

**PROBLEM I** Let  $S = (S_n : n \geq 0)$  be the one-dimensional symmetry simple random walk with  $S_0 = c \geq 0$ . Let  $k \geq 1$  and  $\tau$  is the time of the  $k$ -th undercrossing 0.  $X_b$  is the times of  $(S_{n \wedge \tau} : n \geq 0)$  undercrossing  $b$ . Prove:

1.  $(X_b : b \geq c - 1)$  is branch process. And offspring distribution is presented by equation (6.3.1) on textbook.
2.  $(X_{-a} : a \geq 1)$  is branch process. And offspring distribution is presented by equation (6.3.1) on textbook.
3.  $(X_b : 0 \leq b \leq c - 1)$  is migrating branch process. And offspring distribution is presented by equation (6.3.1) on textbook. And the migrating distribution is concentrating on 1.

**PROBLEM II**  $c < b \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ . Let  $W = (W_n : n \geq 0)$  be the one-dimensional reflecting symmetry simple random walk with  $W_0 = c \geq 0$  on  $\mathbb{Z}^{0,b}$ , whose transition matrix is  $P^{0,b}$ , where  $a = 0, p, q > 0, p + q = 1$ . Let  $k \geq 1$  and  $\tau$  is the time of the  $k$ -th undercrossing 0 on  $(W_n)$ .  $0 \leq a \leq b$ ,  $X_a$  is the times of  $(S_{n \wedge \tau} : n \geq 0)$  undercrossing  $a$ . Prove:

1.  $(X_b : c - 1 \leq a \leq b - 1)$  is branch process. And offspring distribution is presented by equation (6.3.1) on textbook.
2.  $(X_b : 0 \leq b \leq c - 1)$  is migrating branch process. And offspring distribution is presented by equation (6.3.1) on textbook. And the migrating distribution is concentrating on 1.

**PROBLEM III** Let  $W = (W_n : n \geq 0)$  be the one-dimensional simple random walk with  $W_0 = 0$ , whose transition matrix  $P$  given by equation (4.4.3) on textbook,  $0 < p < q < 1$ .  $X_a$  is the times of  $(W_{n \wedge \tau} : n \geq 0)$  undercrossing  $a$ .  $r = \frac{p}{q}$ . Prove:

1.  $\mathbb{P}(X_0 = i) = r^i(1 - r), i \geq 0;$
2.  $a \geq 0, \mathbb{P}(X_a = 0) = 1 - r^{a+1}, \mathbb{P}(X_a = i) = r^{a+1}(1 - r), i \geq 1.$

**PROBLEM IV** Let  $W = (W_n : n \geq 0)$  be the one-dimensional simple random walk with  $W_0 = 0$ , whose transition matrix  $P$  given by equation (4.4.3) on textbook,  $0 < p < q < 1$ .  $X_a$  is the times of  $(W_{n \wedge \tau} : n \geq 0)$  undercrossing  $a$ .  $r = \frac{p}{q}$ . Prove: if  $a \leq -1$ , then  $X_a \sim G(1 - r)$ , i.e.  $\mathbb{P}(X_a = i) = r^{i-1}(1 - r), i \geq 1.$