

# Dirichlet spaces with no reference measure

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## Weak solutions

$$\sum_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq m} (-1)^{|\alpha|} \partial_\alpha (a_{\alpha\beta} \partial_\beta u) = F \text{ (a measure)}$$

$$\mathcal{E}[\mathbf{u}, \phi] = \sum_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq m} \int a_{\alpha\beta} (\partial_\beta u) (\partial_\alpha \phi) dx = \mathbf{F}(\phi),$$

$\forall \phi \in \mathcal{D}$  - test functions

Green function  $G : \mathcal{E}[G(\cdot, x), \phi] = \phi(x), \forall \phi \in \mathcal{D}$

Super-harmonic  $u : \mathcal{E}[u, \phi] \geq 0, \forall \phi \in \mathcal{D}^+$

## The Fukushima construction

$m$  - a full support measure

$(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$  - a closable Markov form in  $L^2(m)$ ,  
associates Markov SG  $P_t$  on  $L^p(m)$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty]$

$P_t$  is transient

$\Leftrightarrow \forall f \in L^1_+(m) : Gf = \int_0^\infty P_t f dt < \infty$   $m$ -a.e.

$$\begin{aligned} m(\phi f) - m(\phi P_T f) & \left( \rightarrow m(\phi f) \right) \\ & = \int_0^T \mathcal{E}[P_t f, \phi] dt \quad \left( \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \left[ \int_0^\infty P_t f dt, \phi \right] \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\exists g \in L^1(m), g > 0 \text{ } m\text{-a.e.} : \sqrt{\mathcal{E}[\phi]} \geq \int |\phi| dm, \\ \forall \phi \in \mathcal{D}$$

Fukushima: transience (recurrence) depends  
of measure  $m$ .

## Examples

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  smooth bdd connected

$$\mathcal{E}(u) := \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 dx, \mathcal{D}_0 = H_0^1(\Omega), \mathcal{D}_1 = H^1(\Omega).$$

$\lambda$  be the  $N$ -dim Lebesgue measure on  $\Omega$

$$\Delta := \sum_{q \in \mathbb{Q}^N \cap \Omega} c_q \delta_q.$$

$H^1$  is recurrent wr to any reference measure it is closable.

$H_0^1$  is transient wr to  $m = \lambda$ .

$H_0^1$  is recurrent wr to  $m = \lambda + \Delta$ .

$H^1$  and  $H_0^1$  are not closable wr to  $m = \Delta$ ,  
 $N \geq 3$ .

## Philosophy: measure as a clocking device

Let  $m_0 \longleftrightarrow \frac{du}{dt} = Au$ .

Then  $dm := \rho dm_0 \longleftrightarrow \frac{du}{d\tau} = \frac{1}{\rho}Au$ , i.e.,  $t = \frac{\tau}{\rho}$ .

Fukushima: for  $m$  not charging sets of zero capacity,

$t = T_\tau(\omega)$ :

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \mathbb{E}_{m_0} \int_0^\tau f(X_\tau) dT_\tau \rightarrow m(f), \quad \tau \rightarrow 0$$

$X_t(\omega)$  :

$\mathbb{E}_x f(X_t) = P_t f(x)$ ,  $P_t \longleftrightarrow (\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$  on  $L^2(m_0)$ .

## Transient Dirichlet space $(\mathcal{H}, [\cdot, \cdot])$

Given: state space  $\Omega$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  - Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $\Omega$ ,  $\mathcal{B}(\Omega)$  -  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable functions of  $\Omega$

1.  $\mathcal{H}$  is a separable Hilbert space.
2.  $\mathcal{H}$  is a ordered vector space  
 $\mathcal{H}^+$  closed,  $\mathcal{H}^+ \cap (-\mathcal{H}^+) = \{0\}$ .
3.  $\mathcal{H}$  is a *Stone lattice* i.e. a vector lattice with an order-convex sub-lattice  $\mathcal{H}^\wedge \subset \mathcal{H}^+$  of "positive elements not exceeding the unit".  
 $\mathcal{H}^\wedge$  is closed.
4.  $\mathcal{H} \stackrel{\text{dense}}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{B}(\Omega)$ , a Stone sub-lattice in the pointwise order, generating  $\mathcal{B}$ .
5. For all  $u \in \mathcal{H}$  :  $\|(u^+)^\wedge\|_{\mathcal{H}} \leq \|u\|_{\mathcal{H}}$ .

## Stone lattice $\mathcal{V}$

- vector lattice (= ordered vector space with  $\wedge, \vee$  operations);
- countable type (= a majorized family of disjoint elements is at most countable);
- $\exists$  order-convex sub-lattice  $\mathcal{V}^\wedge \subset \mathcal{V}^+$  such that:
  - $0 = \min \mathcal{V}^\wedge$ ;
  - $\forall u \in \mathcal{H}^+ : \exists u^\wedge := \sup\{v \in \mathcal{H}^\wedge, v \leq u\}$ ;
  - $\forall u \in \mathcal{H}^+ : (\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ : \alpha u \in \mathcal{H}^\wedge) \Rightarrow u = 0$ .

## Daniell Stone integral

A Stone lattice allows for an abstract version of the Lebesgue (Daniell-Stone) integral:

- order completion  $\hat{\mathcal{V}}$  ( $\hat{\mathcal{V}}^+ =$  limits of increasing positive sequences) is an analog of the measurable functions space;
- $\sigma(\mathcal{V}) := \{ \sup_n [(nu)^\wedge] \mid u \in \mathcal{V}^+ \} \subset \hat{\mathcal{V}}$  is a (Boolean)  $\sigma$ -algebra of " (indicators of) supports of elements of  $\mathcal{V}$ "
- Daniell-Stone theorem: an order continuous positive linear functional on  $\mathcal{V}$  is a positive measure on  $\sigma(\mathcal{V})$ .



## Properties of a transient Dirichlet space

1.  $\sigma(\mathcal{H}) \supset \mathcal{B}$ .
2.  $\mathcal{S}^+ := (\mathcal{H}^*)^+$  separates points on  $\mathcal{H}$ . They are positive measures on  $\sigma(\mathcal{H})$  satisfying  $\mu(u) \leq c\|u\|_{\mathcal{H}}$ ,  $u \in \mathcal{D}^+$
3.  $\exists m \in \mathcal{S}^+$  of a full support.  $\left([\cdot, \cdot], \mathcal{H} \cap L^2(m)\right)$  is a transient Dirichlet form in  $L^2(m)$  in the Fukushima sense.
4. The Green operator  $G$  is the Riesz isometry  $\mathcal{H}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  restricted to (signed) measures on  $\sigma(\mathcal{H})$ .

## Construction

$$\mathcal{D} \subset C_c(\Omega)$$

- Stone lattice with the pointwise order;
- dense in  $C_c(\Omega)$ ;
- $\forall v \in \mathcal{D}^+ \exists u \in \mathcal{D}^\wedge$  such that  $\forall \epsilon > 0$   
 $(u + \epsilon v)^\wedge = u$  ("  $u = 1$  on  $\text{supp } v$  ");
- $\|(u^+)^\wedge\|_{\mathcal{H}} \leq \|u\|_{\mathcal{H}}$ ;
- for any  $\|u_n\|_{\mathcal{H}} \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\sup_n \|v_n\|_{\mathcal{H}} < \infty$ :  
 $0 \leq v_n \leq u_n \Rightarrow v_n \rightarrow 0$  (weakly) in  $\mathcal{H}$ .