

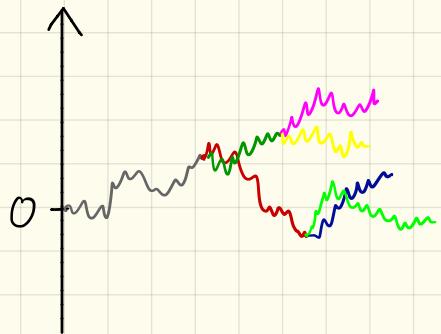
# FLUCTUATIONS OF THE BRM GIBBS MEASURE AT CRITICAL TEMPERATURE

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# BRANCHING BROWNIAN MOTION (BBM)



- Particles move according to Brownian motions with drift  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$
- Particles branch at rate  $\beta$  into random number of offspring distributed as r.v.  $L$
- $E[L] > 1$  (supercritical branching)
- $N_t$ : set of particles at time  $t$   
 $X_u(t)$ : position of particle  $u$  at time  $t$

Fix parameters:  $\mu = 1$      $\sigma^2 = 1$      $\beta = \frac{1}{2(E[L]-1)}$

Then for all  $t \geq 0$ :

$$E \left[ \sum_{u \in N_t} e^{-X_u(t)} \right] = 1, \quad E \left[ \sum_{u \in N_t} X_u(t) e^{-X_u(t)} \right] = 0$$

$$E\left[\sum_{u \in \mathbb{W}_t} e^{-X_u(t)}\right] = 1, \quad E\left[\sum_{u \in \mathbb{W}_t} X_u(t) e^{-X_u(t)}\right] = 0$$

Martingales:

$$\omega_t = \sum_{u \in \mathbb{W}_t} e^{-X_u(t)}$$

(critical additive martingale)

$$Z_t = \sum_{u \in \mathbb{W}_t} X_u(t) e^{-X_u(t)}$$

(derivative martingale)

$$\omega_t^{(\theta)} = \sum_{u \in \mathbb{W}_t} e^{-\theta X_u(t)} - \varphi(\theta)t, \quad \varphi(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} (1-\theta)^2$$

(additive martingales)

$$\omega_t = \omega_t^{(1)} \quad Z_t = -\frac{d}{d\theta} \omega_t^{(0)}$$

## LIMIT THEOREMS

$$W_t^{(\theta)} = \sum_{u \in \mathcal{N}_t} e^{-\theta X_u(t)} - \varphi(\theta)t, \quad \varphi(\theta) = \frac{1}{2}(1-\theta)^2$$

Thm (Biggins '77, Lyons '97):

$(W_t^{(\theta)})_{t \geq 0}$  is uniformly integrable iff  
 $|\theta| < 1$  and  $E[L \log L] < \infty$ .

(if not,  $W_t^{(\theta)} \rightarrow 0$  a.s.)

Thm (Biggins '78):  $|\theta| < 1$ ,  $a < b$ ,  $E[L(\log L)^{\frac{\theta}{2}}] < \infty$

$$\frac{\#\{u \in \mathcal{N}_t : X_u(t) \in (1-\theta)t + [a, b]\}}{E[\#\{u \in \mathcal{N}_t : X_u(t) \in (1-\theta)t + [a, b]\}]} \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} W_\infty^{(\theta)}$$

## LIMIT THEOREMS (CRITICAL CASE)

Thm (Biggins '77, Lyons '97):  $W_t \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} 0$  a.s.

Thm (Zalley-Sellke '87, Kyprianou '04, Yang-Ren '11)

$Z_t \rightarrow Z_\infty$  a.s. If  $E[L(\log L)^2] < \infty$ , then

$Z_\infty > 0$  a.s. on event of survival, else  $Z_\infty = 0$  a.s.

Key proof steps: • Introduce absorbing barrier at  $-\alpha$ :

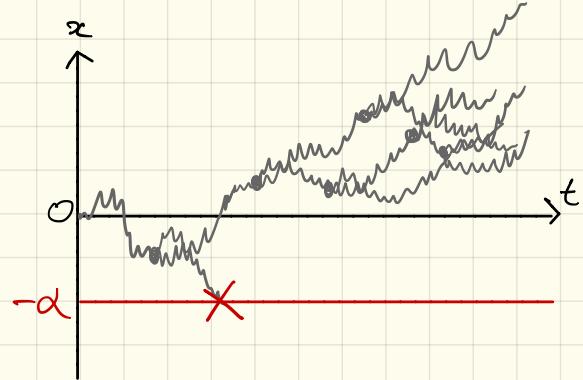
•  $Z_t^\alpha = Z_t + \alpha W_t$  (positive) martingale

•  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} Z_t = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} Z_t^\alpha$  if no absorption

•  $(Z_t^\alpha)_{t \geq 0}$  is u.i. if  $E[L(\log L)^2] < \infty$

(show for example by spine techniques)

$\alpha \rightarrow \infty$



# IMPORTANCE OF DERIVATIVE MARTINGALE

- Minimal position (Bramson '83 + Lalley-Sellke '87, Aidekon '11)
 
$$\left[ \min_{u \in W_t} X_u(t) - \frac{3}{2} \log t \implies -\log(Z_\infty) - G_t \right]$$

Gumbel,  $\mathbb{II}$  of  $Z_\infty$

- Seneta-Heyde norming (Aidekon-Shi '12)

$$\left[ \sqrt{t} W_t \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} Z_\infty \right]$$

- Gibbs measure (Madanlie '15):
 
$$Z_t(f) := \sum_{u \in W_t} X_u(t) e^{-X_u(t)} f\left(\frac{X_u(t)}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$$

$$\mu(dx) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} x^2 e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{if } f \in C((0, \infty)), \text{ s.t.} \\ &xf(x) \leq Ce^{Cx} \text{ for some } C > 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{aligned} Z_t(f) &:= \sum_{u \in W_t} X_u(t) e^{-X_u(t)} f\left(\frac{X_u(t)}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \\ \mu(dx) &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} x^2 e^{-x^2/2} dx \end{aligned} \right] \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} Z_\infty \mu(f) \stackrel{?}{=} \int f(x) \mu(dx)$$

$$\bullet Z_t \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} Z_\infty \quad \bullet f_t \omega_t \xrightarrow{\text{P}} \omega_\infty \quad \bullet Z_t(y) \xrightarrow{\text{P}} Z_\infty \mu(y)$$

Q : 1) RATE OF CONVERGENCE ?

2) (NON-STANDARD) CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREMS ?

A : 1)  ~~$\sqrt{t}$~~ , with possible  $O\left(\frac{\log t}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$  corrections

2) Yes, involving mixtures of **1-stable** distributions

(Mo, Pain, in preparation)

## OUR RESULTS

Thm 1 (M. Pain, in prep.): Assume  $E[L(\log L)^3] < \infty$

There exists a spectrally positive 1-stable Lévy process  $(S_t)_{t \geq 0}$ , independent of  $Z_\infty$ , such that

$$\sqrt{t} \left( \left( 1 + \frac{\log t}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \right) Z_\infty - Z_{at} \right)_{at \geq 1} \xrightarrow{\text{fidis}} (S_{Z_\infty / \sqrt{a}})_{a \geq 1}.$$

Extension: Conditionally on  $\mathcal{F}_t$ , the fidis of  $(Z_\infty - Z_{at} + \frac{\log t}{\sqrt{2\pi at}} Z_\infty)_{at \geq 1}$  converge weakly in probability to  $(S_{Z_\infty / \sqrt{a}})_{a \geq 1}$  conditioned on  $Z_\infty$ .

Remark: Hypothesis  $E[L(\log L)^3] < \infty$  probably optimal

## OUR RESULTS (contd.)

Theorem 2 (M., Pain, in preparation) Assume  $E[L^2] < \infty$ .

Let  $f \in C^2((0, \infty))$ , such that  $(af)''(x) \leq Ce^{Cx}$ . Then,

$$\sqrt{t} \left( (\mu(f) + c_1(f) \frac{\log t}{2\pi t}) Z_\infty - Z_t(f) \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} S_{Z_\infty},$$

where  $(S_t)_{t>0}$  is a 1-stable Lévy process with asymmetry

parameter  $\beta = \frac{c_1(f)}{c_2(f)}$

$$c_1(f) = \int_0^\infty \left( \mu(f) - \mu(f((1-u)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot)) \mathbb{1}_{u<1} \right) \frac{du}{2u^{\alpha_2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \mu\left(\frac{f(\cdot)}{2}\right)$$

$$c_2(f) = \int_0^\infty \left| \mu(f) - \mu(f((1-u)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot)) \mathbb{1}_{u<1} \right| \frac{du}{2u^{\alpha_2}}$$

In particular ( $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ ):  $\sqrt{t} \left( \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} Z_\infty - \sqrt{t} W_t \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} S_{Z_\infty}$ ,

with  $(S_t)_{t>0}$  a Cauchy process.

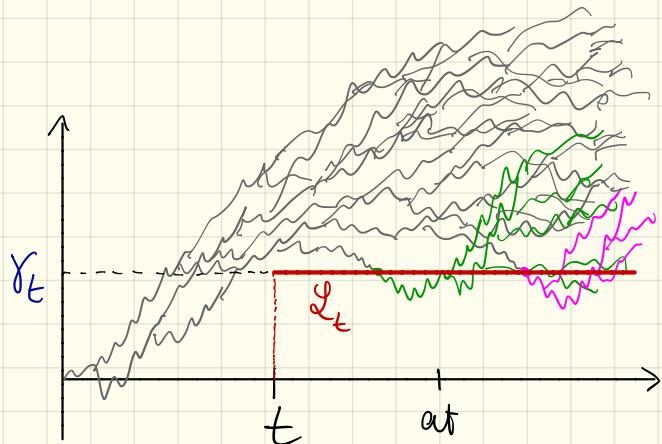
## RELATED WORKS

- Convergence exponentially fast
- $\Theta < \frac{1}{2}$ : (standard) CLT w/ random variance (subordinated by  $Z_\infty$ ) (Ksanov-Kabluchko '16)
  - $\Theta \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ :  $\theta$ -stable distributions (Ksanov-Kolesko-Meiners, in prep.)
    - ↪ they tool: fixed-point equation  $(FPE)$   $W_\infty^{(\Theta)} = \sum_{u \in \mathbb{N}_t^k} e^{-\Theta X_u(t)} - p(\theta) t \cdot W_\infty^{(\Theta), u}$
    - ↪ can also be used for  $Z_t$ , but only for one-dimensional marginals (w/ random variance)
  - Complex  $\Theta$ : CLT in certain phases (Hartung-Klimovsky '15, '17)
  - $\Theta > 1$ : Construction of solutions to FPE by subordination of  $\gamma_\Theta$ -stable process (Durrett-Liggett '83, Guivarch '90, Barral-Jin-Rhodes-Vargas '13)
  - Fluctuations of partition function in other stat. mech. models:
    - SK (Comets-Neven '95)
    - p-spin (Bovier-Kurkova-Löwe '02)
    - spherical Sk + Curie-Weiss (Baik-Lee '16, '17)  $\xrightarrow{\text{CLT}}$  Tracy-Widom
    - ... Baik-Lee-Wu '18

# PROOF IDEAS (THM 1)

- Prove simple version: (Lemma:  $(\sqrt{t} W_t - \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} Z_\infty) = O(t^{-\eta}), \eta > 0$ )

$$\sqrt{t} \left( Z_\infty - \left( Z_{at} - \frac{\log t}{2} W_{at} \right) \right)_{a \geq 1} \xrightarrow{\text{idis}} (S_{Z_\infty/a})_{a \geq 1}.$$



BASIC IDEA:

From time  $t$  on,  
introduce barrier  $L_t$   
at suitably chosen  $Y_t$

GOOD CHOICE:

$$Y_t = \frac{1}{2} \log t + \beta_t, \quad \beta_t \rightarrow \infty \text{ slowly}$$

Why  $\frac{1}{2} \log t$ ?  $\liminf_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\min_{u \leq t} X_u(t)}{\log t} = \frac{1}{2}$  a.s. (Hu-Shi '08)

$$\gamma_t = \frac{1}{2} \log t + \beta_t, \quad \beta_t \rightarrow \infty \text{ slowly}$$

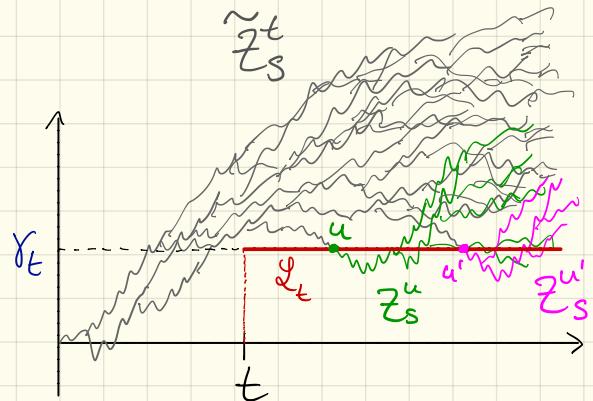
$s > t:$

$$\begin{aligned} Z_s^t &:= Z_s - \gamma_t W_s \\ &= \sum_{u \in \mathcal{N}_s} (X_u(s) - \gamma_t) e^{-X_u(s)} \\ &= \tilde{Z}_s^t + \sum_{u \in \mathcal{N}_t} Z_s^u \end{aligned}$$

↑  
positive martingale

Take limit  $s \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$Z_\infty = \tilde{Z}_\infty^t + \sum_{u \in \mathcal{N}_t} Z_\infty^u$$



$$\tilde{Z}_s^t = \sum_{u \in \mathcal{N}_s} (X_u(s) - \gamma_t) e^{-X_u(s)} \mathbb{1}_{(u < L_t)}$$

$$Z_s^u = \sum_{v \in \mathcal{N}_s} (X_v(s) - \gamma_t) e^{-X_v(s)} \mathbb{1}_{(v \geq u)}$$

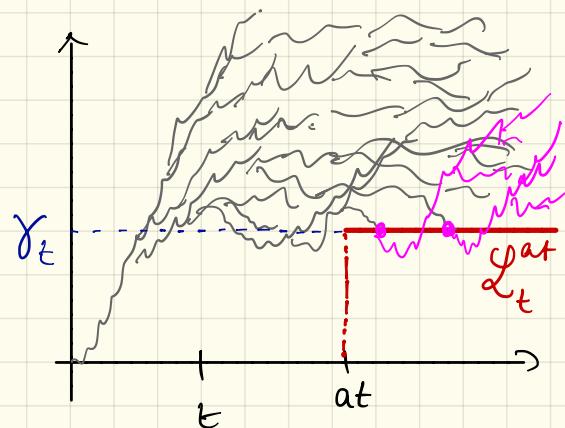
First moment and (truncated) second moment computations yield:

$$\tilde{Z}_\infty^t = Z_t^t + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow Z_\infty = Z_t - \frac{\log t}{2} W_t + \sum_{u \in \mathcal{D}_t} Z_{\infty}^u - \beta_t W_t + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$$

Can do the same for barrier  $\mathcal{L}_t^{at}$  starting at  $at$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{t} \left( Z_\infty - \left( Z_{at} - \frac{\log t}{2} W_{at} \right) \right) \Big|_{at=1} \\ & \approx \sqrt{t} \left( \sum_{u \in \mathcal{D}_t^{at}} Z_{\infty}^u - \beta_t W_{at} \right) \Big|_{at=1} \end{aligned}$$



REMAINS TO PROVE:

Strategy similar to  
Berestycki - Berestycki - Schweinberger  
1981

$$\sqrt{t} \left( \sum_{u \in \mathcal{E}_t} z_u^u - \beta_t w_{at} \right)_{a \geq 1} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} (S_{z_{\infty}/\sqrt{a}})_{a \geq 1}$$

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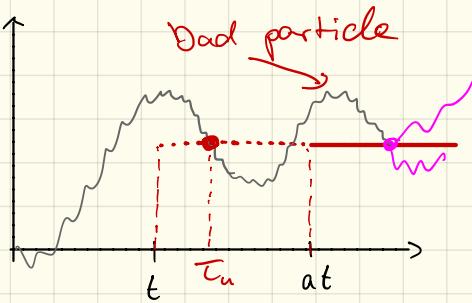
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$$\sqrt{t} \left( \sum_{u \in \mathcal{L}_t^{\text{bad}}} z_{\infty}^u - \beta_t w_{\text{at}} \right)_{a \geq 1} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} (S_{z_{\infty}/\sqrt{a}})_{a \geq 1}$$

1)  $\sum_{u \in \mathcal{L}_t^{\text{bad}}} z_{\infty}^u = \sum_{\substack{u \in \mathcal{L}_t \\ \tau_u \leq t}} z_{\infty}^u + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$

$\hookrightarrow$  sum over a decreasing set

*bad particles*



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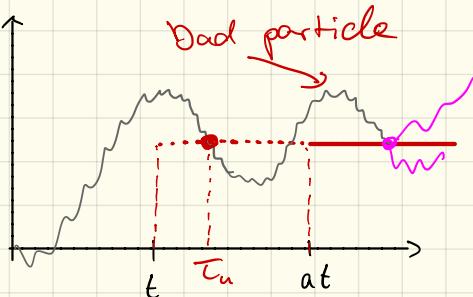
$$1) \sum_{u \in \mathbb{Z}_t^{\text{bad}}} z_u^u = \sum_{u \in \mathbb{Z}_{\frac{t}{a}}^{\text{bad}}, \frac{u}{a} \in \mathbb{Z}} z_u^u + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$$

bad particles

↪ sum over a decreasing set

2) particles hit barrier at rate

$$\sum_{s=t}^{\infty} \sum_{z_s} z_s e^{\beta_s t} \frac{ds}{2s^{3/2}} \stackrel{s=at}{\approx} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} z_{\infty} e^{\beta_t} \left| d \frac{1}{a} \right|$$



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$$1) \sum_{u \in \mathbb{Z}_t^{\text{bad}}} z_u^u = \sum_{u \in \mathbb{Z}_t^{\text{bad}}, u \neq z_{\infty}} z_u^u + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$$

bad particles

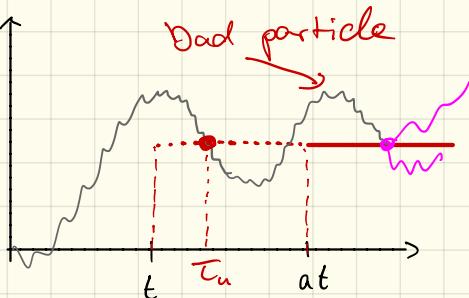
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$$\sum_{s=t}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} z_s^s e^{-\gamma s} \frac{ds}{2s^{3/2}} \stackrel{s=\bar{a}t}{\approx} \int_{\mathbb{R}} z_{\infty}^{\bar{a}t} e^{\beta t} \left| d\frac{1}{\bar{a}} \right|$$

3) Contribution of each particle:  $z_u^u \stackrel{\text{law}}{=} e^{-\gamma t} z_{\infty} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \cdot e^{-\beta t} z_{\infty}$

Known:  $P(z_{\infty} > x) \underset{x \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $E[z_{\infty} \mathbf{1}_{z_{\infty} \leq x}] = \log x + C + o(1)$   
 (BBS, M.)



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$$\sqrt{t} \left( \sum_{u \in \mathcal{L}_t^{\text{bad}}} Z_u^\infty - \beta_t W_{\text{at}} \right)_{a \geq 1} \xrightarrow{d} (S_{Z_u^\infty / \sqrt{a}})_{a \geq 1}$$

1)  $\sum_{u \in \mathcal{L}_t^{\text{bad}}} Z_u^\infty = \sum_{u \in \mathcal{L}_t^{\text{bad}}, T_u < t} Z_u^\infty + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$   
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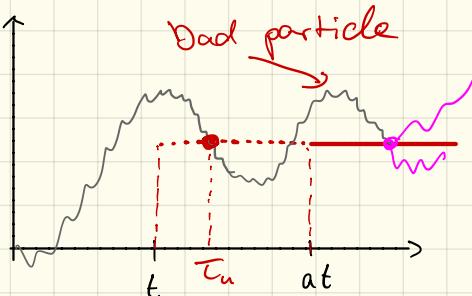
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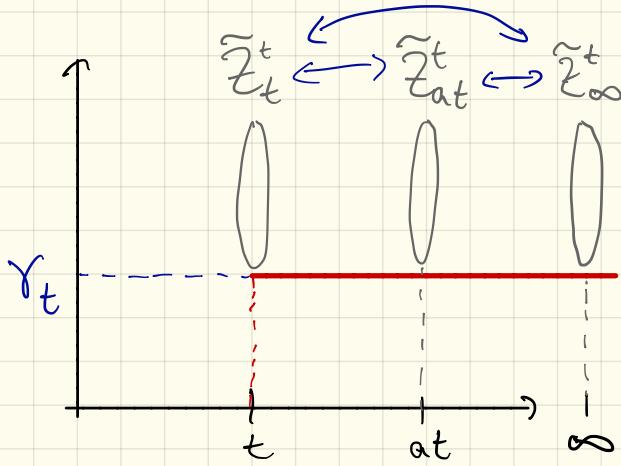
$$\approx \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} Z_t e^{-\gamma t} \frac{ds}{2s^{3/2}} \stackrel{s=at}{\approx} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} Z_\infty e^{\beta_t} |d\frac{1}{a}|$$

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4)  $E \left[ \sum_{u \in \mathcal{L}_t^{\text{bad}}, T_u < t} Z_u^\infty \mathbf{1}_{\left( Z_u^\infty \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \right)} \right] \approx \sqrt{t} W_{\text{at}} e^{\beta_t} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} e^{-\beta_t} (\beta_t + c + o(1))$   
 ( $\hat{=}$  linear compensator of jumps)  $= (\beta_t + c + o(1)) W_{\text{at}}$



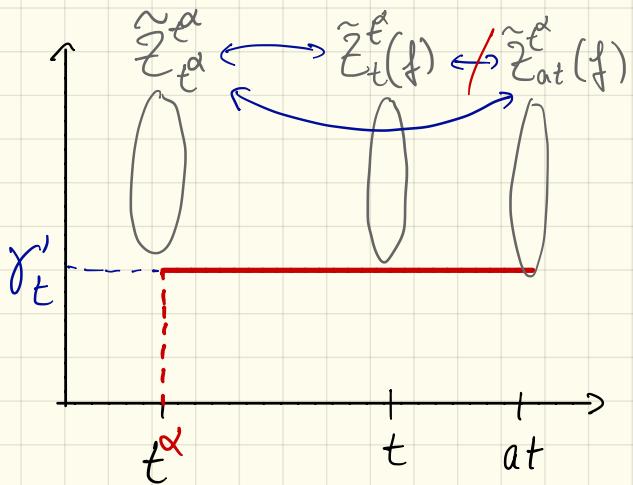
## THEOREM 1



Can compare  $Z_{at}$ ,  $a > 1$  with  $Z_t$  because in the process with absorption at  $\gamma_t$ ,

$(\tilde{Z}_s^t)_{s \geq t}$  is a martingale

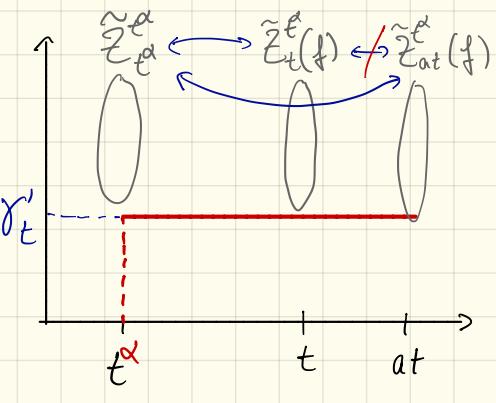
## THEOREM 2



Can not compare directly  $Z_{at}(f)$  and  $Z_t(f)$ , only through  $Z_s$  for some  $s = t^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in (0,1)$

⚠  $\alpha$  large  $\Rightarrow$  Errors in  $\tilde{Z}_t^\alpha(f)$  too large  
 $\alpha$  small  $\Rightarrow$  Many particles hitting barrier

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## OPTIMAL CHOICE:

$$\rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{2} - \eta \quad (\eta \text{ small})$$

$$\rightarrow Y_t^1 = \frac{1}{2} \log t + \beta_t^1, \text{ with } \beta_t^1 \text{ growing fast enough} \quad (\beta_t^1 - \log \log t \rightarrow \infty)$$

Then:

- $| \tilde{Z}_t^\alpha(f) - \mu(f) \tilde{Z}_t^\alpha | = o(t^{-\frac{1}{2}})$

- handle particles hitting barrier by a (actually, two-scale)

bootstrap/multiscale argument involving several barriers

## SUMMARY

- Fluctuations of  $Z_t$  and  $Z_t(f)$  are  $O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$  and caused by particles going down to  $\approx \frac{1}{2} \log t$ .
- Limit laws are mixtures of **1-stable laws** with asymmetry parameter  $\beta = \begin{cases} 1, & Z_t \\ 0, & \sqrt{t} w_t \\ \text{anything}, & Z_t(f) \end{cases}$   
(reason: particles reaching  $\frac{1}{2} \log t$  at different times contribute with possibly different signs)
- 1-stable laws arise in other (but related) contexts:
  - BBM with absorption (Brunet-Derrida-Mueller-Manier '06, Berestycki-Berestycki-Schweinsberg '11-'13, Berestycki-M.-Schweinsberg, in prep.)
  - BBM with variance decreasing in time (see open problems)

## FURTHER OUTLOOK

- "Moderate" deviations:

$$\beta \in [0, \frac{1}{2}), \quad P(Z_t(f) - \mu(f) Z_\infty \approx t^{-\beta}) = ?$$

- Conjecture (minimal particle):

$$\min_{u \in W_t} X_u(t) = \frac{3}{2} \log t + \log(Z_\infty) + C + \frac{S_\infty}{\sqrt{t}} + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$$

Gumbel

Cauchy process

(formalize in terms of mod-\$\phi\$ convergence)

- Ebert-van Saarloos correction:

$$\text{median of } \min_{u \in W_t} X_u(t) = \frac{3}{2} \log t + C + \frac{3\sqrt{2x}}{\sqrt{t}} + o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$$

(Ebert-van Saarloos '00, Nolen-Roquejoffre-Ryzhik '16+)

→ related, but not equivalent problem.

$$Z_t(F) = \mu_t(xF) = \mu_t(G)$$

$$E[F(R_1)] = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \mu(G)$$

$$M_\infty(z) = \int_0^\infty x^2 e^{-z^2/2} dx$$

$$\stackrel{(PP)}{=} \int_0^\infty e^{-z^2/2} dz$$

$$\Rightarrow M_\infty(z) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$\left( \mu_t(G) - \omega_\infty \mu(G) - c_1(F) \frac{\log t}{2\sqrt{t}} z_\infty \right)$$

$$\longrightarrow S_{z_\infty}, \quad \text{asymmetry } \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{c_1(F)}{c_2(F)}$$

$$c_1(F) = c_1\left(\frac{G^{(2)}}{x}\right) = E\left[\frac{G'(R_1)}{R_1}\right] = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \mu(G')$$

$$\frac{c_1(F)}{c_2(F)} = \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \overline{\int_0^\infty \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u}} \mu_G(\sqrt{1-u} \cdot) \right| \frac{du}{u^{3/2}}} - \mu(G) \Big| \frac{du}{u^{3/2}}$$

$$F_a(x) = F(ax)$$

$$G_a(x) = x F(a x) \\ = x F(ax)$$

$$= \frac{1}{a} G(ax)$$