $v \in D_+(\varepsilon)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} {}^P\varepsilon_\alpha(u, v) &= {}^P\varepsilon(u, v) + \alpha(u, v) \\ &= \varepsilon((I - P)u, v) + \alpha(u, v) \\ &= \varepsilon((I - P)u, v) + \alpha(u, v) - \alpha(Pu, v) + \alpha(Pu, v) \\ &= \varepsilon_\alpha((I - P)u, v) + \alpha(Pu, v) \\ &= \varepsilon_\alpha((I - P_\alpha)u, v) \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.5 1. $D(\varepsilon) \cap {}^P\mathbf{E} = \bigcap_{\alpha > 0} (D(\varepsilon) \cap {}^P\mathbf{E}_\alpha) = \{u \in \mathbf{E}; u - Pu \in \mathbf{E}\}$.

2. Let $u \in {}^P\mathbf{E}$. Assume that there exists $v \in \mathbf{E}$ such that $u \leq v$ then $u \in D(\varepsilon)$.

3 Examples

1. $\varepsilon(u, v) = \int_X u(x)v(x)m(dx)$; for all $u, v \in D(\varepsilon) = H$
Let P be a sub-Markovian operator on H , we define

$${}^P\varepsilon(u, v) = (u - Pu, v) ; \text{ for all } u, v \in H.$$

Then $({}^P\varepsilon, D({}^P\varepsilon))$ is a Dirichlet form on H subordinate to a $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$.

2. Let $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ be a Dirichlet form on H , $(W_\alpha)_{\alpha > 0}$ the associated resolvent and $P = \alpha_0 W_{\alpha_0}$. Then $(\varepsilon_{\alpha_0}, D(\varepsilon))$ is a Dirichlet form on H and we have

$$\varepsilon_{\alpha_0}(u - Pu, v) = \varepsilon(u, v) ; \text{ for all } u, v \in D(\varepsilon).$$

3. Let $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ be a regular symmetric Dirichlet form on H and σ a positive Radon measure, symmetric of positive type and sub-Markovian on $X \times X$. By Beurling-Deny's theorem, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon(u, v) &= \varepsilon^{(c)}(u, v) + \int \int_{X \times X - \Delta} (u(x) - u(y))(v(x) - v(y)) dJ(x, y) \\ &\quad + \int_X u(x)v(x) dk(x), \quad \text{for all } u, v \in D(\varepsilon) \cap C_0(X). \end{aligned}$$

Define φ by

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi : \Delta &\longrightarrow X, \\ (x, x) &\longmapsto x \end{aligned}$$

and let μ be the measure on X , defined by

$$A \subset X, \quad \mu(A) = \sigma(\varphi^{-1}(A)).$$

We define

$$\varepsilon^\sigma(u, v) = \varepsilon(u, v) - \int \int_{X \times X} u(x)v(y)\sigma(dx dy) \quad ; \quad \text{for all } u, v \in D(\varepsilon^\sigma).$$

The following are easy to prove.

Proposition 3.1 *If $k \geq \mu$, then $(\varepsilon^\sigma, D(\varepsilon^\sigma))$ is a regular Dirichlet form on H .*

Corollary 3.1 *Assume that $(\varepsilon^\sigma, D(\varepsilon^\sigma))$ is a symmetric Dirichlet form on H . If $(W_\lambda)_{\lambda>0}$ and $(W_\lambda^\sigma)_{\lambda>0}$ are the resolvents associated respectively to $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ and $(\varepsilon^\sigma, D(\varepsilon^\sigma))$, then we get*

$$W_\lambda^\sigma = W_\lambda + W_\lambda A W_\lambda^\sigma = W_\lambda + W_\lambda^\sigma A W_\lambda \quad m - a.e, \quad \text{for all } \lambda > 0$$

where A is the symmetric and sub-Markovian operator associated to σ with $D(A) = H$.

Remark 3.1 (a) $P_\lambda = W_\lambda A$.

(b) There exists α_0 such that $(\varepsilon_{\alpha_0}^\sigma, D(\varepsilon_{\alpha_0}^\sigma))$ is a Dirichlet form on H .

4 Convergence

Let $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ be a symmetric Dirichlet form on H and $(W_\alpha)_{\alpha>0}$ the associated resolvent. Suppose that the sequence of operators $(P_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ satisfies the hypothesis of the section 2 and converges to an operator P in H . Let $\{(P_n \varepsilon, D(P_n \varepsilon)), n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a family of Dirichlet forms on H . Moreover, we assume that there exists a Dirichlet form $(\tilde{\varepsilon}, D(\tilde{\varepsilon}))$

wich satisfies, $D(\tilde{\varepsilon}) \supset \cap_{n \geq 0} D(P^n \varepsilon)$, $\tilde{\varepsilon}(u, u) = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} P^n \varepsilon(u, u)$ for all $u \in \cap_{n \geq 0} D(P^n \varepsilon)$, there exists a constant c independent of n such that $\tilde{\varepsilon}(u, u) \leq c(P^n \varepsilon(u, u) + (u, u))$ for all $u \in \cap_{n \geq 0} D(P^n \varepsilon)$ and the canonical injection from $D(\tilde{\varepsilon})$ into H is compact. Let us denote by $(V_\alpha^{(n)})_{\alpha > 0}$, $(V_\alpha)_{\alpha > 0}$ the resolvents associated to $(P^n \varepsilon, D(P^n \varepsilon))$ and $(\tilde{\varepsilon}, D(\tilde{\varepsilon}))$ respectively.

We have $\sup_n \|\alpha V_\alpha^{(n)}\| \leq 1$, and

$$P^n \varepsilon_\alpha(V_\alpha^{(n)} f, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) = (f, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) \leq \alpha^{-1} \|f\|^2.$$

Then $\sup_n \|V_\alpha^{(n)} f\|_1 < +\infty$, with $\|\cdot\|_1^2 = \tilde{\varepsilon}(\cdot) + (\cdot, \cdot)$. By the Banach-Alaouglu theorem, there exists a subsequence $(V_\alpha^{(n_k)})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ that converges weakly to Vf in $D(\tilde{\varepsilon})$. We can assume that $(V_\alpha^{(n)} f)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to Vf m -a.e. In this section we will prove for all $\alpha > 0$, the strongly convergence of the sequence of resolvent $(V_\alpha^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ to the resolvent V_α in H .

Lemma 4.1 *For all $\alpha > 0$ and $f \in H$, we have*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} [\tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) - P^n \varepsilon_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f)] = 0, \text{ for all } v \in \cap_{n \geq 0} D(P^n \varepsilon).$$

Proof Let $\alpha > 0$, $f \in H$ and $v \in \cap_{n \geq 0} D(P^n \varepsilon)$, we have

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} P^m \varepsilon(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \varepsilon(v - P_m v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) - P^n \varepsilon_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} [P^m \varepsilon_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) - P^n \varepsilon_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f)] \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} [\varepsilon(v - P_m v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) - \varepsilon(v - P_n v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f)] \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \varepsilon(P_n v - P_m v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} [\varepsilon_\alpha(V_\alpha^{(n)} f, P_n v - P_m v) - \alpha(V_\alpha^{(n)} f, P_n v - P_m v)] \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} [\varepsilon_\alpha(\sum_{k \geq 0} P_{\alpha, n}^k W_\alpha f, P_n v - P_m v) - \alpha(V_\alpha^{(n)} f, P_n v - P_m v)] \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} [(\sum_{k \geq 0} P_{\alpha, n}^k f, P_n v - P_m v) - \alpha(V_\alpha^{(n)} f, P_n v - P_m v)]. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} [\tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) - P^n \varepsilon_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f)] = 0.$$

Lemma 4.2 *Let $\alpha > 0$ and $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset H$ such that $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to 0 weakly in H , then $(V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to 0 weakly in $D(\tilde{\varepsilon})$.*

Proof Let $\alpha > 0$, $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset H$ such that $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to 0 weakly in H and $u \in \cap_{n \geq 0} D(P_n \varepsilon)$, we have

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n) = (u, f_n) + \tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n) - P_n \varepsilon_\alpha(u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n) - P_n \varepsilon_\alpha(u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} [\varepsilon(u - P_m u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n) - \varepsilon(v - P_n u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f)_n] \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \varepsilon(P_n u - P_m u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n) \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \varepsilon(V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n, P_n u - P_m u) \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} [(\sum_{k \geq 0} P_{\alpha, n}^k f_n, P_n u - P_m u) + \alpha(V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n, P_m u - P_n u)]. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} [\tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n) - P_n \varepsilon_\alpha(u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f)] = 0.$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(u, V_\alpha^{(n)} f_n) = 0.$$

Proposition 4.1 For all $\alpha > 0$, we have that $(V_\alpha^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges strongly to V_α in H .

Proof Let $\alpha > 0$, $f \in H$ and $v \in \cap_{n \geq 0} D(P_n \varepsilon)$, from lemma 4.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(v, Vf) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} P_n \varepsilon_\alpha(v, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) \\ &= (v, f) = \tilde{\varepsilon}_\alpha(v, V_\alpha f). \end{aligned}$$

Then, we have

$$Vf = V_\alpha f.$$

As

$$\begin{aligned} \|V_\alpha^{(n)} f\|^2 &= (V_\alpha f, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) + (V_\alpha^{(n)} f - V_\alpha f, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) \\ &= (V_\alpha f, V_\alpha^{(n)} f, V_\alpha^{(n)} f) + \int_X V_\alpha^{(n)} (V_\alpha^{(n)} f - V_\alpha f) f dm. \end{aligned}$$

We deduce from lemma 4.2, that

$$V_\alpha^{(n)} f \longrightarrow V_\alpha f \text{ in } H \text{ as } n \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Example

Let $(a, D(a))$ be a regular Dirichlet form on H , $(U_\alpha)_{\alpha > 0}$ be the associated resolvent such that the canonical injection from $D(a)$ into H is compact. We define the regular Dirichlet form $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$ on H by

$$\varepsilon(u, v) = a(u, v) + (u, v); \quad \text{for all } u, v \in D(\varepsilon) = D(a).$$

Note that the resolvent given below

$$W_\alpha = U_{\alpha+1} \ ; \ \text{for all } \ ; \ \alpha > 0$$

is associated to $(\varepsilon, D(\varepsilon))$. Let $\mathcal{L}_S(H)$ be the set of positive, symmetric and sub-Markovian operators on H . Let us consider a sequence $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{L}_S(H)$ and $A \in \mathcal{L}_S(H)$ such that $\|A_n - A\| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$.

For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we set

$${}^{P_n}\varepsilon(u, v) = \varepsilon(u, v) - \int \int_{X \times X} u(x)v(y)\sigma_n(dxdy); \text{ for all } \ u, v \in D({}^{P_n}\varepsilon) = D(\varepsilon)$$

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}(u, v) = \varepsilon(u, v) - \int \int_{X \times X} u(x)v(y)\sigma(dxdy); \text{ for all } \ u, v \in D(\tilde{\varepsilon}) = D(\varepsilon)$$

where σ_n (resp. σ) describe the Radon measure defined on $X \times X$ associated to A_n (resp. A). It's easy to check that $(\tilde{\varepsilon}, D(\tilde{\varepsilon}))$ and $({}^{P_n}\varepsilon, D({}^{P_n}\varepsilon))$ are Dirichlet forms on H satisfying

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}(u, u) = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} {}^{P_n}\varepsilon(u, u) \ \text{for all } \ u \in D(\varepsilon).$$

Let $(V_\alpha^{(n)})_{\alpha > 0}$ and $(V_\alpha)_{\alpha > 0}$ be associated resovents respectively to $({}^{P_n}\varepsilon, D({}^{P_n}\varepsilon))$, then we have

$$V_\alpha^{(n)} = W_\alpha + W_\alpha A_n V_\alpha^{(n)} = W_\alpha + V_\alpha^{(n)} A_n W_\alpha \ \text{m - a.e, for all } \ \alpha > 0$$

and

$$V_\alpha = W_\alpha + W_\alpha A V_\alpha = W_\alpha + V_\alpha A W_\alpha \ \text{m - a.e, for all } \ \alpha > 0.$$

Hence,

$$P_n = W A_n, \ P = W A \ \text{where } \ W = U_1 \ \text{and} \ \ \|P_n - P\| \rightarrow 0 \ \ \text{as } \ n \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Moreover,

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}(u, u) \leq 2 ({}^{P_n}\varepsilon(u, u) + (u, u)); \ \text{for all } \ u \in D(\varepsilon).$$

Finally, we conclude that for all $\alpha > 0$, $(V_\alpha^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges strongly to V_α in H .

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