

Occupation times of long-range exclusion and connections to KPZ class exponents

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Abstract With respect to a class of long-range exclusion processes on \mathbb{Z}^d , with single particle transition rates of order $|\cdot|^{-(d+\alpha)}$, starting under Bernoulli invariant measure ν_ρ with density ρ , we consider the fluctuation behavior of occupation times at a vertex and more general additive functionals. Part of our motivation is to investigate the dependence on α , d and ρ with respect to the variance of these functionals and associated scaling limits. In the case the rates are symmetric, among other results, we find the scaling limits exhaust a range of fractional Brownian motions with Hurst parameter $H \in [1/2, 3/4]$. However, in the asymmetric case, we study the asymptotics of the variances, which when $d = 1$ and $\rho = 1/2$ points to a curious dichotomy between long-range strength parameters $0 < \alpha \leq 3/2$ and $\alpha > 3/2$. In the former case, the order of the occupation time variance is the same as under the process with symmetrized transition rates, which are calculated exactly. In the latter situation, we provide consistent lower and upper bounds and other motivations that this variance

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order is the same as under the asymmetric short-range model, which is connected to KPZ class scalings of the space-time bulk mass density fluctuations.

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1 Introduction

Informally, the exclusion process is an interacting particle system consisting of a collection of continuous-time dependent random walks moving on the lattice \mathbb{Z}^d : A particle at x waits an exponential(1) time and then chooses to displace to $x + y$ with translation-invariant probability $p(y)$. If, however, $x + y$ is already occupied, the jump is suppressed and the clock is reset. The process $\eta_t = \{\eta_t(x) : x \in \mathbb{Z}^d\} \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{Z}^d}$ for $t \geq 0$ is a Markov process which keeps track of the occupied locations on \mathbb{Z}^d . These systems have been much investigated since the 1970's when they were introduced as models of queues, traffic, fluid flow etc. In particular, the model has proved useful and fundamental in the context of statistical physics [16, 17, 29].

The exclusion model has many invariant measures, being ‘mass-conservative’ with no birth or death. In fact, there is a one parameter family of Bernoulli product invariant measures ν_ρ , indexed by the ‘mass density’ $\rho \in [0, 1]$ (cf. Chapter VIII in [16]). Here, under ν_ρ , particles are placed at lattice points $x \in \mathbb{Z}^d$ independently with probability ρ . Throughout the paper, we fix a density $\rho \in (0, 1)$ and begin the process under ν_ρ .

The study of the fluctuations of occupation times of a vertex, or a local region, or more generally that of additive functionals in exclusion particle systems on \mathbb{Z}^d , starting from an invariant measure ν_ρ has a long history going back to [11] and [13]. When the infinitesimal interactions are ‘finite-range’, that is when p is compactly supported, several interesting dependencies on the dimension d , the density ρ , and the type of underlying single particle transition probability $p = p(\cdot)$ have been found. In particular, for the asymmetric exclusion model, when $\rho = 1/2$, connections with ‘Kardar–Parisi–Zhang’ (KPZ) class variance orders of the space-time bulk mass density of the process have been made (cf. Sect. 1.4 below).

The purpose of this article is to ask what happens if the system has ‘long-range’ interactions, that is say when $p(\cdot)$ has a long tail, proportional to $|\cdot|^{-(d+\alpha)}$ for $\alpha > 0$. Such systems are of interest in models with anomalous diffusion, a subject of recent interest (cf. [1, 6] and references therein). In the particle systems context, symmetric long-range exclusion processes have been studied with respect to tagged particles [10]. However, in the asymmetric context, there appears to be little work on long-range processes. We note the ‘long-range’ systems considered in this article are *not* those systems, with the same name, where at rate 1 a particle hops to the nearest empty location found by iterating a random walk kernel (cf. [2]).

What are the variance orders and scaled centered limits of the occupation time at a vertex or more general additive functionals, and how do they relate to d , ρ , α and the structure of p ? In particular, one wonders under asymmetric long-range infinitesimal

interactions if there are still connections with ‘KPZ’ exponent orders, and if so how to interpret them. Can one infer the notion of ‘long-range KPZ’ exponent orders, which to our knowledge have not before been considered?

To discuss these questions and to put our work in better context, we first develop connections with ‘second-class’ particles and H_{-1} norms in the setting of occupation times at the origin, and then discuss previous ‘finite-range’ literature afterwards.

Let $\eta_s(0)$ be the indicator of a particle at the origin at time s with respect to the process, and let $\Gamma(t) = \int_0^t f(\eta_s) ds$ with $f(\eta) = \eta(0) - \rho$ be the centered occupation time up to time t . Let $a_t^2 = \mathbb{E}_\rho([\Gamma(t)]^2)$ be the variance starting from ν_ρ .

1.1 Connection with a ‘second-class’ particle

The variance may be computed from a standard argument. By stationarity of ν_ρ and changing variables,

$$\begin{aligned} a_t^2 &= 2 \int_0^t \int_0^s \mathbb{E}_\rho[f(\eta_u)f(\eta_0)] du ds \\ &= 2t \int_0^1 (1-s/t) \mathbb{E}_\rho[f(\eta_s)f(\eta_0)] ds. \end{aligned}$$

Now, the covariance, or ‘two-point’ function as it sometimes called, as $\rho = \mathbb{P}_\rho(\eta_s(0) = 1)$ for $s \geq 0$, and by Bayes’s formula,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_\rho[f(\eta_s)f(\eta_0)] &= \mathbb{E}_\rho[\eta_s(0)\eta_0(0)] - \rho^2 \\ &= \rho \{ \mathbb{E}_\rho[\eta_s(0)|\eta_0(0) = 1] - \mathbb{E}_\rho[\eta_s(0)] \} \\ &= \rho(1 - \rho) \{ \mathbb{E}_\rho[\eta_s(0)|\eta_0(0) = 1] - \mathbb{E}_\rho[\eta_s(0)|\eta_0(0) = 0] \}. \end{aligned}$$

From the basic coupling, which compares two exclusion systems starting from η_0 and η'_0 , a configuration which ‘flips’ the value at the origin, that is $\eta'_0(x) = \eta_0(x)$ for $x \neq 0$ and $\eta'_0(0) = 1 - \eta_0(0)$, we can track the location of the discrepancy R_s , initially at the origin, for times $s \geq 0$. The dynamics of the discrepancy, or ‘second-class’ particle, is that it moves from location x to $x + y$ at time s with rate $p(y)(1 - \eta_s(x + y)) + p(-y)\eta_s(x + y)$. The interpretation is that it jumps as any other particle in the system, corresponding to the part $p(y)(1 - \eta_s(x + y))$; but, also it must move if one of the other particles jumps to its location, corresponding to the part $p(-y)\eta_s(x + y)$. Hence,

$$\mathbb{E}_\rho[\eta_s(0)|\eta_0(0) = 1] - \mathbb{E}_\rho[\eta_s(0)|\eta_0(0) = 0] = \bar{\mathbb{P}}_\rho(R_s = 0)$$

where $\bar{\mathbb{P}}_\rho$ is the coupled measure. See Section VIII.2 in [16] for more discussion on the basic coupling.

Putting these observations together, we have

$$a_t^2 = 2t \int_0^1 (1-s/t) \bar{\mathbb{P}}_\rho(R_s = 0) ds,$$

roughly t times the expected occupation time of the second-class particle at the origin.

1.2 Connection with ‘ H_{-1} ’ norms

Instead of dealing directly with a_t^2 , one might consider the Laplace transform $L_\lambda = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} a_t^2 dt$ and its behavior as $\lambda \downarrow 0$. By a formal Tauberian ansatz, $t^{-1} L_{t^{-1}} \sim t^{-1} \int_0^t a_u^2 du \sim a_t^2$. Moreover, the object L_λ , after two integration by parts, may be written as

$$\begin{aligned} L_\lambda &= \frac{2}{\lambda^2} \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \mathbb{E}_\rho[f(\eta_t) f(\eta_0)] dt \\ &= \frac{2}{\lambda^2} \mathbb{E}_\rho[f(\eta_0) u_\lambda(\eta_0)] \end{aligned}$$

where $u_\lambda(\eta) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} T_t f(\eta) = (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f(\eta)$ and T_t and \mathcal{L} are the process semigroup and generator respectively. The term $\{\mathbb{E}_\rho[f(\eta)(\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f(\eta)]\}^{1/2}$ is well defined for $f \in \mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho)$ and can be written in variational form, in terms of H_1 and H_{-1} (semi-)norms and the symmetric and anti-symmetric decomposition of $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S} + \mathcal{A}$, which may be leveraged in bounding L_λ . Moreover, a useful test for when $a_t^2 = O(t)$ is that the H_{-1} norm $\|f\|_{-1} < \infty$. See Sect. 3.1 for a more comprehensive treatment.

1.3 Finite-range models: symmetric and mean-zero transitions

When p is symmetric, $p(\cdot) = p(-\cdot)$, the transition rates of the second-class particle from x to $x + y$ reduce to $p(y)(1 - \eta_s(x + y)) + p(-y)\eta_s(x + y) = p(y)$. Hence, marginally, the second-class particle moves as a symmetric random walk. In this case, $\mathbb{P}_\rho(R_s = 0)$ can be explicitly estimated. When p is finite-range, along similar lines, it was shown in [11] that

$$a_t^2 = \begin{cases} O(t^{3/2}) & \text{in } d = 1 \\ O(t \log(t)) & \text{in } d = 2 \\ O(t) & \text{in } d \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

Moreover, in the above scales, the functional CLT in the uniform topology was shown in [11, 23]:

$$\frac{1}{a_N} \Gamma(Nt) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \begin{cases} \mathbb{B}_{3/4}(t) & \text{in } d = 1 \\ \mathbb{B}(t) & \text{in } d \geq 2. \end{cases} \tag{1.1}$$

Here, \mathbb{B}_H is fractional Brownian motion with Hurst parameter H and $\mathbb{B} = \mathbb{B}_{1/2}$ is standard Brownian motion.

We remark similar claims on the Laplace transform L_λ hold when p is finite-range, asymmetric and mean-zero, $\sum x p(x) = 0$ by different methods. Also, corresponding CLT’s and scaling limits have been shown [9, 23, 30].

1.4 Finite-range models: asymmetric transitions and KPZ exponents

When p is finite-range and has a drift, $m = \sum xp(x) \neq 0$, although the second-class particle R_s is not a random walk, it has a mean drift of $(1 - 2\rho)m$ under $\bar{\mathbb{P}}_\rho$ (cf. [3] and references therein). In analogy with random walks, the second-class particle should be transient exactly when $\rho \neq 1/2$. Partly based on this intuition, it was proved for $\rho \neq 1/2$ in $d \geq 1$ that $a_t^2 = O(t)$, and also the functional CLT $N^{-1/2}\Gamma(Nt) \Rightarrow \mathbb{B}(t)$ (cf. [7, 22, 23]).

However, now fix $\rho = 1/2$ for the remainder of the subsection. This case interestingly connects with ‘Kardar–Parisi–Zhang’ (KPZ) behavior and exponents of driven diffusive systems. In this situation, the process macroscopic characteristic speed $(1 - 2\rho) \sum xp(x)$ vanishes. By the same sort of calculation presented above in Sect. 1.1, the variance of the second-class particle can be written in terms of the ‘diffusivity’ of the system:

$$\rho(1 - \rho)\bar{\mathbb{E}}_\rho |R_t|^2 = \sum |x|^2 \mathbb{E}_\rho [(\eta_t(x) - \rho)(\eta_0(0) - \rho)] =: D(t)$$

which in $d = 1$ is related to the variance of the ‘height’ function for an associated interface which is in the KPZ class (cf. Chapter 5 in [29] and [21] for definition of the height function and more discussion).

In [5], it was formulated that

$$D(t) = \begin{cases} O(t^{4/3}) & \text{in } d = 1 \\ O(t(\log(t))^{2/3}) & \text{in } d = 2 \\ O(t) & \text{in } d \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

This has been proved, in Tauberian form, by various techniques and discussed in more detail in [4, 8, 15, 20, 21], and [31].

Then, allowing a Gaussian ansatz, $\bar{\mathbb{P}}_\rho(R_t = 0)$ should decay as $O(t^{-2/3})$ in $d = 1$, $O(t^{-1}(\log(t))^{1/3})$ in $d = 2$, and $O(t^{-d/2})$ in $d \geq 3$. Although these local limit type estimates have not been shown, they would imply that the occupation time variance should satisfy the same estimates as for $D(t)$ above. However, in $d \geq 3$, when $\rho = 1/2$, the conclusion $a_t^2 = O(t)$ is known [23, 26].

Although the conjecture in $d \leq 2$ for the order of a_t^2 has not been substantiated, the following H_{-1} estimates have been found in [7] and [25]: As $\lambda \downarrow 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} C\lambda^{-9/4} \leq L_\lambda \leq C^{-1}\lambda^{-5/2} & \text{ in } d = 1 \\ C\lambda^{-2} \log |\log(\lambda)| \leq L_\lambda \leq C^{-1}\lambda^{-2} |\log(\lambda)| & \text{ in } d = 2 \end{aligned} \tag{1.2}$$

with an improvement in the second line lower bound of $C\lambda^{-2} |\log(\lambda)|^{1/2}$ when the p -drift, $\sum xp(x)$, lies on a coordinate axis. These Tauberian bounds formally imply that

$$\begin{aligned} Ct^{5/4} \leq a_t^2 \leq C^{-1}t^{3/2} & \text{ in } d = 1 \\ Ct \log(\log(t)) \leq a_t^2 \leq C^{-1}t \log(t) & \text{ in } d = 2. \end{aligned}$$

1.5 Finite-range models: General additive functionals and H_{-1} norms

Besides the occupation function, one can consider the additive functional $\Gamma_f(t) = \int_0^t f(\eta_s) ds$ for a general class of ‘local’ mean-zero functions, $\mathbb{E}_\rho[f] = 0$. That is, by ‘local’, we mean f is compactly supported: $f(\eta)$ depends only on the variables $\eta(x)$ for $x \in \Lambda \subset \mathbb{Z}^d$ and Λ is a finite set. Let $\sigma_t^2(f) = \mathbb{E}_\rho(\Gamma_f(t))^2$.

One may ask for which functions f is $\sigma_t^2(f) = O(t)$, that is the variance is of ‘diffusive’ order. When p is finite-range, there is a dimension dependent characterization of such f ’s depending on the ‘degree’ or ‘smoothness’ of the functions (cf. Proposition 2.1). In particular, for the symmetric process, we have seen $f(\eta) = \eta(0) - \rho$ in dimensions $d \leq 2$ is not smooth enough.

When $\sigma_t^2(f)$ is not ‘diffusive’, divergence orders have been found for symmetric and mean-zero processes (cf. Proposition 2.2) and bounds for the asymmetric model (cf. Proposition 2.3).

Functional CLT’s in diffusive scale, converging to Brownian motion, for $\Gamma_f(t)$ when $\sigma_t^2(f) = O(t)$ have been shown (cf. [13, 19, 27], and [25] and references therein for statements and more discussion). When p is mean-zero and f is a degree 1 function (such as the occupation function $f(\eta) = \eta(0) - \rho$), in $d = 1$, a functional CLT in anomalous scale has been proved [9]. Otherwise, characterizing the fluctuations of $\Gamma_f(t)$ is open.

1.6 Long-range transitions and main results

We will take p to be ‘long-range’ if its symmetrization $2^{-1}(p(x) + p(-x))$ is proportional to $|x|^{-(d+\alpha)}$ for $\alpha > 0$. This natural choice introduces the parameter α which controls the order of moments allowed. We also consider several types of asymmetries, both ‘short’ and ‘long’, detailed in the next section.

When $\alpha > 2$, p has two moments; in this case, we show that the asymptotics of the occupation time $\Gamma(\cdot)$ behaves as if p were finite-range (cf. Theorem 2.4). Also, when $0 < \alpha < 1$ or $d \geq 3$, the random walk generated by p is transient [28]; in this case, we prove that the long time behavior of $\Gamma(\cdot)$ is diffusive (cf. part of Theorems 2.6, 2.11, 2.12).

Our main interest is when $1 \leq \alpha \leq 2$ and $d \leq 2$. When p is symmetric, one of our main results is to derive a fractional Brownian motion scaling limit in $d = 1$ for $\Gamma(\cdot)$ in scale $a_t = O(t^{1-(2\alpha)^{-1}})$, corresponding to Hurst parameter $H = 1 - (2\alpha)^{-1}$. This microscopic derivation of a collection of fractional BM’s, in a range of Hurst parameters, generalizes the $H = 3/4$ limit when p is finite-range. In $d \leq 2$, other additive functional variance divergence orders and CLTs are also found (cf. Theorems 2.8, 2.9, and 2.11). We also observe that most of these results also hold for a class of long-range mean-zero processes.

However, when p is asymmetric with a ‘drift’—an example is when $p(x)$ is proportional to $\mathbf{1}_{(x_i > 0; 1 \leq i \leq d)} |x|^{-d-\alpha}$ —other new phenomena appear. In particular, in $d = 1$ when $\rho = 1/2$, we observe a curious transition point at $\alpha = 3/2$. When $\alpha \leq 3/2$, we show the variance a_t^2 is of the same Tauberian order as if p were symmetric. In particular, when $\alpha = 3/2$, we prove $a_t^2 = O(t^{4/3})$ in the Tauberian sense (cf. Theorem 2.14).

However, as α increases, the process is less heavy-tailed and one feels less mixing, more volatile and more susceptible to ‘traffic jams’. In fact, we propose for a large class of exclusion systems that L_λ and a_t^2 should increase as α increases. In support, we verify this intuition for mean-zero type processes (cf. Theorem 2.18).

Moreover, we conjecture, from (1) this intuition, (2) the statement $a_t^2 = O(t^{4/3})$, in the Tauberian sense, when $\alpha = 3/2$ and $\rho = 1/2$, (3) the result a_t^2 is of the same Tauberian order as for finite-range processes when $\alpha > 2$, and (4) the belief for $d = 1$ finite-range processes with drift that also $a_t^2 = O(t^{4/3})$, that we have $a_t^2 = O(t^{4/3})$ in the Tauberian sense for all $\alpha \geq 3/2$ in $d = 1$ (cf. Conjecture 2.17). We note superdiffusive lower and upper bounds, consistent with this conjecture, are given in Theorem 2.14.

We remark the apparent dichotomy in the behavior of a_t^2 when variously $\alpha \leq 3/2$ and $\alpha > 3/2$ in $d = 1$ for $\rho = 1/2$ suggests a novel extension of the scope of the KPZ class behavior to long-range models. This topic and supporting results are discussed more in Sects. 2.5, 2.6.

In dimension $d = 2$ when $\rho = 1/2$, analogously, we show for $\alpha \leq 2$ that a_t^2 is of the same Tauberian order as in the symmetric case (Theorems 2.12, 2.15). Here, it seems, the KPZ class behavior does not extend below $\alpha \leq 2$. As in the finite-range case, what is expected for $\alpha > 2$ is that $a_t^2 = O(t(\log(t))^{2/3})$.

In addition, when $\rho \neq 1/2$, since the process characteristic speed drifts away from the origin, one expects $a_t^2 = O(t)$. This is indeed the case and stated in Theorem 2.12 for almost all values of α and $d \leq 2$.

We also consider the variance $\Gamma_f(t)$ for general local functions f , and find an α , ρ , d -dependent characterization of when $a_t^2(f) = O(t)$ (Theorems 2.6, 2.12), and also exceptional orders (Theorems 2.14, 2.15). Corresponding functional CLT’s are also given for the symmetric model (cf. Theorems 2.11) and remarked upon for the asymmetric process (cf. Remark 2.13).

The methods of the article make use of a combination of martingale CLT, ‘duality’, and H_{-1} norm variational formula arguments. In particular, part of the arguments nontrivially generalize, to long-range models, the works [7, 11, 23] in the finite-range setting. On the other hand, some new tools such as the sector inequality in Lemma 4.2, which may be of interest itself, are developed.

1.6.1 Notation and plan of the article

The canonical basis of \mathbb{R}^d and coordinates of a vertex $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ are denoted by e_i and x_i for $1 \leq i \leq d$ respectively. The usual scalar product between x and y in \mathbb{R}^d is denoted by $x \cdot y$ and the corresponding norm by $|\cdot|$.

Define the relations ‘ \approx ’, ‘ \sim ’, ‘ \asymp ’, ‘ \succ ’, and note usual conventions ‘ $O(\cdot)$ ’ and ‘ $o(\cdot)$ ’ between sequences $a(s) \geq 0$ and $b(s) > 0$:

- $a(s) \approx b(s)$ when $0 < \liminf_{s \rightarrow \infty} a(s)/b(s)$ and $\limsup_{s \rightarrow \infty} a(s)/b(s) < \infty$,
- $a(s) \sim b(s)$ when $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} a(s)/b(s)$ exists and $0 < \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} a(s)/b(s) < \infty$,
- $a(s) = O(b(s))$ when $\limsup_{s \rightarrow \infty} a(s)/b(s) < \infty$,
- $a(s) = o(b(s))$ when $\limsup_{s \rightarrow \infty} a(s)/b(s) = 0$,
- $a(s) \asymp b(s)$ when $a(s) = O(b(s))$, and

- $a(s) \succcurlyeq b(s)$ when $b(s) = O(a(s))$.

Sometimes, the parameter s will denote the time t which tends to infinity. At other times, $s = \lambda$, a parameter we will send to 0, and the relations above are defined accordingly.

In the next section, we more carefully define the model, and discuss the results. In Sect. 3, we give notions of H_{-1} norms, ‘duality’ with respect to the (asymmetric) exclusion process, ‘free particle’ approximations, and other basic estimates useful in the proofs. In Sect. 4, finite and long-range H_{-1} norm comparison results, as well as the monotonicity result Theorem 2.18 are proved. In Sects. 5 and 6, we prove the main results for symmetric and asymmetric long-range exclusion processes respectively. Finally, in “Appendix”, some more technical computations are collected.

2 Definitions and main results

Let $\alpha > 0$ and let $p(\cdot)$ be a transition function on \mathbb{Z}^d such that for any $y \in \mathbb{Z}^d$,

$$p(y) = \frac{\gamma(y)}{|y|^{d+\alpha}}, \quad \gamma(y) = \sum_{\sigma=\pm} c \sum_{i=1}^d b_i^\sigma(y) \mathbf{1}_{\sigma(y \cdot e_i) > 0}$$

and $p(0) = 0$. Here, c is a normalization constant and $\{b_i^\pm(y) : 1 \leq i \leq d, y \in \mathbb{Z}^d\}$ are nonnegative real numbers, which are bounded $b_i^\pm(\cdot) \leq \bar{b}$, such that $(p(\cdot) + p(-\cdot))/2$ is irreducible.

The symmetric and antisymmetric parts of p are denoted respectively by s and a where $s(y) = (p(y) + p(-y))/2$ and $a(y) = (p(y) - p(-y))/2$. The mean of p , equal to the mean of a , is defined by $m = \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} yp(y) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ if it converges.

We now distinguish several types of natural asymmetric long-range probabilities:

- (LA) (Long asymmetric range) There are constants $b_i^\sigma \geq 0$ such that $b_i^\sigma(y) \equiv b_i^\sigma$,

$$\min_{1 \leq i \leq d} b_i^+ \wedge b_i^- > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^d |b_i^+ - b_i^-| > 0.$$

- (SA) (Short asymmetric range) There is an $R < \infty$ and $b_i > 0$ such that $b_i^+(y) = b_i^-(y) = b_i$ for $|y| > R$, $\sum_{|y| \leq R} yp(y) \neq 0$. Here, a is finite range, but jumps of all large sizes are supported by p .

- (NNA) (Nearest-neighbor asymmetry) A particular case of the short asymmetric range probability is when $R = 1$ and the asymmetry is nearest-neighbor.

- (MZA) (Mean-zero asymmetry) Another case of the short asymmetric range probability is when $\sum_{|y| \leq R} yp(y) = 0$, but p is not symmetric.

We will on occasion make comparisons with respect to the more studied ‘finite-range’ jump probability, for which symmetric, mean-zero asymmetric and asymmetric versions can be analogously defined.

(FR) (Finite range) There is an $R < \infty$ such that for all $1 \leq i \leq d$, $b_i^+(y) = b_i^-(y) = 0$ for $|y| > R$. As before, to avoid sublattice periodicity, we assume the symmetric part s is irreducible.

(FR-NN) (Nearest-neighbor) A case of the finite-range probability is when $R = 1$. Here, necessarily $s(e_i) > 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq d$.

Most of our focus, to make a choice, is on long asymmetric range model (LA), and for the remainder of the article p denotes such a probability. However, some comparisons with other types of probabilities are made in Sect. 2.2. In the following, quantities with respect to the different types of probabilities will be denoted with corresponding superscripts; in this respect, (S) signifies the jump probability is s .

The corresponding d -dimensional exclusion process is a Markov process $\{\eta_t ; t \geq 0\}$, with state space $\Omega = \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{Z}^d}$, whose generator acts on local functions $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ as

$$\mathcal{L}f(\eta) = \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} p(y)\eta(x)(1 - \eta(x + y))\nabla_{x,x+y}f(\eta),$$

where $\nabla_{x,x+y}f(\eta) = f(\eta^{x,x+y}) - f(\eta)$ and

$$\eta^{x,x+y}(z) = \begin{cases} \eta(x + y), & z = x \\ \eta(x), & z = x + y \\ \eta(z), & z \neq x, x + y. \end{cases}$$

We will denote by T_t the associated semigroup.

As mentioned in the introduction, for every $\rho \in [0, 1]$, the Bernoulli product measure ν_ρ with density ρ is invariant for $\{\eta_t ; t \geq 0\}$. Let \mathbb{P}_ρ be the law of the process $\{\eta_t ; t \geq 0\}$ starting from ν_ρ . We denote by \mathbb{E}_ρ , as it will be clear by context, the expectation with respect to both ν_ρ and \mathbb{P}_ρ . We will also use the notation $\langle f, g \rangle_\rho := \mathbb{E}_\rho[fg]$.

One may compute that the $\mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho)$ adjoint \mathcal{L}^* itself is an exclusion generator with reversed jump probability $p^*(\cdot) = p(-\cdot)$. When $p = s$, the $\mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho)$ process generator \mathcal{L} and semigroup T_t are reversible. The construction and basic properties of this Markov process can be found in Chapter I, VIII in [16]; its extension to $\mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho)$, with a core including local functions, follows from the development in Section IV.4 in [16].

Recall the additive functional for this process

$$\Gamma_f(t) = \int_0^t f(\eta_s)ds,$$

where $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a local function, and its variance $\sigma_t^2(f)$ with respect to the stationary measure ν_ρ with density ρ . We now define the ‘limiting variance’ $\sigma^2(f)$ by

$$\sigma^2(f) = \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-1}\sigma_t^2(f).$$

A local function f such that $\sigma^2(f) < \infty$ or equivalently $\sigma_t^2(f) \leq Ct$ for a constant $C > 0$ independent of t , is said to be *admissible*.

Define the Laplace transform of $\sigma_t^2(f)$ as $L_f(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \sigma_t^2(f) dt$. We observe that if f is admissible then $\lambda^2 L_f(\lambda)$ is uniformly bounded as $\lambda \downarrow 0$.

The behavior of the variance $\sigma_t^2(f)$ and $L_f(\lambda)$ are much related to the degree of f . Define $\mu_f(z) = \int f d\nu_z$ the mean of f with respect to ν_z . For $i \geq 1$, the i^{th} derivative of a function g is denoted by $g^{(i)}$.

Definition 2.1 Let $\text{deg}(f)$ be the *degree* of the local function f , with respect to ν_ρ , that is the integer $i \geq 0$ such that $\mu_f^{(i)}(\rho) \neq 0$ and $\mu_f^{(j)}(\rho) = 0$ for any $j < i$. If $\mu_f^{(j)}(\rho) = 0$ for all $0 \leq j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we say $\text{deg}(f) = \infty$.

For a finite subset $A \subset \mathbb{Z}^d$ with cardinality $|A|$, let $\Phi_A(\eta) := \prod_{i \in A} (\eta(i) - \rho)$. Then, Φ_A is a degree $|A|$ function and $\mu_{\Phi_A}(z) = (z - \rho)^{|A|}$. All local, mean-zero functions f , $\mathbb{E}_\rho[f] = 0$, can be decomposed in terms of $\{\Phi_A : A \subset \mathbb{Z}^d\}$: Since the occupation variables are at most 1,

$$f(\eta) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{|A|=n} c(A) \Phi_A(\eta),$$

in terms of coefficients $c(A)$ where all sums are finite. In particular, if f is a degree i local function then $\mu_f(z)$ is a degree i polynomial.

Moreover, we may conclude,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } \text{deg}(f) = 1, & \text{ then } \sum_{|A|=1} c(A) \neq 0 \\ \text{if } \text{deg}(f) = 2, & \text{ then } \sum_{|A|=2} c(A) \neq 0 \text{ and } \sum_{|A|=1} c(A) = 0 \\ \text{if } \text{deg}(f) \geq 3, & \text{ then } \sum_{|A|=1} c(A) = \sum_{|A|=2} c(A) = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

It will be helpful, before stating our main long-range results in Sects. 2.2–2.6, to state precisely some of the work on finite-range systems.

2.1 Previous work on (FR) models

Admissibility has been previously characterized for exclusion with finite range probabilities $p^{(FR)}$ in [7, 23, 27].

Proposition 2.1 *Suppose $p^{(FR)}$ is mean-zero. Then, a local function f is admissible exactly when*

$$\text{deg}(f) \geq \begin{cases} 3 & \text{in } d = 1 \\ 2 & \text{in } d = 2 \\ 1 & \text{in } d \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

But when $p^{(FR)}$ has a drift, $\sum x p^{(FR)}(x) \neq 0$, then f is admissible exactly when

$$\text{deg}(f) \geq \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \rho \neq 1/2 \text{ or } d \geq 3 \\ 2 & \text{if } \rho = 1/2 \text{ and } d \leq 2. \end{cases}$$

In the exceptional cases, the following is known. We remark when $p^{(FR)}$ is symmetric, $L_f(\lambda)$ and \approx below can be replaced by $\sigma_t^2(f)$ and \sim respectively; see [19,23,27] for more details and refinements.

Proposition 2.2 *Suppose $p^{(FR)}$ is mean-zero and f is local. Then, in $d = 1$,*

$$L_f(\lambda) \approx \begin{cases} \lambda^{-5/2} & \text{if } \deg(f) = 1 \\ \lambda^{-2} |\log(\lambda)| & \text{if } \deg(f) = 2 \\ \lambda^{-2} & \text{if } \deg(f) \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

In $d = 2$,

$$L_f(\lambda) \approx \begin{cases} \lambda^{-2} |\log(\lambda)| & \text{if } \deg(f) = 1 \\ \lambda^{-2} & \text{if } \deg(f) \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

In $d \geq 3$,

$$L_f(\lambda) \approx \lambda^{-2}.$$

When $p^{(FR)}$ has a drift, $\rho = 1/2$ and $\deg(f) = 1$, the behavior of $\sigma_t^2(f)$ will be of the same conjectured orders $t^{4/3}$ in $d = 1$ and $t(\log(t))^{2/3}$ in $d = 2$ with respect to the occupation time function $f_0(\eta) = \eta(0) - 1/2$ discussed in the introduction.

On the other hand, the bounds on $L_\lambda = L_{f_0}(\lambda)$ given in (1.2) extend to degree 1 functions [7,25].

Proposition 2.3 *Suppose $p^{(FR)}$ has a drift, $\sum xp^{(FR)}(x) \neq 0$, $\rho = 1/2$, and f is local and $\deg(f) = 1$. Then,*

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^{-9/4} &\leq L_f(\lambda) \leq \lambda^{-5/2} \quad \text{in } d = 1 \\ \lambda^{-2} \log |\log(\lambda)| &\leq L_f(\lambda) \leq \lambda^{-2} |\log(\lambda)| \quad \text{in } d = 2. \end{aligned}$$

Also, in $d = 2$, when in addition $\sum xp^{(FR)}(x)$ is on a coordinate axis, the lower bound can be replaced by $\lambda^{-2} |\log(\lambda)|^{1/2}$.

2.2 Finite/long-range and other comparisons

We now compare Tauberian variances L_f , with respect to (LA) long-range processes, and $L_f^{(FR)}$ when $\alpha > 2$, that is when p has strictly more than 2 moments. We remark the results of Theorem 2.4 hold also with respect to comparisons between $L_f^{(\cdot)}$, for all the types of long-range jump probabilities mentioned before, and $L_f^{(FR)}$.

Theorem 2.4 *Let f be a local function. Then, for $\alpha > 2$ and $d \geq 1$, when $\sum yp(y) = c \sum yp^{(FR)}(y)$ for a constant $c \neq 0$, we have*

$$L_f(\lambda) \approx L_f^{(FR)}(\lambda).$$

We remark, in $d = 1$, the ‘parallel’ condition $\sum yp(y) = c \sum yp^{(FR)}(y)$ for a nonzero c is the same as $\sum yp(y) = \sum yp^{(FR)}(y) = 0$ or both $\sum yp(y)$, $\sum yp^{(FR)}(y) \neq 0$. When $\alpha > 2$, the long-range exclusion dynamics has similar properties as when the process is finite-range and parallel. In particular, one may apply results for finite-range processes when $\alpha > 2$.

However, when $\alpha > 0$, Tauberian variances for long-range (MZA) models are comparable with their symmetric long-range counterparts.

Theorem 2.5 *Let f be a local function. Then, for $\alpha > 0$ and $d \geq 1$, with respect to long-range (MZA) processes, we have*

$$L_f^{(MZA)}(\lambda) \approx L_f^{(S)}(\lambda).$$

2.3 Symmetric jumps

We now consider the symmetric process, when $p(\cdot) = s(\cdot)$ corresponds to the symmetrization of a (LA) long-range jump probability. Results in this section also for symmetrizations of (SA) jump probabilities, with similar proofs. We first characterize admissibility of local functions.

Theorem 2.6 *Consider the symmetric long-range exclusion process in dimension d . We have the following characterization of admissibility.*

- $d = 1$: Every local function f such that:
 1. $\deg(f) \geq 3$ is admissible,
 2. $\deg(f) = 2$ is admissible if $\alpha < 2$,
 3. $\deg(f) = 1$ is admissible if $\alpha < 1$.
- $d = 2$: Every local function f such that:
 1. $\deg(f) \geq 2$ is admissible,
 2. $\deg(f) = 1$ is admissible if $\alpha < 2$.
- $d \geq 3$: Every local function with $\deg(f) \geq 1$ is admissible.

Remark 2.7 In terms of variance asymptotics, the following observation reduces the consideration of a general local degree 1 function f to that of the occupation time function $\eta(0) - \rho$. Indeed, note that $g = f - \mu'_f(\rho)(\eta(0) - \rho)$ is at least a degree 2 function. When $d = 1$, $\alpha < 2$, we have $\sigma_t^2(g) = O(t)$ by Theorem 2.6. Hence, if $\sigma_t^2(\eta(0) - \rho)$ is superdiffusive in growth, it is the dominant term with respect to the equation $f = g + \mu'_f(\rho)(\eta(0) - \rho)$.

Similarly, noting (2.1), a degree k function f can be written as $f = h + \frac{1}{k!} \mu_f^{(k)}(\rho) \Phi_A$ where $|A| = k$ and h is now at least a degree $k + 1$ function. Hence, one deduces $\sigma_t^2(f) \sim \sigma_t^2(\Phi_A)$ when $\sigma_t^2(\Phi_A)$ dominates $\sigma_t^2(h)$.

Next, the following results give the variance behavior for exceptional functions f in terms of dimension d . As discussed earlier, when $\alpha > 2$, the orders match those for the symmetric finite-range model (cf. Theorem 2.4).

Theorem 2.8 *Let f be a local degree 1 function. It holds that*

- In $d = 1$

$$\sigma_t^2(f) \sim \begin{cases} t, & \text{if } \alpha < 1 \\ t \log(t), & \text{if } \alpha = 1 \\ t^{2-1/\alpha}, & \text{if } 1 < \alpha < 2 \\ t^{3/2}(\log(t))^{-1/2}, & \text{if } \alpha = 2 \\ t^{3/2}, & \text{if } \alpha > 2. \end{cases}$$

- In $d=2$

$$\sigma_t^2(f) \sim \begin{cases} t, & \text{if } \alpha < 2 \\ t \log(\log(t)), & \text{if } \alpha = 2 \\ t \log(t), & \text{if } \alpha > 2. \end{cases}$$

- In $d \geq 3$,

$$\sigma_t^2(f) \sim t, \text{ for all } \alpha.$$

Theorem 2.9 *Let $d = 1$ and let f be a local degree 2 function. Then, as $\lambda \downarrow 0$, we have*

$$L_f(\lambda) \approx \begin{cases} \lambda^{-2} |\log(\lambda)| & \text{if } \alpha > 2 \\ \lambda^{-2} \log |\log(\lambda)| & \text{if } \alpha = 2. \end{cases}$$

Remark 2.10 When $\deg(f) = 2$, we expect variance asymptotics $\sigma_t^2(f) \sim t \log(t)$ if $\alpha > 2$ and $\sigma_t^2(f) \sim t \log(\log(t))$ if $\alpha = 2$. In this respect, in the nearest-neighbor case, by computing the Green’s function of a system of two interacting exclusion particles, which seems more difficult when jumps are not nearest-neighbor, these asymptotics are shown in [27].

The following convergence results hold. Recall \mathbb{B}_H denotes fractional Brownian motion with Hurst exponent H , and $\mathbb{B} = \mathbb{B}_{1/2}$ is standard Brownian motion.

Theorem 2.11 (i) *If f is an admissible function then we have weak convergence in the uniform topology:*

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_N(f)} \Gamma_f(tN) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{B}(t).$$

(ii) *If f is a (non-admissible) function of degree 1, we have the following weak convergences in the uniform topology*

- In $d = 1$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_N(f)} \Gamma_f(tN) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \begin{cases} \mathbb{B}(t), & \text{if } \alpha = 1 \\ \mathbb{B}_{1-1/2\alpha}(t), & \text{if } 1 < \alpha < 2 \\ \mathbb{B}_{3/4}(t), & \text{if } \alpha \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

- In $d = 2$, for all $\alpha \geq 2$,

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_N(f)} \Gamma_f(tN) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{B}(t).$$

- (iii) If f is a (non-admissible) function of degree 2, i.e. $\alpha \geq 2$ and $d = 1$, then for any $t > 0$, we have the one-time CLT, convergence in law

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_N(f)} \Gamma_f(tN) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{N}(t)$$

where $\mathcal{N}(t)$ is a centered normal variable with variance t .

The last part is weaker than the previous lines in Theorem 2.11 as the exact asymptotics of $\sigma_{tN}(f)$ have not been found (cf. Remark 2.10).

2.3.1 Mean-zero (MZA) processes

We make a few remarks on (MZA) systems and note all statements in Theorems 2.6 and 2.9 hold for these processes. In addition, statements in Theorem 2.8, interpreted in the Tauberian sense, that is with respect to the asymptotics of $L_f(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \sigma_t^2(f) dt$, also hold for (MZA) processes.

Indeed, by the bound $\sigma_t^2(f) \leq 10t^{-1} L_f^{(S)}(t^{-1})$ in the H_{-1} norm Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2, and admissibility for the symmetric process in Theorem 2.6, the same admissibility statements follow for (MZA) systems. Also, the Tauberian variance statements for the symmetric process transfer to (MZA) processes by Theorem 2.5.

Finally, we remark, the statement in Part (i) Theorem 2.11 also holds for (MZA)-systems, by the method in [30] for finite-range mean-zero systems, since $a^{(MZA)}$ is the anti-symmetric part of a finite-range mean-zero jump probability. Otherwise, the fluctuations have not been considered.

2.4 Asymmetric jumps

We now consider (LA) asymmetric processes with long-range probability p , which require more delicate considerations than in the symmetric situation.

However, we remark all results of this subsection also hold for long-range (SA) models with short-range asymmetries, with similar proofs.

Theorem 2.12 *Consider the asymmetric long-range exclusion process in dimension d . We have the following characterization of admissibility.*

- $d = 1$: Every local function f such that:
 1. $\deg(f) \geq 3$ is admissible,
 2. $\deg(f) = 2$ is admissible if $\alpha \neq 2$,
 3. $\deg(f) = 1$ is admissible if $\rho \neq 1/2$ and $\alpha \neq 1, 2$ or if $\rho = 1/2$ and $\alpha < 1$.
- $d = 2$: Every local function f such that:
 1. $\deg(f) \geq 2$ is admissible,
 2. $\deg(f) = 1$ is admissible

if and only if $\rho \neq 1/2$ for all α or if $\rho = 1/2$ and $\alpha < 2$.

- $d \geq 3$: Every local function such that $\deg(f) \geq 1$ is admissible.

Remark 2.13 Cases left open, by our methods, are the boundary cases when $d = 1, \alpha = 1, 2, \rho \neq 1/2$ and $\deg(f) = 1$ or when $d = 1, \alpha = 2, \deg(f) = 2$ for which we conjecture such functions are admissible. Moreover, we show later in Theorems 2.14 and 2.15 that functions not satisfying either the assumptions of Theorem 2.12 or the two cases above are not admissible.

When all mean-zero local functions are admissible, that is when $\alpha < 1$ in $d = 1, \alpha < 2$ in $d = 2$, or $d \geq 3$, the CLT display in Part (i) Theorem 2.11 holds by the same argument as for Corollary 2.1 in [22]. Otherwise, the fluctuation limits for Γ_f have not been characterized.

The next results give upper and lower bounds on $L_f(\lambda)$ in exceptional non-admissible situations. Formal estimates on $\sigma_t^2(f)$ can be recovered by the formal Tauberian relation $\sigma_t^2(f) \sim t^{-1}L_f(t^{-1})$.

Theorem 2.14 Consider the asymmetric long-range exclusion process in dimension $d = 1$ with $\alpha \geq 1$ and $\rho = 1/2$. Let f be a local function of degree one.

- When $\alpha = 1$, as $\lambda \downarrow 0$,

$$L_f(\lambda) \sim \lambda^{-2} |\log(\lambda)|.$$

- When $1 < \alpha \leq 3/2$, as $\lambda \downarrow 0$,

$$L_f(\lambda) \sim \lambda^{1/\alpha-3}.$$

- When $3/2 \leq \alpha < 2$, there exists a constant C such that for all small λ ,

$$C^{-1}\lambda^{-1/2\alpha-2} \leq L_f(\lambda) \leq C\lambda^{1/\alpha-3}$$

- When $\alpha = 2$, there exists a constant C such that for all small λ

$$C^{-1}\lambda^{-9/4} |\log(\lambda)|^{1/4} \leq L_f(\lambda) \leq C \frac{\lambda^{-5/2}}{\sqrt{|\log(\lambda)|}}.$$

- When $\alpha > 2$, let $L_f^{(FR)}(\lambda)$ correspond to $p^{(FR)}$ with a drift, $\sum xp^{(FR)}(x) \neq 0$. Then, by Theorem 2.4, $L_f(\lambda) \approx L_f^{(FR)}(\lambda)$, and the bounds in Proposition 2.3 hold.

Theorem 2.15 Consider the asymmetric long-range exclusion process in dimension $d = 2$ with $\alpha \geq 2$ and $\rho = 1/2$. Let f be a local function of degree one.

- When $\alpha = 2$, as $\lambda \downarrow 0$,

$$L_f(\lambda) \approx \lambda^{-2} \log(|\log(\lambda)|).$$

- When $\alpha > 2$, let $L_f^{(FR)}(\lambda)$ correspond to $p^{(FR)}$ with a drift, $\sum xp^{(FR)}(x) \neq 0$. Then, by Theorem 2.4, $L_f(\lambda) \approx L_f^{(FR)}(\lambda)$, and the bounds in Proposition 2.3 hold.

Remark 2.16 We note all upper bounds in Theorems 2.14 and 2.15 hold in the Abelian sense: That is, $\sigma_t^2(f) \leq 5t^{-1}L_f^{(S)}(t^{-1})$ by the H_{-1} norm result Corollary 3.3, and the variance bounds for the symmetric long-range process in Theorem 2.8.

2.5 A conjecture and partial monotonicity argument

As remarked in the Introduction, with respect to finite-range asymmetric exclusion processes, when $\rho = 1/2$ and $\sum yp^{(FR)}(y) \neq 0$, it is believed that the occupation time variance $\sigma_t^2(\eta(0) - 1/2) \approx t^{4/3}$ in $d = 1$ and $\approx t(\log(t))^{2/3}$ in $d = 2$. Given Theorem 2.4, these are the same orders conjectured for the variance, in the Tauberian sense, for the long-range asymmetric exclusion process when $\alpha > 2$ in $d = 1, 2$.

Now, as α increases, the jump probability p becomes less heavy-tailed. Correspondingly, because of the exclusion dynamics, particles which are bunched together disperse slower and traffic jams are more likely to persist. In particular, it is known that the occupation time at the origin has positively associated increments in time [23]. One feels consequently that the origin occupation time is more volatile as α grows, that is $\alpha \mapsto E_\rho[\int_0^t f_0(\eta_s)ds]^2 = \sigma_t^2(f_0)$, and $\alpha \mapsto \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \mathbb{E}_\rho[f_0 P_t f_0]dt = L_{f_0}(\lambda)$, in terms of their orders, are increasing functions of α , where $f_0(\eta) = \eta(0) - \rho$.

Recall, also, when $\alpha = 3/2$ and $\rho = 1/2$, the order of the variance $\sigma_t^2(f_0)$, in both the symmetric and asymmetric cases, in the Tauberian sense, is $O(t^{4/3})$, the same order believed under asymmetric finite-range dynamics. These comments form the basis of the following conjecture.

Conjecture 2.17 For $\rho = 1/2$, with respect to long-range asymmetric exclusion dynamics such that $m = \sum yp(y) \neq 0$, the Tauberian variance satisfies

$$L_{f_0}(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \sigma_t^2(f_0)dt \approx \begin{cases} \lambda^{-7/3} & \text{in } d = 1 \text{ and } \alpha \geq 3/2 \\ \lambda^{-2} |\log(\lambda)|^{2/3} & \text{in } d = 2 \text{ and } \alpha > 2. \end{cases}$$

Correspondingly, when $\rho = 1/2$, this type of approximation would formally imply $\sigma_t^2(f_0) \approx t^{4/3}$ in $d = 1$ for $\alpha \geq 3/2$, and $\sigma_t^2(f_0) \approx t(\log(t))^{2/3}$ in $d = 2$ for $\alpha > 2$.

In support of the conjecture, consider $d \geq 1$ long-range models, with short range mean-zero asymmetries, where the jump rate p^α is in form $p^\alpha = s_\alpha + a$. Here, a is a finite-range anti-symmetric mean-zero jump rate $\sum ya(y) = 0$, and $s_\alpha(y) = c_\alpha \mathbf{1}_{y \neq 0} |y|^{-(d+\alpha)}$ where c_α is the normalization. For a local function f , let L_f^α be the corresponding Tauberian variance.

Theorem 2.18 For $0 < \alpha < \beta$, $\rho \in [0, 1]$ and $\lambda > 0$, there is a constant $C = C(d, \alpha, \beta, a)$ such that $L_f^\alpha(\lambda) \leq CL_f^\beta(\lambda)$.

Remark 2.19 We conjecture the same monotonicity statement holds for $d = 1$ short asymmetric long range processes with nonzero drift, and $f = f_0$, when $\rho = 1/2$,

where the jump rate $p^{(SA),\alpha} = s^\alpha + a$ and $\sum xa(x) \neq 0$. Suppose indeed such a monotonicity statement holds. Then, (1) $L_{f_0}^{(SA),\alpha}(\lambda) \geq C_1 L_{f_0}^{(SA),3/2}(\lambda) \geq C_2 \lambda^{-7/3}$ by Theorem 2.14, when $\alpha \geq 3/2$ and $\rho = 1/2$, and (2) $L_{f_0}^{(SA),\alpha}(\lambda) \leq C_3 L_{f_0}^{(SA),2+\varepsilon}(\lambda) \leq C_4 L_{f_0}^{(FR)}(\lambda)$, by Theorem 2.4, when $\alpha \leq 2$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Recall also that (3) $L_{f_0}^{(SA),\alpha}(\lambda) \approx L_{f_0}^{(FR)}(\lambda)$ when $\alpha > 2$ by Theorem 2.4. Then, by (1), (2) and (3), to show Conjecture 2.17 for (SA) processes with drift, it would be enough to prove for $\rho = 1/2$ that $L_{f_0}^{(FR)}(\lambda) \leq C \lambda^{-7/3}$, an estimate which is expected.

2.6 Role of $\alpha = 3/2$

Given Conjecture 2.17, it seems the long-range parameter value $\alpha = 3/2$ is a change-point for the occupation time dynamics with respect to $d = 1$ asymmetric exclusion with jump probability p when $\rho = 1/2$. On the one hand, for $\alpha \leq 3/2$, the occupation time variance behaves as that under the symmetric dynamics (cf. Theorems 2.8, 2.14). But, otherwise, it would seem, for $\alpha \geq 3/2$, the variance acts as that under an asymmetric finite-range (FR) model.

That the occupation time variance orders are computed exactly, namely 1 for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ and $2 - 1/\alpha$ for $1 \leq \alpha \leq 3/2$ in $d = 1$ (cf. Theorem 2.14), in particular a power of $4/3$ for $\alpha = 3/2$, is one of the few exact calculations with respect to the fluctuations of asymmetric particle systems across process characteristics. Technically, the symmetric part of the generator \mathcal{L} “dominates” the anti-symmetric part exactly when $0 < \alpha < 3/2$. At $\alpha = 3/2$, they are of the same order, and exact computations can be made.

To try to understand a more physical basis for the phenomenon, one might consider the hydrodynamic space-time scaling limit for the empirical particle density in $d = 1$. In finite-range asymmetric processes, the empirical measure $(1/N) \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \eta_{Nt}(x) \delta_{x/N}$ is known to converge to the entropic solution of

$$\partial_t \rho + m \nabla (\rho(1 - \rho)) = 0; \quad \rho(0, x) = \rho_0(x), \quad (2.2)$$

when the initial configurations have ‘profile’ ρ_0 (cf. [12] for statements and details). When the process begins in the invariant measure ν_ρ , fluctuations of the empirical measure should be governed by an equation taking input from a Taylor expansion of (2.2) around the constant density ρ (cf. [29]).

The first and second derivatives of the flux $F(\rho) = m\rho(1 - \rho)$ are $m(1 - 2\rho)$ and $-2m$. When $\rho \neq 1/2$, the first derivative is dominant, meaning there is an underlying drift of the ‘bulk’ of particles. In this case, particles do not return to the origin often. Accordingly, one expects, as is known, that the finite-range occupation time fluctuations are diffusive.

However, when $\rho = 1/2$, the drift vanishes and the second order derivative is dominant. This is the kernel of a physical ‘reason’ why the finite-range occupation time fluctuations are in terms of KPZ exponents.

In the long-range asymmetric setting, when $\alpha > 1$, the mean $m < \infty$. A formal calculation in $d = 1$, no matter the value of $\alpha > 1$, gives again that

$(1/N) \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \eta_{Nt}(x) \delta_{x/N}$ converges to the solution of (2.2). Then, if $\rho \neq 1/2$, one should expect, as is proven here, that the occupation time fluctuations are diffusive. However, when $\rho = 1/2$, although one can understand that the occupation time fluctuations should be different, without a more refined scaling analysis, the role of $\alpha = 3/2$ is not revealed by the above hydrodynamics heuristics.

At this point, when $\rho \neq 1/2$ and $d = 1$, we conjecture the same scaling behavior, as in Theorem 2.14 and Sect. 2.5, for the occupation time of the vertex in the moving frame with process characteristic velocity $\lfloor (1 - 2\rho)m \rfloor$, that is for $\int_0^t (\eta_s(\lfloor m(1 - 2\rho) \rfloor s) - \rho) ds$, when one is observing occupation in the frame of the motion of the ‘bulk’ particles. The H_{-1} methods of the article should give (non-optimal) variance upper bounds, although lower bounds seem to be more difficult to obtain.

One can also ask about the fluctuations of the occupation time at the origin, when starting in ‘flat’ initial conditions, where say particles and holes are placed deterministically in a repeating regular pattern. One suspects that the behavior should be the same as when starting from ν_ρ where ρ is the asymptotic initial density of particles, although this is open in the context of our techniques which use the invariance of ν_ρ .

Finally, it would be also of interest to explore more the proposed ‘extension’ of the KPZ class to other long-range models when $3/2 \leq \alpha \leq 2$. One feels that it is perhaps a generic feature of a large class of mass conservative particle systems.

3 Tools

The goal of this section is to develop in the context of general (LA) long-range processes, H_{-1} norm estimates, generalized ‘duality’ decompositions, ‘free particle’ approximations and other technical bounds useful in the sequel. We refer the reader to [7, 14, 23] for more discussion of the material in the finite-range context.

3.1 Resolvent norms

Denote the symmetric and antisymmetric parts of \mathcal{L} by \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{A} , respectively:

$$\mathcal{S} := \frac{\mathcal{L} + \mathcal{L}^*}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{A} := \frac{\mathcal{L} - \mathcal{L}^*}{2}.$$

A straightforward calculation shows that \mathcal{S} itself generates the symmetric exclusion process with jump probability s : On local functions,

$$\mathcal{S} f(\eta) = \sum_{x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} p(y) [f(\eta^{x, x+y}) - f(\eta)].$$

The corresponding Dirichlet form $\langle f, -\mathcal{L} f \rangle_\rho$, acting on local functions, after a calculation, is given by

$$\langle f, -\mathcal{L} f \rangle_\rho = \langle f, -\mathcal{S} f \rangle_\rho = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s(y) \mathbb{E}_\rho \left[(f(\eta^{x, x+y}) - f(\eta))^2 \right] \geq 0. \quad (3.1)$$

In particular, $-\mathcal{S}$ is a nonnegative operator.

We now define the following resolvent norms. Fix $\lambda > 0$ and consider $(\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} : \mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho) \rightarrow \mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho)$ where, in terms of the semigroup $T_t^{(S)}$ for the symmetric process generated by \mathcal{S} ,

$$(\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} f(\zeta) := \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} T_t^{(S)} f(\zeta) dt.$$

Denote by $H_{1,\lambda}$ the closure of local functions f such that $\|f\|_{1,\lambda}^2 := \langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})f \rangle_\rho < \infty$. Let $H_{-1,\lambda}$ be its topological dual with respect to $\mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho)$ and let $\|\cdot\|_{-1,\lambda}$ be its norm. One has

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{-1,\lambda} &= \sup \{ \langle f, \phi \rangle_\rho / \|\phi\|_{1,\lambda} : \phi \text{ local} \} \\ &= \langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \langle f, T_t^{(S)} f \rangle_\rho. \end{aligned}$$

Analogously, let H_1 be the closure over local f such that $\|f\|_1^2 := \langle f, -\mathcal{S}f \rangle_\rho < \infty$. Denote H_{-1} as its topological dual with respect to $\mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho)$ and $\|\cdot\|_{-1}$ its norm, namely $\|f\|_{-1} = \sup \{ \langle f, \phi \rangle_\rho / \|\phi\|_1 : \phi \text{ local} \}$.

By the formulas, we have $\|f\|_{1,\lambda} \geq \|f\|_1$ and so $\|f\|_{-1,\lambda} \leq \|f\|_{-1}$. Moreover, as $T_t^{(S)}$ is reversible with respect to ν_ρ , $\langle f, T_t^{(S)} f \rangle_\rho = \langle T_{t/2}^{(S)} f, T_{t/2}^{(S)} f \rangle_\rho \geq 0$. Hence, the limit $\lim_{\lambda \downarrow 0} \|f\|_{-1,\lambda} = \|f\|_{-1}$ exists, which may be infinite.

The resolvent $(\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} : \mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho) \rightarrow \mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho)$ is given by

$$(\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f(\zeta) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} T_t f(\zeta) dt,$$

with respect to the (asymmetric) generator \mathcal{L} and semigroup T_t , will be important in many arguments. Observe that by a simple integration by parts and stationarity of the process, we may relate the Tauberian variance $L_f(\lambda)$ to the quadratic form with respect to $(\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1}$:

$$\begin{aligned} L_f(\lambda) &= \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \sigma_f^2(t) dt \\ &= 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t \int_0^s \langle f, T_{s-u} f \rangle_\rho du ds dt \\ &= \frac{2}{\lambda^2} \langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho. \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

As discussed in [23],

$$\left[\frac{1}{2} \left((\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} + (\lambda - \mathcal{L}^*)^{-1} \right) \right]^{-1} = (\lambda - \mathcal{L}^*)(\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}(\lambda - \mathcal{L}) =: \mathcal{Q},$$

the point being that one can symmetrize in the inner product $\langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho$ and interpret it as the dual form with respect to the operator Q . Since $\langle f, Qf \rangle_\rho = \langle (\lambda - \mathcal{L})f, (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} (\lambda - \mathcal{L})f \rangle_\rho \geq 0$ for all local f , we see that Q and Q^{-1} are nonnegative symmetric operators which admit square roots. Hence, we may apply Schwarz's inequality to obtain

$$L_{f+g}(\lambda) \leq 2L_f(\lambda) + 2L_g(\lambda). \tag{3.3}$$

We now recall a basic estimate, proved in [23].

Lemma 3.1 *For $t > 0$ and $f \in \mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)$ such that $\mathbb{E}_\rho[f] = 0$, we have*

$$\mathbb{E}_\rho \left[(\Gamma_f(t))^2 \right] \leq 10t \langle f, (1/t - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho = 10t^{-1} L_f(t^{-1}).$$

In [23], the following sup variational form for the quadratic form is proved. The inf variational form is an equivalent relation.

Lemma 3.2 *Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a local function and let $\lambda > 0$. Then,*

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho &= \sup_g \left\{ 2\langle f, g \rangle_\rho - \|g\|_{1,\lambda}^2 - \|\mathcal{A}g\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 \right\} \\ &= \inf_g \left\{ \|f + \mathcal{A}g\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 + \|g\|_{1,\lambda}^2 \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where the supremum and the infimum are taken over local functions g . In particular, by taking $g \equiv 0$, we have

$$\langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho \leq \langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho.$$

We remark, although these variational formulas are quite difficult to compute, by restricting the supremum or the infimum over the class of degree one functions, that is linear combinations of the functions $\{\eta(x) - \rho : x \in \mathbb{Z}^d\}$, we can sometimes extract interesting lower and upper bounds.

Putting things together, we obtain the following estimate which bounds the variance, with respect to the process generated by \mathcal{L} , in terms of the symmetric part \mathcal{S} .

Corollary 3.3 *For $t > 0$ and $f \in \mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)$ such that $\mathbb{E}_\rho[f] = 0$, we have*

$$\mathbb{E}_\rho \left[(\Gamma_f(t))^2 \right] \leq 10t \|f\|_{-1,t^{-1}}^2 = 5t^{-1} L_f^{(S)}(t^{-1}).$$

3.2 Duality

We now detail certain ‘duality’ decompositions which often help simplify calculations. For finite subsets $A \subset \mathbb{Z}^d$, let Ψ_A be the function

$$\Psi_A = \prod_{x \in A} \frac{\eta(x) - \rho}{\sqrt{\chi(\rho)}},$$

where $\chi(\rho) = \rho(1 - \rho)$. The collection $\{\Psi_A : A \subset \mathbb{Z}^d\}$ forms an orthonormal basis of $\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)$.

Let $\mathcal{E}_n = \{A \subset \mathbb{Z}^d : |A| = n\}$ be the class of subsets of \mathbb{Z}^d with $n \geq 1$ points. Let also \mathcal{H}_n be the set of functions $F : \mathcal{E}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\sum_{|A|=n} F^2(A) < \infty$; when $n = 0$, \mathcal{H}_0 denotes the space of constants. Denote also, for $n \geq 1$, M_n as the space of ‘ n -point’ functions f in form $f = \sum_{|A|=n} f(A)\Psi_A$ with $f \in \mathcal{H}_n$; for $n = 0$, as before, M_0 denotes the space of constants. We have thus the orthogonal decomposition

$$\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho) = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} M_n.$$

Functions f in \mathcal{H}_n can be identified with a symmetric function $f : \chi_n \setminus D_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ where $\chi_n = (\mathbb{Z}^d)^n$ and $D_n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in (\mathbb{Z}^d)^n ; \exists i \neq j \text{ such that } x_i = x_j\}$ via $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) := f(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$. In the sequel, we will use this identification implicitly.

We now decompose the generator \mathcal{L} on the basis $\{\Psi_A : A \subset \mathbb{Z}^d\}$. Given a subset A of \mathbb{Z}^d and $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^d$ denote by $A_{x,y}$ the set $A_{x,y} = A \setminus \{x\} \cup \{y\}$ if $x \in A$ and $y \notin A$, by $A_{x,y} = A \setminus \{y\} \cup \{x\}$ if $x \notin A$ and by $A_{x,y} = A$ otherwise. Let also $\mathcal{E} := \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{E}_n$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}f &= \sum_{A \in \mathcal{E}} (\mathcal{L}f)(A)\Psi_A, \\ \mathcal{S}f &= \sum_{A \in \mathcal{E}} (\mathcal{S}f)(A)\Psi_A, \\ \mathcal{A}f &= \sum_{A \in \mathcal{E}} (\mathcal{A}f)(A)\Psi_A, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S} + \mathcal{A} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{S} = \mathcal{L}^1, \quad \mathcal{A} = (1 - 2\rho)\mathcal{L}^2 + 2\sqrt{\chi(\rho)}(\mathcal{L}^+ - \mathcal{L}^-),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}^1 f)(A) &= (1/2) \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s(y - x) [f(A_{x,y}) - f(A)], \\ (\mathcal{L}^2 f)(A) &= \sum_{x \in A, y \notin A} a(y - x) [f(A_{x,y}) - f(A)], \\ (\mathcal{L}^- f)(A) &= \sum_{x \notin A, y \in A} a(y - x) f(A \cup \{x\}), \\ (\mathcal{L}^+ f)(A) &= \sum_{x \in A, y \in A} a(y - x) f(A \setminus \{y\}). \end{aligned}$$

The operator \mathcal{S} , which generates the dual symmetric exclusion process, takes \mathcal{H}_n to \mathcal{H}_n for $n \geq 0$. Its restriction to \mathcal{H}_n is the generator of the set of n particles interacting

by the exclusion rule with the jump probability s . This property represents the classical self-duality of the symmetric exclusion process [16].

Since the spaces $\{M_n : n \geq 0\}$ are orthogonal and \mathcal{S} is invariant on each M_n , for $f \in M_n$ and $g \in M_m$ with $n \neq m$, we have $\|f + g\|_{1,\lambda}^2 = \|f\|_{1,\lambda}^2 + \|g\|_{1,\lambda}^2$. Similarly, from the sup-variational formula in Lemma 3.2, we have

$$\|f + g\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 = \|f\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 + \|g\|_{-1,\lambda}^2. \tag{3.4}$$

Although self-duality is not valid in the asymmetric setting, the decomposition of the generator gives an extension of the duality relations. Note that the operators \mathcal{L}^1 and \mathcal{L}^2 preserve the degree of functions, but that \mathcal{L}^+ and \mathcal{L}^- respectively increase and decrease the degree by 1. The operator \mathfrak{A} has a decomposition of the form

$$\mathfrak{A} = \sum_{n \geq 1} (\mathfrak{A}_{n-1n} + \mathfrak{A}_{nn} + \mathfrak{A}_{nn+1}),$$

where \mathfrak{A}_{nm} is the projection onto \mathcal{H}_m of the restriction of \mathfrak{A} to \mathcal{H}_n .

Later on, we will primarily consider functions of degree 1 and degree 2. We note the following action of the operators $\mathfrak{A}_{11} = (1 - 2\rho)\mathfrak{B}_{11}$ and $\mathfrak{A}_{12} = 2\sqrt{\chi(\rho)}\mathfrak{B}_{12}$:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathfrak{B}_{11}f)(x) &= \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} a(y - x) [f(y) - f(x)], \\ (\mathfrak{B}_{12}f)(\{x, y\}) &= a(y - x) [f(x) - f(y)]. \end{aligned}$$

3.3 Approximation by free particles

We now discuss ‘free particle’ approximations through which n -particle exclusion interactions can be estimated in terms of n -‘free’ or independent particles. For a local function $f = \sum_{|A|=n} f(A)\Psi_A \in M_n$, the $H_{1,\lambda}$ norm can be written in terms of the dual function $\check{f} \in \mathcal{H}_n$:

$$\|f\|_{1,\lambda}^2 = \lambda \sum_{|A|=n} \check{f}^2(A) + \sum_{u,v \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \sum_{|A|=n} s(v - u) [\check{f}(A_{u,v}) - \check{f}(A)]^2. \tag{3.5}$$

Similarly, the $H_{-1,\lambda}$ norm of f can be written in terms \check{f} .

Because of the exclusion interaction, it is not easy, even for simple functions, to compute these norms. The idea then is to compare them to corresponding norms without the exclusion, that is for a system composed of free particles. Observe there exists a positive constant K_0 such that

$$K_0^{-1}s_0(\cdot) \leq s(\cdot) \leq K_0s_0(\cdot) \tag{3.6}$$

where s_0 is the symmetric probability, defined for $y \in \mathbb{Z}^d$ by

$$s_0(y) = \frac{c_0}{|y|^{d+\alpha}},$$

where c_0 is a normalization constant.

The $\mathbb{H}_{1,\text{free},\lambda}$ -norm of the symmetric function $F : \chi_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

$$\|F\|_{1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 = \lambda \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} F^2(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{z \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} s_0(z) [F(\mathbf{x} + z\mathbf{e}_j) - F(\mathbf{x})]^2$$

where $\mathbf{x} + z\mathbf{e}_j = (x_1, \dots, x_{j-1}, x_j + z, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_n)$. If $n = 1$, the formula reduces to

$$\|F\|_{1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 = \lambda \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} F^2(x) + \sum_{z,x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s_0(z-x) [F(z) - F(x)]^2.$$

When $n = 2$, it is given by

$$\|F\|_{1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 = \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} F^2(x,y) + \sum_{z,x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s_0(z-x) [F(z,y) - F(x,y)]^2.$$

The $\mathbb{H}_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}$ -norm of the symmetric function $G : \chi_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

$$\|G\|_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 = \sup_{F:\chi_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \left\{ \frac{2}{n!} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} F(\mathbf{x})G(\mathbf{x}) - \|F\|_{1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 \right\}.$$

To $f \in \mathcal{H}_n$, we associate a symmetric function $\tilde{f} : \chi_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which coincides with f outside D_n and for $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in D_n$ by

$$\tilde{f}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \mathbf{E} [f(X_1(T), \dots, X_n(T))]$$

where \mathbf{E} is the expectation with respect to the law of n -independent simple symmetric random walks $(X_1(t), \dots, X_n(t))_{t \geq 0}$ on \mathbb{Z}^d starting from (x_1, \dots, x_n) and T is the hitting time of $\chi_n \setminus D_n$. For example, if $f \in \mathcal{H}_2$ then

$$\tilde{f}(x,y) = \begin{cases} f(\{x,y\}) & \text{if } x \neq y, \\ (2d)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^d (f(\{x+e_i,x\}) + f(\{x-e_i,x\})) & \text{if } x = y. \end{cases} \quad (3.7)$$

With respect to the symmetric function $F : \chi_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we also associate the function $\mathfrak{W}_n F : \chi_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which coincides with F outside D_n and is equal to 0 on D_n .

Lemma 3.4 *Let $n \geq 1$. There exists a constant $C_{n,d}$ independent of λ such that for $f \in M_n$ and its dual function $\check{f} \in \mathcal{H}_n$ we have*

$$C_{n,d}^{-1} \|\check{f}\|_{1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 \leq \|f\|_{1,\lambda}^2 \leq C_{n,d} \|\check{f}\|_{1,\text{free},\lambda}^2.$$

It follows that

$$\|f\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 \leq C_{n,d} \|\mathfrak{W}_n \check{f}\|_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}^2.$$

Proof We only give the proof of the first claim for $n = 2$ to reduce notation; the argument for general $n \geq 1$ is similar. The second claim is a consequence of the first one: Inputting $\langle f, \phi \rangle_\rho = (1/2) \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} (\mathfrak{W}_2 \check{f})(x, y) \check{\phi}(x, y)$ and $\|\phi\|_{1,\lambda}^2 \geq C_{2,d}^{-1} \|\check{\phi}\|_{1,\text{free},\lambda}^2$ into the variational formula for $\|f\|_{-1,\lambda}^2$ given in Lemma 3.2, and noting the definition of $\|\cdot\|_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}^2$ above, the second claim follows. See the proof of Theorem 3.2 in [7] for more details. Let now C be a positive constant independent of λ whose value can change from line to line.

The first term in (3.5), noting (3.7), can be bounded by Schwarz’s inequality:

$$C^{-1} \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \check{f}^2(x, y) \leq \sum_{x \neq y} f^2(\{x, y\}) \leq \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \check{f}^2(x, y).$$

With respect to the second term in (3.5), noting (3.6), by replacing f with \check{f} , we have trivially

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{z,x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s(z-x) [f(\{z, y\}) - f(\{x, y\})]^2 \mathbf{1}_{z \neq y, z \neq x, x \neq y} \\ & \leq C \sum_{z,x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s_0(z-x) \left[\check{f}(z, y) - \check{f}(x, y) \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, to show

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{z,x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s_0(z-x) \left[\check{f}(z, y) - \check{f}(x, y) \right]^2 \\ & \leq C \sum_{z,x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s(z-x) \left[\check{f}(z, y) - \check{f}(x, y) \right]^2 \mathbf{1}_{z \neq y, z \neq x, x \neq y} \end{aligned}$$

it is enough to verify

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{x \neq y} s_0(y-x) \left[\check{f}(y, y) - \check{f}(x, y) \right]^2 \\ & \leq C \sum_{z,x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s(z-x) [f(\{z, y\}) - f(\{x, y\})]^2 \mathbf{1}_{z \neq y, z \neq x, x \neq y}. \end{aligned}$$

To this end, by Schwarz’s inequality, we have

$$\sum_{x \neq y} s_0(y-x) [\tilde{f}(y, y) - \tilde{f}(x, y)]^2 \leq C \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{x \neq y} s_0(y-x) \left\{ [f(\{y+e_i, y\}) - f(\{x, y\})]^2 + [f(\{y-e_i, y\}) - f(\{x, y\})]^2 \right\}.$$

Since $\sup_{i=1, \dots, d} \sup_{z \neq 0, \pm e_i} s_0(z)/s_0(z \pm e_i) \leq C$ and $\sum_{i=1}^d 1 = d$, the right-side above is bounded by

$$C \sum_{x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s_0(z-x) [f(\{z, y\}) - f(\{x, y\})]^2 \mathbf{1}_{x \neq y, x \neq z, z \neq y},$$

as desired. □

3.4 Fourier estimates

Let $\mathbb{T}^d = [0, 1)^d$ be the d -dimensional torus. Denote the Fourier transform of the function $\psi \in \mathbb{L}^2(\chi_n)$ by $\hat{\psi}$: For $(s_1, \dots, s_n) \in (\mathbb{T}^d)^n$,

$$\hat{\psi}(s_1, \dots, s_n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}} \sum_{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \chi_n} e^{2\pi i(x_1 \cdot s_1 + \dots + x_n \cdot s_n)} \psi(x_1, \dots, x_n).$$

As the ‘free’ dynamics consists of independent random walks moving with jump probability s_0 , the $\mathbb{H}_{1, \text{free}, \lambda}$ -norm of ψ is

$$\|\psi\|_{1, \text{free}, \lambda}^2 = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{nd}} \int_{(\mathbb{T}^d)^n} \left(\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^n \theta_d(s_i; s_0(\cdot)) \right) |\hat{\psi}(s_1, \dots, s_n)|^2 ds_1 \dots ds_n.$$

Also, the $\mathbb{H}_{-1, \text{free}, \lambda}$ -norm of ψ is written as

$$\|\psi\|_{-1, \lambda, \text{free}}^2 = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{nd}} \int_{(\mathbb{T}^d)^n} \frac{|\hat{\psi}(s_1, \dots, s_n)|^2}{\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^n \theta_d(s_i; s_0(\cdot))} ds_1 \dots ds_n. \tag{3.8}$$

Here, for $u \in \mathbb{T}^d$, and symmetric transition function $r : \mathbb{Z}^d \rightarrow [0, 1]$,

$$\theta_d(u; r(\cdot)) = 2 \sum_{z \in \mathbb{Z}^d} r(z) \sin^2(\pi u \cdot z). \tag{3.9}$$

When ‘free’ particle $H_{\pm 1}$ norms are used in the sequel, $r = s_0(\cdot)$. However, in the proof of the functional CLT in Theorem 2.11, $r = s(\cdot)$, the symmetric part of p given by

$$s(z) = \frac{c\gamma(z)}{|z|^{d+\alpha}}, \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma(z) = \sum_{j=1}^d \frac{b_j^+ + b_j^-}{2} \mathbf{1}_{z \cdot e_j \neq 0}.$$

Note that s_0 is a special case of the more general formulation of s .

We now state an estimate used throughout the proofs. Let \mathcal{C}_d be the set of extremal points of $[0, 1]^d$,

$$\mathcal{C}_d = \{\sigma_1 e_1 + \dots + \sigma_d e_d; \sigma_i \in \{0, 1\}\}. \tag{3.10}$$

We note that $\theta_d(u; s(\cdot))$ is smooth, even, positive on $\mathbb{T}^d \setminus \mathcal{C}_d$ and vanishes exactly on \mathcal{C}_d .

Lemma 3.5 *Let $\gamma_0 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^d (b_j^+ + b_j^-)$. The function $\theta_d = \theta_d(\cdot; s(\cdot))$ is bounded above by a positive constant. For $u \in \mathbb{T}^d$ and $w \in \mathcal{C}^d$, $\theta_d(u - w) = \theta_d(u)$ and, as $u - w \rightarrow 0$,*

$$\theta_d(u - w) = J(d, \alpha) F_\alpha(u - w) + o(F_\alpha(u - w))$$

where

$$F_\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} |x|^\alpha & \text{if } \alpha < 2 \\ |x|^2 \log(|x|) & \text{if } \alpha = 2 \\ |x|^2 & \text{if } \alpha > 2 \end{cases}$$

and

$$J(d, \alpha) = \begin{cases} c_0 \gamma_0 \int_{q \in \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{\sin^2(\pi q_1)}{|q|^{d+\alpha}} dq & \text{if } \alpha < 2 \\ -\frac{c_0 \gamma_0 \pi^2}{d} & \text{if } \alpha = 2 \\ \frac{c_0 \gamma_0 \pi^2}{d(\alpha - 2)} & \text{if } \alpha > 2. \end{cases}$$

Proof By periodicity of θ_d , we can restrict the proof to the case $w = 0$. Since s_0 is a radial function, we can write $\theta_d(u)$ as

$$\theta_d(u) = c_0 |u|^\alpha \left[|u|^d \sum_{z \neq 0} \frac{\gamma(|u|z)}{||u|z|^{d+\alpha}} \sin^2 \left(\pi \frac{u}{|u|} \cdot |u|z \right) \right].$$

This is equivalent in order, as u vanishes, to

$$c_0 \gamma_0 |u|^\alpha \int_{|q| \geq |u|} \frac{1}{|q|^{d+\alpha}} \sin^2 \left(\pi \frac{u}{|u|} \cdot q \right) dq = c_0 \gamma_0 |u|^\alpha \int_{|q| \geq |u|} \frac{1}{|q|^{d+\alpha}} \sin^2(\pi q_1) dq.$$

Here, the second equality follows from the invariance of the Lebesgue measure by the orthogonal group.

If $\alpha < 2$, the last integral is convergent. However, for $\alpha \geq 2$, the integral diverges as u vanishes:

$$\int_{|q| \geq |u|} \frac{1}{|q|^{d+\alpha}} \sin^2(\pi q_1) dq \sim \begin{cases} \frac{\pi^2}{d(\alpha-2)} |u|^{2-\alpha} & \text{if } \alpha > 2 \\ -\frac{\pi^2}{d} \log(|u|) & \text{if } \alpha = 2. \end{cases}$$

□

3.5 One point function lower bounds

The following lower bound will be useful in the proof of Theorems 2.14 and 2.15, and may be skipped on first reading. We estimate the variational formulas of the resolvent norms given in Lemma 3.2 with respect to the occupation function $\Psi_{\{0\}}$.

Recall the decomposition of the probability $p = s + a$ and the notation in Sect. 3.4. Let $\theta_d = \theta_d(\cdot; s_0(\cdot))$ and

$$F_{\lambda, \rho}^d(u) := [\lambda + \theta_d(u)] + (1 - 2\rho)^2 \frac{|\hat{a}(u)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_d(u)} + \chi(\rho) \sum_{V \in \mathcal{C}_d} \int_{s \in D_V(u)} \frac{|\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u-s)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_d(s) + \theta_d(u-s)} ds,$$

where

$$D_V(u) := \left\{ s \in [0, 1)^d, (u - s + V) \in [0, 1)^d \right\}, \quad (3.11)$$

and

$$I_d(\lambda, \rho) := \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \frac{1}{F_{\lambda, \rho}^d(u)} du. \quad (3.12)$$

Proposition 3.6 *There exists a constant C , not depending on λ , such that*

$$\left\langle (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} \Psi_{\{0\}}, \Psi_{\{0\}} \right\rangle_{\rho} \geq C I_d(\lambda, \rho).$$

Proof The first step is to use the sup-variational formula in Lemma 3.2 to express

$$\left\langle (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} \Psi_{\{0\}}, \Psi_{\{0\}} \right\rangle_{\rho} = \sup_g \left\{ 2 \langle \Psi_{\{0\}}, g \rangle - \|g\|_{1, \lambda}^2 - \|\mathcal{A}g\|_{-1, \lambda}^2 \right\}.$$

The second step is to restrict the supremum over functions $g = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mathfrak{g}(x) \Psi_{\{x\}}$ in M_1 to get a lower bound. By orthogonality relation (3.4) and Lemma 3.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|g\|_{1,\lambda}^2 &\leq C\|\mathfrak{g}\|_{1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 = C\left[\lambda\sum_x \mathfrak{g}^2(x) + \sum_{x,y} s_0(y-x)[\mathfrak{g}(y) - \mathfrak{g}(x)]^2\right] \\ \|\mathcal{A}g\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 &= \left\| \sum_{|A|=1} (\mathfrak{A}_{1,1}\mathfrak{g})(A)\Psi_A \right\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 + \left\| \sum_{|A|=2} (\mathfrak{A}_{1,2}\mathfrak{g})(A)\Psi(A) \right\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 \\ &\leq C\left[\|\mathfrak{W}_1\mathfrak{A}_{1,1}\mathfrak{g}\|_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 + \|\mathfrak{W}_2\mathfrak{A}_{1,2}\mathfrak{g}\|_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}^2\right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

Recall the operators $\mathfrak{T}_{1,1} := \mathfrak{W}_1\mathfrak{A}_{1,1}$ and $\mathfrak{T}_{1,2} := \mathfrak{W}_1\mathfrak{A}_{1,2}$ act on functions defined on \mathbb{Z}^d and $(\mathbb{Z}^d)^2$ respectively, and are given by

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathfrak{T}_{1,1}\mathfrak{g})(x) &= (1 - 2\rho) \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} a(y-x)[\mathfrak{g}(y) - \mathfrak{g}(x)], \\ (\mathfrak{T}_{1,2}\mathfrak{g})(x,y) &= \sqrt{\chi(\rho)}a(y-x)[\mathfrak{g}(x) - \mathfrak{g}(y)]. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &C\left\langle (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1}\Psi_{\{0\}}, \Psi_{\{0\}} \right\rangle_\rho \\ &\geq \sup_{\mathfrak{g}} \left\{ 2\mathfrak{g}(0) - \lambda \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mathfrak{g}^2(x) - \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s_0(y-x)[\mathfrak{g}(y) - \mathfrak{g}(x)]^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \|\mathfrak{T}_{1,1}\mathfrak{g}\|_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 - \|\mathfrak{T}_{1,2}\mathfrak{g}\|_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

We now express the terms in this formula via the Fourier transform of \mathfrak{g} . The term $\|\mathfrak{g}\|_{1,\text{free},\lambda}^2$ in terms of the Fourier transform $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}$ is given above (3.8). Also $\mathfrak{g}(0) = \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \widehat{\mathfrak{g}}(s)ds$.

In addition, as a is anti-symmetric,

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\mathfrak{T}_{1,1}\mathfrak{g}}(s) &= -(1 - 2\rho)\widehat{a}(s)\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}(s), \\ \widehat{\mathfrak{T}_{1,2}\mathfrak{g}}(s,t) &= -\sqrt{\chi(\rho)}[\widehat{a}(s) + \widehat{a}(t)]\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}(s+t). \end{aligned}$$

Recall $\mathcal{C}_d = \{\sigma_1e_1 + \dots + \sigma_de_d; \sigma_i \in \{0, 1\}\} \subset \mathbb{Z}^d$. Observe that the set $[0, 2)^d$ is equal to the disjoint union of the sets $[0, 1)^d + V$ over $V \in \mathcal{C}_d$. Then, by periodicity of $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}, \theta_d$ and \widehat{a} , we have

$$\|\mathfrak{T}_{1,2}\mathfrak{g}\|_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}^2 = \chi(\rho) \int_{[0,1)^d} |\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}(u)|^2 \left[\sum_{V \in \mathcal{C}_d} \int_{s \in D_V(u)} \frac{|\widehat{a}(s) + \widehat{a}(u-s)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_d(s) + \theta_d(u-s)} ds \right] du.$$

The term $\|\mathfrak{T}_{1,1}\mathfrak{g}\|_{-1,\text{free},\lambda}^2$ is given in terms of the Fourier transform $\widehat{\mathfrak{T}_{1,1}\mathfrak{g}}$ in (3.8).

Because \mathfrak{g} is a real function, $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}(u) = \sum_x e^{2\pi iu \cdot x} \mathfrak{g}(x)$ has even real and odd imaginary parts. To obtain a lower bound of (3.14), we maximize, over the subset of such

square integrable complex functions $\varphi : \mathbb{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, with even real and odd imaginary parts, the following expression

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} du \left\{ 2\varphi(u) - F_{\lambda,\rho}^d(u) |\varphi(u)|^2 \right\} du. \tag{3.15}$$

Note that $\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \text{Im}\varphi(u)du = 0$, and also, for $A > 0$, that $\sup_{x,y \in \mathbb{R}} [2x - A(x^2 + y^2)] = 1/A$ is realized at $x = 1/A$ and $y = 0$. Then, the supremum in (3.15) is attained at $\varphi = 1/F_{\lambda,\rho}^d$ and the value of the supremum in (3.15) is $I_d(\lambda, \rho)$. \square

4 Comparison results: proofs of Theorems 2.4, 2.5 and 2.18

We first prove two preliminary results for (LA) long-range models, before proving the main theorems at the end of the section. Denote by $\|\cdot\|_{\pm 1, (FR)}$ and $\|\cdot\|_{\pm 1, (FR-NN)}$ the $H_{\pm 1}$ -norms defined in terms of $\mathcal{S}^{(FR)}$ and $\mathcal{S}^{(FR-NN)}$ respectively.

Lemma 4.1 *For $\alpha > 2$, and $d \geq 1$, there exist constants $C = C(p, d)$, $D = D(p, d) > 0$ such that on local functions φ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} C^{-1} \|\varphi\|_{1, (FR)}^2 &\leq \|\varphi\|_1^2 \leq C \|\varphi\|_{1, (FR)}^2 \\ D^{-1} \|\varphi\|_{-1, (FR)}^2 &\leq \|\varphi\|_{-1}^2 \leq D \|\varphi\|_{-1, (FR)}^2. \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

Remark 4.2 As the proof of Lemma 4.1 will show, the inequalities $C^{-1} \|\varphi\|_{1, (FR)}^2 \leq \|\varphi\|_1^2$ and $\|\varphi\|_{-1}^2 \leq D \|\varphi\|_{-1, (FR)}^2$ hold for all $\alpha > 0$. Only the proofs of the other inequalities in the display make use that $\alpha > 2$.

Proof The second display follows from the first in (4.1) and the definition of H_{-1} norms.

To prove the first line of (4.1), we now give a reduction: As $s^{(FR)}$ is irreducible, Lemma 3.7 in [24] states that $\|\cdot\|_{\pm 1, (FR)}$ and $\|\cdot\|_{\pm 1, (FR-NN)}$ are equivalent. Hence, we need only to show (4.1) with respect to $p^{(FR-NN)}$.

Recall, the Dirichlet form $\|\varphi\|_1^2 = \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s(y) D_{x,x+y}(\varphi)$. Similarly, $\|\varphi\|_{1, (FR-NN)}^2 = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \sum_{i=1}^d s^{(FR-NN)}(e_i) D_{x,x+e_i}(\varphi)$. Here, for $u, v \in \mathbb{Z}^d$, $D_{u,v}(\varphi) = \mathbb{E}_\rho(\varphi(\eta^{u,v}) - \varphi(\eta))^2$.

We now argue in $d = 1$, and remark later on modifications to $d \geq 2$. The left inequality in (4.1) is trivial since $s^{(FR-NN)}(1) = 2^{-1}$, $s(1) = c2^{-1}(b_1^+ + b_1^-) > 0$ and so $\|\varphi\|_1^2 \geq \frac{s(1)}{s^{(FR-NN)}(1)} \|\varphi\|_{1, (FR-NN)}^2$.

For the right inequality in (4.1), consider the bond $(x, x + y)$ for $y > 0$. Rewrite $\eta^{x,x+y}$ as a series of nearest-neighbor exchanges. One exchanges in succession the values on bonds $(x, x + 1)$, $(x + 1, x + 2)$ and so on to bond $(x + y - 1, x + y)$. In this way, the value at x is now at $x + y$. Exchange now on bonds $(x + y - 1, x + y - 2)$, and so on to $(x, x + 1)$. This puts the value initially at $x + y$ at x , also shifts back the values at intermediate points to their initial states.

Then, the Dirichlet bond $D_{x,x+y}(\varphi)$, by invariance of ν_ρ , by adding and subtracting $2y - 1$ terms and Schwarz inequality is bounded $D_{x,x+y}(\varphi) \leq 2y \sum_{z=x}^{x+y-1} D_{z,z+1}(\varphi)$. Since $\alpha > 2$, we have $\sum y^2 s(y) < \infty$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi\|_1^2 &\leq \sum_y 2ys(y) \sum_x \sum_{z=x}^{x+y-1} D_{z,z+1}(\varphi) \leq \left(\sum_y 2y^2 s(y) \right) \sum_x D_{x,x+1}(\varphi) \\ &\leq s^{(FR-NN)}(1)^{-1} \left(\sum_y 2y^2 s(y) \right) \|\varphi\|_{1,FR-NN}^2. \end{aligned}$$

In $d \geq 2$, the proof of the left inequality in (4.1) is similar, as $s^{(FR-NN)}(e_i), s(e_i) > 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq d$. For the right inequality, an exchange over the bond $(x, x + y)$ is decomposed by nearest-neighbor exchanges first on bonds $(x, x + e_1)$ to $((x_1 + y_1 - 1, x_2), (x_1 + y_1, x_2))$, and then from $((x_1 + y_1, x_2), (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + 1))$ to $x + y$. Then, as before in the $d = 1$ argument, exchanges are made on the vertical and horizontal lines to bring the value at $x + y$ to x , and shift back other values. The analysis is now analogous with more notation (cf. Appendix 3.3 in [12]). \square

We will say the ‘drift’ of an exclusion generator \mathcal{L}_0 with transition function $p_0(\cdot)$ on \mathbb{Z}^d is the vector $\sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} yp_0(y)$. Let \mathcal{L} denote an (LA) long-range generator with jump probability $p(\cdot)$, and let \mathcal{L}^1 generate a nearest-neighbor finite range (FR-NN) exclusion process where

$$(\mathcal{L}^1 f)(\eta) = \sum_{z \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \sum_{i=1}^d |m_i| \eta(z + \text{sgn}(m_i)e_i) (1 - \eta(z)) \nabla_{z, z + \text{sgn}(m_i)e_i} f(\eta).$$

Note that the drifts of \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{L}^1 equal $m = \sum yp(y)$ and $-m$ respectively.

Lemma 4.3 *Suppose $\alpha > 2, d \geq 1$ and consider the exclusion process generated by $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L} + \mathcal{L}^1$. Then, \mathcal{L} satisfies a sector condition: There exists a constant $C = C(p, d, \alpha)$ such that on local functions $\varphi, \psi : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we have*

$$\langle (-\tilde{\mathcal{L}})\varphi, \psi \rangle_\rho \leq C \|\varphi\|_{1,(FR-NN)} \|\psi\|_{1,(FR-NN)}. \tag{4.2}$$

Remark 4.4 We remark (4.2) is a generalization, to the long-range setting, of the finite-range sector inequality in Lemma 5.2 of [30]: Let $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}$ be the generator of a finite-range mean-zero process.

$$\langle (-\widehat{\mathcal{L}})\varphi, \psi \rangle_\rho \leq C \|\varphi\|_{1,(FR)} \|\psi\|_{1,(FR)}. \tag{4.3}$$

Proof We will prove the result in $d = 1$ and will assume that $p(\cdot)$ is ‘totally asymmetric to the right’, that is p is supported on integers $z > 0$. The same proof will hold when p is ‘totally asymmetric to the left’, that is p supported on negative integers. Since a general transition function p is a linear combination of such probabilities, the desired inequality in Lemma 4.3 would also hold.

In $d \geq 2$, a similar but more notationally involved argument, decomposing a jump from x to $x + y$ into jumps parallel to axes, will also hold.

The idea is to show that \mathcal{L} can be decomposed into a finite sum of operators, corresponding to smaller jump sizes, where each operator satisfies a sector inequality as in (4.2) with the same right-hand side. With such inequalities in hand, (4.2) would follow.

In the following, as has been our convention, we will denote the adjoint generators in $\mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho)$ by the superscript $*$. An adjoint \mathcal{N}^* will move particles in the opposite direction with the same rates and increments as \mathcal{N} .

To this end, let $\beta \geq 0$ be a real number. For integers $k > 0$, define $\bar{k}_\beta = \lfloor k/k^\beta \rfloor$ and $\hat{k}_\beta = \lfloor k^\beta \rfloor$. Let $w : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a ‘weight’ function such that $0 \leq w(k) \leq \bar{k}_\beta$ for $k > 0$. Define,

$$(\mathcal{N}^{\beta,w} f)(\eta) = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k > 0} p(k)w(k)\eta(x) \left(1 - \eta(x + \hat{k}_\beta)\right) \nabla_{x,x+\hat{k}_\beta} f(\eta).$$

Here, particles are moved to the right, for index $k > 0$, in steps of size \hat{k}_β . When $\beta = 0$ and $w(k) \equiv \bar{k}_\beta \equiv k$, since $\hat{k}_\beta = 1$, we have $\mathcal{N}^{\beta,w,*} = \mathcal{L}^1$. Also, if $\beta = 1$ and $w(k) \equiv \bar{k}_\beta \equiv 1$, since $\hat{k}_\beta \equiv k$, then $\mathcal{N}^\beta = \mathcal{L}$.

For $0 \leq \gamma \leq \beta$, define

$$(\mathcal{N}^{\beta,\gamma,w} f)(\eta) = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k > 0} p(k)w(k) \left\{ \lfloor \hat{k}_\beta / \hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \eta(x) \left(1 - \eta(x + \hat{k}_\gamma)\right) \nabla_{x,x+\hat{k}_\gamma} f(\eta) + \eta \left(x + \lfloor \hat{k}_\beta / \hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma\right) \left(1 - \eta(x + \hat{k}_\beta)\right) \nabla_{x+\lfloor \hat{k}_\beta / \hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma, x+\hat{k}_\beta} f(\eta) \right\}.$$

The operator $\mathcal{N}^{\beta,\gamma,w}$ is in some sense a ‘truncation’ of $\mathcal{N}^{\beta,w}$ in that for index $k > 0$ the particle jump size is truncated to at most \hat{k}_γ .

An observation shows that the operator $\mathcal{N}^{\beta,w} + \mathcal{N}^{\beta,\gamma,w,*}$ can be written in terms of certain ‘loops’, where a particle moves from x to $x + \hat{k}_\beta$ and then back in increments of \hat{k}_γ , except possibly for one step:

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathcal{N}^{\beta,w} + \mathcal{N}^{\beta,\gamma,w,*}] \varphi(\eta) &= \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k > 0} p(k)w(k) \mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{\beta,\gamma} \varphi(\eta) \quad \text{where} \\ \mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{\beta,\gamma} \varphi(\eta) &= \eta(x)(1 - \eta(x + \hat{k}_\beta)) \nabla_{x,x+\hat{k}_\beta} \varphi(\eta) \\ &\quad + \sum_{y=0}^{\lfloor \hat{k}_\beta / \hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor - 1} \eta \left(x + (y + 1) \hat{k}_\gamma\right) \left(1 - \eta \left(x + y \hat{k}_\gamma\right)\right) \\ &\quad \times \nabla_{x+y\hat{k}_\gamma, x+(y+1)\hat{k}_\gamma} \varphi(\eta) \\ &\quad + \eta(x + \hat{k}_\beta) \left(1 - \eta \left(x + \lfloor \hat{k}_\beta / \hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma\right)\right) \\ &\quad \times \nabla_{x+\lfloor \hat{k}_\beta / \hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma, x+\hat{k}_\beta} \varphi(\eta), \end{aligned}$$

with the convention that the empty sum $\sum_{y=0}^{-1} = 0$.

It will be convenient to work with generalizations of the above operators: For $k > 0$, let $u_\beta(k)$ be an integer such that $0 \leq u_\beta(k) \leq \hat{k}_\beta$. Define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,w} f(\eta) &= \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k > 0} p(k)w(k)\eta(x) (1-\eta(x+u_\beta(k))) \nabla_{x,x+u_\beta(k)} f(\eta) \text{ and} \\ \mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,w} f(\eta) &= \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k > 0} p(k)w(k) \left\{ \lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \eta(x) (1-\eta(x+\hat{k}_\gamma)) \nabla_{x,x+\hat{k}_\gamma} f(\eta) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \eta \left(x + \lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma \right) (1-\eta(x+u_\beta(k))) \nabla_{x+\lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma, x+u_\beta(k)} f(\eta) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Again, $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,w}$ is a truncation of $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,w}$. If $u_\beta(k) < \hat{k}_\gamma$, then all jumps in $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,w}$ are to the right of size $u_\beta(k)$ for $k > 0$; but, if $\gamma = 0$, then all jumps are to the right of size 1. Write

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,w} + \mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,w,*}] \varphi(\eta) &= \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k > 0} p(k)w(k) \mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma} \varphi(\eta) \text{ where} \\ \mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma} \varphi(\eta) &= \eta(x)(1-\eta(x+u_\beta(k))) \nabla_{x,x+u_\beta(k)} \varphi(\eta) \\ &\quad + \sum_{y=0}^{\lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor - 1} \eta \left(x + (y+1)\hat{k}_\gamma \right) \left(1 - \eta \left(x + y\hat{k}_\gamma \right) \right) \\ &\quad \times \nabla_{x+y\hat{k}_\gamma, x+(y+1)\hat{k}_\gamma} \varphi(\eta) \\ &\quad + \eta(x+u_\beta(k)) \left(1 - \eta \left(x + \lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma \right) \right) \\ &\quad \times \nabla_{x+\lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma, x+u_\beta(k)} \varphi(\eta). \end{aligned}$$

Note, by construction, that the drift of $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,w} + \mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,w,*}$ vanishes.

Claim. Let $0 \leq \beta, \gamma \leq 1$ and let $r_\beta(\cdot)$ be a weight function such that $\sup_{k > 0} r_\beta(k)/k^{1-\beta} < \infty$. Then, for $\beta \geq \gamma > \beta - (\alpha - 2)$, there is a constant $C = C(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ such that

$$\left\langle -[\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,r_\beta} + \mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,r_\beta,*}] \varphi, \psi \right\rangle_\rho \leq C \|\varphi\|_{1,(FA-NN)} \|\psi\|_{1,(FA-NN)}. \tag{4.4}$$

Assuming (4.4), which is proved at the end, we now prove the sector inequality (4.2).

Step 1. Let $\beta = 1$ and $w_1(k) \equiv \bar{k}_\beta \equiv 1$. Then, $\mathcal{N}^{\beta,w_1} = \mathcal{L}$. By (4.4), $\mathcal{N}^{\beta,w_1} + \mathcal{N}^{\beta,\gamma_1,w_1,*}$ satisfies a sector inequality when $\beta \geq \gamma_1 > \beta - (\alpha - 2)$ and $\gamma_1 \geq 0$. When $\alpha > 3$, since $1 - (\alpha - 2) < 0$, we may take $\gamma_1 = 0$. In this case, $\mathcal{N}^{1,w_1} + \mathcal{N}^{1,0,w_1,*} = \mathcal{L} + \mathcal{L}^1$, and the desired sector inequality already follows. The reader can now skip to the proof of (4.4).

However, when $2 < \alpha \leq 3$, fix $\gamma_1 = 1 - (\alpha - 2)/2$. We need only prove a sector inequality for $-\mathcal{N}^{1,\gamma_1,w_1,*} + \mathcal{L}^1$, or equivalently $\mathcal{N}^{1,\gamma_1,w_1} - \mathcal{L}^{1,*}$. Decompose $\mathcal{L}^1 = \mathcal{S}^1 + \mathcal{A}^1$ into symmetric and anti-symmetric parts. A sector inequality

holds for the self-adjoint generator \mathcal{S}^1 : By Schwarz inequality, $\langle (-\mathcal{S}^1)\varphi, \psi \rangle_\rho = \langle (-\mathcal{S}^1)^{1/2}\varphi, (-\mathcal{S}^1)^{1/2}\psi \rangle_\rho \leq C\|\varphi\|_{1,(FA-NN)}\|\psi\|_{1,(FA-NN)}$.

Hence, since $\mathcal{S}^1 = \mathcal{S}^{1,*}$ and $\mathcal{L}^1 = -\mathcal{L}^{1,*}$, and therefore $-\mathcal{L}^{1,*} = \mathcal{L}^1 - 2\mathcal{S}^1$, it will be enough to show a sector inequality for $\mathcal{N}^{1,\gamma_1,w_1} + \mathcal{L}^1$, where all jumps, for index $k > 0$, are of length at most \hat{k}_{γ_1} .

We will apply (4.4) in the sequel to make further reductions in terms of the jump sizes.

Step 2. More generally, for $0 \leq \beta \leq 1$, let weight w and u_β be such that $0 \leq w(k) \leq \bar{k}_\beta$ and $0 \leq u_\beta(k) \leq \hat{k}_\beta$ for $k > 0$. Suppose now $\beta \geq \gamma \geq \beta - (\alpha - 2)$ and $\gamma \geq 0$. We may write $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,w} = \mathcal{N}^{\gamma,w'} + \mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma,w}$ where $w'(k) = v(k; w(k), \hat{k}_\beta, \gamma) \leq \bar{k}_\gamma$ and $u_\gamma(k) = q(k; u_\beta(k), \gamma) \leq \hat{k}_\gamma(k)$ for $k > 0$. Here,

$$v(k; w(k), u(k), \gamma) := w(k)\lfloor u(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \text{ and} \\ q(k; u(k), \gamma) := u(k) - \lfloor u(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma.$$

Since $w(k) \leq \bar{k}_\beta \leq \bar{k}_\gamma$, notice that $\mathcal{N}^{\gamma,w'}$ and $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma,w}$ are in form $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma^+,w^+}$ where $u_\gamma^+(k) \leq \hat{k}_\gamma$ and $w^+(k) \leq \bar{k}_\gamma$ for $k > 0$. Then, by (4.4), when $\gamma \geq \pi \geq \gamma - (\alpha - 2)$ and $\pi \geq 0$, a sector inequality holds for both $\mathcal{N}^{\gamma,w'} + \mathcal{N}^{gen,\gamma,\pi,w',*}$ and $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma,w} + \mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma,\pi,w,*}$.

Hence, to prove a sector inequality for $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,w} + b\mathcal{L}^1$, where b is the constant such that the drift of $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,w} + b\mathcal{L}^1$ vanishes, that is

$$\sum_{k>0} p(k)w(k) \left[\lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma + q(k; u_\beta, \gamma) \right] - b \sum_{k>0} kp(k) = 0,$$

by the discussion in Step 1 with respect to the sector inequality for \mathcal{S}^1 , it is enough to show a sector inequality for $\mathcal{N}^{gen,\gamma,\pi,w'} + \mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma,\pi,w} + b\mathcal{L}^1$. In particular, it is sufficient to show a sector inequality for $\mathcal{N}^{gen,\gamma,\pi,w'} + b_1\mathcal{L}^1$ and $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma,\pi,w} + b_2\mathcal{L}^1$, where b_1, b_2 are such that the drifts of the two operators vanish. Note, by construction, that $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma,w}$ and $\mathcal{N}^{gen,\gamma,\pi,w'} + \mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma,\pi,w}$ have the same drift, and so necessarily $b_1 + b_2 = b$.

When $\gamma - (\alpha - 2) \geq 0$, fix $\pi = \gamma - (\alpha - 2)/2$. In this case, since both truncated operators $\mathcal{N}^{gen,\gamma,\pi,w'}$ and $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma,\pi,w}$ are in form $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_\gamma^\#, \pi, w^\#}$ where $u_\gamma^\# \leq \hat{k}_\gamma$ and weight $w^\#(k) \leq \bar{k}_\gamma$ for $k > 0$, we can now repeat the above analysis with parameters (γ, π) in place of (β, γ) to obtain a further reduction.

Step 3. We will need only to iterate the above procedure $\ell - 1$ times, with respect to parameters $(1, \gamma_1), (\gamma_1, \gamma_2), \dots, (\gamma_{\ell-1}, \gamma_\ell)$ such that $\gamma_{i+1} = \gamma_i - (\alpha - 2)/2$ for $1 \leq i \leq \ell - 2$, and $\gamma_{\ell-1} \geq \gamma_\ell > \gamma_{\ell-1} - (\alpha - 2)$ and $\gamma_\ell \geq 0$. Here, $\ell \geq 2$ is the smallest integer satisfying $\gamma_{\ell-1} - (\alpha - 2) = 1 - (\ell - 1)(\alpha - 2)/2 - (\alpha - 2) < 0$.

At this point, to show (4.2), we need only show a sector inequality for 2^ℓ operators, each of the form $\mathcal{N}^{gen,u_{\gamma_{\ell-1}},\gamma_\ell,w_{\ell-1}} + b\mathcal{L}^1$, where b is such that the drift vanishes, $0 \leq u_{\gamma_{\ell-1}}(k) \leq \hat{k}_{\gamma_{\ell-1}}$, weight $0 \leq w_{\ell-1}(k) \leq \bar{k}_{\gamma_{\ell-1}}$ and jump sizes are less than \hat{k}_{γ_ℓ} for $k > 0$.

We may select $\gamma_\ell = 0$, in which case, by definition, all jumps in $\mathcal{N}^{gen, u_{\gamma_{\ell-1}}, \gamma_\ell, w_{\ell-1}} + b\mathcal{L}^1$ are of size at most 1, the jumps in $\mathcal{N}^{gen, u_{\gamma_{\ell-1}}, \gamma_\ell, w_{\ell-1}}$ and $b\mathcal{L}^1$ being to the right and left respectively. Since the operator has zero drift, it equals $2b\mathcal{S}^1$. The sector inequality follows now by Schwarz inequality as in Step 1. \square

Proof of (4.4) We first collect some observations. In the following, C may be a constant which changes from line to line.

- (1) For fixed $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $k > 0$, when $u_\beta(k) > 0$, the operator $\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma}$ can be viewed as a totally asymmetric *nearest-neighbor* exclusion generator on a ring $\Lambda_{x,k}$ of $\kappa(k) := \lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor + 2 \leq Ck^{\beta-\gamma}$ sites $y_0 = y_{\kappa(k)} = x, y_1 = x + u_\beta(k), y_2 = x + \lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor \hat{k}_\gamma, y_3 = x + (\lfloor u_\beta(k)/\hat{k}_\gamma \rfloor - 1)\hat{k}_\gamma, \dots, y_{\kappa(k)-1} = x + \hat{k}_\gamma$. When $u_\beta(k) = 0, \mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma} \equiv 0$.
- (2) When $u_\beta(k) > 0$, as $\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma}$ is a generator, the function $\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma} \varphi$ is mean-zero with respect to each ring-canonical invariant measure $\nu_\rho^{(j, \zeta)} := \nu_\rho \{ \cdot | \sum_{i=0}^{\kappa(k)} \eta(y_i) = j, \{ \eta(z) : z \notin \Lambda_{x,k} \} = \zeta \}$ for $0 \leq j \leq \kappa(k)$ and outside configurations ζ ; when $j = 0$ or $\kappa(k)$, there is no motion and $\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma} \varphi \equiv 0$. When $\Lambda_{x,k}$ has $1 \leq j \leq \kappa(k) - 1$ particles, $\nu_\rho^{(j, \zeta)}$ is also the unique invariant measure for the symmetrized process with generator $\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^S$. The smallest eigenvalue of $-\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^S$ is 0, corresponding to constant eigenfunctions; in particular, $\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma} \varphi$ is orthogonal to this eigenspace. Also, the spectral gap of $-\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^S$ on the ring with $1 \leq j \leq \kappa(k) - 1$ particles is bounded below by $K/\kappa(k)^2$, where K is a universal constant, in particular not depending on j [18]. Then,

$$E_{\nu_\rho^{(j, \zeta)}} \left[\left(-\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma} \varphi \right) \psi \right] = E_{\nu_\rho^{(j, \zeta)}} \left[\left(-\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^S \right)^{-1/2} \left(-\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma} \varphi \right) \left(-\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^S \right)^{1/2} \psi \right] \leq K^{-1/2} \kappa(k) \| \mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma} \varphi \|_{\mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho^{(j, \zeta)})} E_{\nu_\rho^{(j, \zeta)}} \left[\psi \left(-\mathcal{N}_{x,y}^S \psi \right) \right]^{1/2}.$$

Note that the ring-Dirichlet form

$$E_{\nu_\rho^{(j, \zeta)}} \left[\psi \left(-\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^S \psi \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=0}^{\kappa(k)-1} \| \nabla_{y_i, y_{i+1}} \psi \|_{\mathbb{L}^2(\nu_\rho^{(j, \zeta)})}^2.$$

Then, we have $\langle -\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma} \varphi, \psi \rangle_\rho$ equals

$$E_{\nu_\rho} \left[\sum_{j=0}^{\kappa(k)} \nu_\rho \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\kappa(k)-1} \eta(y_i) = j | \{ \eta(z) : z \notin \Lambda_{x,k} \} = \zeta \right) E_{\nu_\rho^{(j, \zeta)}} \left[\left(-\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen, u_\beta, \gamma} \varphi \right) \psi \right] \right]$$

which is less than

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq C\kappa(k)E_{v_\rho} \left[\sum_{j=0}^{\kappa(k)} v_\rho \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\kappa(k)-1} \eta(y_i) = j \mid \{\eta(z) : z \notin \Lambda_{x,k}\} = \zeta \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left\| \mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma} \varphi \right\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho^{(j,\zeta)})} \left[\sum_{i=0}^{\kappa(k)-1} \left\| \nabla_{y_i,y_{i+1}} \psi \right\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho^{(j,\zeta)})}^2 \right]^{1/2} \right] \\
 &\leq C\kappa(k) \left\| \mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma} \varphi \right\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)} \left[\sum_{i=0}^{\kappa(k)-1} D_{y_i,y_{i+1}}(\psi) \right]^{1/2}. \tag{4.5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Here, in the last line, we have used the notation $\|\nabla_{a,b} f\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)}^2 = D_{a,b}(f)$ (introduced in Lemma 4.1), and the relation $2ab = \inf_{\varepsilon>0} \{\varepsilon a^2 + \varepsilon^{-1} b^2\}$ to recover the $\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)$ norms.

(3) When $u_\beta(k) > 0$, by standard inequalities, $\|\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma} \varphi\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)}^2$ is less than

$$\begin{aligned}
 &2 \left\| \eta(y_0)(1-\eta(y_1)) \nabla_{y_0,y_1} \varphi \right\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)}^2 + 2 \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\kappa(k)-1} \eta(y_i)(1-\eta(y_{i+1})) \nabla_{y_i,y_{i+1}} \varphi \right\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)}^2 \\
 &\leq 2 \left\| \nabla_{y_0,y_1} \varphi \right\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)}^2 + 2(\kappa(k)-1) \sum_{i=1}^{\kappa(k)-1} \left\| \nabla_{y_i,y_{i+1}} \varphi \right\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)}^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$\left\| \mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen,u_\beta,\gamma} \varphi \right\|_{\mathbb{L}^2(v_\rho)}^2 \leq 2D_{y_0,y_1}(\varphi) + 2(\kappa(k)-1) \sum_{i=1}^{\kappa(k)-1} D_{y_i,y_{i+1}}(\varphi). \tag{4.6}$$

(4) As in the proof of Lemma 4.1, we have for $a, b, x \in \mathbb{Z}$ that $D_{x+a,x+b}(f) \leq |b-a| \sum_{i=a}^{b-1} D_{x+i,x+i+1}(f)$ and

$$\sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} D_{x+a,x+b}(f) \leq (b-a)^2 \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} D_{x,x+1}(f) \leq C(b-a)^2 \|f\|_{1,(FA-NN)}^2. \tag{4.7}$$

Finally, we now combine the estimates in (1)–(4). For each $k > 0$, through the relation $2ab = \inf_{\varepsilon_k > 0} \{\varepsilon_k a^2 + \varepsilon_k^{-1} b^2\}$ and noting (4.5) and (4.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} p(k)r_\beta(k) \left\langle -\mathcal{N}_{x,k}^{gen,u\beta,\gamma} \varphi, \psi \right\rangle_\rho \\ & \leq C \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} p(k)r_\beta(k) \left\{ \varepsilon_k \kappa(k)^2 \left[D_{y_0,y_1}(\varphi) + (\kappa(k) - 1) \sum_{i=1}^{\kappa(k)-1} D_{y_i,y_{i+1}}(\varphi) \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \varepsilon_k^{-1} \left[D_{y_0,y_1}(\psi) + \sum_{i=1}^{\kappa(k)-1} D_{y_i,y_{i+1}}(\psi) \right] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, note that $|y_0 - y_1| \leq k^\beta$ and $|y_i - y_{i+1}| \leq k^\gamma$ for $1 \leq i \leq \kappa(k) - 1$. Recall also that $0 \leq \gamma \leq \beta \leq 1$, $\kappa(k) \leq Ck^{\beta-\gamma}$ and $r_\beta(k) \leq Ck^{1-\beta}$ for $k > 0$. Then, noting (4.7), the last display is less than

$$\begin{aligned} & Cp(k)r_\beta(k) \left\{ \varepsilon_k (k^{\beta-\gamma})^2 \left[k^{2\beta} \|\varphi\|_{1,(FA-NN)}^2 + (k^{\beta-\gamma})^2 k^{2\gamma} \|\varphi\|_{1,(FA-NN)}^2 \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \varepsilon_k^{-1} \left[k^{2\beta} \|\psi\|_{1,(FA-NN)}^2 + k^{\beta-\gamma} k^{2\gamma} \|\psi\|_{1,(FA-NN)}^2 \right] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Optimizing over ε_k , we have the upper bound:

$$\begin{aligned} & Cp(k)r_\beta(k) \left[(k^{\beta-\gamma})^2 \left(k^{2\beta} + (k^{\beta-\gamma})^2 k^{2\gamma} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times \left(k^{2\beta} + k^{\beta-\gamma} k^{2\gamma} \right) \right]^{1/2} \|\varphi\|_{1,(FA-NN)} \|\psi\|_{1,(FA-NN)} \\ & \leq Cp(k)k^{1-\beta} k^{3\beta-\gamma} \|\varphi\|_{1,(FA-NN)} \|\psi\|_{1,(FA-NN)} \\ & = Cp(k)k^{1+2\beta-\gamma} \|\varphi\|_{1,(FA-NN)} \|\psi\|_{1,(FA-NN)}. \end{aligned}$$

To finish, we will need to sum over $k > 0$. Recall that $p(k) = ck^{-1-\alpha}$ for $k > 0$. When $1 + 2\beta - \gamma < \alpha$, the sum $\sum_{k>0} p(k)k^{1+2\beta-\gamma} < \infty$. Since $\beta \leq 1$, this relation is satisfied when $\gamma > \beta - (\alpha - 2)$, and (4.4) is verified. \square

Proof of Theorem 2.4 For local functions f , we first compare L_f with $L_f^{(FR-NN)}$, corresponding to generators \mathcal{L} and $\mathcal{L}^{(FR-NN)}$ with the same drift. Recall \mathcal{L}^1 defined before Lemma 4.3. Writing $\mathcal{L}^1 = \mathcal{S}^1 + \mathcal{A}^1$ in terms of symmetric and anti-symmetric parts, we may take $\mathcal{L}^{(FR-NN)} = \mathcal{S}^1 - \mathcal{A}^1$. In the following, the constant C may change line to line. Recall from Lemma 3.2 that

$$L_f(\lambda) = 2\lambda^{-2} \sup_\varphi \left\{ 2\langle f, \varphi \rangle_\rho - \langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})\varphi \rangle_\rho - \langle \mathcal{A}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\mathcal{A}\varphi \rangle_\rho \right\}.$$

The inner product $\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})\varphi \rangle_\rho \leq C\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^1)\varphi \rangle_\rho$ by Lemma 4.1.

Decompose $\tilde{\mathcal{L}} = \mathcal{L} + \mathcal{L}^1 = \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{A}^1 + \mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}^1$. Then, by the triangle inequality, with respect to the $\|\cdot\|_{-1}$ norm,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle \mathcal{A}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\mathcal{A}\varphi \right\rangle_{\rho} \\ & \leq 3 \left\langle \mathcal{A}^1\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\mathcal{A}^1\varphi \right\rangle_{\rho} + 3 \left\langle \tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi \right\rangle_{\rho} \\ & \quad + 3 \left\langle [\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}^1]\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}[\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}^1]\varphi \right\rangle_{\rho}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.8}$$

The second inner product is bounded

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi \right\rangle_{\rho} & \leq C\|\varphi\|_{1,(FR-NN)}\|(\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi\|_{1,(FR-NN)} \\ & \leq C\|\varphi\|_{1,(FR-NN)}\|(\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi\|_1 \\ & \leq C\|\varphi\|_{1,(FR-NN)}\|(\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi\|_{1,\lambda} \\ & = C\|\varphi\|_{1,(FR-NN)}\|\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi\|_{-1,\lambda}. \end{aligned}$$

In the first line, approximating $(\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi$ by local functions in $\mathbb{L}^2(\nu_{\rho})$, Lemma 4.3 is used. In the second line, Lemma 4.1 is employed. The third line uses $\|\cdot\|_1 \leq \|\cdot\|_{1,\lambda}$. The fourth line follows by definition of the $\|\cdot\|_{-1,\lambda}$ norm. Dividing through by $\|\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi\|_{-1,\lambda} = \langle \tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi \rangle_{\rho}^{1/2}$, we obtain $\|\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\varphi\|_{-1,\lambda} \leq C\|\varphi\|_{1,(FR-NN)}$. Then, the second inner product is less than $C\|\varphi\|_{1,\lambda,(FR-NN)}^2 = C\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^1)\varphi \rangle_{\rho}$.

The third inner product is bounded

$$\left\langle [\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}^1]\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1}[\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}^1]\varphi \right\rangle_{\rho} \leq 2\|\mathcal{S}\varphi\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 + 2\|\mathcal{S}^1\varphi\|_{-1,\lambda}^2.$$

By Lemma 4.1 and $\|\cdot\|_{-1,\lambda} \leq \|\cdot\|_{-1}$, we have

$$\|\mathcal{S}^1\varphi\|_{-1,\lambda} \leq \|\mathcal{S}^1\varphi\|_{-1} \leq C\|\mathcal{S}^1\varphi\|_{-1,(FR-NN)}.$$

Then, $\|\mathcal{S}^1\varphi\|_{-1,(FR-NN)}^2 \leq \|\varphi\|_{1,(FR-NN)}^2 \leq \langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^1)\varphi \rangle_{\rho}$ by Schwarz inequality and the definition of H_{-1} norm. Similarly, $\|\mathcal{S}\varphi\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 \leq \langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})\varphi \rangle_{\rho}$ and by Lemma 4.1 $\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})\varphi \rangle_{\rho} \leq C\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^1)\varphi \rangle_{\rho}^{1/2}$. Hence, together, the third inner product is less than $C\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^1)\varphi \rangle_{\rho}$.

Now, inserting into the variational formula, we obtain $L_f(\lambda) \geq 2\lambda^{-2} \sup_{\varphi} \{ \langle f, \varphi \rangle_{\rho} - C\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})\varphi \rangle_{\rho} \} = C^{-1}L_f^{(FR-NN)}(\lambda)$. Analogously, we bound $L_f^{(FR-NN)}(\lambda) \geq C'L_f(\lambda)$, in terms of a constant C' , starting from the variational formula for $L_f^{(FR-NN)}(\lambda)$.

Now consider $\mathcal{L}^+ = c\mathcal{L}^{(FR-NN)}$ which has drift $c\sum yp(y)$. Since the factor c represents a speed-up factor, a calculation with (3.2) shows that $L_f^+(c\lambda) = c^3L_f^{(FR-NN)}(\lambda)$. Hence, $L_f^+ \approx L_f^{(FR-NN)}$ by considering again the variational formulas in Lemma 3.2.

Finally, let $\mathcal{L}^{(FR)}$ be a finite-range generator with drift $c \sum y p(y)$. Then $\mathcal{L}^\# = \mathcal{S}^+ + \mathcal{A}^+ - \mathcal{L}^{(FR)}$ is a finite-range mean-zero generator. By similar arguments as above, with the finite-range equivalence $\|\cdot\|_{\pm 1, (FR)}$ and $\|\cdot\|_{\pm 1, (FR-NN)}$ (cf. Lemma 3.7 in [24]) in place of Lemma 4.1, and the ‘finite range’ sector inequality (4.3) in place of Lemma 4.3, we conclude $L_f^+ \approx L_f^{(FR)}$. \square

Proof of Theorem 2.5 The argument is a long-range adaptation of Lemma 4.4 in [23]. Since $L_f^{(MZA)}(\lambda) = 2\lambda^{-2} \langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{L}^{(MZA)})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho$ and $\langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{L}^{(MZA)})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho \leq \langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho$ by (3.2) and Lemma 3.2, we have $L_f^{(MZA)} \leq L_f^{(S)}$.

To obtain a lower bound $L_f^{(MZA)} \geq CL_f^{(S)}$, we follow the proof of Theorem 2.4. Consider the finite-range mean-zero operator $\widehat{\mathcal{L}} = \mathcal{S}^1 + \mathcal{A}^{(MZA)}$ where \mathcal{S}^1 is a symmetric (FR-NN) generator. We may bound

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle \mathcal{A}^{(MZA)}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{(MZA)}\varphi \right\rangle_\rho \\ & \leq 2 \left\langle \widehat{\mathcal{L}}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}\varphi \right\rangle_\rho + 2 \left\langle \mathcal{S}^1\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} \mathcal{S}^1\varphi \right\rangle_\rho. \end{aligned}$$

In the following, the constant C may change line to line.

We recall now, as noted in Remark 4.2 for $\alpha > 0$, that

$$\|\varphi\|_{1, (FR-NN)} \leq C\|\varphi\|_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \|\varphi\|_{-1} \leq C\|\varphi\|_{-1, (FR-NN)}. \tag{4.9}$$

Hence, using (4.3) (instead of Lemma 4.3), and (4.9) (instead of Lemma 4.1), we may plug into the sequence of steps after (4.8), to find $\langle \widehat{\mathcal{L}}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}\varphi \rangle_\rho \leq C\|\varphi\|_{1, (FR-NN)}^2$ and $\langle \mathcal{S}^1\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} \mathcal{S}^1\varphi \rangle_\rho \leq C\|\varphi\|_{1, (FR-NN)}^2$. These right-hand sides are further bounded by $C\|\varphi\|_1^2$ using (4.9) again.

Then, $\langle \mathcal{A}^{(MZA)}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{(MZA)}\varphi \rangle_\rho \leq C\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})\varphi \rangle_\rho$. By Lemma 3.2,

$$\begin{aligned} L_f^{(MZA)}(\lambda) &= 2\lambda^{-1} \sup_\varphi \left\{ 2\langle f, \varphi \rangle_\rho - \langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})\varphi \rangle_\rho \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left\langle \mathcal{A}^{(MZA)}\varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{(MZA)}\varphi \right\rangle_\rho \right\} \\ &\geq 2\lambda^{-1} \sup_\varphi \left\{ 2\langle f, \varphi \rangle_\rho - (1 + C)\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})\varphi \rangle_\rho \right\} = (1 + C)^{-1} L_f^{(S)}(\lambda). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $L_f^{(MZA)} \approx L_f^{(S)}$. \square

Proof of Theorem 2.18 Write $\mathcal{L}^\gamma = \mathcal{S}^\gamma + \mathcal{A}$ where \mathcal{S}^γ is symmetric and \mathcal{A} is a finite-range mean-zero anti-symmetric operator. Recall $\alpha < \beta$. The crux of the argument is that, since $s^\alpha(y) \geq (c_\alpha/c_\beta)s^\beta(y)$ for $y \in \mathbb{Z}^d$, noting (3.1), the Dirichlet forms $\langle \varphi, -\mathcal{S}^\alpha\varphi \rangle \geq (c_\alpha/c_\beta)\langle \varphi, -\mathcal{S}^\beta\varphi \rangle$. Then,

$$\langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^\alpha)\varphi \rangle_\rho \geq (1 + c_\alpha/c_\beta) \langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^\beta)\varphi \rangle_\rho. \tag{4.10}$$

Let $L_f^{(S),\gamma}(\lambda) = 2\lambda^{-2}\langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^\gamma)^{-1}f \rangle_\rho$ denote the Tauberian variance with respect to process generated by \mathcal{S}^γ . By the formula $\langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^\gamma)^{-1}f \rangle_\rho = \sup_\varphi \{2\langle f, \varphi \rangle_\rho - \langle \varphi, (\lambda - \mathcal{S}^\gamma)\varphi \rangle_\rho\}$ in Lemma 3.2, and (4.10), we have $L_f^{(S),\alpha} \leq C_1 L_f^{(S),\beta}$ where $C_1 = (1 + c_\alpha/c_\beta)^{-1}$.

Now, by Theorem 2.5, $L_f^\gamma \approx L_f^{(S),\gamma}$. Hence, $L_f^\alpha \approx L_f^{(S),\alpha} \leq C_1 L_f^{(S),\beta} \approx L_f^\beta$, to finish. \square

5 Proof of results: symmetric jumps

The proofs of Theorems 2.6, 2.8 and 2.9 are based on the self-duality property of the exclusion process, and follow from several computations. On the other hand, the proof of Theorem 2.11 follows the martingale approximation scheme in [11, 19] and [23] for the finite-range case. Nevertheless, several estimates are different because of the presence of the heavy tails of the symmetric (LA) jump probability $p(\cdot) = s(\cdot)$. In this section, we abbreviate $\theta_d = \theta_d(\cdot; s(\cdot))$ (cf. Sect. 3.4).

5.1 Proof of Theorem 2.6

By the basis decomposition in Sect. 3.2, a local, mean-zero function can be written as

$$f = \sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{|A|=n} f(A)\Psi_A$$

where $A \subset \mathcal{E}$ and all sums are finite. Let $n \geq 1$ be such that $\alpha \wedge 2 < nd$ and suppose $\deg(f) = n$. By Remark (2.1), (1) if $n = 1$, $\sum_{|A|=1} f(A) \neq 0$; (2) If $n = 2$, $\sum_{|A|=1} f(A) = 0$ and $\sum_{|A|=2} f(A) \neq 0$; (3) and if $n \geq 3$, $\sum_{|A|=1} f(A) = \sum_{|A|=2} f(A) = 0$. Our goal will be to show that f is admissible, thereby completing the proof.

Note that $\sum_{|A|=k} f(A)\mathbf{1}_A$ is the dual form of $\sum_{|A|=k} f(A)\Psi_A$ for $k \geq 1$. To show f is admissible, it is enough to show in case (1) that $\mathbf{1}_A$ is admissible for $|A| \geq 1$; in case (2), it is enough to prove $\sum_{|A|=1} f(A)\mathbf{1}_A$ and $\mathbf{1}_A$ for $|A| \geq 2$ are admissible; in case (3), we need to show $\sum_{|A|=1} f(A)\mathbf{1}_A$, $\sum_{|A|=2} f(A)\mathbf{1}_A$ and $\mathbf{1}_A$ for $|A| \geq 3$ are admissible.

To show $\mathbf{1}_A$ for $|A| \geq n$ is admissible, in the various cases, by Lemma 3.1, we need only to bound $\|\mathbf{1}_A\|_{-1,\lambda}$ uniformly as $\lambda \downarrow 0$. By Lemma 3.4, it is sufficient to prove

$$\limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \|\mathfrak{W}_n \tilde{\mathbf{1}}_A\|_{-1,\lambda,\text{free}} < \infty. \tag{5.1}$$

Since the function $g = \mathfrak{W}_n \tilde{\mathbf{1}}_A = 1$ when $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} = A$ and vanishes otherwise, its Fourier transform is bounded. Thus, expressing the $\mathbb{H}_{-1,\lambda,\text{free}}$ -norm in Fourier space (cf. (3.8)), the display (5.1) follows if we show that

$$\limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_{(\mathbb{T}^d)^n} \frac{dk_1 \dots dk_n}{\lambda + \theta_d(k_1) + \dots + \theta_d(k_n)} < \infty.$$

The integrand can only diverge for (k_1, \dots, k_n) close to a point in $\mathcal{C}_d \times \dots \times \mathcal{C}_d$. It is straightforward to check that all divergences are the same as for (k_1, \dots, k_n) close to $(0, \dots, 0)$. Standard analysis, using Lemma 3.5, which estimates $\theta_d(k)$, shows the bound (5.1) when $\alpha \wedge 2 < nd$.

But, when $\sum_{|A|=\ell} \widehat{f}(A) = 0$, the square of the Fourier transform of $\mathfrak{W}_\ell \sum_{|A|=\ell} \widehat{f}(A) \mathbf{1}_A$ behaves quadratically near points in $(\mathcal{C}_d)^\ell$, for instance of order $|k_1|^2 + \dots + |k_\ell|^2$ near the origin. Since at these points, by Lemma 3.5, $\sum_{i=1}^\ell \theta_d(k_i)$ is of larger or equal order when $\alpha \wedge 2 < nd$, the norm $\|\mathfrak{W}_\ell \sum_{|A|=\ell} \widehat{f}(A) \mathbf{1}_A\|_{-1,\lambda,\text{free}}$ converges as $\lambda \downarrow 0$.

Combining these estimates, we conclude f is admissible in all cases. □

5.2 Proof of Theorem 2.9

Let $f(\eta) = (\eta(0) - \rho)(\eta(1) - \rho) = \chi(\rho)\Psi_{\{0,1\}}$ whose dual function $\mathfrak{f} = \chi(\rho)\mathbf{1}_{\{0,1\}}$. By our assumption $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S}$, Remark 2.7 and that functions of degree strictly larger than 2 are admissible by Theorem 2.6, and (3.2), we need only show

$$\langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho = \langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho = \|f\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 \approx |\log \lambda|.$$

Further, by Lemma 3.4, we need only to show this estimate with $\|f\|_{-1,\lambda}$ replaced by $\|\mathfrak{W}_2 \tilde{\mathfrak{f}}\|_{-1,\lambda,\text{free}}$. Observe, by (3.7), that $(\mathfrak{W}_2 \tilde{\mathfrak{f}})(x, y) = \chi(\rho) [\mathbf{1}_{x=0,y=1} + \mathbf{1}_{x=1,y=0}]$ and its Fourier transform is $\chi(\rho) [e^{2\pi i s_1} + e^{2\pi i s_2}]$. Then, by (3.8), it is enough to show

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{1}{\lambda + \theta_1(s_1) + \theta_1(s_2)} ds_1 ds_2 \approx \begin{cases} |\log \lambda| & \text{if } \alpha > 2 \\ \log |\log(\lambda)| & \text{if } \alpha = 2. \end{cases}$$

as $\lambda \downarrow 0$. This is accomplished using Lemma 3.5 and standard analysis. □

5.3 Proof of Theorem 2.8

By Remark 2.7, the lower order of variance for degree 2 functions in Theorem 2.9, and admissibility of functions of at least degree 3 in Theorem 2.6, we need only to consider $f(\eta) = \eta(0) - \rho$. Recall from (3.2) that the Laplace transform $L_f(\cdot)$ of $\sigma_f^2(t)$ is given by $L_f(\lambda) = 2\lambda^{-2} \langle f, (\lambda - \mathcal{S})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho$, since $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S}$.

Write $f = \sqrt{\chi(\rho)}\Psi_{\{0\}} \in M_1$ and consider its dual function $\mathfrak{f} = \sqrt{\chi(\rho)}\mathbf{1}_{\{0\}} \in \mathcal{H}_1$. Identifying cardinality 1 subsets of \mathbb{Z}^d with points in \mathbb{Z}^d , we see that the generator \mathfrak{S} restricted to \mathcal{H}_1 is nothing but the generator of a random walk on \mathbb{Z}^d with kernel s . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_f(\lambda) &= 2\chi(\rho)\lambda^{-2}(\lambda - \mathfrak{S})^{-1}(\{0\}, \{0\}) \\
 &= 2\chi(\rho)\lambda^{-2} \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \frac{du}{\lambda + \theta_d(u)} \\
 &= 2\chi(\rho)\lambda^{-2} \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \left[\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} e^{-\theta_d(u)t} du \right] dt,
 \end{aligned}$$

using Fubini’s Theorem for the last line.

After two integration by parts, we recover the variance

$$\sigma_t^2(f) = 2\chi(\rho) \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \frac{\theta_d(u)t - 1 + e^{-\theta_d(u)t}}{\theta_d^2(u)} du. \tag{5.2}$$

Now, by Lemma 7.1, which analyzes (5.2), we obtain Theorem 2.8. □

5.4 Proof of Theorem 2.11

The functional CLT follows from a combination of arguments. In particular, since the symmetric exclusion process starting from v_ρ is reversible, part (i) follows from the Kipnis-Varadhan theorem [13]. Also, the proof of part (iii) is the same as in Section 3.2 in Kipnis [11] given the scalings in Theorem 2.9.

However, part (ii) is more involved as the long-range character of the process needs to be addressed.

5.4.1 Proof of Theorem 2.11, (ii)

Let f be a local function of degree 1. Again, by Remark 2.7 and the lower order variance growth of degree 2 or more functions in Theorem 2.8, it is enough to prove the result for the function $f(\eta) = \eta(0) - \rho$. In the following, we denote $\tilde{\eta}(x) := \eta(x) - \rho$.

Recall, the notation from the introduction, $a_N = \sigma_N(f)$. In order to show $A_t^{(N)} := a_N^{-1} \Gamma_f(tN)$ converges in the uniform topology as $N \uparrow \infty$, it is sufficient to show tightness in the sup-norm, and that the finite-dimensional distributions converge. Tightness is established with the same argument as for Theorem 1.2 in [23] with respect to the finite-range limit (1.1). Also, by the Markov property and scalings in Theorem 2.14, convergence of finite-dimensional distributions to $\mathbb{B}(t)$ when $d = 1, \alpha = 1$ or $d = 2, \alpha \geq 2$, $\mathbb{B}_{1-1/2\alpha}(t)$ when $d = 1, 1 < \alpha < 2$, and $\mathbb{B}_{3/4}(t)$ when $d = 1, \alpha \geq 2$ follow from the convergence of the marginal sequence $A_t^{(N)}$ to a Gaussian limit. We now give a sketch how to obtain this marginal convergence.

Let $T > 0$ be fixed. Suppose there is a function v_s^T such that for $s \in [0, T]$,

$$(\partial_s + \mathcal{L})v_s^T(\eta) = -\tilde{\eta}_s(0)$$

and $v_T^T = 0$. Then, by Dynkin’s formula

$$\mathcal{M}_t^T = v_t^T(\eta_t) - v_0^T(\eta_0) - \int_0^t (\partial_s + \mathcal{L})v_s^T(\eta_s) ds$$

is a centered martingale and

$$\int_0^T \bar{\eta}_s(0) ds = v_0^T(\eta_0) + \mathcal{M}_T^T. \tag{5.3}$$

Moreover, by the martingale property, $v_0^T(\eta_0)$ and \mathcal{M}_T^T are uncorrelated since $\mathcal{M}_0^T = 0$. Then, $a_T^2 = \mathbb{E}_\rho[\Gamma_f^2(T)]$ is the sum of the variances of these terms. Define the limiting variances, assuming they converge,

$$\sigma_{1,T}^2 := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}_\rho \left(\frac{1}{a_N} v_0^{TN}(\eta_0) \right)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_{2,T}^2 := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}_\rho \left(\frac{1}{a_N} \mathcal{M}_{TN}^{TN} \right)^2.$$

Write

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \mathbb{E}_\rho \left[e^{itA_T^{(N)}} - e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}(\sigma_{1,T}^2 + \sigma_{2,T}^2)} \right] \right| \\ & \leq \mathbb{E}_\rho \left| \mathbb{E}_{\eta(0)} \left[e^{\frac{it}{a_N} M_{TN}^{TN}} - e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}\sigma_{2,T}^2} \right] \right| + \left| \mathbb{E}_\rho \left[e^{\frac{it}{a_N} v_0^{TN}(\eta_0)} - e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}\sigma_{1,T}^2} \right] \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Later, in Lemmas 5.1 and 5.2, we show $\sigma_{1,T}^2$ and $\sigma_{2,T}^2$ indeed converge, and that the first and second terms above vanish, finishing the marginal convergence argument.

To make rigorous this sketch, we first establish the martingale decomposition (5.3). Let $p_t(y)$ be the continuous-time transition probability of the random walk on \mathbb{Z}^d , starting at the origin, with translation-invariant symmetric rates $p(x, x+y) := p(y) = s(y)$. Define

$$u_t(x) = \int_0^t p_s(x) ds,$$

the Green’s function, which satisfies

$$\partial_t u_t = \Delta u_t + \delta_0$$

where Δ is the generator of the random walk, $\Delta f(x) = \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} p(y)(f(x+y) - f(x))$.

We now verify that $U_t^T(\eta) =: v_t^T(\eta)$ where

$$U_t^T(\eta) = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} u_{T-t}(x) \bar{\eta}(x).$$

Indeed, write

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_s U_s^T &= - \sum_{x \neq 0} \Delta u_{T-s}(x) \bar{\eta}(x) - (\Delta u_{T-s}(0) + 1) \bar{\eta}(0) \\ &= - \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \Delta u_{T-s}(x) \bar{\eta}(x) - \bar{\eta}(0) = -\mathcal{L} U_s^T - \bar{\eta}(0) \end{aligned}$$

noting $U_t(\eta^{x,x+y}) - U_t(\eta) = (u_{T-t}(x+y) - u_{T-t}(x))(\eta(x) - \eta(x+y))$, $p(\cdot) = s(\cdot)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}U_t^T(\eta) &= \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} p(y)\eta(x)(1 - \eta(x+y))(u_{T-t}(x+y) - u_{T-t}(x)) \\ &= \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} p(y)(u_{T-t}(x+y) - u_{T-t}(x))\eta(x). \end{aligned} \tag{5.4}$$

Observe that $U_T^T(\eta) \equiv 0$, since $u_0(x) = 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{Z}^d$. Hence, (5.3) follows and

$$\int_0^T \bar{\eta}_s(0)ds = U_0^T(\eta_0) + \mathcal{M}_T^T.$$

Lemma 5.1 *We have*

$$\frac{1}{a_N} U_0^{NT}(\eta_0) = \frac{1}{a_N} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} u_{NT}(x)\bar{\eta}_0(x) \tag{5.5}$$

converges weakly as $N \uparrow \infty$ to a centered Normal variable with limiting variance $\sigma_{1,T}^2$. When $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ in $d = 1$ or $\alpha \geq 2$ in $d = 2$, $\sigma_{1,T}^2 = 0$. But, for $\alpha > 1$ in $d = 1$, $0 < \sigma_{1,T}^2 < \infty$.

Proof The Fourier transform of $u_t(\cdot)$ is given by

$$\hat{u}_t(k) = \int_0^t e^{-(1-\hat{p}(k))s} ds$$

for $k \in \mathbb{T}^d$ where $\hat{p}(k) = \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} p(y)e^{2\pi i k \cdot y}$ is the Fourier transform of $p(\cdot) = s(\cdot)$. By symmetry of $s(\cdot)$, the fact that $1 - \cos(2\pi k \cdot y) = 2 \sin^2(\pi k \cdot y)$, and definition of θ_d in (3.9), we have

$$1 - \hat{p}(k) = 2 \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} s(y) \sin^2(\pi k \cdot y) = \theta_d(k).$$

Thus, we obtain

$$\hat{u}_t(k) = \frac{1 - e^{-\theta_d(k)t}}{\theta_d(k)} \tag{5.6}$$

and as a consequence

$$u_t(x) = \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} e^{-2i\pi k \cdot x} \left[\frac{1 - e^{-\theta_d(k)t}}{\theta_d(k)} \right] dk. \tag{5.7}$$

By Parseval’s relation, $\mathbb{E}_\rho[(\eta(x) - \rho)^2] = \rho(1 - \rho) = \chi(\rho)$, and the equation for $a_N^2 = \sigma_N^2(f)$ in (5.2), the variance of $a_N^{-1}U_0^{NT}(\eta_0)$ under ν_ρ is equal to

$$\frac{\chi(\rho)}{a_N^2} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} |u_{TN}|^2(x) = \chi(\rho) \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \left[\frac{1 - e^{-\theta_d(k)TN}}{\theta_d(k)} \right]^2 dk \cdot \left[2\chi(\rho) \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \frac{\theta_d(u)N - 1 + e^{-\theta_d(u)N}}{\theta_d^2(u)} du \right]^{-1}. \tag{5.8}$$

- (i) If $d = 1$ and $\alpha = 1$, by the scaling relation $a_N^2 \sim N \log(N)$, $\theta_1(k) \sim |k|$ (cf. Lemma 3.5), and simple computation, the variance (5.8) vanishes as $N \uparrow \infty$. Therefore, (5.5) converges in distribution to the Dirac mass centered at 0.
- (ii) If $d = 1$ and $1 < \alpha < 2$, recall $a_N \sim N^{1-1/2\alpha}$. By (5.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} |u_t(x)|^2 &= \int_0^1 \left[\frac{1 - e^{-\theta_1(k)t}}{\theta_1(k)} \right]^2 dk \\ &= 2 \int_0^{1/2} \left[\frac{1 - e^{-\theta_1(k)t}}{\theta_1(k)} \right]^2 dk = 2t^{2-1/\alpha} \int_0^{t^{1/\alpha}/2} \left[\frac{1 - e^{-t\theta_1(\ell t^{-1/\alpha})}}{t\theta_1(\ell t^{-1/\alpha})} \right]^2 d\ell. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 3.5 and dominated convergence, we have, as $t \uparrow \infty$,

$$\sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} |u_t(x)|^2 \sim 2t^{2-1/\alpha} \int_0^\infty \left[\frac{1 - e^{-a_1(\alpha)\ell^\alpha}}{a_1(\alpha)\ell^\alpha} \right]^2 d\ell, \tag{5.9}$$

where the constant $a_1(\alpha)$ is such that $\theta_1(k) \sim a_1(\alpha)|k|^\alpha$ as $k \downarrow 0$. We also note that a similar argument shows, for $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $t > 0$, that

$$|u_t(x)| \leq \int_0^1 \left| \frac{1 - e^{-\theta_1(k)t}}{\theta_1(k)} \right| dk = O\left(t^{1-1/\alpha}\right). \tag{5.10}$$

By (5.9) and asymptotics of a_N , one concludes that $\sigma_{1,T}^2$, the limit of (5.8) as $N \uparrow \infty$, converges.

Now, for $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\log \left[\int d\nu_\rho(\eta) \exp \left(\frac{i\beta}{a_N} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} u_{NT}(x)\bar{\eta}(x) \right) \right] \\ &= \log \left[\prod_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \int d\nu_\rho(\eta) \exp \left(\frac{i\beta}{a_N} u_{NT}(x)\bar{\eta}(x) \right) \right] \\ &= \log \left[\prod_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[1 - \frac{\beta^2}{2a_N^2} u_{NT}(x)^2 + O(a_N^{-3} |u_{NT}(x)|^3) \right] \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sum_x |u_{NT}(x)|^3 \leq (\sum_x |u_{NT}(x)|^2) \sup_x |u_{NT}(x)| = O(a_N^2 N^{1-1/\alpha})$ and $e^{-z} = 1 - z + O(z^2)$ as $|z| \downarrow 0$, by (5.9) and (5.10), we get

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int d\nu_\rho(\eta) \exp\left(\frac{i\beta}{a_N} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} u_{NT}(x) \bar{\eta}(x)\right) = \exp\left(-\sigma_{1,T}^2 \beta^2 / 2\right).$$

- (iii) If $d = 1$ and $\alpha > 2$, the argument is similar to the case when $1 < \alpha < 2$. If $\alpha = 2$, using the substitution $k = \beta_t u$ with $t\beta_t^2 |\log \beta_t| = 1$ and $\beta_t = O((t \log(t))^{-1/2})$, the proof is also analogous.
- iv) If $d = 2$ and $\alpha \geq 2$, as when $d = 1$ and $\alpha = 1$, noting the scaling relation for a_N^2 in Theorem 2.8 and that $\theta_d(k) \sim |k|^2$ for $\alpha > 2$ and $\theta_d(k) \sim |k|^2 \log(|k|)$ for $\alpha = 2$ by Lemma 3.5, the limit of the variance in (5.8) vanishes and (5.5) converges to the Dirac mass at 0.

□

Lemma 5.2 For $T > 0$ and $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, the limiting variance satisfies $0 < \sigma_{2,T}^2 < \infty$ and

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}_\rho \left| \mathbb{E}_{\eta_0} \left[e^{i\beta \frac{1}{a_N(T)} \mathcal{M}_{TN}^{TN}} - e^{-\frac{\beta^2}{2} \sigma_{2,T}^2} \right] \right| = 0. \tag{5.11}$$

Proof Although U_s^T is not a local function, by standard approximations, the quadratic variation of the martingale \mathcal{M}_T^s is $\int_0^t \mathcal{L}(U_s^T)^2 - 2U_s^T \mathcal{L}U_s^T ds$. Recalling $p(\cdot) = s(\cdot)$, the integrand may be computed as

$$\mathcal{L}(U_s^T)^2 - 2U_s^T \mathcal{L}U_s^T = \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} p(y-x) (u_{T-s}(y) - u_{T-s}(x))^2 \eta_s(x) (1 - \eta_s(y)).$$

Hence, the variance $\sigma_{2,T}^2$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{N \uparrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_N^2} \mathbb{E}_\rho \left(\mathcal{M}_{TN}^{TN} \right)^2 &= \lim_{N \uparrow \infty} \frac{\rho(1-\rho)}{a_N^2} \int_0^{TN} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} p(y-x) (u_{TN-s}(y) - u_{TN-s}(x))^2 ds \\ &= \lim_{N \uparrow \infty} \frac{2\rho(1-\rho)}{a_N^2} \int_0^{TN} \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \theta_d(k) |\hat{u}_{TN-s}(k)|^2 dk ds \end{aligned} \tag{5.12}$$

using a form of Parseval’s relation: The random walk Dirichlet form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} p(y-x) (u_{TN-s}(y) - u_{TN-s}(x))^2 &= -\langle u_{TN-s}, \Delta u_{TN-s} \rangle \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \theta_d(k) |\hat{u}_{TN-s}(k)|^2 dk. \end{aligned}$$

Then, the limit converges to a positive quantity, noting the explicit form of \hat{u}_t in (5.6), Lemma 3.5, and the asymptotics of a_N (cf. Theorem 2.8), from standard analysis as used in the proof of Lemma 5.1.

Now, by Feynman–Kac’s formula, for $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, the process

$$\mathcal{N}_t^{T,\beta} = \exp \left\{ i\beta U_t^T(\eta_t) - i\beta U_0^T(\eta_0) - \int_0^t e^{-i\beta U_s^T(\eta_s)} (\partial_s + \mathcal{L}) e^{i\beta U_s^T(\eta_s)} ds \right\},$$

for $0 \leq t \leq T$, is a martingale with expectation 1. By the form of U^T and (5.4), we have

$$e^{-i\beta U_s^T(\eta_s)} (\partial_s + \mathcal{L}) e^{i\beta U_s^T(\eta_s)} = i\beta (\partial_s + \mathcal{L}) U_s^T(\eta_s) + A(\beta, s, T)$$

with $A(\beta, s, T)$ equal to

$$\sum_{x,y} p(y-x) \left[e^{i\beta(u_{T-s}(y) - u_{T-s}(x))} - i\beta(u_{T-s}(y) - u_{T-s}(x)) - 1 \right] \eta_s(x)(1 - \eta_s(y)).$$

We have to show that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}_\rho \left| \mathbb{E}_{\eta(0)} \left[\exp \left(i\beta \frac{\mathcal{M}_{TN}^{TN}}{a_N} \right) - \exp \left(-\sigma_{2,T}^2 \beta^2 / 2 \right) \right] \right| \\ &= \mathbb{E}_\rho \left| \mathbb{E}_{\eta(0)} \left[\mathcal{N}_{TN}^{TN,\beta/a_N} \left\{ \exp \left[-\int_0^{NT} A \left(\frac{\beta}{a_N}, s, NT \right) ds \right] - \exp \left(-\sigma_{2,T}^2 \beta^2 / 2 \right) \right\} \right] \right| \end{aligned}$$

vanishes as $N \uparrow \infty$.

Note, for $x, t \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\left| e^{itx} - 1 - itx + x^2 t^2 / 2 \right| \leq Ct^2 x^2 \min(1, |tx|) \tag{5.13}$$

and that $a_N^{-1} \sup_x |u_{NT-s}|(x) \rightarrow 0$ by (5.10), a_N -asymptotics in Theorem 2.8 and straightforward computations.

With this estimate, there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \mathcal{N}_{TN}^{TN,\beta/a_N} \right| &\leq \exp \left[\int_0^{NT} \left| A \left(\frac{\beta}{a_N}, s, NT \right) \right| ds \right] \\ &\leq \exp \left\{ \frac{C\beta^2}{a_N^2} \int_0^{NT} \sum_{x,y} p(y-x) [u_{NT-s}(y) - u_{NT-s}(x)]^2 ds \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ \frac{C\beta^2}{2a_N^2} \int_0^{NT} \left(\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \theta_d(k) |\hat{u}_{NT-s}(k)|^2 dk \right) ds \right\}, \end{aligned} \tag{5.14}$$

where the second inequality comes from a Taylor expansion and the equality from the Parseval relation for the Δ -Dirichlet form.

As the variance in (5.12) converges, the quantity $\int_0^{NT} |A(a_N^{-1}\beta, s, NT)| ds$ and (5.14) are uniformly bounded in N . Therefore, things are reduced to show that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{NT} A\left(\frac{\beta}{a_N}, s, NT\right) ds = \frac{\sigma_{2,T}^2 \beta^2}{2} \tag{5.15}$$

in probability under \mathbb{P}_ρ .

Then, to prove (5.15), noting (5.13), it is sufficient to show, in probability, that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_N^2} \int_0^{NT} \left[\sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} b_N(s, x, y) \eta_s(x)(1 - \eta_s(y)) \right] ds = \sigma_{2,T}^2$$

where

$$b_N(s, x, y) = p(y - x)(u_{NT-s}(y) - u_{NT-s}(x))^2.$$

This statement, by the form of $\sigma_{2,T}^2$ (5.12), would follow if we can replace $\eta_s(x)(1 - \eta_s(y))$ by $\rho(1 - \rho)$ in $\mathbb{L}^2(\mathbb{P}_\rho)$:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_N^2} \int_0^{NT} \left[\sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{Z}^d} b_N(s, x, y) \{ \eta_s(x)(1 - \eta_s(y)) - \rho(1 - \rho) \} \right] ds = 0. \tag{5.16}$$

To prove (5.16), after squaring terms, since $(a_N^{-2} \int_0^{NT} \sum_{x,y} b_N(s, x, y) ds)^2$ converges in (5.12), we need only show the covariance

$$\mathbb{E}_\rho \{ \{ \eta_s(x)(1 - \eta_s(y)) - \rho(1 - \rho) \} \{ \eta_u(z)(1 - \eta_u(w)) - \rho(1 - \rho) \} \}$$

vanishes uniformly in x, y, z, w as $|u - s| \uparrow \infty$. As

$$\eta(\ell)(1 - \eta(k)) - \rho(1 - \rho) = (1 - \rho)(\eta(\ell) - \rho) - \rho(\eta(k) - \rho) - (\eta(\ell) - \rho)(\eta(k) - \rho),$$

by a calculation using the duality process decompositions in Sect. 3.2, namely the symmetric semigroup action

$$T_i \prod_{i=1}^n (\eta(x_i) - \rho) = \sum_{|A|=n} p_i^{(n)}(\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}, A) \prod_{y \in A} (\eta(y) - \rho),$$

the covariance is bounded by

$$C(\rho) \left\{ p_{|u-s|}^{(1)}(x, z) + p_{|u-s|}^{(1)}(x, w) + p_{|u-s|}^{(1)}(y, z) + p_{|u-s|}^{(1)}(y, w) + p_{|u-s|}^{(2)}((x, y), (z, w)) \right\}$$

where $p^{(n)}$ is the continuous-time transition probability of n particles in symmetric simple exclusion for $n \geq 1$. By Corollary VIII.1.9 in [16], we have the bound

$$p_v^{(2)}((k_1, k_2), (\ell_1, \ell_2)) \leq C \sum_{i,j=1}^2 p_v^{(1)}(k_i, \ell_j).$$

As $p_v^{(1)}(k, \ell) = p_v^{(1)}(0, k - \ell)$, to show the covariance vanishes, we show $\lim_{v \uparrow \infty} p_v^{(1)}(0, k) = 0$ uniformly in k .

To this end, we bound $p_v^{(1)}(0, k)^2 = p_v^{(1)}(0, k)p_v^{(1)}(k, 0) \leq p_{2v}^{(1)}(0, 0)$ uniformly in k . But,

$$p_v^{(1)}(0, 0) = \int_0^1 e^{-v(1-\hat{p}(k))} dk = \int_0^1 e^{-v\theta_d(k)} dk.$$

Since for $\alpha \geq 1$, by Lemma 3.5, $\theta_d(k) \geq C|k|^2$ near the zeroes of θ_d , we have $p_v^{(1)}(0, 0) \leq C'v^{-1/2}$, which shows the covariance vanishes uniformly. \square

6 Proof of results: asymmetric jumps

The proofs of the results for the (LA) long-range asymmetric model rely on several ingredients, among them estimation of variational formulas for $L_f(\lambda)$, which we have prepared for in Sect. 3.5, and several technical results collected in ‘‘Appendix’’.

6.1 Proof of Theorem 2.12

We first make a few reductions. By Corollary 3.3, the variance $\sigma_f^2(t) \leq 5t^{-1}L_f^{(S)}(t^{-1})$.

Then, by Theorem 2.6, which bounds $L_f^{(S)}(\lambda)$, all statements in Theorem 2.12 follow modulo a few exceptions in $d \leq 2$. In $d = 1$, we still need to show (a) admissibility when $\deg(f) = 1$, $\alpha \in (1, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$ and $\rho \neq 1/2$, and (b) admissibility when $\deg(f) = 2$, $\alpha > 2$, $\rho \in [0, 1]$. In $d = 2$, the case not obtained is (c) admissibility when $\deg(f) = 1$, $\alpha \geq 2$ and $\rho \neq 1/2$.

When $\alpha > 2$, by Lemma 3.1, $\sigma_f^2(t) \leq 10t^{-1}L_f(t^{-1})$ and by Theorem 2.4, $L_f(\lambda) \approx L_f^{(FR)}(\lambda)$ with respect to a jump probability $p^{(FR)}$ with a drift. Also, by Proposition 2.1, when $\rho \neq 1/2$, $\lambda^2 L_f^{(FR)}(\lambda)$ is bounded as $\lambda \downarrow 0$ for all local f . Hence, $\lambda^2 L_f(\lambda)$ is also bounded and $\sigma_f^2(t) = O(t)$ when $\rho \neq 1/2$ in $d = 1, 2$, and so parts (a) and (c) in these cases also hold. Also, by Proposition 2.1, for local functions f with degree $\deg(f) = 2$, and any $0 \leq \rho \leq 1$, we know $\lambda^2 L_f^{(FR)}(\lambda)$ is bounded as $\lambda \downarrow 0$. Therefore, $\lambda^2 L_f(\lambda)$ is also bounded and $\sigma_f^2(t) = O(t)$, establishing part (b).

What remains then is to conclude the proof of Theorem 2.12 is to show admissibility of degree one functions when

(A) $\alpha \in (1, 2)$, $d = 1$ and $\rho \neq 1/2$, and

(B) $\alpha = 2, d = 2$ and $\rho \neq 1/2$.

By Remark 2.7 and the already proven admissibility of functions of at least degree 2 in these cases (A) and (B), it is sufficient to focus on the degree 1 function $f(\eta) = \eta(0) - \rho$.

For the rest of the section, we remind that $\theta_d = \theta_d(\cdot; s_0(\cdot))$ (cf. Sect. 3.4) in all the formulas.

6.1.1 Proof of (A)

To prove $f(\eta) = \eta(0) - \rho$ is admissible, by Lemma 3.1, we need to bound $\langle f, (t^{-1} - \mathcal{L})^{-1} f \rangle_\rho$. Then, by Lemma 3.2, using the inf form, to get an upper bound, we restrict the infimum to the set of functions g of degree one. By the estimate (3.13), in the ‘free particle’ formulation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \inf_{g \text{ of degree one}} \left\{ \|\eta(0) - \rho + \mathcal{A}g\|_{-1,\lambda}^2 + \|g\|_{1,\lambda}^2 \right\} \\ & \leq \inf_{\varphi} \left\{ \|\delta_0 + \mathfrak{T}_{1,1}\varphi\|_{-1,\lambda,\text{free}}^2 + \|\mathfrak{T}_{1,2}\varphi\|_{-1,\lambda,\text{free}}^2 + \|\varphi\|_{1,\lambda,\text{free}}^2 \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

which is further expressed, in terms of the Fourier transform $\hat{\varphi}$, as

$$\begin{aligned} & \inf_{\hat{\varphi}} \left\{ \int_0^1 \frac{|1 + (1 - 2\rho)\hat{a}(u)\hat{\varphi}(u)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_1(u)} du + \int_0^1 (\lambda + \theta_1(u))|\hat{\varphi}(u)|^2 du \right. \\ & \left. + \chi(\rho)^2 \int_0^1 |\hat{\varphi}(u)|^2 \int_0^1 \frac{|\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_1(s) + \theta_1(u - s)} ds du \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{6.1}$$

We note, as φ is real, $\hat{\varphi}$ is a complex function with even real part and odd imaginary part. The previous infimum is taken over this set of complex functions.

Now, for real numbers $b, c > 0$ and $a \neq 0$, we observe

$$\inf_{z \in \mathbb{C}} \left\{ \frac{|1 + iaz|^2}{b} + c|z|^2 \right\} = \frac{1}{b + \frac{a^2}{c}}$$

and the infimum is realized at $z = ia/(bc + a^2)$. In our case, we have

$$\begin{aligned} ia &= (1 - 2\rho)\hat{a}(u), \\ b &= \lambda + \theta_1(u) \\ c &= \lambda + \theta_1(u) + \chi(\rho)^2 \int_0^1 \frac{|\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_1(s) + \theta_1(u - s)} ds. \end{aligned}$$

Then, the infimum (6.1) is realized for the function

$$\hat{\varphi}(u) = -\frac{G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(1)}(u)}{(1 - 2\rho)\hat{a}(u) [\lambda + \theta_1(u) + G_{\lambda,\rho}(u)]},$$

where $G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(1)}$ is given by

$$G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(1)}(u) = \frac{(1 - 2\rho)^2 |\hat{a}(u)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_1(u) + \chi(\rho)^2 \int_0^1 \frac{|\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_1(s) + \theta_1(u - s)} ds}$$

Noting that $G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(1)}$ is even, we see $\hat{\varphi}(u)$ has odd imaginary part and zero real part.

Therefore, we obtain the infimum (6.1) is equal to

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{\lambda + \theta_1(u) + G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(1)}(u)} du.$$

We split the above integral over u -regions $[0, \delta]$, $[\delta, 1 - \delta]$ and $[1 - \delta, 1]$ for $\delta > 0$ small. The contributions to the first and last regions are the same, while the integral over the middle region is $O(1)$ independent of λ since θ_1 vanishes only on \mathcal{C}_1 .

By Lemma 7.2, $\sup_{s \in \mathbb{T}} |\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2 \leq Cu^2$. Also, by Lemma 7.4, for $1 < \alpha < 2$,

$$\int_{(0,\delta) \cup (1-\delta,1)} \frac{ds}{\lambda + \theta_1(s) + \theta_1(s - u)} ds \leq C_0(\lambda + u^\alpha / C_1)^{1/\alpha - 1}.$$

On the other hand, $\int_\delta^{1-\delta} (\lambda + \theta_1(s) + \theta_1(s - u))^{-1} ds = O(1)$ not depending on λ .

Hence, there exist $\kappa_0, \kappa_1 > 0$ such that for any $0 < u \leq \delta$

$$G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(1)}(u) \geq \frac{\kappa_0 u^2}{\lambda + u^\alpha + u^2 [(\lambda + \kappa_1 u^\alpha)^{1/\alpha - 1} + 1]}.$$

Therefore

$$\int_0^\delta \frac{du}{\lambda + \theta_1(u) + G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(1)}(u)} \leq \int_0^\delta \frac{du}{\lambda + u^\alpha + \frac{\kappa_0 u^2}{\lambda + u^\alpha + u^2 [1 + (\lambda + \kappa_1 u^\alpha)^{1/\alpha - 1}]}} =: J(\lambda),$$

where

$$\limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} J(\lambda) = \int_0^\delta \frac{du}{u^\alpha + \frac{\kappa_0 u^2}{u^\alpha + u^2 + \kappa_1^{1/\alpha - 1} u^{3 - \alpha}}}.$$

- If $1 < \alpha < 3/2$, as $u \rightarrow 0$,

$$u^\alpha + \frac{\kappa_0 u^2}{u^\alpha + u^2 + \kappa_1^{1/\alpha - 1} u^{3 - \alpha}} \sim \kappa_0 u^{2 - \alpha}$$

because $3 - \alpha > \alpha$ and $\alpha > 2 - \alpha$.

- If $3/2 < \alpha < 2$, as $u \rightarrow 0$,

$$u^\alpha + \frac{\kappa_0 u^2}{u^\alpha + u^2 + \kappa_1^{1/\alpha-1} u^{3-\alpha}} \sim \frac{\kappa_0}{\kappa_1^{1/\alpha-1}} u^{\alpha-1}$$

because $3 - \alpha < \alpha < 2$ and $\alpha - 1 < \alpha$.

- If $\alpha = 3/2$, as $u \rightarrow 0$,

$$u^\alpha + \frac{\kappa_0 u^2}{u^\alpha + u^2 + \kappa_1^{1/\alpha-1} u^{3-\alpha}} \sim \frac{\kappa_0}{1 + \kappa_1^{-1/3}} u^{1/2}.$$

In all these cases, $\limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} J(\lambda)$ is finite, finishing the proof of part (A). □

6.1.2 Proof of (B)

We proceed as in Sect. 6.1.1, and note that it suffices to show

$$\limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{1}{\lambda + \theta_2(u) + G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(2)}(u)} du < \infty \tag{6.2}$$

where

$$G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(2)}(u) = \frac{(1 - 2\rho)^2 |\hat{a}(u)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_2(u) + \chi(\rho)^2 \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{|\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_2(s) + \theta_2(u - s)} ds}$$

We split the integral appearing in (6.2) in five parts according to when u is close to one of the four points in \mathcal{C}_2 or not. The integral corresponding to the exceptional region is bounded $O(1)$ independent of λ as in part (A). The four remaining integrals can all be treated similarly, and we restrict ourselves to the integral corresponding to the small ball $\{u \in \mathbb{T}^2; |u| \leq \delta\}$ where $\delta > 0$ is small.

In the sequel C is a positive constant, which can depend on δ but not on λ , changing line to line. By Lemmas 7.2 and 3.5, we have

$$\int_{|u| \leq \delta} \frac{1}{\lambda + \theta_2(u) + G_{\lambda,\rho}^{(2)}(u)} du \leq \int_{|u| \leq \delta} \frac{1}{\lambda + C|u|^2 \log |u| + CH_{\lambda,\rho}(u)} du$$

where, recalling m is the mean of p ,

$$H_{\lambda,\rho}(u) = \frac{|u \cdot m|^2}{\lambda + C|u|^2 \log |u| + C|u|^2 \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{ds}{\lambda + \theta_2(s) + \theta_2(s-u)}}$$

We now write

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{ds}{\lambda + \theta_2(s) + \theta_2(s - u)} = \sum_{w \in \mathcal{C}_2} \int_{|s-w| \leq \delta/2} \frac{ds}{\lambda + \theta_2(s) + \theta_2(s - u)} + R_\delta(\lambda),$$

where $\sup_{\lambda > 0} R_\delta(\lambda) \leq C$ since θ_2 is positive and vanishes only on \mathcal{C}_2 . Similarly, as $|u| \leq \delta$, all integrals in the sum over $w \in \mathcal{C}_2$ are equivalent in order to the integral on the domain $\{|s| \leq \delta/2\}$. By Lemma 3.5 and the fact, for $|x|$ small, that $|x^2| |\log |x|| \geq |x|^2$, it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{ds}{\lambda + \theta_2(s) + \theta_2(s - u)} &\leq C \int_{|s| \leq \delta/2} \frac{ds}{\lambda + |s|^2 + |s - u|^2} + C \\ &\leq C \int_{|s| \leq \delta/2} \frac{ds}{\lambda + |s|^2 + |u|^2} + C \\ &\leq C \left| \log(\lambda + |u|^2) \right| + C, \end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality is obtained from $|x|^2/4 \leq (|y|^2 + |x - y|^2)/2$ and the third from direct computations.

Substituting into $H_{\lambda,\rho}$ and noting again $|x|^2 |\log |x|| \geq |x|^2$ for small $|x|$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\lambda,\rho}(u) &\geq \frac{|u \cdot m|^2}{\lambda + C|u|^2 |\log |u|| + C|u|^2 |\log(\lambda + |u|^2)|} \\ &\geq \frac{|u \cdot m|^2}{\lambda + C|u|^2 |\log(\lambda + |u|^2)|}. \end{aligned}$$

Fix $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ and observe, for δ sufficiently small, that $\sup_{|t| \leq \delta} \{|t|^\varepsilon |\log |t||\} \leq 1$. Then,

$$H_{\lambda,\rho}(u) \geq \frac{|u \cdot m|^2}{\lambda + C(\lambda + |u|^2)^{1-\varepsilon}},$$

and we arrive at an upper bound for the integral in (6.2) given by

$$C \int_{|u| \leq \delta} \left[\lambda + |u|^2 + \frac{|u \cdot m|^2}{\lambda + C(\lambda + |u|^2)^{1-\varepsilon}} \right]^{-1} du. \tag{6.3}$$

We can assume $m = (m_1, m_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is such that $m_1 \neq 0, m_2 \neq 0$, and so $|u \cdot m|^2 \geq C|u|^2$. Otherwise, we choose a rotation $R_{-\theta}$ of angle $-\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$, such that $R_{-\theta}m$ satisfies the previous condition, and change variables $v = R_\theta u$ in the above

integral (6.3). Thus, an upper bound of (6.3) is

$$\begin{aligned} & C \int_{|u| \leq \delta} \left[\lambda + |u|^2 + \frac{|u|^2}{\lambda + C(\lambda + |u|^2)^{1-\varepsilon}} \right]^{-1} du \\ & \leq C \int_{|u| \leq \delta} \left[\lambda + |u|^2 + \frac{|u|^2}{C(\lambda + |u|^2)^{1-\varepsilon}} \right]^{-1} du, \end{aligned}$$

where we note $\lambda \leq \lambda^{1-\varepsilon} \leq (\lambda + |u|^2)^{1-\varepsilon}$ for all small λ .

Through polar coordinates, we are left to show

$$\limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_0^\delta \frac{r}{\lambda + r^2 + C \frac{r^2}{(\lambda + r^2)^{1-\varepsilon}}} dr < \infty.$$

Changing variables $v = \lambda^{1/2}r$, the integral

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{\delta\lambda^{-1/2}} \frac{v}{1 + v^2 + C\lambda^{\varepsilon-1} \frac{v^2}{(1+v^2)^{1-\varepsilon}}} dv \\ & \leq \int_0^1 v dv + C\lambda^{1-\varepsilon} \int_1^{\delta\lambda^{-1/2}} \frac{(1 + v^2)^{1-\varepsilon}}{v} dv = O(1). \end{aligned}$$

This finishes the proof of (B). □

6.2 Proof of Theorem 2.14

Only the results for $\alpha \leq 2$ need proof. The upper bounds are obtained using Corollary 3.3 and Theorem 2.8. Indeed, for completeness, we discuss the case $1 < \alpha < 2$, the rest being similar. From Theorem 2.8 we have that $\sigma_t^2(f) \sim t^{2-1/\alpha}$. Then, by the change of variables $\lambda t = s$, we obtain

$$\mathcal{L}_f(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} \sigma_t^2(f) dt \leq \lambda^{1/\alpha-3} \int_0^\infty e^{-s} s^{2-1/\alpha} ds = O(\lambda^{1/\alpha-3}).$$

To address the lower bounds, we first note a bound for degree 2 functions g in $d = 1$. When $\alpha < 2$, by the admissibility Theorem 2.12, such a g is admissible. When $\alpha = 2$, by Lemma 3.2 and Theorem 2.9, the Tauberian variance $L_g(\lambda) \leq L_g^{(S)}(\lambda) \leq C\lambda^{-2} |\log \lambda|$, which is of smaller order than the desired lower bound for degree 1 functions in this situation; in fact, we believe g is admissible in this case (cf. Remark 2.13), although this is not needed here.

Hence, decompose a local degree 1 function f as $f = \Psi_{\{0\}} + g$. By the inequality $L_{\Psi_{\{0\}}}(\lambda) \leq 2L_f(\lambda) + 2L_g(\lambda)$ in (3.3), we need only to prove the lower bound for the specific one-point function $f(\eta) = \Psi_{\{0\}}$. Recall the notation in Sect. 3.5 which is used throughout this subsection.

Noting (3.2), we apply Proposition 3.6 and estimate the integral $I_1(\lambda, 1/2)$ there which serves as a lower bound for $\langle \Psi_{\{0\}}, (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} \Psi_{\{0\}} \rangle_\rho$. For this purpose, we restrict the integration domain of the integral $I_1(\lambda, 1/2)$ in (3.12), around a small neighborhood of 0, say $(0, \delta)$, for $\delta > 0$ small. Note, since u is very small, the domains D_V for $V \in \mathcal{C}_1$ (cf. (3.11)) take form

$$D_0(u) = [0, u], \quad D_1(u) = [u, 1].$$

Since $\rho = 1/2, d = 1$, it follows, from Lemma 7.2, that the sums of the two integrals, over domains D_0 and D_1 , appearing in the definition of $F_{\lambda, 1/2}^1$ in (3.12) with respect to the integral $I_1(\lambda, 1/2)$ are of order

$$b_\alpha(u) \int_0^1 \frac{ds}{\lambda + \theta_1(s) + \theta_1(s - u)}. \tag{6.4}$$

where

$$b_\alpha(u) = \begin{cases} \sin^2(\pi u) \log^2(u), & \text{if } \alpha = 1, \\ \sin^2(\pi u), & \text{if } \alpha > 1. \end{cases}$$

We rewrite the integral in (6.4) as the sum of the integrals over $[0, \delta]$, $[\delta, 1 - \delta]$ and $[1 - \delta, 1]$. By periodicity of θ_1 , the integral on $[1 - \delta, 1]$ is the same as that over $[0, \delta]$. Also, the integral on $[\delta, 1 - \delta]$ is $O(1)$ independent of λ as θ_1 vanishes only at 0 and 1. However, in Lemma 7.4, in ‘‘Appendix’’, α -dependent bounds are given for the integral $\int_0^\delta (\lambda + \theta_1(s) + \theta_1(s - u))^{-1} ds$.

We now substitute these estimates for the integral into the formula for $I_1(\lambda, 1/2)$.

- (i) For $\alpha = 1$, since $b_1(u) = \sin^2(\pi u) \log^2(u) \sim \pi^2 u^2 \log^2(u)$ for $u \sim 0$, for some positive constants C_0, C_1 ,

$$I_1(\lambda, 1/2) \gtrsim \int_0^\delta \frac{du}{\lambda + u + u^2 \log^2(u) \left[1 + C_0 \log \left(1 + \frac{C_1}{\lambda + u/C_1} \right) \right]}.$$

To show the last integral is equivalent in order to $\int_0^\delta (\lambda + u)^{-1} du = \log(1 + \delta/\lambda)$, it is sufficient to verify that the difference

$$R_\lambda := \int_0^\delta \frac{u^2 \log^2(u) \left[1 + C_0 \log \left(1 + \frac{C_1}{\lambda + u/C_1} \right) \right]}{(\lambda + u) \left\{ \lambda + u + u^2 \log^2(u) \left[1 + C_0 \log \left(1 + \frac{C_1}{\lambda + u/C_1} \right) \right] \right\}} du = o(|\log \lambda|).$$

To this end, note that the denominator of the integrand is bounded below by $(\lambda + u)^2$. For small $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$, as $u^2 \log^2(u) = O(u^{2-\varepsilon})$ for u small, the numerator is bounded by above by a constant times $u^{2-\varepsilon} |\log(\lambda)|$. Then, by the change of

variables $u = \lambda v$, we have

$$R_\lambda \leq C |\log(\lambda)| \int_0^\delta \frac{u^{2-\varepsilon}}{(\lambda + u)^2} du = O(\lambda^{1-\varepsilon} |\log(\lambda)|).$$

(ii) For $\alpha \in (1, 2)$, since $b_\alpha(u) = \sin^2(\pi u) \sim \pi^2 u^2$ for $u \sim 0$, it follows, for positive constants C_0, C_1 , that

$$I_1(\lambda, 1/2) \gtrsim \int_0^\delta \frac{du}{\lambda + |u|^\alpha + C_0 u^2 (1 + (\lambda + u^\alpha/C_1)^{1/\alpha-1})}.$$

• Assume that $1 < \alpha \leq 3/2$. Changing variables $u = \lambda^{1/\alpha} z$, and noting when $\alpha \leq 3/2$ and $\lambda \leq 1$ that $\lambda^{3/\alpha-2} \leq 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(\lambda, 1/2) &\gtrsim \lambda^{1/\alpha-1} \int_0^{\delta \lambda^{-1/\alpha}} \frac{dz}{(1 + z^\alpha) + \lambda^{3/\alpha-2} z^2 (1 + \kappa_1 z^\alpha)^{1/\alpha-1}} \\ &\gtrsim \lambda^{1/\alpha-1} \int_0^{\delta \lambda^{-1/\alpha}} \frac{dz}{(1 + z^\alpha) + z^2 (1 + \kappa_1 z^\alpha)^{1/\alpha-1}} \gtrsim \lambda^{1/\alpha-1}. \end{aligned}$$

• Assume that $3/2 \leq \alpha < 2$. Changing variables $u = \lambda^{1-1/(2\alpha)} z$, similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(\lambda, 1/2) &\gtrsim \lambda^{-1/(2\alpha)} \int_0^{\delta \lambda^{1/(2\alpha)-1}} \frac{dz}{1 + \lambda^{\alpha-3/2} z^\alpha + z^2 (1 + \kappa_1 \lambda^{\alpha-3/2} z^\alpha)^{1/\alpha-1}} \\ &\gtrsim \lambda^{-1/(2\alpha)} \int_0^{\delta \lambda^{1/(2\alpha)-1}} \frac{dz}{1 + z^\alpha + z^2} \gtrsim \lambda^{-1/(2\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

(iii) For $\alpha = 2$, since $b_2(u) = \sin^2(\pi u) \sim \pi^2 u^2$ for $u \sim 0$, changing variables $u = \lambda^{3/4} z$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(\lambda, 1/2) &\gtrsim \lambda^{-1/4} \int_0^{\delta \lambda^{-3/4}} \frac{dz}{1 + \lambda^{1/2} z^2 |\log(\lambda^{3/4} z)| + z^2 R(\lambda, z)} \\ &\gtrsim \lambda^{-1/4} \int_0^{\lambda^{-1/8}} \frac{dz}{1 + \lambda^{1/2} z^2 |\log(\lambda^{3/4} z)| + z^2 R(\lambda, z)}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$R(\lambda, z) = \left\{ (1 + \lambda^{1/2} z^2 |\log(\lambda^{3/4} z)|) \cdot \left| \log \lambda + \log(1 + \lambda^{1/2} z^2 |\log(\lambda^{3/4} z)|) \right| \right\}^{-1/2}.$$

We have $R(\lambda, z)$ is of order $|\log \lambda|^{-1/2}$ for $0 \leq z \leq \lambda^{-1/8}$. Hence,

$$I_1(\lambda, 1/2) \gtrsim \lambda^{-1/4} \int_0^{\lambda^{-1/8}} \frac{dz}{1 + \kappa z^2 |\log \lambda|^{-1/2}} \gtrsim \lambda^{-1/4} |\log \lambda|^{1/4}.$$

□

6.3 Proof of Theorem 2.15

The only statement to prove is the first one. The desired upper bound is a consequence of Corollary 3.3 and Theorem 2.8. On the other hand, for the lower bound, again by Remark 2.7 and admissibility of degree 2 or more functions in $d = 2$ given in Theorem 2.12, we need only to focus on $f = \Psi_{\{0\}}$.

We begin as in the proof of Theorem 2.14: With $\alpha = 2$ and $\rho = 1/2$, to find a lower bound of $L_f(\lambda)$, using (3.2), we estimate the integral $I_2(\lambda, 1/2)$ in (3.12) which yields a lower bound for $\langle \Psi_{\{0\}}, (\lambda - \mathcal{L})^{-1} \Psi_{\{0\}} \rangle_\rho$. We restrict the domain of integration in $I_2(\lambda, 1/2)$ over a small box $[0, \delta]^2$ with $\delta > 0$ small.

For $u \in [0, \delta]^2$, by the periodicity in each direction of θ_2 and \hat{a} , and Lemma 7.2, we bound the term in $F_{\lambda, 1/2}^2$ (3.12) by

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{V \in \mathcal{C}_2} \int_{s \in D_V(u)} \frac{|\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_2(s) + \theta_2(u - s)} ds &\leq 4 \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{|\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2}{\lambda + \theta_2(s) + \theta_2(u - s)} ds \\ &\preccurlyeq |u|^2 \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{1}{\lambda + \theta_2(s) + \theta_2(u - s)} ds. \end{aligned}$$

We split the region of integration in five parts: The union of four sets $\{s \in \mathbb{T}^2; |s - w| \leq \delta/2\}$ for $w \in \mathcal{C}_2$ and its complement. The integral on the complement is bounded $O(1)$ uniformly in λ since θ_2 vanishes exactly on \mathcal{C}_2 . But, by periodicity of θ_2 in each direction, the remaining integrals over the first four regions are all equal. Thus, by Lemma 3.5, $|x|^2 \log |x| \geq |x|^2$ for small $|x|$, and $|x|^2/4 \leq (|y|^2 + |x - y|^2)/2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \frac{1}{\lambda + \theta_2(s) + \theta_2(u - s)} ds &\preccurlyeq 1 + \int_{|s| \leq \delta/2} \frac{1}{\lambda + |s|^2 \log |s| + |u - s|^2 \log |u - s|} ds \\ &\preccurlyeq 1 + \int_{|s| \leq \delta/2} \frac{1}{\lambda + |s|^2 + |u - s|^2} ds \\ &\preccurlyeq \left| \log(\lambda + |u|^2) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, by Lemma 3.5 again, and inequalities $|u|^2 \leq |u|^2 \log |u|$ and $|u|^2 \log(\lambda + |u|^2) \leq |u|^2 \log |u|^2$ for small $|u|$, we obtain the lower bound,

$$\begin{aligned} I_2(\lambda, 1/2) &\succcurlyeq \int_{[0, \delta]^2} \frac{du}{\lambda + |u|^2 \log |u| + |u|^2 [1 + |\log(\lambda + |u|^2)]} \\ &\succcurlyeq \int_{[0, \delta]^2} \frac{du}{\lambda + |u|^2 \log |u|} \\ &\succcurlyeq \int_0^\delta \frac{r dr}{\lambda + r^2 \log r} \succcurlyeq \int_\lambda^\delta \frac{dr}{r |\log(r)|} = O(|\log |\log \lambda||). \end{aligned}$$

□

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Appendix: Useful computations

In this section, $\theta_d = \theta_d(\cdot; s_0(\cdot))$ (cf. Sect. 3.4).

Lemma 7.1 Let $I_{d,\alpha}(t) = \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \frac{\theta_d(u) t - 1 + e^{-t\theta_d(u)}}{\theta_d^2(u)} du$ be the integral in (5.2).

- If $d = 1$,

$$I_{d,\alpha}(t) \sim \begin{cases} t & \text{when } \alpha < 1, \\ t \log(t) & \text{when } \alpha = 1, \\ t^{2-1/\alpha} & \text{when } 1 < \alpha < 2, \\ t^{3/2}(\log(t))^{-1/2} & \text{when } \alpha = 2, \\ t^{3/2} & \text{when } \alpha > 2. \end{cases}$$

- If $d = 2$,

$$I_{d,\alpha}(t) \sim \begin{cases} t & \text{when } \alpha < 2, \\ t \log(\log(t)) & \text{when } \alpha = 2, \\ t \log(t) & \text{when } \alpha > 2. \end{cases}$$

- If $d \geq 3$, for all $\alpha > 0$, $I_{d,\alpha}(t) \sim t$.

Proof We argue only in the one dimensional case, as the other statements are similar.

If $\alpha < 1$ then the integrand, divided by t , converges pointwise as $t \uparrow \infty$,

$$\frac{\theta_d(u) t - 1 + e^{-t\theta_d(u)}}{t\theta_d^2(u)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\theta_1(u)},$$

and is dominated by $1/\theta_1(u)$. By Lemma 3.5, the function $1/\theta_1$ is integrable on \mathbb{T}^1 and so the result follows by dominated convergence.

Let now $\alpha \geq 1$. Fix $\delta > 0$ small and write $I_{1,\alpha}$ as the sum of the three integrals over $[0, \delta]$, $[\delta, 1 - \delta]$ and $[1 - \delta, 1]$. The integral over $[\delta, 1 - \delta]$ is $O(t)$ as θ_1 does not vanish on the domain. By changing variables $v = 1 - u$ and periodicity of θ_1 , the integral over $[1 - \delta, 1]$ is equal to the integral over $[0, \delta]$.

When $\alpha > 2$, by changing variables $v = \sqrt{t}u$, we need to estimate

$$t^{3/2} \int_0^\infty \mathbf{1}_{0 \leq v \leq \delta\sqrt{t}} \frac{t\theta_1(vt^{-1/2}) - 1 + e^{-t\theta_1(vt^{-1/2})}}{[t\theta_1(vt^{-1/2})]^2} dv.$$

By Lemma 3.5, $\theta_1(w) = J(1, \alpha)|w|^2 + o(|w|^2)$, as $w \rightarrow 0$, and therefore as $t \uparrow \infty$ the integrand converges pointwise to

$$h(v) = \frac{J(1, \alpha)v^2 - 1 + e^{-J(1, \alpha)v^2}}{[J(1, \alpha)v^2]^2}.$$

Since the function

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-1+e^{-x}}{x^2} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 1/2 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

is bounded near 0 and is of order $O(x^{-1})$ for large x , noting again the asymptotics of $\theta_1(w)$, we have $\int_0^{\delta\sqrt{t}} \frac{t\theta_1(vt^{-1/2})-1+e^{-t\theta_1(vt^{-1/2})}}{[t\theta_1(vt^{-1/2})]^2} dv$ converges to $\int_0^\infty h(v)dv < \infty$ by bounded convergence, and the statement holds for $\alpha > 2$.

When $1 < \alpha < 2$, by changing variables $v = t^{1/\alpha}u$, the result follows by similar calculations.

When $\alpha = 1$, the calculation is more involved. Consider the change of variables $v = tu$ in the integral over $u \in [0, \delta]$. We are reduced to study $t \int_0^{\delta t} g(t\theta_1(v/t))dv$. Observe

$$\int_0^{\delta t} g(J(1, 1)v)dv = \int_0^\delta g(J(1, 1)v)dv + \int_\delta^{\delta t} \frac{e^{-J(1, 1)v} - 1}{[J(1, 1)v]^2} dv + \int_\delta^{\delta t} \frac{1}{J(1, 1)v} dv.$$

As $t \uparrow \infty$, for fixed δ , the second integral converges to $\int_\delta^\infty \frac{e^{-J(1, 1)v} - 1}{[J(1, 1)v]^2} dv$ and the third one equals $\log(t)/J(1, 1)$. Hence,

$$\int_0^{\delta t} g(J(1, 1)v)dv = \frac{\log t}{J(1, 1)} + o(\log t).$$

Therefore, to show the desired statement, it is enough to prove

$$\limsup_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\log t} \int_0^{\delta t} [g(t\theta_1(v/t)) - g(J(1, 1)v)] dv = 0. \tag{7.1}$$

By Lemma 3.5, for $v \in [0, \delta t]$, we have

$$|t\theta_1(v/t) - J(1, 1)v| \leq r(\delta)J(1, 1)v$$

where $\lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} r(\delta) = 0$ uniformly in t . On the other hand, there exists a constant $C_0 > 0$ such that $|g'(x)| \leq C_0/(x^2 + 1)$ for $x \geq 0$. Consequently, for δ small so that $r(\delta) < 1$, we have

$$\left| \int_0^{\delta t} [g(t\theta_1(v/t)) - g(J(1, 1)v)] dv \right| \leq C_0 J(1, 1) r(\delta) \int_0^{\delta t} \frac{v}{1 + [(1 - r(\delta))J(1, 1)]^2 v^2} dv.$$

Hence, dividing the right-side by $\log t$, the limit (7.1) follows.

When $\alpha = 2$, by substituting $u = \beta_t v$ with $t\beta_t^2 |\log \beta_t| = 1$ and $\beta_t = O((t \log t)^{-1/2})$, a similar method yields the result. \square

Lemma 7.2 *In $d = 1$, we have*

$$\hat{a}(u) = ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2\pi uy)}{y^{1+\alpha}}. \tag{7.2}$$

When $\alpha > 1$, let $\xi(\alpha) = \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{y^\alpha}$. As $u \downarrow 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}(u) &\sim 2\pi ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \xi(\alpha) u \\ \sup_{s \in \mathbb{T}} \left\{ |\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2 \right\} &\preceq \sin^2(\pi u). \end{aligned}$$

When $\alpha = 1$, as $u \downarrow 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}(u) &\sim -2\pi ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) u \log(u) \\ \sup_{s \in \mathbb{T}} \left\{ |\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2 \right\} &\preceq -\sin^2(\pi u) \log^2(u). \end{aligned}$$

In $d = 2$, for $\alpha > 1$ and $w \in \mathcal{C}_2$, we have, as $u \rightarrow w$,

$$\hat{a}(u) \sim 2\pi i (u - w) \cdot m.$$

Also, for $\delta > 0$ small, there exists $c(\delta) > 0$ such that when $|u - w| \leq \delta$, we have

$$\sup_{s \in \mathbb{T}^2} \left\{ |\hat{a}(u) + \hat{a}(u - s)|^2 \right\} \leq c(\delta) |u - w|^2.$$

Proof We prove the statements in $d = 1$, the two dimensional case being similar. To show the first claim (7.2), we notice, for $y \in \mathbb{Z}$, that

$$a(y) = c (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \frac{1}{2|y|^{1+\alpha}} (1 - 2\mathbf{1}_{y < 0}),$$

so that

$$\hat{a}(u) = \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i u y} a(y) = ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2\pi uy)}{y^{1+\alpha}}.$$

When $\alpha > 1$, since the function $u \mapsto \sin(2\pi yu)/(2\pi yu) \rightarrow 1$ as $u \downarrow 0$ pointwise and is uniformly bounded in $y \geq 1$, we have

$$\frac{\hat{a}(u)}{u} = 2\pi ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \sum_{y \geq 1} \frac{1}{y^\alpha} \frac{\sin(2\pi yu)}{2\pi yu} \rightarrow 2\pi ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \xi(\alpha),$$

by bounded convergence, proving the second claim.

For the third claim, write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)}{\sin(\pi u)} &= ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2\pi sy) + \sin(2\pi y(u - s))}{y^{1+\alpha} \sin(\pi u)} \\ &= 2ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{y^\alpha} \frac{\sin(\pi uy)}{y \sin(\pi u)} \cos(\pi(u - 2s)y), \end{aligned}$$

as $\sin(2\pi sy) + \sin(2\pi y(u - s)) = 2 \sin(\pi yu) \cos(\pi y(u - 2s))$. Note $\cos(\pi(u - 2s)y) \leq 1$ and $|\sin(\pi yu)/(y \sin(\pi u))| \leq 1$ uniformly in $y \geq 1$ and $u \in (0, 1)$. Hence, as $u \downarrow 0$,

$$\sup_{s \in \mathbb{T}} \left\{ |\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(s - u)|^2 \right\} \asymp \sin^2(\pi u). \tag{7.3}$$

When $\alpha = 1$, for fixed $\varepsilon > 0$ small, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}(u) &= ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2\pi uy)}{y^2} \\ &= 2\pi ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) u \sum_{y=1}^{\lfloor \varepsilon/u \rfloor} \frac{1}{y} \\ &\quad + ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \sum_{y=1}^{\lfloor \varepsilon/u \rfloor} \frac{[\sin(2\pi uy) - 2\pi uy]}{y^2} + ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \sum_{y=\lfloor \varepsilon/u \rfloor + 1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2\pi uy)}{y^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since there exists $C_\varepsilon > 0$ such that $|\sin(2\pi uy) - 2\pi uy| \leq C_\varepsilon |u|^3 y^3$ for $1 \leq y \leq \lfloor \varepsilon/u \rfloor$ and $|\sin(2\pi uy)| \leq 1$, the second and third sums on the right-side are of order $O(u)$. The first sum is equivalent in order to $-2\pi ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) u \log(u)$, proving the fourth claim.

The fifth claim is proved similarly by decomposing in the equation,

$$\frac{\hat{a}(s) + \hat{a}(u - s)}{\sin(\pi u)} = 2ic (b_1^+ - b_1^-) \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{y^2} \frac{\sin(\pi uy)}{\sin(\pi u)} \cos(\pi(u - 2s)y),$$

the sum according to $y \leq \lfloor \varepsilon/u \rfloor$ and $y \geq \lfloor \varepsilon/u \rfloor + 1$ for a fixed ε small. □

Lemma 7.3 *Let $\alpha \in (1, 2]$ and*

$$\varphi_\alpha(s) = \begin{cases} |s|^\alpha, & \text{if } 1 < \alpha < 2, \\ |s|^2 |\log(|s|)|, & \text{if } \alpha = 2. \end{cases} \tag{7.4}$$

For $0 < \delta < 1$ sufficiently small, there exists $C = C(\alpha, \delta) > 0$ such that for $u, s \in [0, \delta]^2$,

$$\varphi_\alpha(u - s) + \varphi_\alpha(s) \geq C [\varphi_\alpha(u) + \varphi_\alpha(s)].$$

Proof We only prove the statement for $\alpha = 2$, as the proof for $\alpha \in (1, 2)$ is similar. Observe first that the restriction of φ_2 to $[-\delta, \delta]$, for δ small, is an even convex function. For $0 < x < 1$, we write

$$(1 - x)u = x \left(\frac{1 - x}{x} s \right) + (1 - x)(u - s)$$

and invoke convexity of φ_2 to get

$$\varphi_2((1 - x)u) \leq x\varphi_2 \left(\frac{1 - x}{x} s \right) + (1 - x)\varphi_2(u - s).$$

Then,

$$\varphi_2(u - s) + \varphi_2(s) \geq \varphi_2(u) \left[\frac{1}{1 - x} \frac{\varphi_2((1 - x)u)}{\varphi_2(u)} \right] + \varphi_2(s) \left[1 - \frac{x}{1 - x} \frac{\varphi_2 \left(\frac{1 - x}{x} s \right)}{\varphi_2(s)} \right].$$

Since,

$$\frac{1}{1 - x} \frac{\varphi_2((1 - x)u)}{\varphi_2(u)} \geq (1 - x) \left| 1 + \frac{\log(1 - x)}{\log \delta} \right|$$

and

$$\left| \frac{x}{1 - x} \frac{\varphi_2 \left(\frac{1 - x}{x} s \right)}{\varphi_2(s)} \right| \leq \frac{1 - x}{x} \left| 1 + \frac{\log \left(\frac{1 - x}{x} \right)}{\log \delta} \right|,$$

taking x sufficiently close to 1, the claim follows. □

Lemma 7.4 *Let*

$$J_\alpha(\lambda, \delta, u) := \int_0^\delta \frac{ds}{\lambda + \theta_1(s) + \theta_1(s - u)}. \tag{7.5}$$

Then, for $\lambda > 0$ and $0 < u < \delta$ small, there exist constants $C_0, C_1 > 0$ such that

$$J_\alpha(\lambda, \delta, u) \leq \begin{cases} C_0 \log \left(1 + \frac{C_1}{\lambda + u/C_1} \right) & \text{if } \alpha = 1 \\ C_0 (\lambda + u^\alpha/C_1)^{1/\alpha - 1} & \text{if } \alpha \in (1, 2) \\ C_0 \{ [\lambda + C_1|u^2 \log(u)|] |\log(\lambda + C_1|u^2 \log(u)|)] \}^{-1/2} & \text{if } \alpha = 2. \end{cases}$$

Proof Suppose $\alpha = 1$. Since $u \in (0, \delta)$ with $\delta \ll 1$, with respect to a suitable positive constant κ_0 , by Lemma 3.5, we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_\alpha(\lambda, \delta, u) &\leq \int_0^\delta \frac{ds}{\lambda + \kappa_0|s| + \kappa_0|s - u|} \\ &= \int_0^u \frac{ds}{\lambda + \kappa_0u} + \int_u^\delta \frac{ds}{\lambda + \kappa_0s + \kappa_0(s - u)} \\ &= \frac{u}{\lambda + \kappa_0u} + \frac{1}{2\kappa_0} \log\left(1 + \frac{2\kappa_0(\delta - u)}{\lambda + \kappa_0u}\right) \\ &\leq \kappa_0^{-1} + (2\kappa_0)^{-1} \log\left(1 + \frac{2\kappa_0\delta}{\lambda + \kappa_0u}\right), \end{aligned}$$

finishing the claim in this case.

Suppose $1 < \alpha < 2$. By Lemma 3.5, as $s, u \in (0, \delta)$ with $\delta \ll 1$, and Lemma 7.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_\alpha(\lambda, \delta, u) &\leq \int_0^\delta \frac{ds}{\lambda + \kappa_0|s|^\alpha + \kappa_0|s - u|^\alpha} \\ &\leq \int_0^\delta \frac{ds}{\lambda + \kappa_1|s|^\alpha + \kappa_1|u|^\alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

for suitable constants κ_0 and κ_1 . By the change of variables $t = s/(\lambda + \kappa_1u^\alpha)^{1/\alpha}$, the last integral is equal to

$$(\lambda + \kappa_1u^\alpha)^{1/\alpha-1} \int_0^{\delta(\lambda + \kappa_1u^\alpha)^{-\alpha-1}} \frac{dt}{1 + \kappa_1t^\alpha} = O((\lambda + \kappa_1u^\alpha)^{1/\alpha-1}),$$

which shows the desired statement.

Suppose $\alpha = 2$. Similarly, by Lemmas 3.5 and 7.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\delta \frac{ds}{\lambda + \theta_1(s) + \theta_1(s - u)} &\leq \int_0^\delta \frac{ds}{\lambda + \kappa_1|s^2 \log(s)| + \kappa_1|u^2 \log u|} \\ &= C_\lambda^{-1}(u) \int_0^{\delta/C_\lambda(u)} \frac{ds}{1 + s^2|\log(s) + \log(C_\lambda(u))|}, \end{aligned}$$

for a positive constant κ_1 and $C_\lambda(u) := \sqrt{\lambda + \kappa_1|u^2 \log(u)|}$.

For λ and δ small, $C_\lambda(u) < 1$. Fix $0 < \varepsilon < 1$. We split the last integral as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^{\delta/C_\lambda(u)} \frac{ds}{1 + s^2|\log(s) + \log(C_\lambda(u))|} \\ &= \int_0^{\delta/C_\lambda(u)^\varepsilon} \frac{ds}{1 + s^2|\log(s) + \log(C_\lambda(u))|} + \int_{\delta/C_\lambda(u)^\varepsilon}^{\delta/C_\lambda(u)} \frac{ds}{1 + s^2|\log(s) + \log(C_\lambda(u))|}. \end{aligned} \tag{7.6}$$

We claim the first integral on the right-side of (7.6) is of order $O(|\log(C_\lambda(u))|^{-1/2})$: Indeed, for $s \in (0, \delta/C_\lambda(u)^\varepsilon)$,

$$|\log(s) + \log(C_\lambda(u))| \geq |\log(\delta) + (1 - \varepsilon) \log(C_\lambda(u))|$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{\delta/C_\lambda(u)^\varepsilon} \frac{ds}{1 + s^2 |\log(s) + \log(C_\lambda(u))|} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{|\log(\delta) + (1 - \varepsilon) \log(C_\lambda(u))|^{1/2}} \int_0^\infty \frac{dv}{1 + v^2}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, the second integral on the right-side of (7.6) is order $O(1)$: Indeed, this integral is bounded above by

$$\int_{\delta/C_\lambda(u)^\varepsilon}^{\delta/C_\lambda(u)} \frac{ds}{1 + s^2 |\log \delta|} = O(C_\lambda(u)^\varepsilon) = O(1),$$

finishing the proof. \square

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