

SLE $_{\kappa}$: correlation functions in coefficient problem

Igor LOUTSENKO

Institut de Mathématiques de Jussieu,

Université Paris Diderot

e-mail: loutsenko@math.jussieu.fr

January 20, 2012

Abstract

We apply method of correlation functions to coefficient problem in stochastic geometry. In particular, we give a proof for some universal patterns conjectured by M. Zinsmeister [1] for second moments of coefficients of conformal mappings for special values of κ in the whole-plane Schramm-Loewner evolution (SLE $_{\kappa}$). We propose to use multi-point correlation functions for study of higher moments in coefficient problem. Generalizations related to the Levy-type processes are also considered.

1 Coefficient problem for radial and whole plane SLE $_{\kappa}$: main results

Radial stochastic Schramm-Loewner Evolution (SLE $_{\kappa}$, see e.g. [3]) describes dynamics of a slit domain in the z -plane that is a growth of a random planar curve $\Gamma = \Gamma(t)$ starting from a point on a unit circle $|z| = 1$ at $t = 0$. It is represented by the time dependent conformal mapping $z = F(w, t)$:

$$\frac{\partial F(w, t)}{\partial t} = w \frac{\partial F(w, t)}{\partial w} \frac{w + e^{iB(t)}}{w - e^{iB(t)}}, \quad t \geq 0, \quad F(w, 0) = w, \quad (1)$$

where $B(t)$ is Brownian motion with “temperature” κ :

$$\langle (B(t) - B(t'))^2 \rangle = \kappa |t - t'|.$$

Everywhere through the article $\langle \rangle$ denotes expectation.

One can consider either “exterior” problem, where curve is growing in an exterior of the unit circle Ω_+ in the w -plane, which is mapped by F to $\Omega_+ \setminus \Gamma(t)$ in the z -plane

$$F(w, t) = e^t \left(w + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{F_i(t)}{w^i} \right), \quad |w| > 1,$$

or an “interior” problem, where an interior of a unit circle Ω_- is mapped to $\Omega_- \setminus \Gamma(t)$

$$F(w, t) = e^{-t} \left(w + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} F_i(t) w^i \right), \quad |w| < 1.$$

Since SLE $_{\kappa}$ is a conformally invariant stochastic process, exterior and interior problems are related by inversion $F(w, t) \rightarrow 1/F(1/w, t)$.

The whole plane SLE $_{\kappa}$ is the limit of an interior problem

$$\mathcal{F}(w, t) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} e^T F(w, T - t) \quad (2)$$

describing the growth process in an infinite slit domain by “erasing” in time a curve/slit that starts at some point on the plane and goes to infinity. Here \mathcal{F} maps an interior of a unit circle to $C \setminus \Gamma(t)$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}(w, t)}{\partial t} = -w \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}(w, t)}{\partial w} \frac{w + e^{iB(t)}}{w - e^{iB(t)}}, \quad \mathcal{F}(w, t) = e^t \left(w + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}_i(t) w^i \right), \quad |w| < 1 \quad (3)$$

In the work [1], the Bieberbach conjecture (see e.g. [3], [4]) has been revisited in the framework of the SLE_κ : The authors of [1] performed calculations of expectation values of squares of absolute values of several first Taylor coefficients $\langle |\mathcal{F}_i|^2 \rangle := \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \langle |\mathcal{F}_i(t)|^2 \rangle$ for stochastic Loewner evolution driven by Levy processes. They observed some universal patterns, and in particular for the SLE_κ with $\kappa = 6$ and $\kappa = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa = 2, \quad \langle |\mathcal{F}_n|^2 \rangle &= n \\ \kappa = 6, \quad \langle |\mathcal{F}_n|^2 \rangle &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

In the present article we prove the above conjecture.

Our study relies on technique of correlation functions, which is introduced in the next section. The multi-point correlation functions are considered in the context of evaluation of higher moments of expectations of the Taylor coefficients. This approach is also generalized to the case of the Loewner evolution driven by Levy processes.

2 Correlation functions of SLE_κ

We rewrite Loewner equations (1) and (3) in the “moving/rotating frame”, where the point $w = 1$ is mapped by f to the tip of the growing/erasing curve. For the exterior radial SLE_κ we then get

$$df(w, t) = w \frac{\partial f(w, t)}{\partial w} \left(\frac{w+1}{w-1} dt + idB \right), \quad f(w, t) = F(we^{iB(t)}, t) = e^{t+iB(t)} \left(w + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j(t) w^j \right)$$

while for the whole plane SLE_κ we have

$$df(w, t) = -w \frac{\partial f(w, t)}{\partial w} \left(\frac{w+1}{w-1} dt + idB \right), \quad f(w, t) = \mathcal{F}(we^{iB(t)}, t) = e^{t+iB(t)} \left(w + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} f_j(t) w^j \right)$$

Remind, that in the “fixed frame” (1), (3), the rotating point $w = e^{iB(t)}$ on the circle was mapped to the moving tip of the growing/erasing curve.

We now define the correlation function

$$\rho(w, \bar{w} | q; \kappa) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-qt} \langle (f'(w, t) \bar{f}'(\bar{w}, t))^{q/2} \rangle \quad (4)$$

where prime denotes w -derivative. We do not assume that the second argument of the above correlation function \bar{w} is a complex conjugate of the first one w , so we call this correlation function the “2-point” one. Bar over a function denotes its complex conjugation i.e. if $f(w) = \sum_i f_i w^i$, then $\bar{f}(w) = \sum_i \bar{f}_i w^i$, where \bar{f}_i is the complex conjugate of f_i . In the case when \bar{w} is a complex conjugate of w , function ρ is the q -th moment of the harmonic measure.

Expectations of squares of absolute values of Laurent/Taylor coefficients are same in both frames $\langle f_j(t) \bar{f}_j(t) \rangle = \langle F_j(t) \bar{F}_j(t) \rangle$ and by the definition (4)

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \langle |F_j(t)|^2 \rangle = \rho_{j,j}(2, \kappa),$$

where $ij\rho_{i,j}(q, \kappa)$ are coefficients of expansion of $\rho(w, \bar{w}|q; \kappa)$:

$$\rho(w, \bar{w}|q; \kappa) = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{ij\rho_{i,j}(q, \kappa)}{w^{i+1}\bar{w}^{j+1}} \quad (5)$$

for exterior radial SLE or

$$\rho(w, \bar{w}|q; \kappa) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} ij\rho_{i,j}(q, \kappa)w^{i-1}\bar{w}^{j-1}, \quad \rho_{1,1} = 1, \quad (6)$$

for whole plane SLE.

Diagonal coefficients $\rho_{j,j}(q, \kappa)$ are invariant in any rotating frame.

Lemma 1: The 2-point correlation function (4) satisfies the following differential equation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}[\rho](w, \bar{w}|q; \kappa) &= \sigma q \rho(w, \bar{w}|q; \kappa) \quad (7) \\ \mathcal{L} &= -\frac{\kappa}{2} \left(w \frac{\partial}{\partial w} - \bar{w} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}} \right)^2 + \frac{w+1}{w-1} w \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + \frac{\bar{w}+1}{\bar{w}-1} \bar{w} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}} - q \left(\frac{1}{(w-1)^2} + \frac{1}{(\bar{w}-1)^2} - 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

where $\sigma = 1$ for exterior radial SLE $_{\kappa}$, and $\sigma = -1$ for interior radial or the whole plane SLE $_{\kappa}$.

Proof: The proof relies on procedure introduced by Hastings [2] for derivation of multi-fractal spectrum of SLE $_{\kappa}$. We start with exterior radial SLE $_{\kappa}$.

From (4) it follows that at $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle g(w, \bar{w}, t) \rangle = q \langle g(w, \bar{w}, t) \rangle, \quad g(w, \bar{w}, t) = (f'(w, t) \bar{f}'(\bar{w}, t))^{q/2} \quad (8)$$

Using the fact that for the Loewner evolution $f(w, t + \delta t) = f(\psi(w, \delta t), t)$, where

$$d\psi(w, \delta t) = w \frac{\partial \psi(w, \delta t)}{\partial w} \left(\frac{w+1}{w-1} d\delta t + i dB(t + \delta t) \right), \quad \psi(w, \delta t = 0) = w$$

we find that in the first order in δt

$$f(w, t + \delta t) = f(w + \delta\phi(w), t), \quad \delta\phi(w) = w \frac{w+1}{w-1} \delta t + iw\delta B - \frac{w}{2} (\delta B)^2, \quad \delta B = B(t + \delta t) - B(t)$$

and

$$g(w, \bar{w}, t + \delta t) = g(w + \delta\phi(w), \bar{w} + \delta\bar{\phi}(\bar{w}), t) (1 + \delta\phi'(w))^{q/2} (1 + \delta\bar{\phi}'(\bar{w}))^{q/2}$$

Equating expectations of RHS and LHS of the above and taking into account that $\langle \delta B \rangle = 0$, $\langle (\delta B)^2 \rangle = \kappa \delta t$ we obtain

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle g(w, \bar{w}, t) \rangle = \mathcal{L}[\langle g(w, \bar{w}, t) \rangle],$$

Finally, with the help of (4) and (8) we arrive at differential equation (7) with $\sigma = 1$ for the exterior radial SLE $_{\kappa}$.

For the whole plane SLE $_{\kappa}$, equation for correlation functions coincides, due to (2), with that for an interior radial SLE $_{\kappa}$. As a consequence derivation for the interior case coincides with that of the exterior, except the factor e^{qt} must replace e^{-qt} in (4), so that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle g(w, \bar{w}, t) \rangle = -q \langle g(w, \bar{w}, t) \rangle,$$

and we arrive at equation (7) with $\sigma = -1$.

3 Whole plane SLE $_{\kappa}$

Consider the whole plane or interior radial SLE $_{\kappa}$ first. Substituting (6) into (7) we get recurrence relation for $\rho_{i,j}$:

$$\sum_{n=0}^2 \sum_{k=0}^2 C_{i,j}^{n,k} \theta_{i-n,j-k} = 0, \quad \theta_{i,j} = ij\rho_{i,j}, \quad \theta_{1,1} = 1, \quad \theta_{i \leq 0, j} = \theta_{i, j \leq 0} = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$C_{i,j}^{0,0} = -\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j)^2 + i + j - 2\right)$$

$$C_{i,j}^{1,1} = -4\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j)^2 - 2q\right)$$

$$C_{i,j}^{2,2} = -\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j)^2 - i - j + 6 - 2q\right)$$

$$C_{i,j}^{0,1} = 2\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(j-i-1)^2 + i - 1 - q\right), \quad C_{i,j}^{1,0} = 2\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j-1)^2 + j - 1 - q\right)$$

$$C_{i,j}^{0,2} = -\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(j-i-2)^2 + i - j + 2 - q\right), \quad C_{i,j}^{2,0} = -\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j-2)^2 + j - i + 2 - q\right),$$

$$C_{i,j}^{1,2} = 2\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j+1)^2 + 3 - j - 2q\right), \quad C_{i,j}^{2,1} = 2\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(j-i+1)^2 + 3 - i - 2q\right)$$

From this recurrence relation any $\rho_{i,j}(q, \kappa)$ can be found in a consecutive manner: We express $\rho_{i,j}$ as a linear combination of 8 coefficients $\rho_{i,j-1}$, $\rho_{i,j-2}$, $\rho_{i-1,j}$, $\rho_{i-1,j-1}$, $\rho_{i-1,j-2}$, $\rho_{i-2,j}$, $\rho_{i-2,j-1}$, $\rho_{i-2,j-2}$. At the first step we find $\rho_{1,2}$, then $\rho_{2,2}$ etc up to $\rho_{1,n}$. Repeating similar procedure for the second row $\rho_{2,j}$, $j = 1..n$, then for the third row $\rho_{3,j}...$ up to the n -th row $\rho_{n,j}$, $j = 1..n$, we get all $\rho_{1..n,1..n}$.

For example

$$\rho_{2,2}(q, \kappa) = \frac{2q^2}{2 + \kappa}$$

$$\rho_{3,3}(q, \kappa) = \frac{q^2}{36} \frac{9\kappa^2 + 8(14q + 7 + 16q^2)\kappa + 12(4q + 1)^2}{(2 + \kappa)(1 + \kappa)(6 + \kappa)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{4,4}(q, \kappa) = & \frac{q^2}{72} (240(2 + 3q + 4q^2)^2 + 16\kappa^5 + 8(744q^4 + 340 + 1152q + 2363q^2 + 1572q^3)\kappa^2 \\ & + 8(701q^2 + 378q^3 + 414q + 192 + 144q^4)\kappa^3 + 32(635q^2 + 56 + 498q^3 + 272q^4 + 258q)\kappa \\ & + (204q + 243q^2 + 284)\kappa^4) / ((2 + \kappa)^2(1 + \kappa)(6 + \kappa)(2 + 3\kappa)(10 + \kappa)) \end{aligned}$$

etc.

Several first expectations of $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \langle |F_j(t)|^2 \rangle = \rho_{j,j}(2, \kappa)$ are then

$$\langle |F_2|^2 \rangle = \frac{8}{2 + \kappa}$$

$$\langle |F_3|^2 \rangle = \frac{88\kappa + 108 + \kappa^2}{(2 + \kappa)(1 + \kappa)(6 + \kappa)}$$

$$\langle |F_4|^2 \rangle = \frac{8(104\kappa^4 + 22896\kappa + 4576\kappa^3 + 18288\kappa^2 + \kappa^5 + 8640)}{9(2 + \kappa)^2(1 + \kappa)(6 + \kappa)(2 + 3\kappa)(10 + \kappa)}$$

etc, which coincides with results of computer experiments given in [1].

There are two particular values of κ for which the following special results hold

Theorem 1:

- For $\kappa = 6$, $\langle |F_n|^2 \rangle = 1$
- For $\kappa = 2$, $\langle |F_n|^2 \rangle = n$

Proof: Proof is by direct solution of recurrence relation (9)

- For $\kappa = 6$, matrix $\rho_{i,j}$ is tri-diagonal, i.e. $\rho_{i,j} = 0$, if $|i-j| > 1$. Nonzero matrix elements are $\rho_{i,i} = 1$, and $\rho_{i,i-1} = \rho_{i-1,i} = -1/2$. One verifies the first statement of the theorem by direct substitution of $q = 2, \kappa = 6$, and the above matrix elements into (9).
- For $\kappa = 2$, matrix $\rho_{i,j}$ is five-diagonal, i.e. $\rho_{i,j} = 0$, if $|i-j| > 2$. Nonzero matrix elements are $\rho_{i,i} = i$, $\rho_{i,i-1} = \rho_{i-1,i} = (1-2i)/3$, $\rho_{i,i-2} = \rho_{i-2,i} = (i-1)/6$. One verifies the second statement of the theorem by direct substitution of $q = 2, \kappa = 2$, and the above matrix elements into (9).

Remark: An alternative proof can be done using the explicit solutions of (7) for $q = 2$ and $\kappa = 6, \kappa = 2$

$$\rho(w, \bar{w}|q = 2; \kappa = 6) = \frac{(1-w)(1-\bar{w})}{(1-w\bar{w})^3}, \quad \rho(w, \bar{w}|q = 2; \kappa = 2) = \frac{(1-w)^2(1-\bar{w})^2}{(1-w\bar{w})^4} \quad (10)$$

It is interesting to note that

$$\rho\left(w, \bar{w}|q = \frac{(2+\kappa)(6+\kappa)}{8\kappa}; \kappa\right) = \frac{((1-w)(1-\bar{w}))^{\frac{6+\kappa}{2\kappa}}}{(1-w\bar{w})^{\frac{(6+\kappa)^2}{8\kappa}}} \quad (11)$$

which comprises two of the above special cases.

4 Exterior radial SLE $_{\kappa}$

In the exterior problem coefficients in the recurrence relation (9) take the following values

$$\begin{aligned} C_{i,j}^{0,0} &= -\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j)^2 + i + j + 2\right) \\ C_{i,j}^{1,1} &= -2\kappa(i-j)^2 \\ C_{i,j}^{2,2} &= -\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j)^2 - i - j + 2 + 2q\right) \\ C_{i,j}^{0,1} &= 2\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(j-i-1)^2 + i + 1\right), \quad C_{i,j}^{1,0} = 2\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j-1)^2 + j + 1\right) \\ C_{i,j}^{0,2} &= -\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(j-i-2)^2 + i - j + 2 + q\right), \quad C_{i,j}^{2,0} = -\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j-2)^2 + j - i + 2 + q\right), \\ C_{i,j}^{1,2} &= 2\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(i-j+1)^2 - j + 1 + q\right), \quad C_{i,j}^{2,1} = 2\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}(j-i+1)^2 - i + 1 + q\right) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly to the whole-plane case, any $\rho_{i,j}$ can be found recursively. Here we list several first $\rho_{i,i}$

$$\rho_{1,1}(q, \kappa) = \frac{q^2}{4(\kappa + 1)}$$

$$\rho_{2,2}(q, \kappa) = \frac{2q^2 \kappa(6 + \kappa)}{9(\kappa + 1)(3\kappa + 2)(\kappa + 10)}$$

$$\rho_{3,3} = \frac{q^2}{576} (840(q - 2)^2 + 4(1084 - 1012q + 63q^2)\kappa + 4(3q^2 - 3q + 602)\kappa^4 + 6(3876 + 52q + 349q^2)\kappa^2 + 108\kappa^5 + (532q + 305q^2 + 13620)\kappa^3) / ((\kappa + 1)(\kappa + 3)(3\kappa + 2)(2\kappa + 1)(\kappa + 10)(\kappa + 14))$$

etc. For $q = 2$ we have expectation values of $\langle |F_i|^2 \rangle$:

$$\langle |F_1|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{(\kappa + 1)}$$

$$\langle |F_2|^2 \rangle = \frac{8\kappa(6 + \kappa)}{9(\kappa + 1)(3\kappa + 2)(\kappa + 10)}$$

$$\langle |F_3|^2 \rangle = \frac{\kappa(6 + \kappa)(27\kappa^3 + 446\kappa^2 + 1300\kappa + 264)}{36(\kappa + 1)(\kappa + 3)(3\kappa + 2)(2\kappa + 1)(\kappa + 10)(\kappa + 14)}$$

etc.

5 Multi-point correlation functions

To estimate expectations of higher degrees of the Taylor coefficients, one needs to introduce multi-point correlation functions. For instance, the 4-point correlation function

$$\rho(w_1, w_2, \bar{w}_1, \bar{w}_2 | q_1, q_2; \kappa) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(q_1 + q_2)t/2} \langle (f'(w_1, t) \bar{f}'(\bar{w}_1, t))^{q_1/2} (f'(w_2, t) \bar{f}'(\bar{w}_2, t))^{q_2/2} \rangle$$

allows to estimate

$$\langle F_i F_j \bar{F}_l \bar{F}_n \rangle, \quad i + j = l + n$$

from the Taylor/Laurent expansion of $\rho(w_1, w_2, \bar{w}_1, \bar{w}_2 | 2, 2; \kappa)$. Similarly to the 2-point case the Taylor/Laurent coefficients can be found by solution of a PDE for the $2n$ -point correlation function. By analogy with Lemma 1 we have the following

Proposition 1: The $2n$ -point correlation function

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho(w_1, \dots, w_n, \bar{w}_1, \dots, \bar{w}_n | q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n; \kappa) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(q_1 + q_2 + \dots + q_n)t/2} \langle (f'(w_1, t) \bar{f}'(\bar{w}_1, t))^{q_1/2} \dots (f'(w_n, t) \bar{f}'(\bar{w}_n, t))^{q_n/2} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

satisfies the following second-order linear PDE

$$\mathcal{L}[\rho](w_1, \dots, w_n, \bar{w}_1, \dots, \bar{w}_n | q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n; \kappa) = \sigma \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i \right) \rho(w_1, \dots, w_n, \bar{w}_1, \dots, \bar{w}_n | q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n; \kappa) \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \frac{\kappa}{2} \left(\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \left(w_i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} - w_j \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \right)^2 + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \left(\bar{w}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}_i} - \bar{w}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}_j} \right)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left(w_i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} - \bar{w}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}_j} \right)^2 \right) \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{w_i + 1}{w_i - 1} w_i \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} + \frac{\bar{w}_i + 1}{\bar{w}_i - 1} \bar{w}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}_i} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \left(\frac{1}{(w_i - 1)^2} + \frac{1}{(\bar{w}_i - 1)^2} - 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

where $\sigma = 1$ for exterior radial SLE $_{\kappa}$ and $\sigma = -1$ for interior radial/whole plane SLE $_{\kappa}$.

Similarly to the 2-point case (4), any coefficient $\rho_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n; j_1, j_2, \dots, j_n}$ of the Taylor/Laurent expansion of the $2n$ -point function ρ (below we use vector notations $i := i_1, \dots, i_n; j := j_1, \dots, j_n; w := w_1, \dots, w_n; \bar{w} := \bar{w}_1, \dots, \bar{w}_n; q := q_1, \dots, q_n$)

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho(w, \bar{w}|q, \kappa) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{i_n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{j_n=1}^{\infty} i_1 i_2 \cdots i_n j_1 j_2 \cdots j_n \rho_{i,j}(q; \kappa) w_1^{-\sigma i_1 - 1} \cdots w_n^{-\sigma i_n - 1} \bar{w}_1^{-\sigma j_1 - 1} \cdots \bar{w}_n^{-\sigma j_n - 1}, \end{aligned}$$

can be found in a consecutive manner using the “ $2n$ -dimensional” recursion relation

$$\sum_{l_1=0}^2 \cdots \sum_{l_n=0}^2 \sum_{k_1=0}^2 \cdots \sum_{k_n=0}^2 C_{i,j}^{l,k} \rho_{i-l, j-k} = 0, \quad \rho_{1,1,\dots,1} = 1, \quad \rho_{i<0, j} = \rho_{i, j<0} = 0,$$

where expressions for $C_{i,j}^{l,k}$ can be explicitly found by substitution of the above Taylor/Laurent expansion of $\rho(w, \bar{w}|q; \kappa)$ into (12).

6 Non-Brownian processes

The above considerations generalize straightforwardly to the case of stochastic Loewner evolution driven by Levy processes $L(t)$. Following Hastings’ approach [2], one arrives to the analog of equation (7) for the two-point correlation function

$$-\hat{\eta}[\rho](w, \bar{w}) + \frac{w+1}{w-1} w \frac{\partial \rho(w, \bar{w})}{\partial w} + \frac{\bar{w}+1}{\bar{w}-1} \bar{w} \frac{\partial \rho(w, \bar{w})}{\partial \bar{w}} - q \left(\frac{1}{(w-1)^2} + \frac{1}{(\bar{w}-1)^2} - 1 + \sigma \right) \rho(w, \bar{w}) = 0, \quad (13)$$

where

$$\hat{\eta}[\rho](w, \bar{w}) = -\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\langle \rho(e^{iL(t)} w, e^{-iL(t)} \bar{w}) - \rho(w, \bar{w}) \rangle}{t}, \quad L(t=0) = 0.$$

Equations for multi-point correlation functions can be also derived in a similar manner.

As suggested in [1] one can consider the coefficient problem for Levy processes with characteristic functions of the following type:

$$\langle e^{i\tau L(t)} \rangle = e^{-t\eta(\tau)}, \quad \eta(n) = \bar{\eta}(n) = \eta(-n).$$

For these processes, in the whole plane/interior radial ($\sigma = -1$, (6)) case we have

$$\hat{\eta}[\rho](w, \bar{w}) = \eta \left(w \frac{\partial}{\partial w} - \bar{w} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}} \right) [\rho](w, \bar{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} i j \rho_{i,j} \eta_{i-j} w^{i-1} \bar{w}^{j-1}.$$

where $\eta_i := \eta(i)$.

By analogy with the Brownian case, the coefficient moment expectations can be obtained from recurrence relation (9) with

$$\begin{aligned} C_{i,j}^{0,0} &= -\eta_{i-j} - i - j + 2, \\ C_{i,j}^{1,1} &= -2(\eta_{i-j} - 4q), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{i,j}^{2,2} &= -\eta_{i-j} + i + j - 6 + 2q, \\
C_{i,j}^{0,1} &= 2(\eta_{i-j+1} + i - 1 - q), \quad C_{i,j}^{1,0} = 2(\eta_{i-j-1} + j - 1 - q), \\
C_{i,j}^{0,2} &= -\eta_{i-j+2} + j - i - 2 + q, \quad C_{i,j}^{2,0} = -\eta_{i-j-2} + i - j - 2 + q, \\
C_{i,j}^{1,2} &= 2(\eta_{i-j+1} + 3 - j - 2q), \quad C_{i,j}^{2,1} = 2(\eta_{i-j-1} + 3 - i - 2q).
\end{aligned}$$

As conjectured in [1] (by calculations of $\langle |F_n|^2 \rangle$ for $n \leq 20$), an analog of Theorem 1 holds for Levy processes with $\eta_1 = 1, 3$, that correspond to $\kappa = 2, 6$ in the SLE_κ case.

The case $\eta_1 = 3$ can be easily proved either by repeating arguments of Theorem 1 that now use the above recurrence coefficients or by explicit solution of equation (13): The $\eta_1 = 3$ solution of (13) coincides with the $q = 2, \kappa = 6$ solution (10) of equation (7).

The case $\eta_1 = 1$ seems to be more involved.

Acknowledgement

The author would like to acknowledge useful information received from A. Boutet de Monvel, B. Duplantier J.J. Sansuc, A. Zhedanov and M. Zinsmeister. This work has been supported by the European Commission 7th framework IEF grants.

References

- [1] Duplantier Bertrand, Nguyen Thi Phuong Chi, Nguyen Thi Thuy Nga, Zinsmeister Michel, *Coefficient estimates for whole-plane SLE processes*, 2011, hal-00609774
- [2] M. B. Hastings, *Exact Multifractal Spectra for Arbitrary Laplacian Random Walks*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 88, 055506 (2002)
- [3] Greg Lawler, *Conformally invariant processes in the plane*, Mathematical Surveys and Monographs, 114, Providence, R.I., AMS, 2005.
- [4] Sheng Gong, *The Bieberbach conjecture*, Amer. Math. Soc., International Press, Providence, RI, 1999.