

# Asymptotic moments of spatial branching processes

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## $(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{G})$ -BRANCHING MARKOV PROCESS

- Particles will live in  $E$  a Lusin space (e.g. a Polish space would be enough)
- Let  $\mathbb{P} = (\mathbb{P}_t, t \geq 0)$  be a semigroup on  $E$ .
- Write  $B^+(E)$  for non-negative bounded measurable functions on  $E$

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- Particles evolve independently according to a  $\mathbb{P}$ -Markov process.
  - In an event which we refer to as 'branching', particles positioned at  $x$  die at rate  $\beta \in B^+(E)$  and instantaneously, new particles are created in  $E$  according to a point process.
  - The configurations of these offspring are described by the random counting measure

$$\mathcal{Z}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{x_i}(A),$$

with probabilities  $\mathcal{P}_x$ , where  $x \in E$  is the position of death of the parent.

- Without loss of generality we can assume that  $\mathcal{P}_x(N = 1) = 0$ . On the other hand, we do allow for the possibility that  $\mathcal{P}_x(N = 0) > 0$  for some or all  $x \in E$ .
- Henceforth we refer to this spatial branching process as a  $(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{G})$ -branching Markov process.

## (P, G)-BRANCHING MARKOV PROCESS

- Define the so-called branching mechanism

$$G[f](x) := \beta(x) \mathcal{E}_x \left[ \prod_{i=1}^N f(x_i) - f(x) \right], \quad x \in E,$$

where we recall  $f \in B_1^+(E) := \{f \in B^+(E) : \sup_{x \in E} f(x) \leq 1\}$ .

- Configuration of particles at time  $t$  is denoted by  $\{x_1(t), \dots, x_{N_t}(t)\}$  and, on the event that the process has not become extinct or exploded,

$$X_t(\cdot) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_t} \delta_{x_i(t)}(\cdot), \quad t \geq 0.$$

is Markovian in  $N(E)$ , the space of integer atomic measures.

- Its probabilities will be denoted  $\mathbb{P} := (\mathbb{P}_\mu, \mu \in N(E))$ .
- Define,

$$v_t[f](x) = \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^{N_t} f(x_i(t)) \right], \quad f \in B_1^+(E), t \geq 0.$$

- Non-linear evolution semigroup

$$v_t[f](x) = \hat{P}_t[f](x) + \int_0^t \mathbb{P}_s [G[v_{t-s}[f]]](x) ds, \quad t \geq 0.$$

## $k$ -TH MOMENT

- Our main results concern understanding the growth of the  $k$ -th moment functional in time

$$\mathbb{T}_t^{(k)}[f](x) := \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x}[\langle f, X_t \rangle^k], \quad x \in E, f \in B^+(E), k \geq 1, t \geq 0.$$

- **Notational convenience:** Write  $\mathbb{T}_t$  in place of  $\mathbb{T}_t^{(1)}$
- **Related historical work:** A number of papers have opened the topic of moments for branching particle systems and superprocesses, including e.g. :

◦ E. Dumonteil and A. Mazzolo. Residence times of branching diffusion processes. *Phys. Rev. E*, 94:012131, 2016.

◦ J. Fleischman. Limiting distributions for branching random fields. *Trans. Amer. Math. Soc.*, 239:353–389, 1978.

◦ I. Iscoe. On the supports of measure-valued critical branching Brownian motion. *Ann. Probab.*, 16(1):200–221, 1988.

◦ A. Klenke. Multiple scale analysis of clusters in spatial branching models. *Ann. Probab.*, 25(4):1670–1711, 1997.

- Our objective: to show that for  $k \geq 2$  and any positive bounded measurable function  $f$  on  $E$ ,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g_k(t) \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x}[\langle f, X_t \rangle^k] = C_k(x, f)$$

where the constant  $C_k(x, f)$  can be identified explicitly.

- We need **two** fundamental assumptions.

## ASSUMPTION (H1): ASMUSSEN-HERING CLASS

There exists an eigenvalue  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and a corresponding right eigenfunction  $\varphi \in B^+(E)$  and finite left eigenmeasure  $\tilde{\varphi}$  such that, for  $f \in B^+(E)$ ,

$$\langle \mathbb{T}_t[\varphi], \mu \rangle = e^{\lambda t} \langle \varphi, \mu \rangle \text{ and } \langle \mathbb{T}_t[f], \tilde{\varphi} \rangle = e^{\lambda t} \langle f, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle,$$

for all  $\mu \in N(E)$  if  $(X, \mathbb{P})$  is a branching Markov process (resp. a superprocess). Further let us define

$$\Delta_t = \sup_{x \in E, f \in B_1^+(E)} |\varphi(x)^{-1} e^{-\lambda t} \mathbb{T}_t[f](x) - \langle \tilde{\varphi}, f \rangle|, \quad t \geq 0.$$

We suppose that

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \Delta_t < \infty \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_t = 0.$$

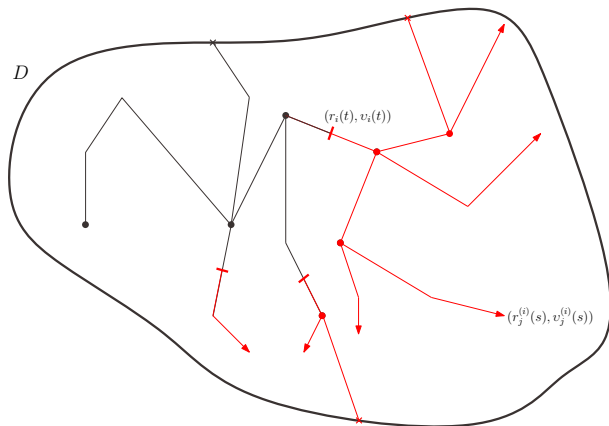
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**NOTE:** This assumption allows us to talk about criticality of the  $(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{G})$ -BMP:

$$\lambda = 0 \text{ (critical)} \mid \lambda > 0 \text{ (supercritical)} \mid \lambda < 0 \text{ (subcritical)}$$

## WHO LIVES IN THE ASMUSSEN-HERING CLASS?

- Branching Brownian Motion in a bounded domain
- Neutron Branching process in a Bounded domain



## ASSUMPTION (H2)<sub>k</sub>

$$\sup_{x \in E} \mathcal{E}_x(\langle 1, \mathcal{Z} \rangle^k) < \infty.$$

## THEOREM: THE CRITICAL CASE ( $\lambda = 0$ )

Suppose that (H1) holds along with (H2) $_k$  for some  $k \geq 2$  and  $\lambda = 0$ . Define

$$\Delta_t^{(\ell)} = \sup_{x \in E, \|f\| \leq 1} \left| t^{-(\ell-1)} \varphi(x)^{-1} T_t^{(\ell)}[f](x) - 2^{-(\ell-1)} \ell! \langle f, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^\ell \langle \mathbb{V}[\varphi], \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^{\ell-1} \right|,$$

where

$$\mathbb{V}[\varphi](x) = \beta(x) \mathcal{E}_x \left( \langle \varphi, \mathcal{Z} \rangle^2 - \langle \varphi^2, \mathcal{Z} \rangle \right).$$

Then, for all  $\ell \leq k$

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} < \infty \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} = 0.$$

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In short, subject to (H1) at criticality and (H2) $_k$ , we have, for  $f \in B_1^+(E)$ ,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-(k-1)} \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} \left[ \langle f, X_t \rangle^k \right] = 2^{-(k-1)} k! \langle f, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^k \langle \mathbb{V}[\varphi], \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^{k-1} \varphi(x)$$

"At criticality the  $k$ -th moment scales like  $t^{k-1}$ "



## IDEAS FROM THE PROOF

- The obvious starting point:

$$T_t^{(k)}[f](x) = (-1)^k \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \theta^k} \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} [e^{-\theta \langle f, X_t \rangle}] \Big|_{\theta=0}$$

- Recall that

$$v_t[f](x) = \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^{N_t} f(x_i(t)) \right], \quad f \in B_1^+(E), t \geq 0.$$

- Non-linear evolution semigroup

$$v_t[f](x) = \hat{P}_t[f](x) + \int_0^t \mathbb{E}_s [G[v_{t-s}[f]]](x) ds, \quad t \geq 0.$$

- Hence

$$v_t[e^{-\theta f}](x) = \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} [e^{-\theta \langle f, X_t \rangle}]$$

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- We need a new representation of the non-linear semigroup  $(v_t, t \geq 0)$  which connects us to the assumption (H1).

## LINEAR TO NON-LINEAR SEMIGROUP

- Recall

$$T_t[f](x) = T_t^{(1)}[f](x) = \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x}[\langle f, X_t \rangle], \quad t \geq 0, f \in B_1^+(E), x \in E.$$

- For  $f \in B^+(E)$ , it is well known that the mean semigroup evolution satisfies

$$T_t[f](x) = P_t[f] + \int_0^t P_s [\mathbb{F}T_{t-s}[f]](x) ds \quad t \geq 0, x \in E, \quad (1)$$

where

$$\mathbb{F}[f](x) = \beta(x) \mathcal{E}_x \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i) - f(x) \right], \quad x \in E.$$

## LINEAR TO NON-LINEAR SEMIGROUP

We now define a variant of the non-linear evolution semigroup equation

$$u_t[f](x) = \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} \left[ 1 - \prod_{i=1}^{N_t} f(x_i(t)) \right], \quad t \geq 0, x \in E, f \in B_1^+(E).$$

For  $f \in B_1^+(E)$ , define

$$A[f](x) = \beta(x) \mathcal{E}_x \left[ \prod_{i=1}^N (1 - f(x_i)) - 1 + \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i) \right], \quad x \in E.$$

$$v_t[f](x) = \hat{P}_t[f](x) + \int_0^t P_s [G[v_{t-s}[f]]](x) ds \quad \text{and} \quad T_t[f](x) = P_t[f] + \int_0^t P_s [F T_{t-s}[f]](x) ds$$

gives us.....

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### Lemma

For all  $g \in B_1^+(E)$ ,  $x \in E$  and  $t \geq 0$ , the non-linear semigroup  $u_t[g](x)$  satisfies

$$u_t[g](x) = T_t[1 - g](x) - \int_0^t T_s [A[u_{t-s}[g]]](x) ds.$$

## NONLINEAR TO K-TH MOMENT EVOLUTION EQUATION

In terms of our new semigroup equation:

$$\mathbb{T}_t^{(k)}[f](x) = (-1)^{k+1} \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \theta^k} \mathbb{U}_t[e^{-\theta f}](x) \Big|_{\theta=0}.$$

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### Theorem

Fix  $k \geq 2$ . Assuming (H1) and (H2) $_k$ , with the additional assumption that

$$\sup_{x \in E, s \leq t} \mathbb{T}_s^{(\ell)}[f](x) < \infty, \quad \ell \leq k-1, f \in B^+(E), t \geq 0, \quad (2)$$

it holds that

$$\mathbb{T}_t^{(k)}[f](x) = \mathbb{T}_t[f^k](x) + \int_0^t \mathbb{T}_s \left[ \beta \eta_{t-s}^{(k-1)}[f] \right](x) ds, \quad t \geq 0, \quad (3)$$

where

$$\eta_{t-s}^{(k-1)}[f](x) = \mathcal{E}_x \left[ \sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_k^2} \binom{k}{k_1, \dots, k_N} \prod_{j=1}^N \mathbb{T}_{t-s}^{(k_j)}[f](x_j) \right],$$

and  $[k_1, \dots, k_N]_k^2$  is the set of all non-negative  $N$ -tuples  $(k_1, \dots, k_N)$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^N k_i = k$  and at least two of the  $k_i$  are strictly positive.

## INDUCTION: $k \mapsto k + 1$

- Suppose the result is true for the first  $k$  moments.
- Recall  $\mathbb{T}_t[f](x) \rightarrow \langle f, \bar{\varphi} \rangle \varphi(x)$  so that, for  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-k} \mathbb{T}_t[f^{k+1}](x) \rightarrow 0$$

- Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-k} \mathbb{T}_t^{(k+1)}[f](x) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-k} \int_0^t \mathbb{T}_s \left[ \mathcal{E} \cdot \left[ \sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_{k+1}^2} \binom{k+1}{k_1, \dots, k_N} \prod_{j=1}^N \mathbb{T}_{t-s}^{(k_j)}[f](x_j) \right] \right] (x) ds \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-(k-1)} \int_0^1 \mathbb{T}_{ut} \left[ \mathcal{E} \cdot \left[ \sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_{k+1}^2} \binom{k+1}{k_1, \dots, k_N} \prod_{j=1}^N \mathbb{T}_{t(1-u)}^{(k_j)}[f](x_j) \right] \right] (x) du \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \mathbb{T}_{ut} \left[ \mathcal{E} \cdot \left[ \sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_{k+1}^2} \binom{k+1}{k_1, \dots, k_N} \frac{(t(1-u))^{k+1 - \#\{j: k_j > 0\}}}{t^{k-1}} \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{\mathbb{T}_{t(1-u)}^{(k_j)}[f](x_j)}{(t(1-u))^{k_j-1}} \right] \right] (x) du \end{aligned}$$

## ROUGH OUTLINE OF THE INDUCTION: $k \mapsto k + 1$

- From the last slide:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-k} \mathbb{T}_t^{(k+1)} [f](x) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \mathbb{T}_{ut} \left[ \mathcal{E} \left[ \sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_{k+1}^2} \binom{k+1}{k_1, \dots, k_N} \frac{(t(1-u))^{k+1 - \#\{j: k_j > 0\}}}{t^{k-1}} \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{\mathbb{T}_{t(1-u)}^{(k_j)} [f](x_j)}{(t(1-u))^{k_j-1}} \right] \right] (x) du \end{aligned}$$

- Largest terms in blue correspond to those summands for which  $\#\{j : k_j > 0\} = 2$
- The induction hypothesis plus  $\sum_{i=1}^N k_j = k + 1$  ensures that the product term is asymptotically a constant
- The simple identity

$$\sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_{k+1}^2} \binom{k+1}{k_1, \dots, k_N} \leq N^{k+1}$$

shows us where the need for the hypothesis (H2) comes in.

- We need an ergodic limit theorem that reads (roughly): If

$$F(x, u) := \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} F(x, u, t), \quad x \in E, u \in [0, 1],$$

"uniformly" for  $(u, x) \in [0, 1] \times E$ , then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \mathbb{T}_{ut} [F(\cdot, u, t)](x) du = \int_0^1 \langle \bar{\varphi}, F(\cdot, u) \rangle du$$

"uniformly" for  $x \in E$ .

# YAGLOM LIMITS

## Theorem

Suppose that

- (H1) holds (mean-semigroup ergodicity),
- the number of offspring is uniformly bounded by a constant  $N_{max}$ ,
- for all  $t$  sufficiently large

$$\sup_{x \in E} \mathbb{P}_{\delta_x}(t < \zeta) < 1,$$

- there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that for all  $g \in B^+(E)$ ,

$$\langle \tilde{\varphi}, \beta \mathbb{V}[g] \rangle \geq C \langle \tilde{\varphi}, g \rangle^2, \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbb{V}[g](x) = \beta(x) \mathcal{E}_x \left[ \langle g, \mathcal{Z} \rangle^2 - \langle g^2, \mathcal{Z} \rangle \right]$$

Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t \mathbb{P}_{\delta_x}(\zeta > t) = \frac{2\varphi(x)}{\langle \tilde{\varphi}, \beta \mathbb{V}[g] \rangle},$$
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} \left[ \left( \frac{\langle f, X_t \rangle}{t} \right)^k \middle| \zeta > t \right] = k! \langle f, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^k \left( \frac{\langle \tilde{\varphi}, \beta \mathbb{V}[g] \rangle}{2} \right)^k$$

and hence

$$\text{Law} \left( \frac{\langle f, X_t \rangle}{t} \middle| \zeta > t \right) \rightarrow \exp \left( \frac{2}{\langle \tilde{\varphi}, \beta \mathbb{V}[g] \rangle \langle f, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle} \right)$$

## THEOREM: SUPERCRITICAL ( $\lambda > 0$ )

Suppose that (H1) holds along with (H2) $_k$  for some  $k \geq 2$  and  $\lambda > 0$ . Redefine

$$\Delta_t^{(\ell)} = \sup_{x \in E, \|f\| \leq 1} \left| \varphi(x)^{-1} e^{-\ell \lambda t} \mathbb{T}_t^{(\ell)} [f](x) - \ell! \langle f, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^\ell L_\ell(x) \right|,$$

where  $L_1(x) = 1$  and we define iteratively for  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$L_k(x) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda_* ks} \varphi(x)^{-1} \psi_s \left[ \gamma \mathcal{E} \left[ \sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_k^2} \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j:k_j > 0}}^N \varphi(x_j) L_{k_j}(x_j) \right] \right] (x) ds,$$

Then, for all  $\ell \leq k$

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} < \infty \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} = 0.$$

"At subcriticality the  $k$ -th moment scales like  $e^{\lambda kt}$  (i.e. the first moment to the power  $k$ )"



## THEOREM: SUBCRITICAL ( $\lambda < 0$ )

Suppose that (H1) holds along with (H2) for some  $k \geq 2$  and  $\lambda < 0$ . Redefine

$$\Delta_t^{(\ell)} = \sup_{x \in E, \|f\| \leq 1} \left| \varphi(x)^{-1} e^{-\lambda t} T_t^{(\ell)}[f](x) - L_\ell \right|,$$

where we define iteratively  $L_1 = \langle f, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle$  and for  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$L_k = \tilde{\varphi}[f^k] + \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda * s} \tilde{\varphi} \left[ \gamma \mathcal{E} \left[ \sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_k^2} \binom{k}{k_1, \dots, k_N} \prod_{j=1}^N \psi_s^{(k_j)}[f](x_j) \right] \right] ds.$$

Then, for all  $\ell \leq k$

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} < \infty \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} = 0.$$

"At subcriticality the  $k$ -th moment scales like  $e^{\lambda t}$  (i.e. like the first moment)"

## WHAT ABOUT THE OCCUPATION MEASURE?

- Let us define the running occupation of the branching particle system via

$$\int_0^t X_s(\cdot) ds, \quad t \geq 0.$$

- What can we say about its moments?

$$M_t^{(k)}[g](x) := \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} \left[ \left( \int_0^t \langle g, X_s \rangle ds \right)^k \right], \quad x \in E, g \in B^+(E), k \geq 1, t \geq 0.$$

- We know that the pair

$$\left( X_t, \int_0^t X_s ds \right)$$

is Markovian and that its semigroup

$$v_t[f, g] = \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} \left[ e^{-\langle f, X_t \rangle - \int_0^t \langle g, X_s \rangle ds} \right], \quad t \geq 0, x \in E, f, g \in B^+(E),$$

solves

$$v_t[f, g](x) = \hat{P}_t[e^{-f}](x) + \int_0^t \mathbb{P}_s [\mathbb{G}[v_{t-s}[f, g]] - g v_{t-s}[f, g]](x) ds.$$

## PLAYING THE SAME GAME AS BEFORE

Define a variant of the non-linear evolution equation associated with  $(X_t, \int_0^s X_s ds)$  via

$$u_t[f, g](x) = \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x} \left[ 1 - e^{-\langle f, X_t \rangle - \int_0^t \langle g, X_s \rangle ds} \right], \quad t \geq 0, x \in E, \|f\| < \infty, \|g\| < \infty.$$

For  $f \in B_1^+(E)$ , define

$$A[f](x) = \beta(x) \mathcal{E}_x \left[ \prod_{i=1}^N (1 - f(x_i)) - 1 + \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i) \right], \quad x \in E.$$

A re-arrangement of the joint semigroup of  $(X_t, \int_0^t X_s ds)$  is captured by:

### Lemma

For all  $f, g \in B^+(E)$ ,  $x \in E$  and  $t \geq 0$ , the non-linear semigroup  $u_t[f, g](x)$  satisfies

$$u_t[f, g](x) = T_t[1 - e^{-f}](x) - \int_0^t T_s [A[u_{t-s}[f, g]] - g(1 - u_{t-s}[f, g])](x) ds.$$

## THEOREM: CRITICAL CASE ( $\lambda = 0$ )

Suppose that (H1) holds along with (H2) for  $k \geq 2$  and  $\lambda = 0$ . Define

$$\Delta_t^{(\ell)} = \sup_{x \in E, \|g\| \leq 1} \left| t^{-(2\ell-1)} \varphi(x)^{-1} M_t^{(\ell)} [g](x) - 2^{-(\ell-1)} \ell! \langle g, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^\ell \langle \mathbb{V}[\varphi], \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^{\ell-1} L_\ell \right|,$$

where  $L_1 = 1$  and  $L_k$  is defined through the recursion  $L_k = (\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} L_i L_{k-i}) / (2k-1)$ . Then, for all  $\ell \leq k$

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} < \infty \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} = 0.$$

## THEOREM: SUPERCRITICAL CASE ( $\lambda > 0$ )

Suppose that (H1) holds along with (H2) for some  $k \geq 2$  and  $\lambda > 0$ . Redefine

$$\Delta_t^{(\ell)} = \sup_{x \in E, \|g\| \leq 1} \left| \varphi(x)^{-1} e^{-\ell \lambda t} M_t^{(\ell)} [g](x) - \ell \langle g, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^\ell L_\ell(x) \right|,$$

where  $L_1 = 1/\lambda$  and for  $k \geq 2$  we define iteratively,

$$L_k(x) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda * ks} \varphi(x)^{-1} \psi_s \left[ \gamma \mathcal{E} \cdot \left[ \sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_k^2} \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j:k_j > 0}}^N \varphi(x_j) L_{k_j}(x_j) \right] \right] (x) ds,$$

Then, for all  $\ell \leq k$

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} < \infty \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} = 0.$$

## THEOREM: SUBCRITICAL CASE ( $\lambda < 0$ )

Suppose that (H1) holds along with (H2) for some  $k \geq 2$  and  $\lambda < 0$ . Redefine

$$\Delta_t^{(\ell)} = \sup_{x \in E, \|g\| \leq 1} \left| \varphi(x)^{-1} M_t^{(\ell)} [g](x) - \ell! \langle g, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle^\ell L_\ell(x) \right|,$$

where  $\|g\| < \infty$ ,  $L_1 = 1/|\lambda|$  and for  $k \geq 2$ , the constants  $L_k$  are defined recursively via

$$L_k(x) = \int_0^\infty \varphi(x)^{-1} \psi_s \left[ \gamma \mathcal{E} \cdot \left[ \sum_{[k_1, \dots, k_N]_k^2} \binom{k}{k_1, \dots, k_N} \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j:k_j > 0}}^N \varphi(x_j) L_{k_j}(x_j) \right] \right] (x) ds \\ - k \int_0^\infty \varphi(x)^{-1} \psi_s \left[ g \varphi L_{k-1} \right] (x) ds.$$

Then, for all  $\ell \leq k$

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} < \infty \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_t^{(\ell)} = 0.$$

## WHAT ABOUT SUPERPROCESSES?

- A Markov process  $X := (X_t : t \geq 0)$  on  $M(E)$ , the space of finite measures on Lusin space  $E$ , with  $\mathbb{P} := (\mathbb{P}_\mu, \mu \in M(E))$ .
- Transition semigroup

$$\mathbb{E}_\mu \left[ e^{-\langle f, X_t \rangle} \right] = e^{-\langle v_t[f], \mu \rangle}, \quad \mu \in M(E), f \in B^+(E),$$

where

$$v_t[f](x) = \mathbb{P}_t[f](x) - \int_0^t \mathbb{P}_s \langle \psi(\cdot, v_{t-s}[f](\cdot)) + \phi(\cdot, v_{t-s}[f]) | (x) ds.$$

- Here  $\psi$  denotes the local branching mechanism

$$\psi(x, \lambda) = -b(x)\lambda + c(x)\lambda^2 + \int_{(0, \infty)} (e^{-\lambda y} - 1 + \lambda y) \nu(x, dy), \quad \lambda \geq 0, \quad (4)$$

where  $b \in B(E)$ ,  $c \in B^+(E)$  and  $(x \wedge x^2)\nu(x, dy)$  is a bounded kernel from  $E$  to  $(0, \infty)$ , and  $\phi$  is the non-local branching mechanism

$$\phi(x, f) = \beta(x)f(x) - \beta(x)\gamma(x, f) - \beta(x) \int_{M(E)^\circ} (1 - e^{-\langle f, \nu \rangle}) \Gamma(x, d\nu),$$

where  $\beta \in B^+(E)$ ,  $\gamma(x, f)$  is a bounded function on  $E \times B^+(E)$  and  $\nu(1)\Gamma(x, d\nu)$  is a bounded kernel from  $E$  to  $M(E)^\circ := M(E) \setminus \{0\}$  with

$$\gamma(x, f) + \int_{M(E)^\circ} \langle 1, \nu \rangle \Gamma(x, d\nu) \leq 1.$$

## WHAT ABOUT SUPERPROCESSES?

- Keep the same notation e.g.

$$T_t^{(k)}[f](x) := \mathbb{E}_{\delta_x}[\langle f, X_t \rangle^k], \quad x \in E, f \in B^+(E), k \geq 1, t \geq 0.$$

- Under the same first ergodic moment assumption (H1) and (H2)<sub>k</sub> replaced by

$$\sup_{x \in E} \left( \int_0^\infty |y|^k \nu(x, dy) + \int_{M(E)^\circ} \langle 1, \nu \rangle^k \Gamma(x, d\nu) \right) < \infty.$$

- A different proof is needed because we cannot work under the expectation with individual particles.
- Instead an approach using Faa di Bruno's formula can be used taking advantage of the smoother branching mechanism than in the particle setting.
- **The same conclusions hold for the critical, supercritical and subcritical setting as for the branching particle setting, albeit the constants in the limit are slightly different.**



Thank you!