A limit theorem for inverse local times of jumping-in diffusion processes

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Let X be a strong Markov process X on the half line $[0,\infty)$ which is a natural scale diffusion up to the first hitting time of 0 and, as soon as X hits 0, X jumps into the interior $(0,\infty)$ and starts afresh. This kind of processes are studied by Feller[1] and Itô[2] and shown that such processes are characterized by the speed measure dm which characterizes the diffusion on the interior $(0,\infty)$ and the jumping-in measure j which characterizes the law of jumps from the boundary 0 to the interior $(0,\infty)$. We denote this process by $X_{m,j}$ and call it a *jumping-in diffusion*.

Let us consider the inverse local time $\eta_{m,j}$ at 0 of a jumping-in diffusion $X_{m,j}$. We study the fluctuation scaling limit of the inverse local time $\eta_{m,j}$ of the form:

$$\frac{1}{\lambda^{1/\alpha}}(\eta_{m,j}(\lambda t) - b\lambda t) \xrightarrow{d} T(t) \text{ in } \mathbb{D}$$
(1)

for some constants $b \geq 0$ and $\alpha \in (0, 2]$. Here \mathbb{D} denotes the space of càdlàg paths from $[0, \infty)$ to \mathbb{R} equipped with Skorokhod's J_1 -topology. In order to obtain the limit, we establish the continuity theorem for jumpingin diffusion processes which roughly asserts the following: for jumpingin diffusions $\{X_{m_n,j_n}\}_n$, if their speed measures $\{dm_n\}_n$ converge to a speed measure dm in a certain sense and the measures $\{j_n(dx)\}_n$ degenerate to the point mass at the origin in a certain sense, then for the appropriate constants $\{b_n\}_n$, it holds that

$$\eta_{m_n, j_n}(t) - b_n t \xrightarrow[n \to \infty]{d} \sigma B(t) + T(m; \kappa t) \text{ in } \mathbb{D}$$
 (2)

for some constants σ and κ . Here *B* denotes a standard Brownian motion and T(m;t) the spectrally positive Lévy process without Gaussian part associated to *m* which is independent of *B*. In order to prove the continuity theorem, we introduce a class of λ -eigenfunctions of the generalized second order differential operator $\frac{d}{dm}\frac{d}{dx}$ and apply Krein-Kotani correspondence and its continuity established in Kotani[4].

As an application of the above result, we study the occupation time of two-sided jumping-in diffusions which are constructed by connecting two jumping-in diffusion processes with respect to 0. Let X be such a process and define $A(t) = \int_0^t \mathbb{1}_{(0,\infty)}(X_s) ds$. We give conditions for the existence of the limit distribution $\frac{1}{t}A(t)$ as $t \to \infty$. Moreover, in the case where the limit degenerate, that is,

$$\frac{1}{t}A(t) \xrightarrow{P} p \in [0,1]$$
(3)

holds, we show the scaling limit of the fluctuation around the limit constant along the exponential clock, that is, the following limit:

$$\frac{1}{\mathbf{e}_{f(q)}} (A(\mathbf{e}_q t) - p \mathbf{e}_q t) \xrightarrow{d} Z(t)$$
(4)

for a process Z(t) and a positive function f(q) which converges to 0 as $q \to +0$. Here \mathbf{e}_q denotes an exponentially distributed random variable with parameter q > 0 and is independent of X. This result is a jumping-in version of the result proved for diffusions in Kasahara and Watanabe[3].

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