

# EXACT ASYMPTOTIC FORMULAS FOR THE HEAT KERNELS OF SPACE AND TIME-FRACTIONAL EQUATIONS

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ABSTRACT. We study the asymptotic behaviour of the fundamental solutions (heat kernels) of non-local (partial and pseudo differential) equations with fractional operators in time and space. In particular, we obtain exact asymptotic formulas for the heat kernels of time-changed Brownian motions and Cauchy processes.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

We are interested in the asymptotic behaviour at zero and at infinity of time- and space-fractional evolution equations. The simplest examples of such equations are

$$(1.1) \quad \text{(a) } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -(-\Delta_x)^\beta u \quad \text{and} \quad \text{(b) } \frac{\partial^\beta u}{\partial t^\beta} = \Delta_x u,$$

where  $\Delta = \Delta_x = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2}$  is the Laplace operator,  $(-\Delta)^\beta$  is the fractional power of the Laplacian of order  $0 < \beta < 1$ ,

$$-(-\Delta_x)^\beta u(x) = \lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{\beta 4^\beta \Gamma(\beta + \frac{n}{2})}{\pi^{n/2} \Gamma(1 - \beta)} \int_{|y| > \epsilon} \frac{u(x+y) - u(x)}{|y|^{n+2\beta}} dy,$$

and  $\frac{\partial^\beta}{\partial t^\beta}$  is the Caputo derivative of order  $0 < \beta < 1$ , i.e.

$$\frac{\partial^\beta f(t)}{\partial t^\beta} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1 - \beta)} \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^t \frac{f(s) - f(0)}{(t-s)^\beta} ds.$$

Our standard references for fractional derivatives in time and space are Samko *et al.* [17] and Jacob [8]. If  $\beta = 1$ , (1.1) becomes the classical heat equation whose fundamental solution is the Gauss kernel

$$(1.2) \quad p(t, x, y) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{|x-y|^2}{4t}\right], \quad t > 0, x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

which is also the transition probability density of a Brownian motion  $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Both equations in (1.1) have interesting probabilistic interpretations. Denote by  $S = (S_t)_{t \geq 0}$  a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator ( $0 < \beta < 1$ ), i.e. a non-decreasing Lévy process on  $[0, \infty)$  with Laplace transform

$$\mathbb{E} e^{-rS_t} = e^{-tr^\beta}, \quad r > 0, t \geq 0.$$

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If  $S$  and  $X$  are stochastically independent, the time-changed process  $X_S = (X_{S_t})_{t \geq 0}$  is a rotationally symmetric  $2\beta$ -stable Lévy process. By independence, the transition probability density of  $X_{S_t}$  is given by

$$(1.3) \quad p^S(t, x, y) = \int_0^\infty p(s, x, y) d_s \mathbb{P}(S_t \leq s),$$

and Bochner [4] observed that this is the fundamental solution to the space-fractional equation (1.1.a). Here and in what follows,  $d_s$  stands for the (generalized) derivative w.r.t.  $s$ . This type of time-change is usually called subordination and the process  $X_S$  is said to be subordinate to  $X$ , cf. [19].

If we perform a time-change with the generalized right-continuous inverse of  $S$ ,

$$S_t^{-1} = \inf \{s \geq 0 : S_s > t\} = \sup \{s \geq 0 : S_s \leq t\}, \quad t \geq 0,$$

we get a stochastic process  $X_{S^{-1}} = (X_{S_t^{-1}})_{t \geq 0}$  which is trapped whenever  $t \mapsto S_t^{-1}$  is constant. Note that the jumps of  $t \mapsto S_t^{-1}$  correspond to flat pieces of  $t \mapsto S_t$ . These traps slow down the original diffusion process  $X$ , and in the physics literature  $X_{S^{-1}}$  is commonly referred to as subdiffusion, see e.g. [11, 14, 15] for some applications, [12, 9, 10] for sample path properties and [13] for a representation as scaling limit of a continuous time random walk with heavy-tailed waiting times between the steps.

Since the length of the trapping periods are, in general, not exponentially distributed, we cannot expect that  $X_{S^{-1}}$  is a Markov process. Nevertheless, the transition probability density of each random variable  $X_{S_t^{-1}}$ ,  $t > 0$ , can be expressed as

$$(1.4) \quad p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) = \int_0^\infty p(s, x, y) d_s \mathbb{P}(S_t^{-1} \leq s),$$

and it is not hard to see, using the Fourier–Laplace transform, that  $p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y)$  is the fundamental solution to the time-fractional heat equation (1.1.b), see e.g. [13, Theorem 5.1] or [1, 14].

Already in the simple setting (1.1), the densities  $p^S$  and  $p^{S^{-1}}$  are often not explicitly known – a notable exception is  $p^S$  for the  $\beta = \frac{1}{2}$ -stable subordinator: In this case  $X_S$  is the symmetric Cauchy process and its transition probability density is the Poisson kernel on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$(1.5) \quad p(t, x, y) = \frac{c(n)}{t^n} \left(1 + \frac{|x - y|^2}{t^2}\right)^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} = \frac{c(n)t}{(t^2 + |x - y|^2)^{(n+1)/2}},$$

where  $c(n) := \pi^{-(n+1)/2} \Gamma(\frac{n+1}{2})$ . Therefore, it is important to know the asymptotic behaviour of  $p^S$  and  $p^{S^{-1}}$  at zero and infinity. For the fundamental solution to (1.1.a) the asymptotics of  $p^S$  at infinity is known to be

$$(1.6) \quad p^S(t, x, y) \sim \frac{c(n, \beta)t}{(|x - y|^2 + t^{1/\beta})^{(n+2\beta)/2}} \quad \text{as } |x - y|^2 t^{-1/\beta} \rightarrow \infty,$$

where  $c(n, \beta) := \beta 4^\beta \pi^{-1-n/2} \sin(\pi\beta) \Gamma(\frac{n+2\beta}{2}) \Gamma(\beta)$ . For  $d = 1$  this formula is due to Pólya [16] who used Fourier methods, and the case  $d \geq 1$  can be found in Blumenthal and Gettoor [3]. A beautiful short proof is due to Bendikov [2]. Our approach is similar to Bendikov's and we show that this method also yields the asymptotics at zero.

## 2. RESULTS

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be the infinitesimal generator of a Feller process  $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$  which takes values in a locally compact separable metric space  $(M, \rho)$ . We assume that  $X$  has a transition probability density  $p(t, x, y)$ ; note that  $p$  is the fundamental solution to the Kolmogorov backward equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \mathcal{L}_x u$ . We may replace in (1.1) the Laplace operator  $\Delta$  by the generator  $\mathcal{L}$ . The resulting equations

$$(2.1) \quad \text{(a) } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -(-\mathcal{L}_x)^\beta u \quad \text{and} \quad \text{(b) } \frac{\partial^\beta u}{\partial t^\beta} = \mathcal{L}_x u,$$

are the Kolmogorov backward equation (2.1.a), resp., the master equation (2.1.b) of the time-changed processes  $X_S$  and  $X_{S^{-1}}$ , respectively. As before,  $S = (S_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator, and the fundamental solutions to the problems (2.1) are still given by the formulas (1.3) and (1.4), with  $p(t, x, y)$  being the probability density of  $X_t$ .

We assume that  $p(t, x, y)$  is of the following form

$$(2.2) \quad p(t, x, y) = \frac{C_1}{t^{n/\alpha}} F \left( C_2 \frac{\rho(x, y)}{t^{1/\alpha}} \right), \quad t > 0, \quad x, y \in M,$$

where  $n, \alpha, C_1, C_2 > 0$  are constants, and  $F : [0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  is a non-increasing profile function. Typically, profiles are either of exponential type

$$(2.3) \quad F(r) = \exp[-r^{\alpha/(\alpha-1)}] \quad \text{for some } \alpha \geq 2,$$

or of polynomial type

$$(2.4) \quad F(r) = (1 + r^2)^{-(d+\alpha)/2} \quad \text{for some } \alpha > 0.$$

Indeed, (1.2) is exponential with  $M = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\rho(x, y) = |x - y|$ ,  $\alpha = 2$ ,  $C_1 = (4\pi)^{-n/2}$ ,  $C_2 = 1/2$ , and  $F(r) = e^{-r^2}$ , while (1.5) is of polynomial type with  $M = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\rho(x, y) = |x - y|$ ,  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $C_1 = c(n)$ ,  $C_2 = 1$ , and  $F(r) = (1 + r^2)^{-(n+1)/2}$ .

The exponential-polynomial dichotomy is not artificial. This becomes clear from a deep result by Grigor'yan and Kumagai on two-sided heat kernel estimates [7, Theorem 4.1]: Under some reasonable conditions,  $p(t, x, y)$  satisfies

$$(2.5) \quad p(t, x, y) \asymp \frac{C_1}{t^{n/\alpha}} F \left( C_2 \frac{\rho(x, y)}{t^{1/\alpha}} \right),$$

where  $F$  is either of exponential (2.3) or polynomial (2.4) type and with constants  $n, \alpha, C_1, C_2 > 0$ ; the symbol  $\asymp$  means that  $p(t, x, y)$  can be estimated from above and below by the expression on the right-hand side, possibly with different constants  $C_1, C_2$  in each direction.

Recently, Chen *et al.* [5] have established two-sided heat kernel estimates for  $p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y)$  where  $S$  is a (not necessarily stable) subordinator and under the assumption that the original heat kernel  $p(t, x, y)$  satisfies two-sided estimates of the form (2.5).

Our aim is to investigate the exact asymptotic behaviour of the heat kernels  $p^S(t, x, y)$  and  $p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y)$  at zero and at infinity. The setting is as described above, throughout we assume that  $S$  is a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator.

**Theorem 2.1** (Asymptotics for subordination). *Assume that  $p(t, x, y)$  is given by (2.2) and  $(S_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ .*

a) If  $\int_1^\infty s^{n+\alpha\beta-1}F(s) ds < \infty$ , then as  $\rho(x, y)t^{-1/(\alpha\beta)} \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$p^S(t, x, y) \sim C_1 \frac{\alpha\beta}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} C_2^{-n-\alpha\beta} \int_0^\infty s^{n+\alpha\beta-1}F(s) ds \cdot \rho(x, y)^{-n-\alpha\beta}t.$$

b) As  $\rho(x, y)t^{-1/(\alpha\beta)} \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$p^S(t, x, y) \sim C_1 F(0+) \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{\alpha\beta}\right)}{\beta\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{\alpha}\right)} t^{-n/(\alpha\beta)}.$$

**Theorem 2.2** (Asymptotics for inverse subordination). *Assume that  $p(t, x, y)$  is of the form (2.2) and  $(S_t^{-1})_{t \geq 0}$  is an inverse  $\beta$ -stable subordinator for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ .*

a) If  $\int_1^\infty s^{n-\alpha-1}F(s) ds < \infty$ , then as  $\rho(x, y)^{-\alpha/\beta}t \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) \sim \begin{cases} C_1 F(0+) \frac{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{n}{\alpha}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\beta n}{\alpha}\right)} t^{-\beta n/\alpha}, & \text{if } n < \alpha, \\ C_1 \frac{\beta}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} F(0+) t^{-\beta} \log[\rho(x, y)^{-\alpha/\beta}t], & \text{if } n = \alpha, \\ C_1 \frac{C_2^{\alpha-n}\alpha}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} \int_0^\infty s^{n-\alpha-1}F(s) ds \cdot \rho(x, y)^{\alpha-n}t^{-\beta}, & \text{if } n > \alpha. \end{cases}$$

b) If  $F$  is of polynomial type (2.4), then as  $\rho(x, y)^{-\alpha/\beta}t \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) \sim C_1 \frac{C_2^{-n-\alpha}}{\beta\Gamma(\beta)} \rho(x, y)^{-n-\alpha}t^\beta.$$

c) If  $F$  is of exponential type (2.3), then as  $\rho(x, y)^{-\alpha/\beta}t \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) \sim K_1 \rho(x, y)^{-\frac{n(1-\beta)}{\alpha-\beta}} t^{-\frac{n(\alpha-1)\beta}{\alpha(\alpha-\beta)}} \exp\left[-K_2 \rho(x, y)^{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-\beta}} t^{-\frac{\beta}{\alpha-\beta}}\right]$$

with the constants

$$K_1 := C_1 C_2^{-\frac{n(1-\beta)}{\alpha-\beta}} \sqrt{\frac{\alpha-1}{(\alpha-\beta)\beta}} (\alpha-1)^{\frac{n(\alpha-1)(1-\beta)}{\alpha(\alpha-\beta)}} \beta^{\frac{n(\alpha-1)\beta}{\alpha(\alpha-\beta)}},$$

$$K_2 := C_2^{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-\beta}} (\alpha-\beta)(\alpha-1)^{-\frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha-\beta}} \beta^{\frac{\beta}{\alpha-\beta}}.$$

**Remark 2.3.** We can state Theorem 2.2.c) in the following way:

$$p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) \sim K_1 t^{-\frac{\beta n}{\alpha}} A^{-\frac{n(1-\beta)}{\alpha-\beta}} \exp\left[-K_2 A^{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-\beta}}\right] \quad \text{as } A := \rho(x, y)t^{-\beta/\alpha} \rightarrow \infty.$$

This shows that there exist constants  $c_i = c_i(n, \alpha, \beta)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , such that

$$c_1 t^{-\frac{\beta n}{\alpha}} \exp\left[-c_2 A^{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-\beta}}\right] \leq p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) \leq c_3 t^{-\frac{\beta n}{\alpha}} \exp\left[-c_4 A^{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-\beta}}\right] \quad \text{for all } A \geq 1.$$

This is in line with the two-sided estimates for  $p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y)$  derived by Chen *et al.* in [5, Corollary 1.5 (i)].

If  $p(t, x, y)$  is the Gaussian (1.2) or Cauchy (1.5) density, Theorems 2.1 and 2.2 take the following special form.

**Corollary 2.4.** *Assume that  $p(t, x, y)$  is the Gauss kernel (1.2) and  $(S_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ .*

a) As  $|x - y|t^{-1/(2\beta)} \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$p^S(t, x, y) \sim \frac{\beta 4^\beta \Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2} + \beta\right)}{\pi^{n/2} \Gamma(1 - \beta)} |x - y|^{-n-2\beta} t.$$

b) As  $|x - y|t^{-1/(2\beta)} \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$p^S(t, x, y) \sim \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2\beta}\right)}{2\beta \pi^{(n+1)/2} \Gamma(n)} t^{-n/(2\beta)}.$$

c) As  $|x - y|^{-2/\beta} t \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) \sim \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\beta}{2}\right)} t^{-\beta/2}, & \text{if } n = 1, \\ \frac{\beta}{4\pi\Gamma(1 - \beta)} t^{-\beta} \log [|x - y|^{-2/\beta} t], & \text{if } n = 2, \\ \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right)}{4\pi^{n/2}\Gamma(1 - \beta)} |x - y|^{2-n} t^{-\beta}, & \text{if } n \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

d) As  $|x - y|^{-2/\beta} t \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) \sim K_1 |x - y|^{-\frac{n(1-\beta)}{2-\beta}} t^{-\frac{n\beta}{2(2-\beta)}} \exp\left[-K_2 |x - y|^{\frac{2}{2-\beta}} t^{-\frac{\beta}{2-\beta}}\right],$$

with the constants

$$K_1 := \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta(2-\beta)}} \pi^{-\frac{n}{2}} 2^{-\frac{n}{2-\beta}} \beta^{\frac{n\beta}{2(2-\beta)}} \quad \text{and} \quad K_2 := (2-\beta) 2^{-\frac{2}{2-\beta}} \beta^{\frac{\beta}{2-\beta}}.$$

*Proof.* Corollary 2.4 follows directly from the respective cases in Theorem 2.1 and 2.2. For Part b) we use Legendre's doubling formula for the Gamma function

$$(2.6) \quad \Gamma(z)\Gamma\left(z + \frac{1}{2}\right) = 2^{1-2z} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(2z), \quad z > 0,$$

with  $z = n/2$ . □

Note that Euler's reflection formula for the Gamma function,  $\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(1-\beta) = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi\beta}$ , shows that Corollary 2.4.a) coincides with (1.6).

**Corollary 2.5.** Assume that  $p(t, x, y)$  is the Cauchy kernel (1.5) and  $(S_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator for some  $0 < \beta < 1$ .

a) As  $|x - y|t^{-1/\beta} \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$p^S(t, x, y) \sim \frac{\beta 2^{\beta-1} \Gamma\left(\frac{n+\beta}{2}\right)}{\pi^{n/2} \Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\beta}{2}\right)} |x - y|^{-n-\beta} t.$$

b) As  $|x - y|t^{-1/\beta} \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$p^S(t, x, y) \sim \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{n}{\beta}\right)}{\beta \pi^{(n+1)/2} \Gamma(n)} t^{-n/\beta}.$$

c) As  $|x - y|^{-1/\beta} t \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) \sim \begin{cases} \frac{\beta}{\pi\Gamma(1 - \beta)} t^{-\beta} \log [|x - y|^{-1/\beta} t], & \text{if } n = 1, \\ \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)}{2\pi^{(n+1)/2}\Gamma(1 - \beta)} |x - y|^{1-n} t^{-\beta}, & \text{if } n \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

d) As  $|x - y|^{-1/\beta} t \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) \sim \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)}{\pi^{(n+1)/2} \beta \Gamma(\beta)} |x - y|^{-n-1} t^\beta.$$

*Proof.* All assertions follow from the respective cases in Theorems 2.1 and 2.2. For the proof of a) and c), we use the well-known integral formula for Euler's Beta function

$$B(r, s) = \int_0^\infty z^{r-1} (1+z)^{-r-s} dz = \frac{\Gamma(r)\Gamma(s)}{\Gamma(r+s)}, \quad r, s > 0.$$

Part a) also needs (2.6) with  $z = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \beta)$ .

Alternatively, we can obtain a) and b) from Corollary 2.4.a), b) if we replace in these formulas  $\beta$  by  $\beta/2$ . This follows from the observation that the Cauchy kernel can be obtained from the Gaussian kernel by subordination with a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -stable subordinator. Since the composition of a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -stable and a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator coincides (in law) with a  $\frac{\beta}{2}$ -stable subordinator, a) and b) are special cases of Corollary 2.4.a), b).  $\square$

### 3. PROOF OF THEOREM 2.1 AND 2.2

For the proof of our main results we need some preparations. Let  $(S_t)_{t \geq 0}$  be a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator,  $\beta \in (0, 1)$ . It is well known that  $S_1$  has a density  $p_\beta(s)$ ,  $s > 0$ , with respect to Lebesgue measure; moreover,  $p_\beta$  is of class  $C^\infty(0, \infty)$ , bounded, unimodal and it has the following asymptotics at zero and infinity, cf. [20, Theorem 4.7.1 (4.7.13) and Theorem 5.4.1],

$$p_\beta(s) \sim \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1-\beta)}} \beta^{\frac{1}{2(1-\beta)}} s^{-\frac{2-\beta}{2(1-\beta)}} \exp\left[-(1-\beta)(\beta s^{-1})^{\frac{\beta}{1-\beta}}\right], & \text{as } s \rightarrow 0, \\ \frac{\beta}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} s^{-\beta-1}, & \text{as } s \rightarrow \infty. \end{cases}$$

This allows us to rewrite  $p_\beta(s)$  for  $s > 0$  in the following way

$$(3.1) \quad p_\beta(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1-\beta)}} \beta^{\frac{1}{2(1-\beta)}} s^{-\frac{2-\beta}{2(1-\beta)}} \exp\left[-(1-\beta)(\beta s^{-1})^{\frac{\beta}{1-\beta}}\right] (1 + \phi_\beta(s)),$$

$$(3.2) \quad p_\beta(s) = \frac{\beta}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} s^{-\beta-1} (1 + \psi_\beta(s)),$$

where  $\phi_\beta, \psi_\beta : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (-1, \infty)$  are continuous functions satisfying

$$\lim_{s \downarrow 0} \phi_\beta(s) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \psi_\beta(s) = 0$$

and

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{-\frac{\beta(2\beta-1)}{2(1-\beta)}} (1 + \phi_\beta(s)) = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi(1-\beta)}}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} \beta^{\frac{1-2\beta}{2(1-\beta)}}.$$

Let us denote by  $G_\beta$  the distribution function of  $S_1$ , i.e.

$$G_\beta(x) = \mathbb{P}(S_1 \leq x) = \int_0^x p_\beta(s) ds, \quad x \geq 0.$$

Because of the scaling property of a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator, we have for  $s, t > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(S_t^{-1} \leq s) &= \mathbb{P}(S_s \geq t) = \mathbb{P}(s^{1/\beta} S_1 \geq t) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(S_1 < s^{-1/\beta} t) \\ &= 1 - G_\beta(s^{-1/\beta} t). \end{aligned}$$

Combining this with (1.4), we have

$$(3.3) \quad p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) = - \int_0^\infty p(s, x, y) d_s G_\beta(s^{-1/\beta} t) = \int_0^\infty p(t^\beta s^{-\beta}, x, y) dG_\beta(s),$$

and, similarly,

$$(3.4) \quad p^S(t, x, y) = \int_0^\infty p(s, x, y) d_s G_\beta(t^{-1/\beta} s) = \int_0^\infty p(t^{1/\beta} s, x, y) dG_\beta(s).$$

*Proof of Theorem 2.1.* Set  $A := \rho(x, y)t^{-1/(\alpha\beta)}$ ; from (3.4) and the assumption on  $p(s, x, y)$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} p^S(t, x, y) &= C_1 t^{-n/(\alpha\beta)} \int_0^\infty s^{-n/\alpha} F\left(C_2 \frac{\rho(x, y)}{(t^{1/\beta} s)^{1/\alpha}}\right) dG_\beta(s) \\ &= C_1 t^{-n/(\alpha\beta)} \int_0^\infty s^{-n/\alpha} F(C_2 A s^{-1/\alpha}) dG_\beta(s). \end{aligned}$$

a) Since  $F$  is bounded,  $\int_1^\infty s^{n+\alpha\beta-1} F(s) ds < \infty$  implies that  $\int_0^\infty s^{n+\alpha\beta-1} F(s) ds < \infty$ . From (3.2) and the definition of  $G_\beta$  we see

$$\begin{aligned} p^S(t, x, y) &= \frac{C_1 \beta}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} t^{-n/(\alpha\beta)} \int_0^\infty s^{-n/\alpha-\beta-1} F(C_2 A s^{-1/\alpha}) [1 + \psi_\beta(s)] ds \\ &= \frac{C_1 \alpha \beta}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} C_2^{-n-\alpha\beta} \frac{t}{\rho(x, y)^{n+\alpha\beta}} \int_0^\infty s^{n+\alpha\beta-1} F(s) [1 + \psi_\beta(C_2^\alpha A^\alpha s^{-\alpha})] ds. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\psi_\beta$  is bounded on  $(0, \infty)$ , we may use the dominated convergence theorem to get

$$\lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} t^{-1} \rho(x, y)^{n+\alpha\beta} p^S(t, x, y) = \frac{C_1 \alpha \beta}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} C_2^{-n-\alpha\beta} \int_0^\infty s^{n+\alpha\beta-1} F(s) ds.$$

b) Using the dominated convergence theorem once again, we see

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{A \rightarrow 0} t^{n/(\alpha\beta)} p^S(t, x, y) &= C_1 \lim_{A \rightarrow 0} \int_0^\infty s^{-n/\alpha} F(C_2 A s^{-1/\alpha}) dG_\beta(s) \\ &= C_1 F(0+) \int_0^\infty s^{-n/\alpha} dG_\beta(s) \\ &= C_1 F(0+) \mathbb{E} S_1^{-n/\alpha} \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} C_1 F(0+) \frac{\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{n}{\alpha\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{n}{\alpha}\right)} = C_1 F(0+) \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{\alpha\beta}\right)}{\beta \Gamma\left(\frac{n}{\alpha}\right)}; \end{aligned}$$

in the equality marked by an asterisk (\*) we use Lemma 4.1 in the appendix with  $\kappa = -n/\alpha$  and  $t = 1$ . The last equality follows from the functional equation  $z\Gamma(z) = \Gamma(1+z)$  for the Gamma function.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 2.2.* Define  $A := \rho(x, y)^{-\alpha/\beta}t$ . Using (3.3) we get

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) &= C_1 t^{-\beta n/\alpha} \int_0^\infty s^{\beta n/\alpha} F\left(C_2 \frac{\rho(x, y)}{(t^\beta s^{-\beta})^{1/\alpha}}\right) dG_\beta(s) \\ &= C_1 t^{-\beta n/\alpha} \int_0^\infty s^{\beta n/\alpha} F\left(C_2 \left(\frac{s}{A}\right)^{\beta/\alpha}\right) dG_\beta(s). \end{aligned}$$

a) We begin with the asymptotics for  $A \rightarrow \infty$ .

Case 1:  $n < \alpha$ : If we use in (3.5) the monotone convergence theorem and Lemma 4.1 from the appendix, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} t^{\beta n/\alpha} p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) &= C_1 \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\infty s^{\beta n/\alpha} F\left(C_2 \left(\frac{s}{A}\right)^{\beta/\alpha}\right) dG_\beta(s) \\ &= C_1 F(0+) \int_0^\infty s^{\beta n/\alpha} dG_\beta(s) \\ &= C_1 F(0+) \mathbb{E} S_1^{\beta n/\alpha} \\ &= C_1 F(0+) \frac{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{n}{\alpha}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{\beta n}{\alpha}\right)}. \end{aligned}$$

Case 2:  $n = \alpha$ : We know that  $\int_1^\infty s^{-1} F(s) ds < \infty$ . Inserting (3.2) into (3.5) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{t^\beta}{\log A} p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) &= \frac{C_1}{\log A} \int_0^\infty s^\beta F\left(C_2 \left(\frac{s}{A}\right)^{\beta/\alpha}\right) dG_\beta(s) \\ &=: \frac{C_1}{\log A} (I_1(A, \alpha, \beta) + I_2(A, \alpha, \beta) + I_3(A, \alpha, \beta)) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(A, \alpha, \beta) &:= \int_0^1 s^\beta F\left(C_2 \left(\frac{s}{A}\right)^{\beta/\alpha}\right) p_\beta(s) ds \\ &\leq F(0+) \int_0^1 s^\beta p_\beta(s) ds \leq F(0+), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_2(A, \alpha, \beta) &:= \frac{\beta}{\Gamma(1 - \beta)} \int_1^\infty s^{-1} F\left(C_2 \left(\frac{s}{A}\right)^{\beta/\alpha}\right) ds \\ &= \frac{\alpha}{\Gamma(1 - \beta)} \int_{C_2 A^{-\beta/\alpha}}^\infty s^{-1} F(s) ds, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} I_3(A, \alpha, \beta) &:= \frac{\beta}{\Gamma(1 - \beta)} \int_1^\infty s^{-1} F\left(C_2 \left(\frac{s}{A}\right)^{\beta/\alpha}\right) \psi_\beta(s) ds \\ &= \frac{\alpha}{\Gamma(1 - \beta)} \int_{C_2 A^{-\beta/\alpha}}^\infty s^{-1} F(s) \psi_\beta\left(C_2^{-\alpha/\beta} A s^{\alpha/\beta}\right) ds. \end{aligned}$$



Now we can use Lemma 4.2 from the appendix to get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t^\beta}{\log A} p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) &= C_1 \left( 0 + \frac{\alpha}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} \cdot \frac{\beta}{\alpha} F(0+) + \frac{\alpha}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} \cdot 0 \right) \\ &= \frac{C_1 \beta}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} F(0+). \end{aligned}$$

Case 3:  $n > \alpha$ : We know that  $\int_1^\infty s^{n-\alpha-1} F(s) ds < \infty$ . Since  $F$  is bounded, this yields  $\int_0^\infty s^{n-\alpha-1} F(s) ds < \infty$ . Using (3.5) and (3.2) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(x, y)^{n-\alpha} t^\beta p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) &= \frac{C_1 \beta}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} A^{\beta(1-n/\alpha)} \int_0^\infty s^{\beta n/\alpha - 1 - \beta} F\left(C_2 \left(\frac{s}{A}\right)^{\beta/\alpha}\right) [1 + \psi_\beta(s)] ds \\ &= \frac{C_1 C_2^{\alpha-n} \alpha}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} \int_0^\infty s^{n-\alpha-1} F(s) \left[1 + \psi_\beta\left(C_2^{-\alpha/\beta} A s^{\alpha/\beta}\right)\right] ds. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\psi_\beta$  is bounded on  $(0, \infty)$ , the dominated convergence theorem gives

$$\lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\infty s^{n-\alpha-1} F(s) \psi_\beta\left(C_2^{-\alpha/\beta} A s^{\alpha/\beta}\right) ds = 0.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \rho(x, y)^{n-\alpha} t^\beta p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) = C_1 \frac{C_2^{\alpha-n} \alpha}{\Gamma(1-\beta)} \int_0^\infty s^{n-\alpha-1} F(s) ds.$$

b) Now we consider the limit  $A \rightarrow 0$  for the profile  $F(r) = (1 + r^2)^{-(n+\alpha)/2}$  where  $\alpha > 0$ . Applying in (3.5) the dominated convergence theorem and Lemma 4.1 from the appendix gives

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{A \rightarrow 0} \rho(x, y)^{n+\alpha} t^{-\beta} p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) &= C_1 \lim_{A \rightarrow 0} A^{-\frac{\beta n}{\alpha} - \beta} \int_0^\infty s^{\beta n/\alpha} \left(1 + C_2^2 \left(\frac{s}{A}\right)^{2\beta/\alpha}\right)^{-(n+\alpha)/2} dG_\beta(s) \\ &= C_1 \lim_{A \rightarrow 0} \int_0^\infty s^{\beta n/\alpha} (A^{2\beta/\alpha} + C_2^2 s^{2\beta/\alpha})^{-(n+\alpha)/2} dG_\beta(s) \\ &= C_1 C_2^{-n-\alpha} \int_0^\infty s^{-\beta} dG_\beta(s) \\ &= C_1 C_2^{-n-\alpha} \mathbb{E} S_1^{-\beta} = C_1 C_2^{-n-\alpha} \frac{\Gamma(2)}{\Gamma(1+\beta)} = \frac{C_1 C_2^{-n-\alpha}}{\beta \Gamma(\beta)}. \end{aligned}$$

c) Finally we consider  $A \rightarrow 0$  for the profile  $F(r) = \exp[-r^{\alpha/(\alpha-1)}]$  with  $\alpha \geq 2$ . Combining (3.5) and (3.1) yields

$$\begin{aligned} p^{S^{-1}}(t, x, y) &= C_1 t^{-\frac{\beta n}{\alpha}} \int_0^\infty s^{\frac{\beta n}{\alpha}} \exp\left[-C_2^{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1}} A^{-\frac{\beta}{\alpha-1}} s^{\frac{\beta}{\alpha-1}}\right] p_\beta(s) ds \\ &= \frac{C_1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1-\beta)}} \beta^{\frac{1}{2(1-\beta)}} t^{-\frac{\beta n}{\alpha}} \int_0^\infty s^{\frac{\beta n}{\alpha} - \frac{2-\beta}{2(1-\beta)}} \times \\ &\quad \times \exp\left[-C_2^{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1}} A^{-\frac{\beta}{\alpha-1}} s^{\frac{\beta}{\alpha-1}} - (1-\beta) \beta^{\frac{\beta}{1-\beta}} s^{-\frac{\beta}{1-\beta}}\right] (1 + \phi_\beta(s)) ds. \end{aligned}$$

The claim follows with Lemma 4.4 from the appendix.  $\square$

## 4. APPENDIX

Although the following moment formula for stable subordinators is known, see e.g. Sato [18, Eq. (25.5), p. 162], we include for the readers' convenience the short proof; this simple argument seems to be new.

**Lemma 4.1.** *The moments of order  $\kappa \in (-\infty, \beta)$  of a  $\beta$ -stable subordinator  $(S_t)_{t \geq 0}$  exist and are given by*

$$\mathbb{E}S_t^\kappa = \frac{\Gamma(1 - \frac{\kappa}{\beta})}{\Gamma(1 - \kappa)} t^{\kappa/\beta}, \quad t > 0.$$

*Proof.* Since  $S_t \stackrel{\text{law}}{=} t^{1/\beta} S_1$ , it is enough to consider  $t = 1$ . Recall that the Laplace transform of  $S_1$  is  $\mathbb{E}e^{-tS_1} = e^{-t^\beta}$ ,  $t > 0$ . Substituting  $\lambda = S_1$  in the well-known formula [19, p. vii]

$$\lambda^{-r} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(r)} \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} t^{r-1} dt, \quad \lambda > 0, r > 0,$$

and taking expectations yields, because of Tonelli's theorem,

$$\mathbb{E}S_1^{-r} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(r)} \int_0^\infty \mathbb{E}e^{-tS_1} t^{r-1} dt = \frac{1}{\Gamma(r)} \int_0^\infty e^{-t^\beta} t^r \frac{dt}{t}.$$

Now we change variables according to  $x = t^\beta$  and  $\frac{dx}{x} = \beta \frac{dt}{t}$ , and get

$$\mathbb{E}S_1^{-r} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(r)} \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{\frac{r}{\beta}} \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{1}{r\Gamma(r)} \cdot \frac{r}{\beta} \Gamma\left(\frac{r}{\beta}\right) = \frac{\Gamma(1 + \frac{r}{\beta})}{\Gamma(1 + r)}.$$

Setting  $\kappa = -r$  proves the assertion for  $\kappa \in (-\infty, 0)$ . Note that this formula extends (analytically) to  $-r = \kappa < \beta$ . Alternatively, use the very same calculation and the formula [19, p. vii]

$$\lambda^r = \frac{r}{\Gamma(1 - r)} \int_0^\infty (1 - e^{-\lambda t}) t^{-r-1} dt, \quad \lambda > 0, r \in (0, 1),$$

to get the assertion for  $\kappa \in (0, \beta)$ . □

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $\psi : [1, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a bounded function such that  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \psi(s) = 0$  and  $\omega : [0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  a non-increasing function satisfying  $\int_1^\infty s^{-1} \omega(s) ds < \infty$ . For any  $c > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$  one has*

$$\lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\log A} \int_{cA^{-\delta}}^\infty s^{-1} \omega(s) ds = \delta \omega(0+)$$

and

$$\lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\log A} \int_{cA^{-\delta}}^\infty s^{-1} \omega(s) \psi(c^{-1/\delta} A s^{1/\delta}) ds = 0.$$

*Proof.* The first claim follows easily from l'Hospital's rule. For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we can use the first part of the lemma and get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{1}{\log A} \int_{cA^{-\delta}}^{\infty} s^{-1} \omega(s) \psi(c^{-1/\delta} A s^{1/\delta}) \, ds \right| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{\log A} \int_{cA^{-\delta}}^{\infty} s^{-1} \omega(s) |\psi(c^{-1/\delta} A s^{1/\delta})| \, ds \\
& \leq \|\psi\|_{\infty} \frac{1}{\log A} \left( \int_{cA^{-\delta}}^{\infty} - \int_{ncA^{-\delta}}^{\infty} \right) s^{-1} \omega(s) \, ds \\
& \quad + \|\psi \mathbb{1}_{[n^{1/\delta}, \infty)}\|_{\infty} \frac{1}{\log A} \int_{ncA^{-\delta}}^{\infty} s^{-1} \omega(s) \, ds \\
& \xrightarrow{A \rightarrow \infty} \|\psi\|_{\infty} (\delta \omega(0+) - \delta \omega(0+)) + \|\psi \mathbb{1}_{[n^{1/\delta}, \infty)}\|_{\infty} \delta \omega(0+) \\
& = \|\psi \mathbb{1}_{[n^{1/\delta}, \infty)}\|_{\infty} \delta \omega(0+) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0,
\end{aligned}$$

and this completes the proof.  $\square$

The following asymptotic formula for integrals can be proved by the Laplace method, see e.g. de Bruijn [6, Section 4.2, pp. 63–65]. For the sake of completeness and our readers' convenience, we give a brief outline of the proof.

**Lemma 4.3.** *Assume that  $-\infty \leq v < w \leq \infty$ ,  $h \in C^2(v, w)$ , and  $\int_v^w e^{-h(r)} \, dr < \infty$ . Let  $r_0 \in (v, w)$ . If  $h(r_0) \geq 0$ ,  $h''(r_0) > 0$ , and  $h$  is strictly decreasing on  $(v, r_0]$  and strictly increasing on  $[r_0, w)$ , then*

$$\int_v^w e^{-Ch(r)} \, dr \sim e^{-Ch(r_0)} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{Ch''(r_0)}} \quad \text{as } C \rightarrow \infty.$$

*Proof.* Since  $h''$  is continuous, we find for any  $\epsilon \in (0, h''(r_0)/2)$  some  $\delta = \delta(\epsilon) \in (0, (w - r_0) \wedge (r_0 - v))$  such that  $|h''(\zeta) - h''(r_0)| < \epsilon$  for all  $|\zeta - r_0| < \delta$ . As  $h'(r_0) = 0$ , Taylor's theorem implies for all  $r \in (r_0 - \delta, r_0 + \delta)$

$$(4.1) \quad h(r_0) + \frac{h''(r_0) - \epsilon}{2} (r - r_0)^2 \leq h(r) \leq h(r_0) + \frac{h''(r_0) + \epsilon}{2} (r - r_0)^2.$$

From the second inequality in (4.1), we get for the limit  $C \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.2) \quad \int_v^w e^{-Ch(r)} \, dr & \geq \int_{r_0 - \delta}^{r_0 + \delta} e^{-Ch(r)} \, dr \\
& \geq e^{-Ch(r_0)} \int_{r_0 - \delta}^{r_0 + \delta} \exp \left[ -C \frac{h''(r_0) + \epsilon}{2} (r - r_0)^2 \right] \, dr \\
& = \frac{e^{-Ch(r_0)}}{\sqrt{C(h''(r_0) + \epsilon)}} \int_{-\delta \sqrt{C(h''(r_0) + \epsilon)}}^{\delta \sqrt{C(h''(r_0) + \epsilon)}} \exp \left[ -\frac{s^2}{2} \right] \, ds \\
& \sim \frac{e^{-Ch(r_0)}}{\sqrt{C(h''(r_0) + \epsilon)}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp \left[ -\frac{s^2}{2} \right] \, ds \\
& = e^{-Ch(r_0)} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{C(h''(r_0) + \epsilon)}},
\end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\int_v^w e^{-Ch(r)} dr \geq e^{-Ch(r_0)} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{C(h''(r_0) + 2\epsilon)}} \quad \text{for large } C \gg 1.$$

The monotonicity of  $h$  on  $(v, r_0]$  and  $[r_0, w)$  gives

$$h(r) > h(r_0 - \delta) \wedge h(r_0 + \delta) > h(r_0) \quad \text{for all } |r - r_0| > \delta.$$

Consequently, as  $C \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \int_v^{r_0-\delta} + \int_{r_0+\delta}^w \right) e^{-Ch(r)} dr &\leq e^{-(C-1)[h(r_0-\delta) \wedge h(r_0+\delta)]} \left( \int_v^{r_0-\delta} + \int_{r_0+\delta}^w \right) e^{-h(r)} dr \\ &\leq e^{-(C-1)[h(r_0-\delta) \wedge h(r_0+\delta)]} \int_v^w e^{-h(r)} dr \\ &= o(e^{-Ch(r_0)} C^{-1/2}). \end{aligned}$$

Using the first inequality in (4.1) a calculation similar to (4.2) gives, for sufficiently large values of  $C \gg 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_v^w e^{-Ch(r)} dr &= \left( \int_v^{r_0-\delta} + \int_{r_0+\delta}^w \right) e^{-Ch(r)} dr + \int_{r_0-\delta}^{r_0+\delta} e^{-Ch(r)} dr \\ &\leq e^{-Ch(r_0)} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{C(h''(r_0) - 2\epsilon)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining both estimates we have shown for all  $\epsilon \in (0, h''(r_0)/2)$  and  $C \gg 1$

$$e^{-Ch(r_0)} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{C(h''(r_0) + 2\epsilon)}} \leq \int_v^w e^{-Ch(r)} dr \leq e^{-Ch(r_0)} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{C(h''(r_0) - 2\epsilon)}}.$$

This immediately implies the claim.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.4.** *Let  $\phi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (-1, \infty)$  be a continuous function such that  $\phi(0+) = 0$  and  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^{-\theta}(1 + \phi(s)) < \infty$  for some  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ . For all constants  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $b, c, d > 0$  the following asymptotics obtains*

$$\int_0^\infty s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} (1 + \phi(s)) ds \sim I(B) \quad \text{as } B \rightarrow \infty$$

where the value  $I(B)$  is given by

$$I(B) := \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{b+d}} (bB)^{-\frac{2(a+1)+d}{2(b+d)}} (cd)^{\frac{2(a+1)-b}{2(b+d)}} \exp \left[ -(b+d) (b^{-1}c)^{\frac{b}{b+d}} (d^{-1}B)^{\frac{d}{b+d}} \right].$$

*Proof.* First, we prove that

$$(4.3) \quad \int_0^\infty s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} ds \sim I(B) \quad \text{as } B \rightarrow \infty.$$

If  $a \neq -1$ , changing variables according to  $r = (c^{-1}B)^{(a+1)/(b+d)} s^{a+1}$  gives

$$\int_0^\infty s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} ds = \frac{1}{|a+1|} (cB^{-1})^{\frac{a+1}{b+d}} \int_0^\infty \exp \left[ -c^{\frac{b}{b+d}} B^{\frac{d}{b+d}} \left( r^{\frac{b}{a+1}} + r^{-\frac{d}{a+1}} \right) \right] dr.$$

Lemma 4.3 with  $v = 0$ ,  $w = \infty$ ,  $h(r) = r^{b/(a+1)} + r^{-d/(a+1)}$ ,  $r_0 = (b^{-1}d)^{(a+1)/(b+d)}$  and  $C = c^{b/(b+d)} B^{d/(b+d)}$  yields (4.3).

If  $a = -1$ , we change variables according to  $r = \log s + (b + d)^{-1} \log(c^{-1}B)$ , and use Lemma 4.3 with  $v = -\infty$ ,  $w = \infty$ ,  $h(r) = e^{br} + e^{-dr}$ ,  $r_0 = (b + d)^{-1} \log(b^{-1}d)$  and  $C = c^{b/(b+d)} B^{d/(b+d)}$  to obtain (4.3).

We still have to check that

$$\lim_{B \rightarrow \infty} B^{\frac{2(a+1)+d}{2(b+d)}} \exp \left[ (b+d) (b^{-1}c)^{\frac{b}{b+d}} (d^{-1}B)^{\frac{d}{b+d}} \right] \int_0^\infty s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} \phi(s) ds = 0.$$

To this end, we fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and observe that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(n, B) &:= \int_0^{1/n} s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} |\phi(s)| ds \leq \|\phi \mathbb{1}_{(0,1/n)}\|_\infty \int_0^{1/n} s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} ds \\ &\leq \|\phi \mathbb{1}_{(0,1/n)}\|_\infty \int_0^\infty s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} ds. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, set

$$I_2(n, B) := \int_{1/n}^\infty s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} |\phi(s)| ds.$$

By our assumption, there exists a constant  $C(n) > 0$  depending on  $n$  such that  $1 + \phi(s) \leq C(n)s^\theta$  for all  $s \geq 1/n$ . Thus,

$$|\phi(s)| \leq 1 + (1 + \phi(s)) \leq (ns)^{\theta \vee 0} + C(n)s^\theta \leq C(n, \theta)s^{\theta \vee 0}, \quad s \geq 1/n,$$

where  $C(n, \theta) := n^{\theta \vee 0} + C(n)n^{(-\theta) \vee 0}$ . Using the dominated convergence theorem we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} &B^{\frac{2(a+1)+d}{2(b+d)}} \exp \left[ (b+d) (b^{-1}c)^{\frac{b}{b+d}} (d^{-1}B)^{\frac{d}{b+d}} \right] I_2(n, B) \\ &\leq C(n, \theta) \int_{1/n}^\infty B^{\frac{2(a+1)+d}{2(b+d)}} s^{a+(\theta \vee 0)} \exp \left[ (b+d) (b^{-1}c)^{\frac{b}{b+d}} (d^{-1}B)^{\frac{d}{b+d}} - Bs^b - cs^{-d} \right] ds \\ &\xrightarrow{B \rightarrow \infty} C(n, \theta) \cdot 0 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Combining these calculations gives

$$\begin{aligned} &B^{\frac{2(a+1)+d}{2(b+d)}} \exp \left[ (b+d) (b^{-1}c)^{\frac{b}{b+d}} (d^{-1}B)^{\frac{d}{b+d}} \right] \cdot \left| \int_0^\infty s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} \phi(s) ds \right| \\ &\leq B^{\frac{2(a+1)+d}{2(b+d)}} \exp \left[ (b+d) (b^{-1}c)^{\frac{b}{b+d}} (d^{-1}B)^{\frac{d}{b+d}} \right] \cdot (I_1(n, B) + I_2(n, B)) \\ &\leq B^{\frac{2(a+1)+d}{2(b+d)}} \exp \left[ (b+d) (b^{-1}c)^{\frac{b}{b+d}} (d^{-1}B)^{\frac{d}{b+d}} \right] \\ &\quad \times \left( \|\phi \mathbb{1}_{(0,1/n)}\|_\infty \int_0^\infty s^a e^{-Bs^b - cs^{-d}} ds + I_2(n, B) \right) \\ &\xrightarrow{B \rightarrow \infty} \|\phi \mathbb{1}_{(0,1/n)}\|_\infty \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{b+d}} b^{-\frac{2(a+1)+d}{2(b+d)n}} (cd)^{\frac{2(a+1)-b}{2(b+d)}} + 0 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 + 0 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

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