

## Brownian Motions on Infinite Dimensional Quadric Hypersurfaces

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**Summary.** A potential theory on an infinite dimensional quadric hypersurface  $S$  is developed following Lévy's limiting procedure. For a given real sequence  $\{\lambda_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  a quadratic form  $h(x)$  on an infinite dimensional real sequence space  $\mathbf{E}$  is defined by  $h(x) := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n x_n^2$ ,  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}$  and a quadric hypersurface  $S$  is defined by  $S := \{x \in \mathbf{E}; h(x) = c\}$ , and the Laplacian  $\bar{\Delta}_{\infty}$  on  $S$  is introduced by the limiting procedure. Instead of a direct use of  $\bar{\Delta}_{\infty}$ , the Brownian motion  $\xi(t) = (\xi_1(t), \xi_2(t), \dots)$ , the diffusion process  $(\xi(t), P^x)$  on  $S$  with the generator  $\bar{\Delta}_{\infty}/2$  is constructed by solving a system of stochastic differential equations according to  $\bar{\Delta}_{\infty}$ . The law of large numbers for  $X_n(t) := (\lambda_n, \xi_n(t))$  is proved, and ergodic properties are discussed.

### 0. Introduction

Paul Lévy initiated a potential theory on an infinite dimensional space in his book [5]. He gave an idea there to construct such objects as an infinite dimensional Laplacian and harmonic functions by a limiting procedure from the corresponding objects in  $\mathbf{R}^N$ , as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . His potential theory has, however, peculiar phenomena; harmonic functions e.g., can be discontinuous ([5], pp. 305–306).

In the previous papers [2–4], the author intended to give a rigorous formulation of some aspects of Lévy's potential theory along Lévy's limiting procedure with the aid of an infinite dimensional Brownian motion  $B(t, \omega) := (b_1(t, \omega), b_2(t, \omega), \dots)$  on an infinite dimensional real sequence space  $\mathbf{E}$ , where  $\{b_n(t, \omega)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  are mutually independent 1-dimensional Brownian motions. Actually, in those papers, Lévy's infinite dimensional Laplacian is thought of as twice the infinitesimal generator of the  $B(t, \omega)$ , and therefore harmonic functions in Lévy's sense can be interpreted by the  $B(t, \omega)$ .

Here we shall develop a potential theory on an infinite dimensional real hypersurface  $S$  of a diagonal quadratic form, as the quadric hypersurface  $S$

seems to be the most important and accessible curved submanifold of  $\mathbf{E}$ . First we shall introduce an infinite dimensional formal Laplacian  $\bar{A}'_\infty$  on  $S$  by a limiting procedure ( $N \rightarrow \infty$ ) from the finite dimensional Laplacian  $\bar{A}_N$  on the corresponding finite dimensional quadric hypersurface  $S_N$ . Next we shall construct an infinite dimensional Brownian motion  $\xi(t)$  on  $S$  having  $\bar{A}'_\infty/2$  as formal infinitesimal generator. Then we shall define the Laplacian  $\bar{A}_\infty$  on  $S$  as twice the infinitesimal generator of  $\xi(t)$ , and develop the potential theory on  $S$  with the aid of  $\xi(t)$ .

Therefore, in this paper we shall construct Brownian motions  $\xi(t)$  on infinite dimensional quadric hypersurfaces  $S$  and shall study their laws of large numbers and ergodic properties.

More precisely, we shall introduce a real sequence space  $\mathbf{E}$  with the topology by semi-metrics  $\{d_N; 1 \leq N \leq \infty\}$ ,  $d_N(x, y) := \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N (x_n - y_n)^2\right)^{1/2}$ ,  $d_\infty(x, y) := \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} d_N(x, y)$  for  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$ ,  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}$ , and with the cylindrical  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{E}$ . Next with the aid of a real bounded fixed sequence  $A := \{\lambda_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  ( $|\lambda_n| \leq A, n \geq 1$ ) such that  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \delta_{\lambda_n}(d\sigma)$  converges weakly to a probability measure  $\gamma(d\sigma)$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , we define  $\mathbf{E}(A)$  as the subset of  $\mathbf{E}$  consisting of all points  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}$  such that  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \delta_{(\lambda_n, x_n)}(d\sigma \times d\eta)$  converges weakly to a probability measure  $\pi_x(d\sigma \times d\eta)$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . (Here  $\delta_a$  stands for the measure having mass one at  $a$ .) Now we define a diagonal quadratic form  $h(x)$  as follows:

$$h(x) := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n x_n^2 \quad \text{for } x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}(A). \tag{0.1}$$

Then the infinite dimensional quadric hypersurface  $S = S_c$  ( $c \in \mathbf{R}$ ) is given by

$$S := \{x \in \mathbf{E}(A); h(x) = c\}. \tag{0.2}$$

Now our next task is to construct the formal Laplacian  $\bar{A}'_\infty$  on  $S$  by the limiting procedure in the same way as [2-4]. The counterpart of  $h(x)$  in  $\mathbf{R}^N$  is considered to be  $h_N(x) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n x_n^2$ ,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_N) \in \mathbf{R}^N$  and the Riemannian metric of  $\mathbf{R}^N$  to be  $ds_N^2 := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N dx_n^2$ . Hence the Laplacian  $\bar{A}_N$  on the quadric hypersurface  $S_{N,c} := \{x \in \mathbf{R}^N; h_N(x) = c\}$  is given by

$$\bar{A}_N := N(\partial^2/\partial x_1^2 + \dots + \partial^2/\partial x_N^2) - (N-1)K_N \partial/\partial v_N - \partial^2/\partial v_N^2,$$

where  $\partial/\partial v_N$  denotes the outer normal differentiation of  $S_{N,c}$  and  $K_N$  is the mean curvature of  $S_{N,c}$ . Therefore, by the limiting procedure  $\bar{A}'_\infty := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \bar{A}_N/N$ , the formal Laplacian  $\bar{A}'_\infty$  on  $S$  is defined by

$$\bar{A}'_\infty := \sum_{n=1}^\infty \partial^2/\partial x_n^2 - (\lambda/v(x)) \sum_{n=1}^\infty \lambda_n x_n \partial/\partial x_n, \tag{0.3}$$

where

$$v(x) := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n^2 x_n^2, \quad x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in S, \tag{0.4}$$

$$\lambda := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n.$$

Consequently the Brownian motion  $\xi(t, \omega) := (\xi_1(t, \omega), \xi_2(t, \omega), \dots)$ , the conservative diffusion process on  $S$  with the formal generator  $\bar{A}'_\infty/2$ , will be given as solution of the following system of stochastic differential equations:

$$d\xi_n(t, \omega) = dw_n(t, \omega) - \lambda \lambda_n \xi_n(t, \omega)/(2v(\xi(t, \omega))) dt, \quad (n \geq 1) \tag{0.5}$$

where  $\{w_n(t)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are mutually independent 1-dimensional standard Wiener processes. Then our first result is the following

**Theorem A.** *The solution  $\xi(t)$  of (0.5) exists and the pathwise uniqueness of solutions of (0.5) holds. The Brownian motion  $(\xi(t), P^x)$  on  $S$  exists and  $\{\xi_n(t)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are mutually independent  $(P^x)_{x \in S}$ .*

Now we shall introduce a time-inhomogeneous  $[-A, A] \times \mathbf{R}$ -valued diffusion process  $(X(t, \omega), P^{(\sigma, \eta)})$ . Given  $x$  on the surface  $S$  and the Brownian motion  $\xi(t, \omega)$  starting at  $x$ , we can define a deterministic positive continuous function  $\tilde{v}(t, x)$  by

$$\tilde{v}(t, x) := v(\xi(t, \omega)) \quad \text{for any } t \geq 0 \text{ a.s. } (P^x). \tag{0.6}$$

We define  $(X(t, \omega), P^{(\sigma, \eta)})$  as the diffusion process with the infinitesimal generator  $L(t), (t \geq 0)$ :

$$L(t) := (1/2) \partial^2/\partial \eta^2 - (\lambda \sigma \eta)/(2\tilde{v}(t, \chi)) \partial/\partial \eta. \tag{0.7}$$

The superscript  $(\sigma, \eta)$  denotes conditioning that  $X(0, \omega) = (\sigma, \eta)$  a.s.  $P^{(\sigma, \eta)}$ .

Our law of large numbers can be stated as follows:

**Theorem B.** *Set*

$$X_n(t, \omega) := (\lambda_n, \xi_n(t, \omega)), \quad (n \geq 1). \tag{0.8}$$

Then  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \delta_{X_n(\cdot, \omega)}$  converges weakly to a probability measure  $\Pi^x$  on  $C([0, \infty) \rightarrow [-A, A] \times \mathbf{R})$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$   $P^x$ -almost surely,  $(x \in S)$ , where

$$\int \phi(y) \Pi^x(dy) := \int E^{(\sigma, \eta)}[\phi(X(\cdot))] \pi_x(d\sigma \times d\eta) \tag{0.9}$$

for any bounded continuous function  $\phi(y)$  on  $C([0, \infty) \rightarrow [-A, A] \times \mathbf{R})$ .

Now we shall describe the ergodic properties of the Brownian motion  $(\xi(t), P^x)$  on the  $S$ .

**Theorem C.** (1) If  $\gamma((-\infty, 0)) > 0$ ,  $\xi(t)$  is transient and has no  $\sigma$ -finite invariant measure.

(2)  $\xi(t)$  has an invariant probability measure  $\mu$ , if and only if  $\lambda_n > 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , and in this case  $\mu$  is unique and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} E^x[\phi(\xi(t))] = \int \phi(y) \mu(dy)$  for any  $x \in S$  and any bounded continuous measurable function  $\phi$  on  $S$ .

**1. Infinite Dimensional Quadric Hypersurfaces**

We shall begin with some definitions. Throughout this paper,  $\delta_x$  denotes the measure having mass one at  $x$ .

**Definition 1.1.** The space  $\mathbf{E}$  consists of all sequences  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{R}^\infty$  such that  $\sup_N \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \exp(\beta|x_n|) < \infty$  for any  $\beta > 0$  and that the probability measures  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \delta_{x_n}(d\eta)$  on  $\mathbf{R}$  converge weakly to a probability measure  $\hat{\pi}_x(d\eta)$  on  $\mathbf{R}$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . The space  $\mathbf{E}$  is endowed with the topology by the semi-metrics  $\{d_N(x, y); 1 \leq N \leq \infty\}$ :

$$d_N(x, y) := \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N (x_n - y_n)^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad d_\infty(x, y) := \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} d_N(x, y) \tag{1.1}$$

for  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots), y = (y_1, y_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}$ , and is equipped with the cylindrical  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{E}$ .

Throughout this paper, we shall fix a real bounded sequence  $A := \{\lambda_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  ( $|\lambda_n| \leq A, n \geq 1$ ) such that the probability measures  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \delta_{\lambda_n}(d\sigma)$  on  $[-A, A]$  converge weakly to a probability measure  $\gamma(d\sigma)$  on  $[-A, A]$  with  $\gamma(\{0\}) = 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , and we assume  $\lambda := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n = \int \sigma \gamma(d\sigma) > 0$  and call the  $\gamma$  the spectral measure of the  $A$ .

**Definition 1.2.** The space  $\mathbf{E}(A)$  consists of all points  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}$  such that the probability measures  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \delta_{(\lambda_n, x_n)}(d\sigma \times d\eta)$  on  $[-A, A] \times \mathbf{R}$  converge weakly to a probability measure  $\pi_x(d\sigma \times d\eta)$  on  $[-A, A] \times \mathbf{R}$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

Now the first assertion is the following

**Proposition 1.1.**

- (I)  $\mathbf{E}(A)$  is a  $d_\infty$ -closed measurable subset of the  $\mathbf{E}$ .
- (II)  $\pi_x(d\sigma \times d\eta)$  is weakly  $d_\infty$ -continuous on  $\mathbf{E}(A)$ , as a function of  $x$ .
- (III)  $\pi_x(B)$  is  $\mathcal{E}$ -measurable in  $x$  for any  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^2)$ .

*Proof.* It holds that

$$\limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \phi(\lambda_n, x_n) - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \phi(\lambda_n, y_n) \right| \leq \left\| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \eta} \right\|_{\infty} d_{\infty}(x, y)$$

for any  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots), y = (y_1, y_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}$  and  $\phi(\sigma, \eta) \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbf{R}^2)$ , the space of real-valued  $C^{\infty}$ -functions on  $\mathbf{R}^2$  with compact supports. Here  $\|\phi\|_{\infty}$  denotes the supremum norm of a function  $\phi$ . Observing  $\hat{\pi}_a(\mathbf{R}) = 1$  for any  $a \in \mathbf{E}$ , we have therefore the  $d_{\infty}$ -closedness of  $\mathbf{E}(A)$ . The other assertions are obvious.  $\square$

**Definition 1.3.** An infinite dimensional diagonal quadratic form  $h(x)$  is defined by

$$h(x) := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n x_n^2 \quad \text{for } x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}(A); \tag{1.2}$$

the set  $S = S_c, c \in \mathbf{R}$ , defined by

$$S := \{x \in \mathbf{E}(A); h(x) = c\} \tag{1.3}$$

is called an infinite dimensional quadric hypersurface or simply a quadric hypersurface.

Then  $S$  is a  $d_{\infty}$ -closed measurable subset of  $\mathbf{E}(A)$ .

Now we introduce another measure  $\rho(d\sigma, x)$ , which is repeatedly used later.

**Definition 1.4.** For each  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}(A)$ , we put

$$\rho(d\sigma, x) := \int \eta^2 \pi_x(d\sigma \times d\eta), \tag{1.4}$$

$$v(x) := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n^2 x_n^2. \tag{1.5}$$

## 2. Laws of Large Numbers

In this section, we shall consider laws of large numbers for mutually independent continuous processes  $\{\tilde{\xi}_n(t, \omega)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , which are obtained from the stochastic differential equations (0.5) by substituting a given continuous function  $\hat{v}(t) > 0$  for the factor  $v(\zeta(t, \omega))$  of (0.5).

We begin with the following

**Proposition 2.1.** Put  $\mathbf{T} := [0, T]^{\otimes p} = \{t = (t_1, \dots, t_p); 0 \leq t_i \leq T, 1 \leq i \leq p\}$ , ( $T > 0$ ) and assume that a family of random fields  $\{X_n(t, \omega); t \in \mathbf{T}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  satisfies the following conditions.

- (1)  $\{X_n(t, \omega)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  are mutually independent random fields.
- (2)  $\sup_N \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N E[\|X_n\|_T^r] < \infty$  for some  $r > 1$ ,

where  $\|x\|_T := \sup_{t \in T} |x(t)|$  for  $x \in C(\mathbf{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{R})$ .

- (3)  $E[X_n(\cdot, \omega)] = 0, (n \geq 1)$  in the Bochner integral sense in  $C(\mathbf{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{R})$ .
- (4) The family  $\{X_n(t, \omega); t \in \mathbf{T}\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is uniformly tight in  $C(\mathbf{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{R})$ .

Then the sample path of  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N X_n(t, \omega)$  converges to zero uniformly on  $\mathbf{T}$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$  almost surely (P).

*Proof.* See [1] for the proof.  $\square$

Now we shall fix a point  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \mathbf{E}(A)$  with  $v(x) > 0$  and a continuous function  $\hat{v}(t) > 0$  on  $[0, \infty)$ , and define a sequence of processes  $\tilde{X}_n(t, \omega) := (\lambda_n, \tilde{\zeta}_n(t, \omega)), (n \geq 1)$  by

$$\tilde{\zeta}_n(t, \omega) := \exp(-\lambda \lambda_n \hat{u}(t)/2) \left( x_n + \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \lambda_n \hat{u}(s)/2) dw_n(s, \omega) \right), \tag{2.1}$$

where  $\{w_n(t)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are mutually independent 1-dimensional standard Wiener processes on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  and

$$\hat{u}(t) := \int_0^t 1/\hat{v}(s) ds. \tag{2.2}$$

Next we shall introduce another diffusion process  $(X(t, \omega), P^{(\sigma, \eta)})$  with state space  $[-A, A] \times \mathbf{R}$  and generator  $L(t), (t \geq 0)$ :

$$X(t, \omega) := (\bar{\sigma}(\omega), \tilde{\zeta}(t, \omega))$$

and

$$L(t) := (1/2) \partial^2 / \partial \eta^2 - (\lambda \sigma \eta) / (2 \hat{v}(t)) \partial / \partial \eta. \tag{2.3}$$

We shall fix  $T > 0, \phi \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2p})$ , and set

$$Z_n(t, \omega) := \phi(\tilde{X}_n(t_1, \omega), \dots, \tilde{X}_n(t_p, \omega)) - E[\phi(\tilde{X}_n(t_1), \dots, \tilde{X}_n(t_p))]$$

for  $t = (t_1, \dots, t_p) \in \mathbf{T} = [0, T]^{\otimes p}$ .

Then we have

**Lemma 2.2.** *For an integer  $r$  with  $r/2 \geq p + 1$ , there exists a constant  $c = c(p, r, \phi, T)^1$  such that  $(n \geq 1)$*

$$E[|Z_n(t) - Z_n(t')|^r] \leq c \sum_{i=1}^p |t_i - t'_i|^{r/2} \tag{2.4}$$

for any  $t = (t_1, \dots, t_p), t' = (t'_1, \dots, t'_p) \in \mathbf{T}$ ,

$$E[|Z_n(0)|^r] \leq (2 \|\phi\|_\infty)^r.$$

<sup>1</sup>  $c(z)$  denotes a positive constant depending only on  $z$  in this paper

*Proof.* It holds that for  $t > s \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\xi}_n(t) - \tilde{\xi}_n(s) &= (\exp(-\lambda \lambda_n (\hat{u}(t) - \hat{u}(s))/2) - 1) \tilde{\xi}_n(s) \\ &\quad + \exp(-\lambda \lambda_n \hat{u}(t)/2) \int_s^t \exp(\lambda \lambda_n \hat{u}(\tau)/2) dW_n(\tau, \omega), \\ \tilde{\xi}_n(t) - \tilde{\xi}_n(s) &= (1 - \exp(\lambda \lambda_n (\hat{u}(t) - \hat{u}(s))/2)) \tilde{\xi}_n(t) \\ &\quad + \exp(-\lambda \lambda_n \hat{u}(s)/2) \int_s^t \exp(\lambda \lambda_n \hat{u}(\tau)/2) dW_n(\tau, \omega). \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Jensen’s inequality and Burkholder’s one we have the following estimate for  $t > s \geq 0$  and  $R > 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} E[|\tilde{\xi}_n(t) - \tilde{\xi}_n(s)|^r; \tilde{\xi}_n(t) \text{ or } \tilde{\xi}_n(s) \in [-R, R]] \\ \leq 2^r (\exp(\lambda A (\hat{u}(t) - \hat{u}(s))/2) - 1)^r R^r \\ + c(r) \exp(\lambda A \hat{u}(t) r/2) \left( \int_s^t \exp(\lambda A \hat{u}(\tau) r/2) d\tau \right)^{r/2}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{supp } \phi \subset [-R, R]^{\otimes 2p}$ .  $\square$

Therefore we have

**Proposition 2.3.**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \delta_{\tilde{X}_n(t_1, \omega)}(d\sigma_1 \times d\eta_1) \dots \delta_{\tilde{X}_n(t_p, \omega)}(d\sigma_p \times d\eta_p) \\ \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \int P^{(\sigma, \eta)}(X(t_i) \in d\sigma_i \times d\eta_i, i = 1, \dots, p) \pi_x(d\sigma \times d\eta) \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

weakly in  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R}^{2p})$  for any  $(t_1, \dots, t_p) \in [0, \infty)^{\otimes p}$  a.s.  $(P)$ , where  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R}^{2p})$  stands for the space of probability measures on  $\mathbf{R}^{2p}$ .

*Proof.* Lemma 2.2 shows the uniform tightness of the family  $\{Z_n(t, \omega); t \in \mathbf{T}\}_{n=1}^\infty$  for the  $\phi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2p})$  by the Totoki-Kolmogorov criterion. Hence by Proposition 2.1, the sample path of  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N Z_n(t, \omega)$  converges to zero uniformly on  $\mathbf{T}$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$  almost surely  $(P)$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N E[\phi(\tilde{X}_n(t_1), \dots, \tilde{X}_n(t_p))] \\ = \int E^{(\sigma, \eta)}[\phi(X(t_1), \dots, X(t_p))] \pi_x(d\sigma \times d\eta) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $(t_1, \dots, t_p) \in [0, \infty)^{\otimes p}$ , the proof is completed.  $\square$

Consequently we have

**Theorem 2.4.** For a.e.  $\omega(P)$ , the probability measures  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \delta_{\tilde{X}_n(\cdot, \omega)}$  on  $C([0, \infty) \rightarrow [-A, A] \times \mathbf{R})$  converge weakly to a probability measure  $\Pi^x$  on  $C([0, \infty) \rightarrow [-A, A] \times \mathbf{R})$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , where the  $\Pi^x$  is defined as follows:

$$\int f(y) \Pi^x(dy) := \int E^{(\sigma, \eta)} [f(X(\cdot))] \pi_x(d\sigma \times d\eta) \tag{2.6}$$

for bounded continuous functions  $f$  on  $C([0, \infty) \rightarrow [-A, A] \times \mathbf{R})$ .

*Proof.* With the aid of Proposition 2.3, it is sufficient for the proof to show for a.e.  $\omega(P)$

$$\begin{aligned} \liminf_{C \uparrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \chi_{[0, C]}^2(|\tilde{X}_n(0, \omega)|) &= 1, \\ \lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \sup_{\substack{|s-t| \leq \delta \\ s, t \leq T}} \chi_{[\rho, \infty)}(|\tilde{\zeta}_n(t, \omega) - \tilde{\zeta}_n(s, \omega)|) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for any  $\rho, T > 0$ .

To this end, we choose  $L_1, L_2 (L_1 < L_2)$  for a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  so that  $\hat{\pi}_x([L_1, L_2]) > 1 - \varepsilon$  and  $[L_1, L_2]$  is a  $\hat{\pi}_x$ -continuity interval. Then the mutual independence of  $\{\tilde{\zeta}_n(t, \omega)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  shows that for a.e.  $\omega(P)$

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \chi_{[\rho, \infty)} \left( \sup_{\substack{|s-t| \leq \delta \\ s, t \leq T}} |\tilde{\zeta}_n(t, \omega) - \tilde{\zeta}_n(s, \omega)| \right) \\ = \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N P \left( \sup_{\substack{|s-t| \leq \delta \\ s, t \leq T}} |\tilde{\zeta}_n(t) - \tilde{\zeta}_n(s)| \geq \rho \right) \\ \leq 2\varepsilon \quad \text{for sufficiently small } \delta > 0, \end{aligned}$$

because  $\{\tilde{\zeta}_n(t, \omega); L_1 \leq x_n \leq L_2\}$  is uniformly tight.  $\square$

We have the following proposition concerning the growth of test functions.

**Proposition 2.5** For any  $\beta > 0$ ,

$$\sup_N \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \exp \left( \beta \sum_{k=1}^p |\tilde{X}_n(t_k, \omega)| \right) < \infty \tag{2.7}$$

for  $t_1, \dots, t_p \geq 0$  a.s.  $(P)$ .

*Proof.* The proof is immediate.  $\square$

Consequently Theorem 2.4 and Proposition 2.5 give

<sup>-2</sup>  $\chi_D$  denotes the indicator function of the set  $D$

**Theorem 2.6.** *Set*

$$\tilde{\xi}(t, \omega) := (\tilde{\xi}_1(t, \omega), \tilde{\xi}_2(t, \omega), \dots) \in \mathbf{R}^\infty. \tag{2.8}$$

*Then we have the following assertions.*

$$\pi_{\tilde{\xi}(t, \omega)}(d\sigma \times d\eta) = \int P^{(\sigma', \eta')} (X(t, \omega) \in d\sigma \times d\eta) \pi_x(d\sigma' \times d\eta') \tag{2.9}$$

*for any  $t \geq 0$  a.s. (P).*

$$\rho(d\sigma, \tilde{\xi}(t, \omega)) = \hat{\rho}_t(d\sigma, x) \quad \text{for any } t \geq 0 \text{ a.s. (P),} \tag{2.10}$$

*where*

$$\hat{\rho}_t(d\sigma, x) := \exp(-\lambda \sigma \hat{u}(t)) \left( \rho(d\sigma, x) + \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \sigma \hat{u}(s)) ds \gamma(d\sigma) \right). \tag{2.11}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N (\tilde{\xi}_n(t, \omega) - \tilde{\xi}_n(s, \omega))^2 \\ &= \int \exp(-\lambda \sigma \hat{u}(t)) \int_s^t \exp(\lambda \sigma \hat{u}(\tau)) d\tau \gamma(d\sigma) \\ &+ \int (\exp(-\lambda \sigma (\hat{u}(t) - \hat{u}(s))/2) - 1)^2 \hat{\rho}_s(d\sigma, x) \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

*for any  $t \geq s \geq 0$  a.s. (P).*

### 3. A Nonlinear Integral Equation

Let  $\mathcal{M}$  stand for the family of finite measures  $\rho$  absolutely continuous with respect to  $\gamma$  such that  $\int \sigma^2 \gamma(d\sigma) > 0$ , equipped with the weak convergence topology and the topological  $\sigma$ -algebra.

Given  $\rho \in \mathcal{M}$ , we shall show in this section the existence and the uniqueness of solutions  $u(t)$  of the following nonlinear integral equation:

$$\int_I \sigma \exp(-\lambda \sigma u(t)) \left( \rho(d\sigma) + \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \sigma u(s)) ds \gamma(d\sigma) \right) = \int_I \sigma \rho(d\sigma), \tag{3.1}$$

where  $I = [-A, A]$ .

First we notice the following propositions.

**Proposition 3.1.** *For the  $\rho(d\sigma)$ , the following two integral equations are mutually equivalent in  $C([0, \infty))$ :*

$$\int_I \sigma \exp(-\lambda \sigma u) \left( \rho(d\sigma) + \int_0^u \exp(\lambda \sigma \eta) w(\eta) d\eta \gamma(d\sigma) \right) = \int_I \sigma \rho(d\sigma), \tag{3.2}$$

$$w(u) - \int_0^u K(u-\eta) w(\eta) d\eta = \int_I \sigma^2 \exp(-\lambda \sigma u) \rho(d\sigma), \tag{3.3}$$

where

$$K(u) := \int_I \sigma^2 \exp(-\lambda \sigma u) \gamma(d\sigma). \tag{3.4}$$

*Proof.* The proof is obvious.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.2.** *The solution  $w(u)$  of the Eq. (3.3) in  $C([0, \infty))$  uniquely exists. It is a continuous, strictly positive global solution given by*

$$w(u) = \int_I W(u, \sigma) \sigma^2 \gamma(d\sigma), \tag{3.5}$$

where

$$W(u, \sigma) := \exp(-\lambda \sigma u) + \int_0^u \Gamma(u - \eta) \exp(-\lambda \sigma \eta) d\eta \tag{3.6}$$

with the resolvent kernel  $\Gamma(u - \eta)$  of (3.3).

*Proof.* The proof is immediate.  $\square$

Concerning the estimate of the  $w(u)$ , we have

**Proposition 3.3.** (I) *Assume  $\gamma([-A, 0]) > 0$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} c_1(\exp(c_1 u))/(c_1 + \lambda A) \int_I \sigma^2 \rho(d\sigma) \\ \leq w(u) \leq 2 \exp((\lambda A + \gamma_2) u) \int_I \sigma^2 \rho(d\sigma), \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

where

$$c_1 := \int_{-A}^0 \sigma^2 \gamma(d\sigma), \quad \gamma_2 := \int_I \sigma^2 \gamma(d\sigma).$$

(II) *Assume  $\gamma([-A, 0]) = 0$ . Then*

$$c_2 \int_0^A \sigma^2 \rho(d\sigma) \leq w(u) \leq A \int_0^A \sigma \rho(d\sigma), \tag{3.8}$$

where  $c_2$  is a strictly positive constant depending only on  $\gamma$ .

*Proof.* Assume  $\gamma([-A, 0]) > 0$ . Then

$$c_1 \exp(c_1(u - \eta)) \leq \Gamma(u - \eta) \leq \gamma_2 \exp((\lambda A + \gamma_2)(u - \eta)).$$

Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} W(u, \sigma) &\geq (c_1/(c_1 + \lambda \sigma)) \exp(c_1 u) + (\lambda \sigma/(c_1 + \lambda \sigma)) \exp(-\lambda \sigma u) \quad \text{for } \sigma \geq 0, \\ W(u, \sigma) &\geq \exp(c_1 u) \quad \text{for } \sigma \leq 0, \\ W(u, \sigma) &\leq 2 \exp((\lambda A + \gamma_2) u) \quad \text{for } \sigma \in [-A, A]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have (3.7) because of (3.5).

Next assume  $\gamma([-A, 0])=0$ . Denoting by  $W_1(u)$  the unique global solution of the following equation in  $C([0, \infty))$ , we have  $W(u, \sigma) \geq W_1(u)$  for any  $\sigma \geq 0$ :

$$W_1(u) - \int_0^u K(u-\eta) W_1(\eta) d\eta = \exp(-\lambda A u).$$

Furthermore,

$$\int_0^\infty \exp(-p u) W_1(u) du / (\lambda / (p A)) \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{as } p \downarrow 0.$$

Hence  $c_2 := \inf_{u \geq 0} W_1(u) > 0$ , which proves the left-hand side of (3.8). An easy combination of (3.2), (3.3) yields the right-hand side of (3.8).  $\square$

Now we shall construct a global solution of (3.1) for  $\rho \in \mathcal{M}$ . Denote by  $\hat{C}_0^1([0, T])$ , ( $0 < T \leq \infty$ ) the family of  $f(t) \in C^1([0, T])$  with  $f(0)=0$ . ( $f'(0)$  means the right derivative at  $t=0$ .) Then we can state the following

**Theorem 3.4.** *The Eq. (3.1), ( $\rho \in \mathcal{M}$ ) has a unique solution  $u(t) = u(t, \rho)$  in  $\hat{C}_0^1([0, T])$  for any  $T \in (0, \infty]$ , and the mapping  $(t, \rho) \rightarrow u(t, \rho)$  is continuous on  $[0, \infty) \times \mathcal{M}$ .*

*Proof.* For the solution  $w(u)$  on  $[0, U)$  of (3.2), ( $0 < U \leq \infty$ ), we put

$$T := \lim_{u \uparrow U} \int_0^u w(\eta) d\eta, \tag{3.9}$$

and define a function  $u(t)$  on  $[0, T)$  as follows:

$$\int_0^{u(t)} w(\eta) d\eta = t. \tag{3.10}$$

Then it is easily seen that  $u(t) \in \hat{C}_0^1([0, T])$  and

$$u'(t) = 1/w(u(t)) \quad \text{on } [0, T), \tag{3.11}$$

and therefore  $u(t) = u(t, \rho)$  is a solution of (3.1) on  $[0, T)$ .

Since  $\int_0^\infty w(\eta) d\eta = \infty$  by Proposition 3.3, we have a global solution  $u(t, \rho)$  of (3.1).

To show uniqueness of the solutions of (3.1), let  $u(t) \in \hat{C}_0^1([0, T])$ , ( $0 < T \leq \infty$ ) be a solution of (3.1). Then we have

$$u'(t) = 1/\tilde{v}(t, \rho) \quad \text{on } [0, T), \tag{3.12}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{v}(t, \rho) := & \int_I \sigma^2 \exp(-\lambda \sigma u(t)) \\ & \cdot \left( \rho(d\sigma) + \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \sigma u(s)) ds \gamma(d\sigma) \right) > 0. \end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

Hence by putting

$$w(u(t)) = \tilde{v}(t, \rho), \tag{3.14}$$

we have the unique solution  $w(u)$  of (3.2) on  $[0, U)$ , ( $U := \lim_{t \uparrow T} u(t)$ ). Furthermore

we construct a solution  $\tilde{u}(t)$  of (3.1) on  $[0, T')$ , ( $T' := \lim_{u \uparrow U} \int_0^u w(\eta) d\eta$ ) by (3.10) with the aid of  $w(u)$ . Then it can be easily seen that  $T = T'$  and  $u(t) = \tilde{u}(t)$  on  $[0, T)$ , i.e. uniqueness of the solutions of (3.1).

Now we shall show the  $(t, \rho)$ -continuity of  $u(t, \rho)$ . Assume that there exist sequences  $t_n \geq 0, \rho_n \in \mathcal{M} (n \geq 1)$  and  $t_0 \geq 0, \rho_0 \in \mathcal{M}, \varepsilon > 0$  such that  $\lim_{n \uparrow \infty} t_n = t_0,$

$\lim_{n \uparrow \infty} \rho_n = \rho_0$  weakly, and  $|u(t_n, \rho_n) - u(t_0, \rho_0)| \geq \varepsilon$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Here  $\{u(t_n, \rho_n)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are

bounded by Proposition 3.3 through (3.12), (3.14). Therefore by Proposition 3.3 again the dominated convergence theorem can be applied to show

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_0^{u(t_n, \rho_n)} w(\eta, \rho_n) d\eta - \int_0^{u(t_0, \rho_0)} w(\eta, \rho_0) d\eta \right| \geq C \varepsilon \int \sigma^2 \rho_0(d\sigma),$$

where  $C = c_2$  in the case  $\gamma(\lceil -A, 0) = 0$  and  $C = c_1/(c_1 + \lambda A)$  in the case  $\gamma(\lceil -A, 0) > 0$ . This induces an obvious contradiction through (3.10).  $\square$

Also  $\tilde{v}(t, \rho)$  depends in a continuous way on  $(t, \rho)$ , because of (3.13).

Now put

$$u(t, x) := u(t, \rho(\cdot, x)), \tag{3.15}$$

$$\tilde{v}(t, x) := \tilde{v}(t, \rho(\cdot, x)), \tag{3.16}$$

for  $x \in \mathbf{E}(A)$  with  $v(x) > 0$ , abusing slightly notations.

Then we have the following

**Corollary 3.5.** *The mappings  $(t, x) \rightarrow u(t, x)$  and  $\tilde{v}(t, x)$  are measurable and continuous on the set  $[0, \infty) \times \{x \in \mathbf{E}(A); v(x) > 0\}$ , with respect to the  $d_\infty$ -semi-metric.*

#### 4. Brownian Motion on the Quadric Hypersurface $S$

In this section, by making use of the preceding results, we shall construct Brownian motion  $(\xi(t, \omega), P^x)$  on the quadric hypersurface  $S = S_c (c \neq 0)$  or  $S_0 = \{x \in S_0; v(x) > 0\}$ .

First we shall show the existence of a solution  $\zeta(t, \omega) := (\zeta_1(t, \omega), \zeta_2(t, \omega), \dots)$  of the following system of stochastic differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_n(t, \omega) &= \zeta_n(0, \omega) + w_n(t, \omega) \\ &\quad - \int_0^t \lambda \lambda_n \zeta_n(s, \omega) / (2v(\zeta(s, \omega))) ds, \quad (n \geq 1) \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

on a complete probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P; \mathcal{G}_t)$ .

Let  $W(t, \omega) = (w_1(t), w_2(t, \omega), \dots)$  be the sequence of mutually independent 1-dimensional  $\mathcal{G}_t$ -adapted standard Wiener processes satisfying

$$E[W(t+h) - W(t) | \mathcal{G}_t] = 0 \quad \text{for any } t, h \geq 0.$$

Now we are in a position to state

**Definition 4.1.** A process  $\zeta(t, \omega)$  defined on the complete probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P; \mathcal{G}_t)$  is called a solution of (4.1), if the following conditions (i), (ii) are satisfied.

- (i)  $\zeta(t) = (\zeta_1(t), \zeta_2(t), \dots)$  is a  $\mathcal{G}_t$ -adapted conservative continuous process on  $S$ .
- (ii)  $(\zeta(t))_{t \geq 0}$  satisfies (4.1) with probability one.

Now we have

**Theorem 4.1.** We are given a sequence  $W(t) = (w_1(t), w_2(t), \dots)$  of mutually independent 1-dimensional  $\mathcal{G}_t$ -adapted standard Wiener processes on the complete probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P; \mathcal{G}_t)$ . Next put for any  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in S$

$$\xi^x(t, \omega) := (\xi_1^x(t, \omega), \xi_2^x(t, \omega), \dots), \tag{4.2}$$

$$\xi_n^x(t, \omega) := \exp(-\lambda \lambda_n u(t, x)/2) \cdot \left( x_n + \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \lambda_n u(s, x)/2) dw_n(s, \omega) \right), \tag{4.3}$$

where  $u(t, x)$  is the global solution in  $\hat{C}_0^1([0, T])$  of (3.1) with  $\rho = \rho(d\sigma, x)$ . Then the process  $\xi^x(t)$  is a solution of (4.1) with  $\xi^x(0) = x$  a.s..

*Proof.* Applying Theorem 2.6 to  $\xi^x(t, \omega)$ , we have

$$\tilde{v}(t, x) = v(\xi^x(t, \omega)) \quad \text{for any } t \geq 0 \text{ a.s.}, \tag{4.4}$$

where

$$\tilde{v}(t, x) = \int_{-A}^A \sigma^2 \hat{\rho}_t(d\sigma, x). \tag{4.5}$$

Hence by (3.12), Ito's formula shows that  $\{\xi_n^x(t)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  satisfies (4.1). Appealing to Theorem 2.6 again, we can see that  $\xi^x(t, \omega)$  is a continuous  $\mathcal{G}_t$ -adapted process on  $S$ .  $\square$

Next we shall show the pathwise uniqueness of solutions for (4.1).

**Lemma 4.2.** Put for  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in S$ ,

$$b(x) := (\lambda_1 x_1, \lambda_2 x_2, \dots) / v(x) \in \mathbf{R}^\infty. \tag{4.6}$$

Then for  $x, y \in S$

$$d_\infty(b(x), b(y)) \leq (A/v(x)) (2 + \sqrt{v(x)/v(y)}) d_\infty(x, y). \tag{4.7}$$

*Proof.* The proof is immediate.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3.** Fix  $x \in S$ . Let  $\zeta(t, \omega) := (\zeta_1(t, \omega), \zeta_2(t, \omega), \dots)$  be a solution of (4.1) with  $\zeta(0) = x$  a.s. on the complete probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P; \mathcal{G}_t)$  and let  $\xi^x(t)$  be the solution of (4.1) on the  $(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P; \mathcal{G}_t)$ . Then we have

$$\zeta(t, \omega) = \xi^x(t, \omega) \quad \text{for any } t \geq 0 \text{ a.s. } (P). \tag{4.8}$$

*Proof.* By the continuity of  $\zeta(t, \omega)$ ,  $\xi^x(t, \omega)$  on  $S$ , there exists almost surely a constant  $c(x, T, \omega) > 0$  for any  $T > 0$  such that

$$d_\infty(\xi^x(t, \omega), \zeta(t, \omega)) \leq c(x, T, \omega) \int_0^t d_\infty(\xi^x(s, \omega), \zeta(s, \omega)) ds, \quad t \leq T$$

with the aid of (4.1) and Lemma 4.2. Hence we have  $d_\infty(\xi^x(t, \omega), \zeta(t, \omega)) = 0$  a.s. by Grownwall inequality. Consequently  $v(\zeta(t, \omega)) = v(\xi^x(t, \omega)) = \tilde{v}(t, x)$  a.s., which shows (4.8) through (4.1).  $\square$

Now we put for a bounded measurable function  $f$  on  $S$

$$\int_S f(z) p_t(x, dz) := E[f(\xi^x(t))]. \tag{4.9}$$

Then we have

**Proposition 4.4.** For a bounded measurable function  $f$  on  $S$  and  $s, t \geq 0$ ,

$$E[f(\xi^x(s+t)) | \mathcal{G}_s](\omega) = \int f(z) p_t(y, dz) \text{ a.s.}, \tag{4.10}$$

where  $y := \xi^x(s, \omega)$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.3, we have

$$\xi_n^x(s+t) = \exp(-\lambda \lambda_n u(t, \xi^x(s))/2) \left( \xi_n^x(s, \omega) + \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \lambda_n u(\tau, \xi^x(s))/2) d w_n(s+\tau) \right), \tag{4.11}$$

$t \geq 0$  a.s. for any  $s \geq 0$ , which shows (4.10).  $\square$

Now the law  $P^x$ , ( $x \in S$ ) on  $\mathcal{C} := C([0, \infty) \rightarrow S)$  induced by the solution  $\xi^x(t)$  with  $\xi^x(0) = x$  a.s. is well defined. Then by putting

$$\xi(t, w) := w(t) \quad \text{for } w \in \mathcal{C}, \tag{4.12}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_t^0 := \sigma(\xi(s); s \leq t), \quad \mathcal{F}^0 := \sigma(\xi(s); s < \infty) \tag{4.13}$$

and denoting by  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_t, \overline{\mathcal{F}}$  the completion of  $\mathcal{F}_t^0, \mathcal{F}^0$  as usual, we can see

**Theorem 4.5.**  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \overline{\mathcal{F}}_t, \xi(t), P^x)$  with the state space  $S$  is a diffusion process with the Feller property: if  $f(x)$  is a bounded continuous measurable function on  $S$ , so is  $E^x[f(\xi(t))]$ , ( $t \geq 0$ ; fixed).

*Proof.* The diffusion property is easily seen by Proposition 4.4. Hence we have only to show the Feller property. Let  $\{X_n(\omega)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be mutually independent random variables on the probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P)$  with law  $N(0, 1)$  and put

$$Y(x, \omega) := (Y_1(x, \omega), Y_2(x, \omega), \dots)$$

$$Y_n(x, \omega) := \exp(-\lambda \lambda_n u(t, x)/2) \left( x_n + \sqrt{\int_0^t \exp(\lambda \lambda_n u(s, x)) ds} X_n(\omega) \right)$$

for  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in S$  and a fixed  $t \geq 0$ . Then the law of  $(\zeta^x(t), P)$  is identical with the one of  $(Y(x), P)$ .

Now we are given  $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^\infty \subset S$  such that  $x_k$  converges to a point  $a \in S$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Then applying the strong law of large numbers to the independent random variables  $\{Y_n(x_k) - Y_n(a)\}_{n=1}^\infty$ , we can see that  $Y(x_k)$  converges to  $Y(a)$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  a.s.. Hence by the dominated convergence theorem, we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} E[f(Y(x_k))] = E[f(Y(a))]. \quad \square$$

**Definition 4.2.** The diffusion process  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, \xi(t, \omega), P^x)$  with the state space  $S$  is called the Brownian motion on  $S$ .

### 5. Ergodic Properties of the Brownian Motion $\xi(t, \omega)$

In this section, we shall study the ergodic properties of the Brownian motion  $\xi(t, \omega) = (\xi_1(t, \omega), \xi_2(t, \omega), \dots)$  on the quadric hypersurface  $S = S_c$  ( $c \neq 0$ ) or  $S_0$ .

We shall begin with

**Proposition 5.1.** (i) Assume  $\gamma([-A, 0]) > 0$ . Then we have

$$t \int_{-A}^0 \sigma^2 \gamma(d\sigma) \leq \tilde{v}(t, x) \leq \tilde{v}(0, x) + \left( \lambda A + \int_{-A}^A \sigma^2 \gamma(d\sigma) \right) t \quad \text{for any } t \geq 0. \quad (5.1)$$

(ii) Assume  $\gamma((0, A]) = 1$ . Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{v}(t, x) = \lambda c \quad \text{for } x \in S_c, (c > 0). \quad (5.1)$$

*Proof.* Assume  $\gamma([-A, 0]) > 0$  and put

$$\tilde{v}_+(t, x) := \int_0^A \sigma^2 \exp(-\lambda \sigma u(t, x)) \left( \rho(d\sigma, x) + \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \sigma u(s, x)) ds \gamma(d\sigma) \right),$$

$$\tilde{v}_-(t, x) := \int_{-A}^0 \sigma^2 \exp(-\lambda \sigma u(t, x)) \left( \rho(d\sigma, x) + \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \sigma u(s, x)) ds \gamma(d\sigma) \right).$$

Then we have the estimate (i) from the following ones :

$$\int_{-A}^0 \sigma^2 \gamma(d\sigma) \leq \tilde{v}'_-(t, x) \leq \lambda A + \int_{-A}^0 \sigma^2 \gamma(d\sigma), \quad \tilde{v}'_+(t, x) \leq \int_0^A \sigma^2 \gamma(d\sigma).$$

Next assume  $\gamma([-A, 0]) = 0$ . An application of the Laplace transform to the both sides of (3.3) with  $\rho = \rho(\cdot, x)$  shows  $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} w(u) = \lambda c$ , which yields (5.2) through (3.14).  $\square$

Furthermore, in the case  $\gamma((0, A]) = 1$ , we set

$$\tilde{S}_c := \{x \in S_c; \rho(d\sigma, x) = (c/\sigma) \gamma(d\sigma), \sigma > 0\}, \quad (c > 0). \tag{5.3}$$

Then we have

**Proposition 5.2.** *Assume  $\gamma((0, A]) = 1$ .*

(i)  $\xi(t, \omega)$  is a conservative diffusion process on the  $d_\infty$ -closed measurable subset  $\tilde{S}_c$ .

(ii)  $\xi(t, \omega) \notin \tilde{S}_c$  for any  $t \geq 0$  a.s. ( $P^x$ ), if  $x \in S_c, x \notin \tilde{S}_c$ .

*Proof.* Notice that  $\rho(d\sigma, x) = (c/\sigma) \gamma(d\sigma), (\sigma > 0)$  is equivalent to  $\tilde{v}(t, x) = \lambda c$  for any  $t \geq 0$ .  $\square$

Now we proceed to study the ergodic properties of the Brownian motion  $\xi(t)$  on  $S_c$ .

**Proposition 5.3.** (i) *Assume  $\gamma([-A, 0]) > 0$ . Then  $\xi(t)$  has no  $\sigma$ -finite invariant measure on  $S_c$ .*

(ii) *Assume  $\gamma((0, A]) = 1$  and there is one  $\lambda_n \leq 0$  at least. Then  $\xi(t)$  on  $S_c$  has no invariant probability measure.*

*Proof.* Use Proposition 5.1 (i) in the case (i).  $\square$

*Remark.* Assume  $\gamma((0, A]) = 1$  only. Then there exists a probability measure  $\nu$  on  $S_c$  such that

$$\int_{S_c} f(x) \nu(dx) = \int_{S_c} E^x[f(\xi(t))] \nu(dx), \quad t \geq 0 \tag{5.4}$$

holds for any  $d_\infty$ -continuous bounded measurable function  $f(x)$  on  $S_c$ .

Next we shall introduce the following condition:

$$\lambda_n > 0, (n \geq 1) \quad \text{and} \\ \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \exp(\beta/\lambda_n) = \int_0^A \exp(\beta/\sigma) \gamma(d\sigma) \quad \text{for any } \beta > 0. \tag{5.5}$$

**Definition 5.1.** Under the condition (5.5), we denote by  $\mu$  the induced measure by  $\tilde{\zeta}(\omega) = (\tilde{\zeta}_1(\omega), \tilde{\zeta}_2(\omega), \dots)$  on  $\mathbf{R}^\infty$ , where  $\{\tilde{\zeta}_n(\omega)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are mutually independent random variables on the  $(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P)$  with law  $N(0, c/\lambda_n)$  respectively.

Then we have

**Proposition 5.4.** *Assume the condition (5.5). Then  $\mu$  is an invariant probability measure of  $\xi(t)$  and  $\text{supp}(\mu) \subset \bar{S}_c$ .*

*Proof.* In fact

$$\pi_{\xi(\omega)}(d\sigma \times d\eta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi c/\sigma)^{1/2}} \exp(-\eta^2/(2c/\sigma)) d\eta \gamma(d\sigma) \quad \text{a.s. (P)}. \quad \square \quad (5.6)$$

**Theorem 5.5.** *Assume the condition (5.5). Then*

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} E^x[\phi(\xi(t))] = \int \phi(y) \mu(dy), \quad x \in S_c \quad (5.7)$$

for any bounded continuous measurable function  $\phi$  on  $S_c$ .

*Proof.* First observe that

$$E^x[\phi(\xi(t))] = E[\phi(\hat{\xi}(t))], \quad (x = (x_1, x_2, \dots), t \geq 0), \quad (5.8)$$

where  $\hat{\xi}(t, \omega) = (\hat{\xi}_1(t, \omega), \hat{\xi}_2(t, \omega), \dots)$  is given by

$$\hat{\xi}_n(t, \omega) := \exp(-\lambda \lambda_n u(t)/2) \left( x_n + \sqrt{\lambda_n/c \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \lambda_n u(s)) ds} \zeta_n(\omega) \right). \quad (5.9)$$

Next we define  $\tilde{\phi}(\sigma, t)$ ,  $(\sigma, t \geq 0)$  by

$$\tilde{\phi}(\sigma, t) := \left( \sqrt{(\sigma/c) \exp(-\lambda \sigma u(t)) \int_0^t \exp(\lambda \sigma u(s)) ds} - 1 \right)^2.$$

Then by  $\tilde{v}(t, x) \leq cA$ , we have  $\tilde{\phi}(\sigma, t) \leq (\sqrt{A/\lambda} + 1)^2$ .

Now Kolmogorov's law of large numbers shows that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $[0, \delta)$  is a  $\gamma$ -continuity set and

$$\limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq n \leq N \\ \lambda_n \leq \delta}} \tilde{\phi}(\lambda_n, t) \zeta_n^2(\omega) \leq (\sqrt{A/\lambda} + 1)^2 \int_0^\delta c/\sigma \gamma(d\sigma) < \varepsilon$$

for any  $t \geq 0$  a.s. (P). Next Proposition 2.1 can be applied to show

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq n \leq N \\ \lambda_n > \delta}} \tilde{\phi}(\lambda_n, t) (\zeta_n^2(\omega) - c/\lambda_n)$$

converges to zero uniformly on any compact set of  $t$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$  a.s. (P), and

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq n \leq N \\ \lambda_n > \delta}} \tilde{\phi}(\lambda_n, t) = \int_\delta^A \tilde{\phi}(\sigma, t) c/\sigma \gamma(d\sigma) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence we have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \tilde{\phi}(\lambda_n, t) \tilde{\zeta}_n^2(\omega) = 0 \quad \text{a.s. } (P),$$

which shows

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} d_\infty(\tilde{\xi}(t, \omega), \tilde{\zeta}(\omega)) = 0 \quad \text{a.s. } (P). \tag{5.10}$$

Furthermore it is immediate that  $d_N(\tilde{\xi}(t, \omega), \tilde{\zeta}(\omega)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  a.s.  $(P)$ ,  $(N < \infty)$ . Therefore the dominated convergence theorem completes the proof.  $\square$

Consequently we have the following

**Corollary 5.6.** (i) *Under the condition (5.5), the  $\xi(t)$  on  $S_c$  has a unique invariant probability measure.*

(ii) *Assume that the Brownian motion  $\xi(t, \omega)$  on  $S_c$  has the standard Gaussian white noise as its invariant measure. Then  $S_c = \{x \in \mathbf{E}(A); d_\infty(x, 0) = 1\}$ .*

Finally it should be noted that the invariant probability measure  $\mu$  of  $\xi(t, \omega)$  on  $S_c$  is supported by the restricted part  $\tilde{S}_c$  of  $S_c$ , if it exists. This is just in concordance with P. Lévy’s observation [5], because the invariant probability measure of the Brownian motion  $\xi(t)$  on  $S_c$  can be thought of as the area of the hypersurface  $S_c$ .

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