

# Tight-binding model subject to conditional resets at random times

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# Stochastic resetting

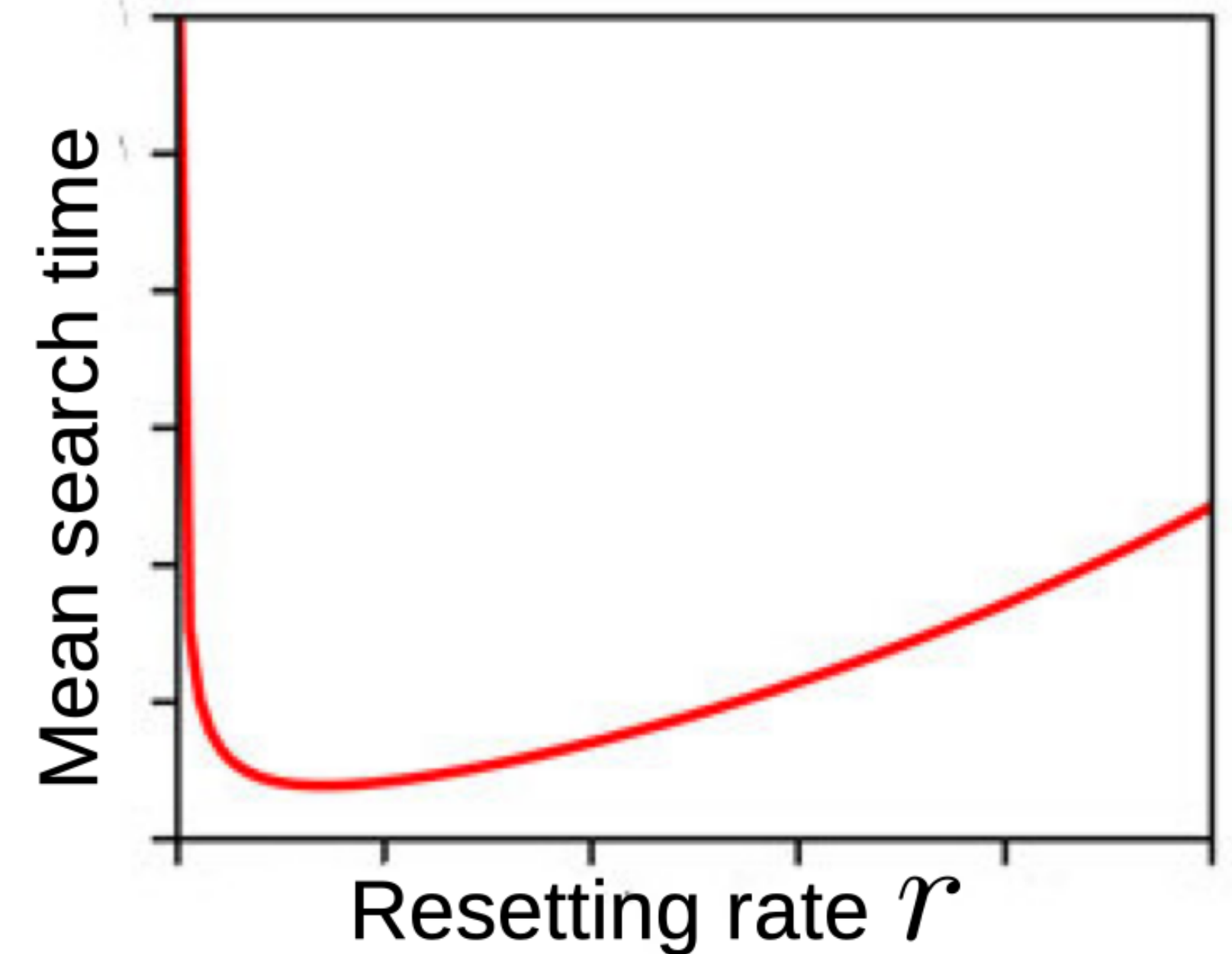
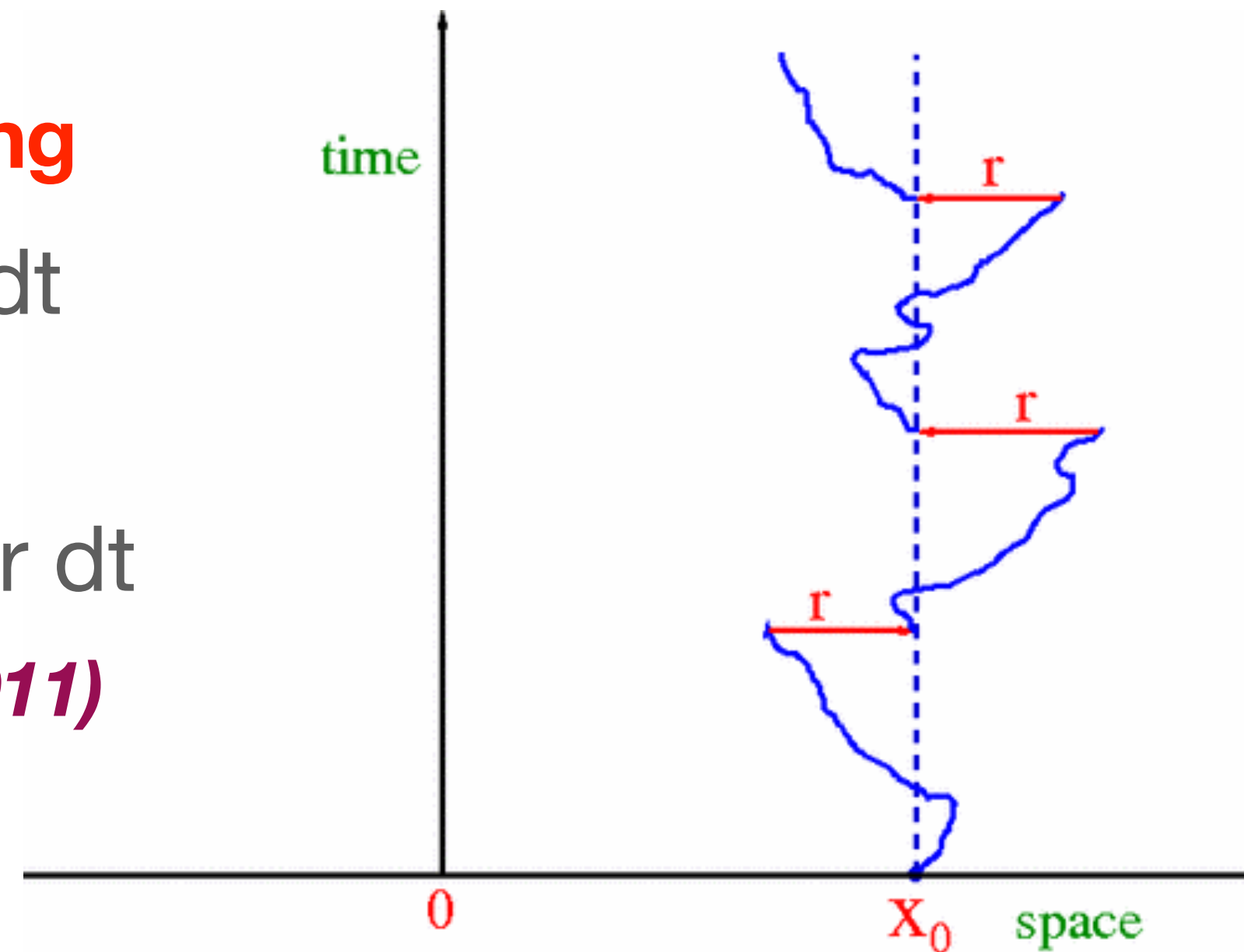
## Classical:

### Brownian motion with resetting

$$\begin{aligned}x(t + dt) &= x_0 \text{ with prob. } r dt \\ &= x(t) + \eta(t)dt\end{aligned}$$

with prob.  $1-r dt$

*Evans and Majumdar (2011)*



## Quantum:

$$\begin{aligned}|\psi(t + dt)\rangle &= |\psi(0)\rangle \text{ with prob. } r dt \\ &= [1 - iH(t) dt] |\psi(t)\rangle \text{ with prob. } 1 - r dt\end{aligned}$$

*Mukherjee, Sengupta and Majumdar (2018)*

**Reset is unconditional:**

**Reset is to a given state, irrespective of the current state**

# Stochastic resetting:

A very (very) active area of research across domains with many contributors around the world

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***Review: Evans, Majumdar, Schehr, J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 53 193001 (2020)***

# Conditional stochastic resetting

**Reset is conditional:**  
**Reset is to a set of states, whose choice depends on the current state**

*Perfetto, Carollo, Magoni, Lesanovsky (2021)*

## Quantum model:

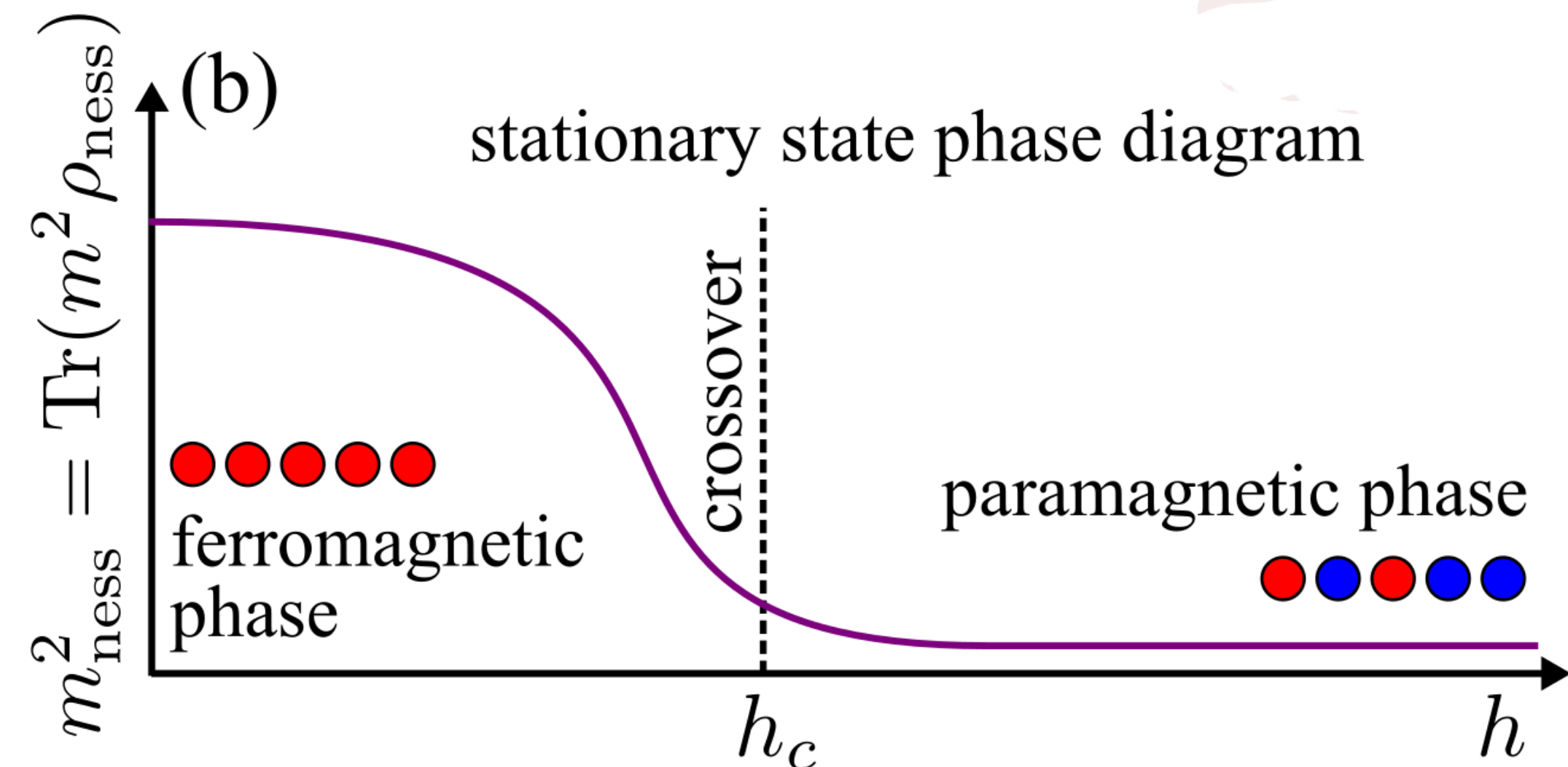
Transverse-field Ising chain:

$$H = -J \sum_{n=1}^N (\sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + h \sigma_n^z)$$
$$\text{Magnetisation } m = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \sigma_n^x$$

Measure the magnetisation after a random time:

(a)  $m > 0$  : Reset to  $|\uparrow \uparrow \dots \uparrow\rangle$

(b)  $m < 0$  : Reset to  $|\downarrow \downarrow \dots \downarrow\rangle$



**Quantum phase transition of  
bare dynamics visible as a  
crossover in  
reset-induced steady state**



# Conditional stochastic resetting

Reset is conditional:

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We ask:

- Effects of conditional resetting when the bare dynamics does not have a steady state by itself ?
- Does Conditional Resetting always lead to a steady state (as does usual resetting) ?
- What is the nature of the steady state that emerges ?
- Can one characterise it analytically (Conditional Resetting results in non-Markovian evolution, as we will see later in the talk) ?

**We choose a paradigmatic quantum system:**  
**The tight-binding model**

# Tight-binding model

$$H = -\frac{\gamma}{2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (|n\rangle\langle n+1| + |n+1\rangle\langle n|)$$

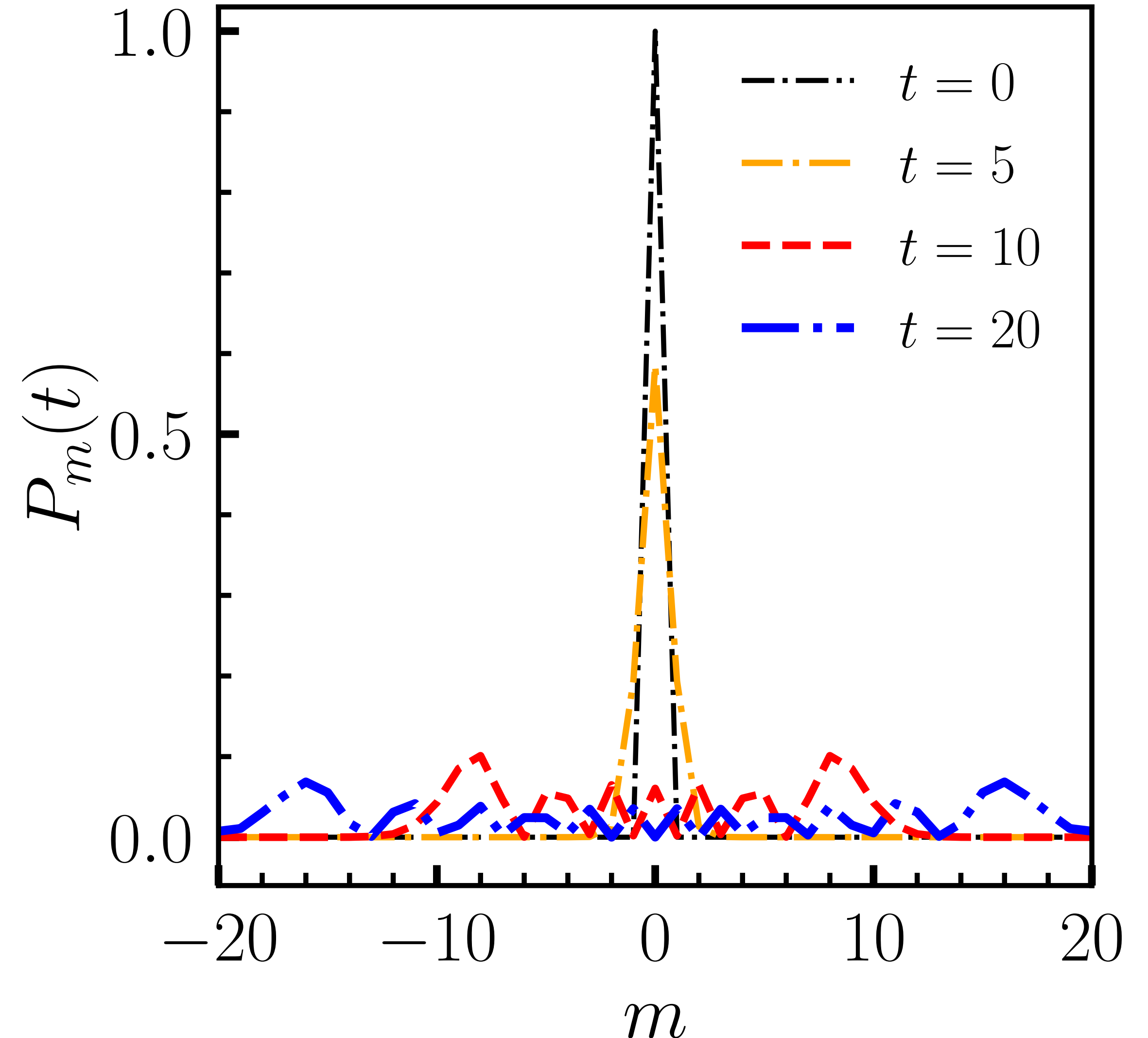
Initial location =  $n_0$

Mean displacement:

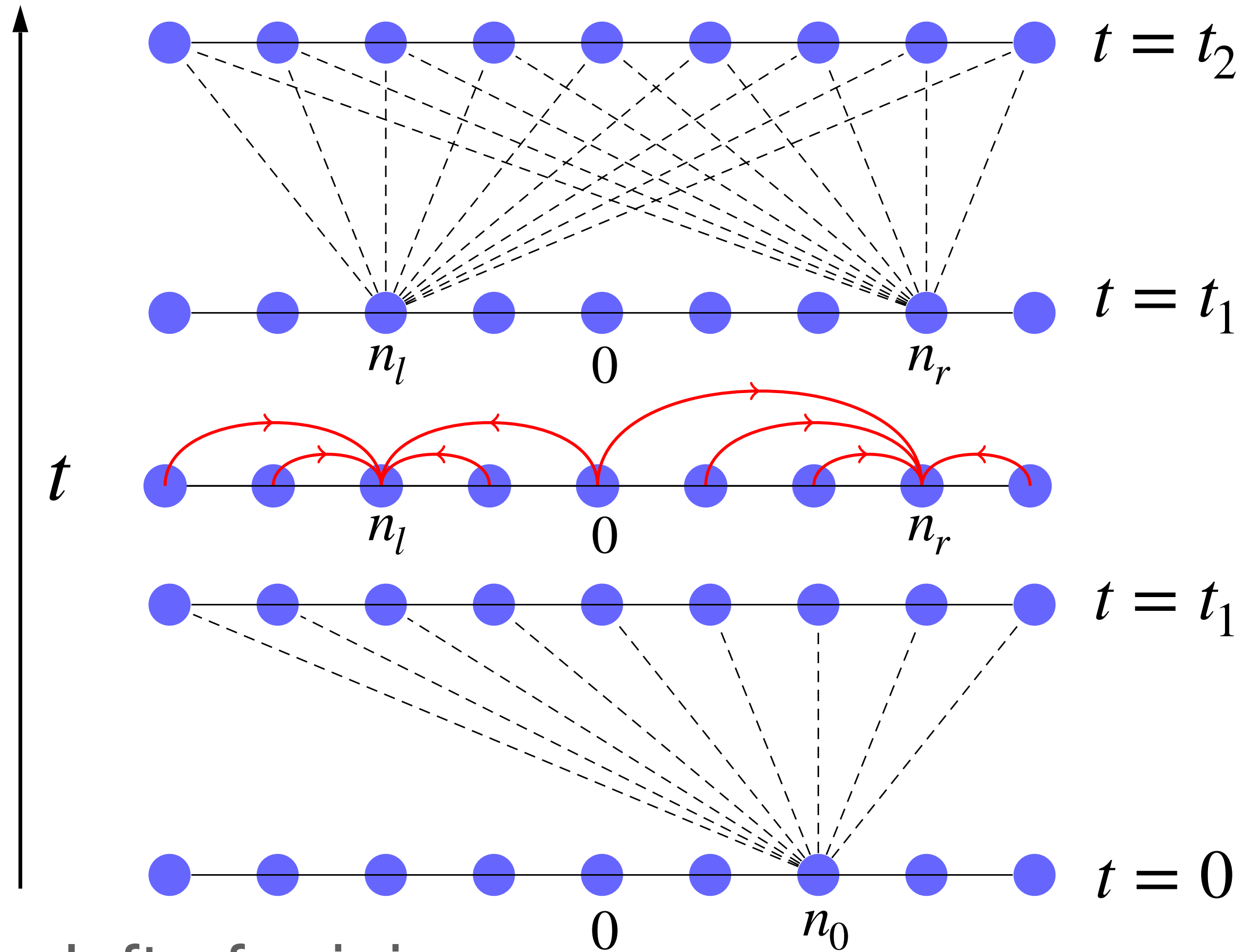
$$\langle m - n_0 \rangle = 0$$

Mean-squared displacement:

$$S(t) = \langle (m - n_0)^2 \rangle = \frac{\gamma^2 t^2}{2}$$



# Conditional resetting protocol



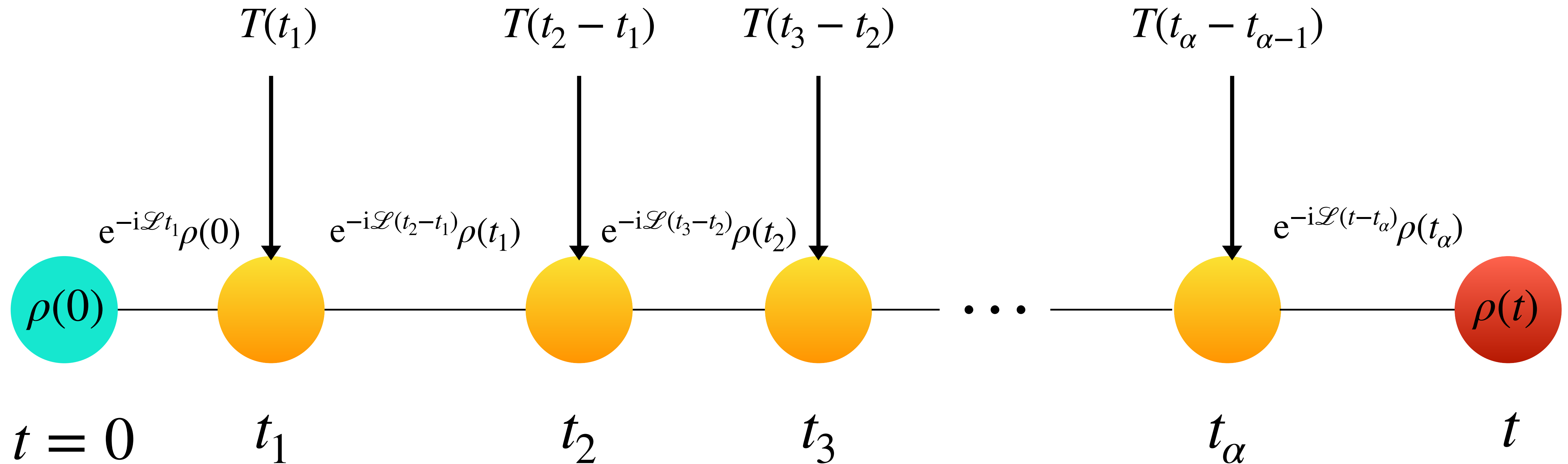
Prob to reset to site  $n_l$  to left of origin

$$\Omega_{n_l}^{n_0}(\gamma\tau_1) = \sum_{j=-1}^{-\infty} |\langle j | e^{-iH\tau_1} | n_0 \rangle|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\langle 0 | e^{-iH\tau_1} | n_0 \rangle|^2$$

Prob to reset to site  $n_r$  to right of origin

$$\Omega_{n_r}^{n_0}(\gamma\tau_1) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\langle j | e^{-iH\tau_1} | n_0 \rangle|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\langle 0 | e^{-iH\tau_1} | n_0 \rangle|^2$$

# Unitary evolution interspersed with conditional resetting



$e^{-i\mathcal{L}t}$  : Implements unitary evolution

$T(t)$  : Implements instantaneous conditional resetting



# Generalised Lindblad dynamics with non-markovian evolution

$\bar{\rho}(t)$ : Density operator averaged over dynamical realisations involving different reset times

$$\frac{d}{dt}\bar{\rho}(t) = -i\mathcal{L}(t)\bar{\rho}(t) + \lambda \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} H_{\alpha}(t) - \lambda\bar{\rho}(t)$$

$$H_1(t) \equiv T(t) e^{-\lambda t} e_{+}^{-i\int_0^t dt' \mathcal{L}(t')} \rho(0)$$

$$H_{\alpha}(t) \equiv \lambda \int_0^t dt_{\alpha-1} T(t - t_{\alpha-1}) e^{-\lambda(t-t_{\alpha-1})} e_{+}^{-i\int_{t_{\alpha-1}}^t dt' \mathcal{L}(t')} H_{\alpha-1}(t_{\alpha-1}); \quad \alpha \geq 2$$

Usual Lindblad  
for unconditional  
resetting  
(Markovian):

$$\frac{d\bar{\rho}(t)}{dt} = -i\mathcal{L}(t)\bar{\rho}(t) + \lambda T\bar{\rho}(t) - \lambda\bar{\rho}(t)$$

$$\frac{d\bar{\rho}(t)}{dt} = -i\mathcal{L}(t)\rho(t) + \gamma \left( O\rho(t)O^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2}\{O^{\dagger}O, \rho(t)\} \right); \quad \gamma = \lambda; \quad O\rho O^{\dagger} = T\rho$$

*We obtain exact analytical results demonstrating effects of non-Markovian evolution in the context of open quantum systems*

**Exponential resetting:**  
**Time interval between reset satisfies**

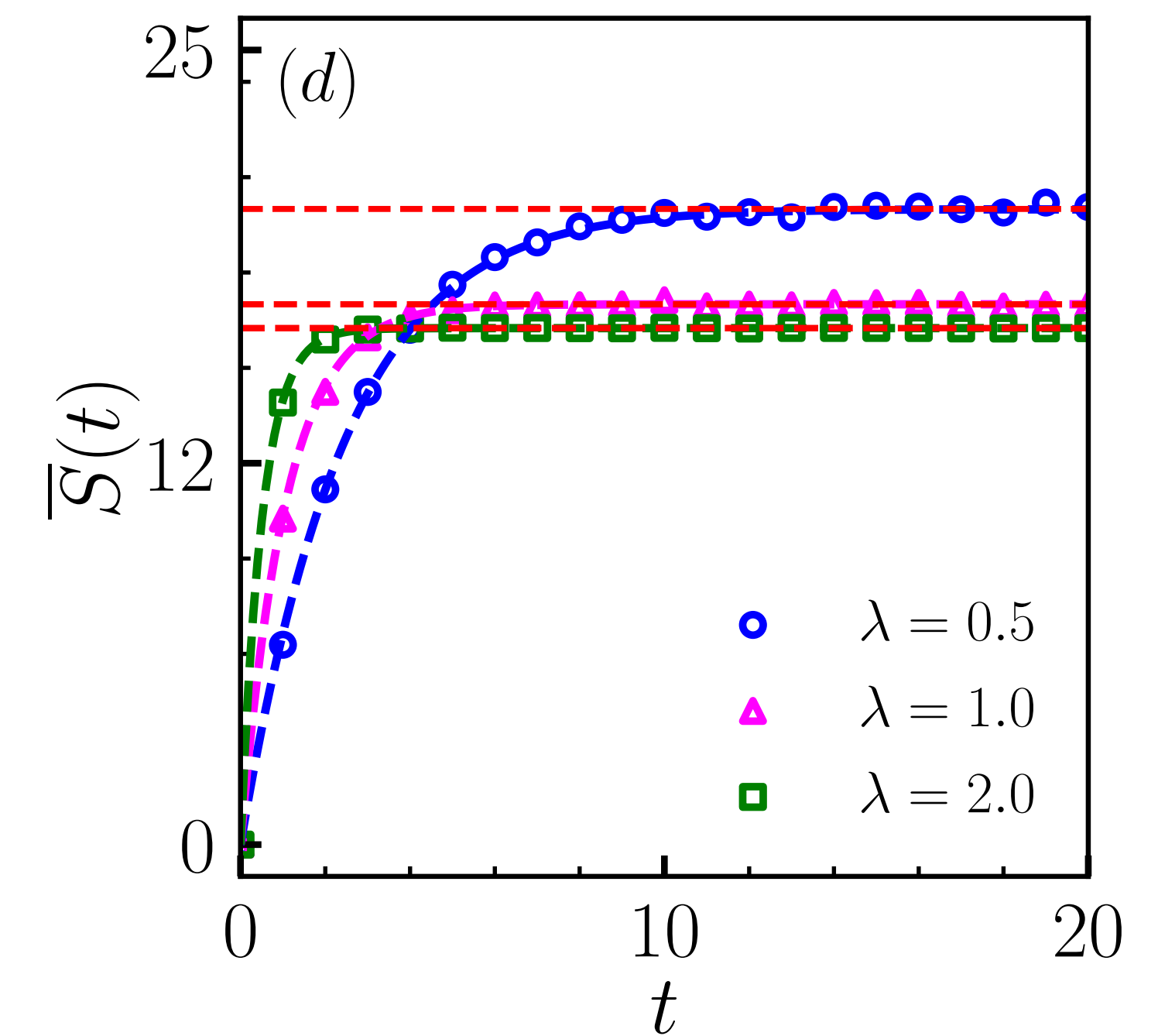
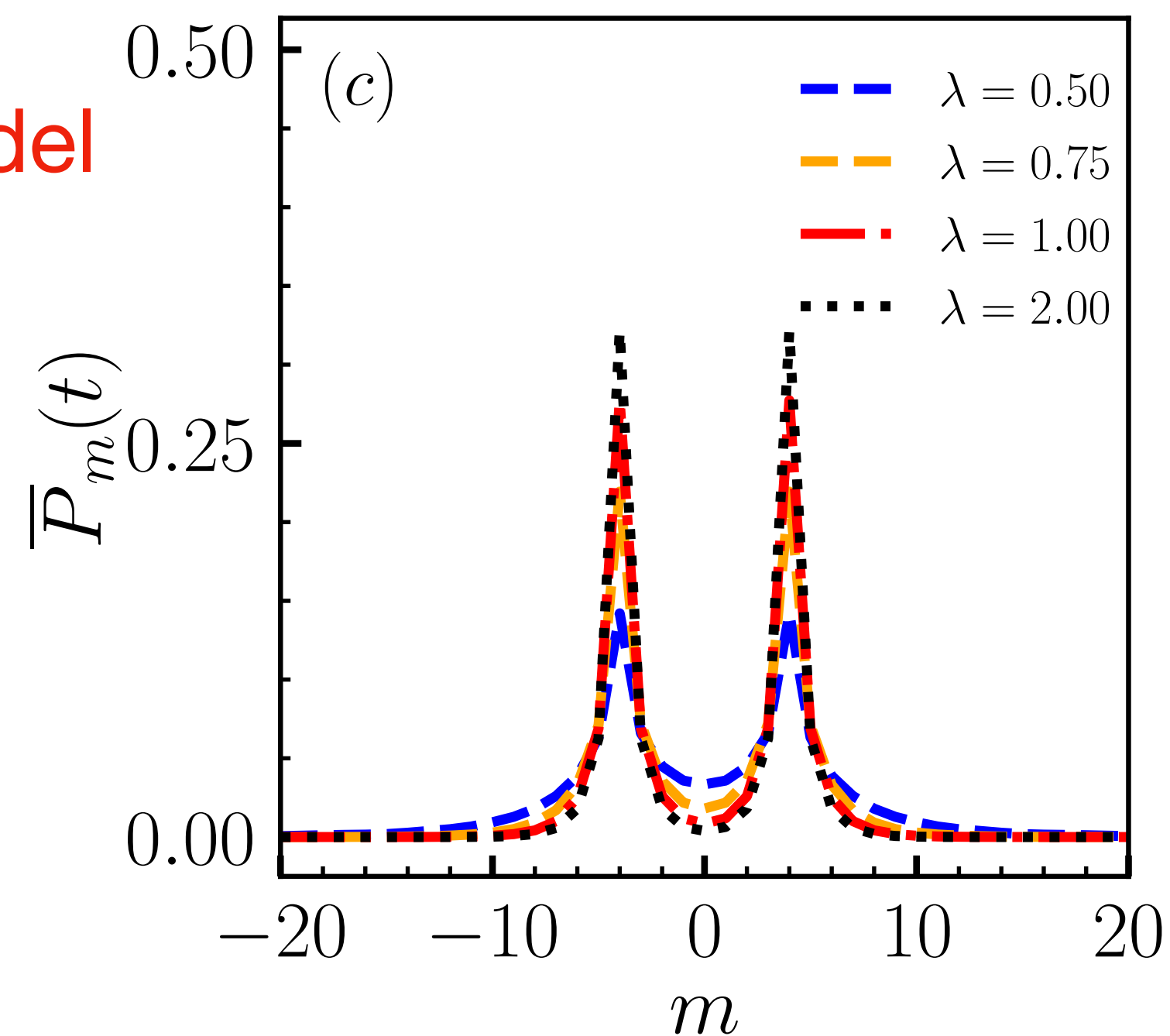
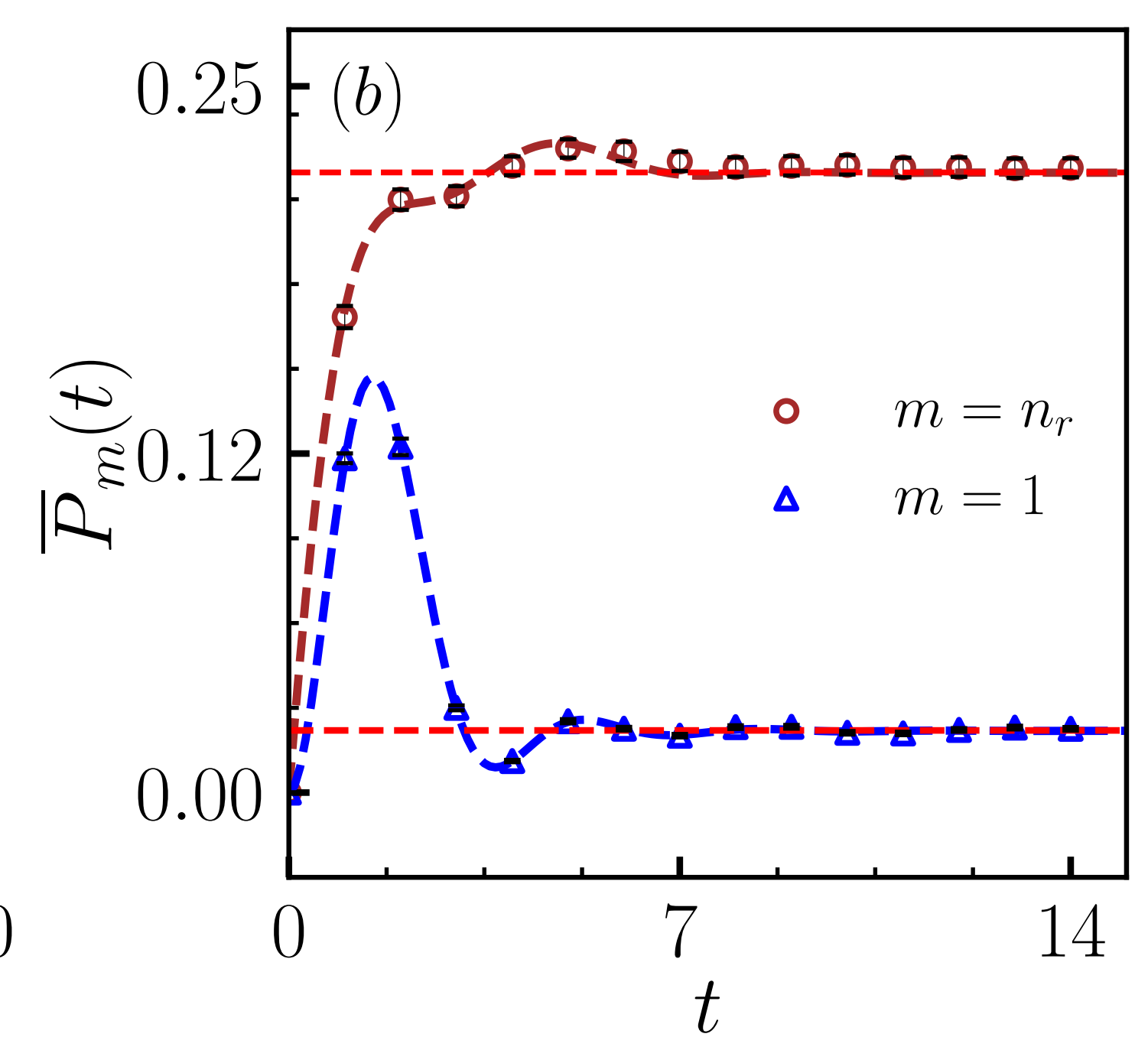
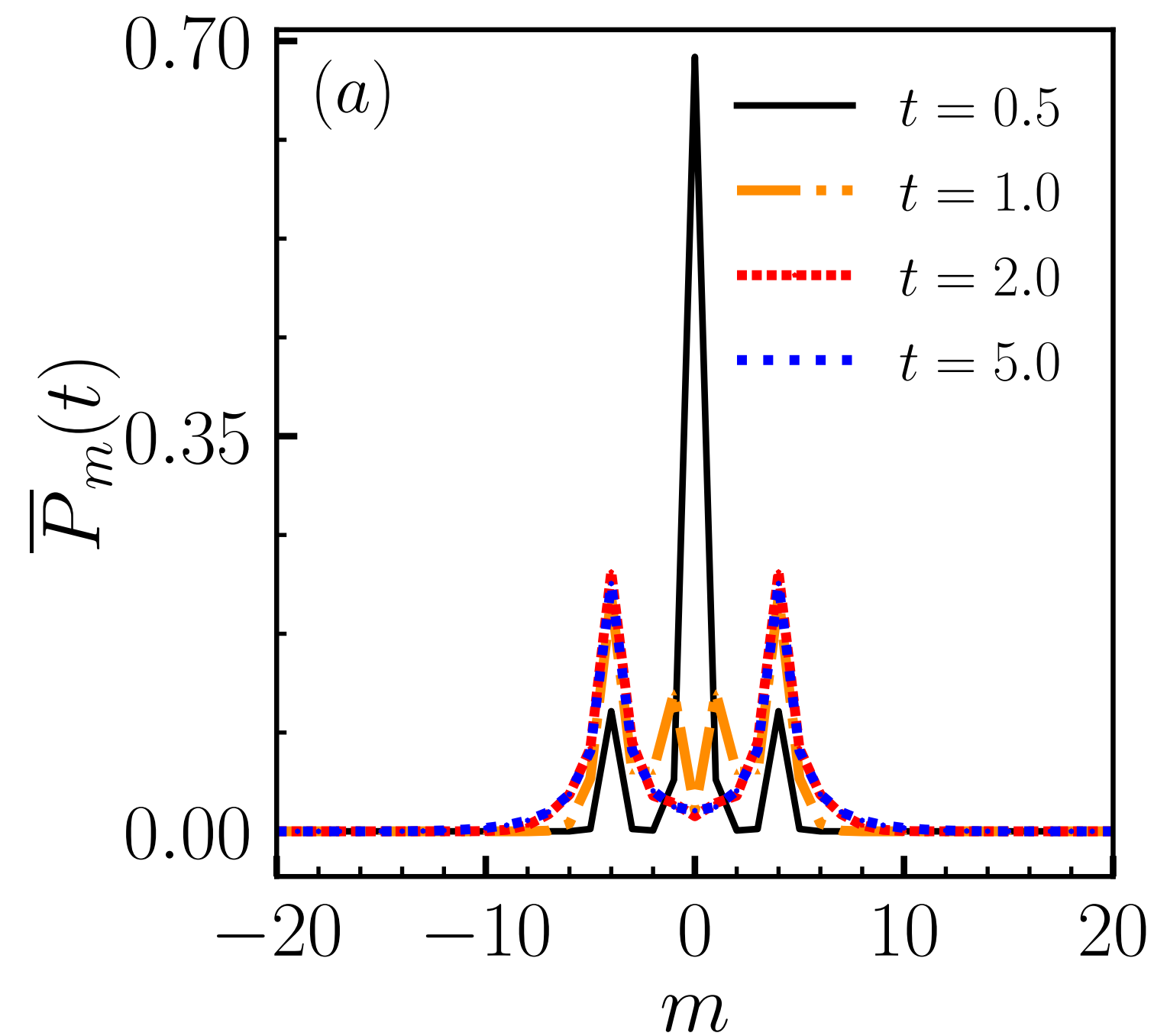
$$p(\tau) = \lambda e^{-\lambda\tau}$$

**Resetting locations  
symmetric with  
respect to origin;  
Initial location at  
origin**

$$n_0 = 0$$

$$n_l = -4, n_r = 4$$

1. Stationary state, unlike the bare model
2. Localization around reset locations
3. Enhanced localisation with increase of reset rate
4. Particle most likely to be found with equal prob. at two reset sites

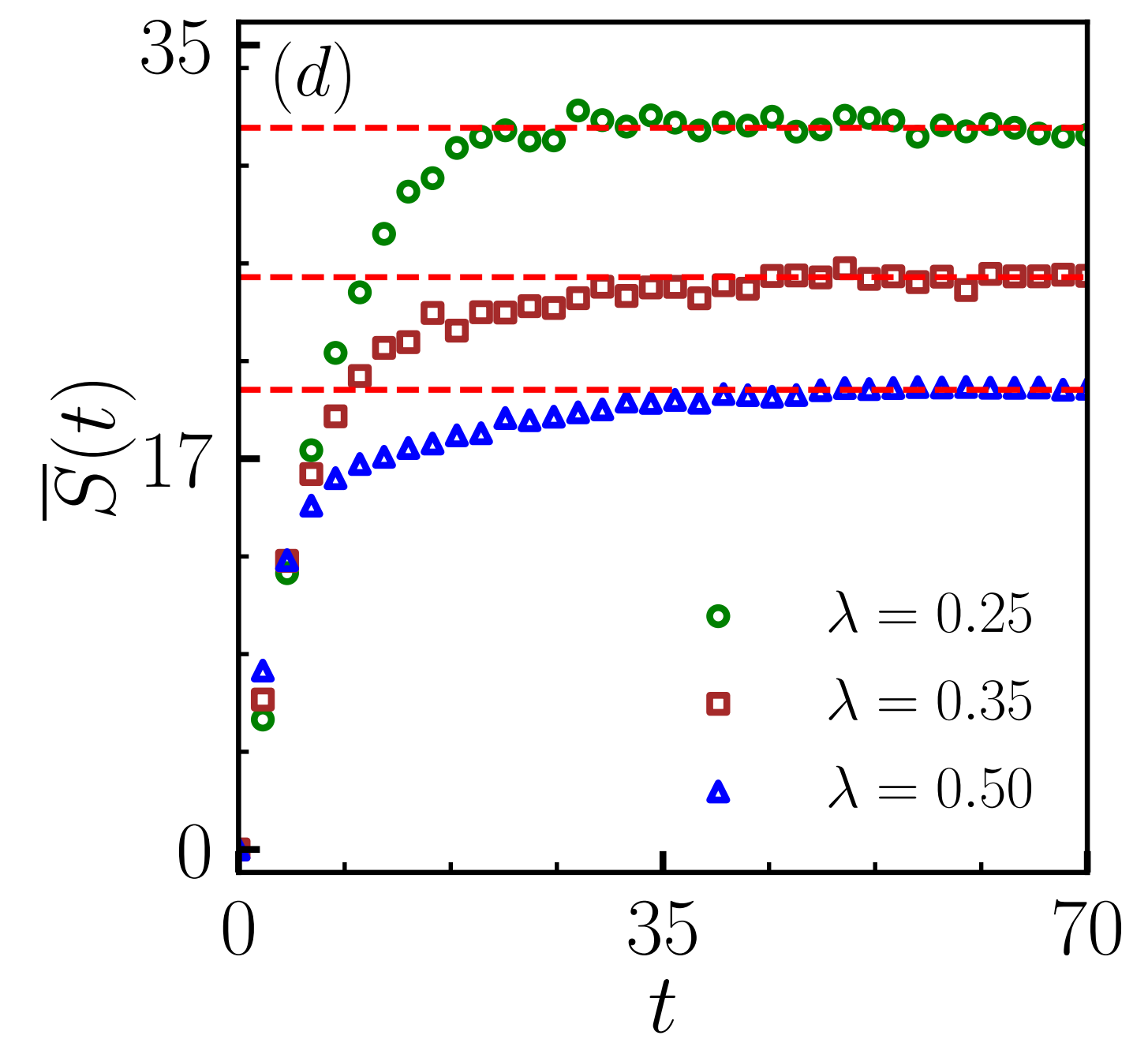
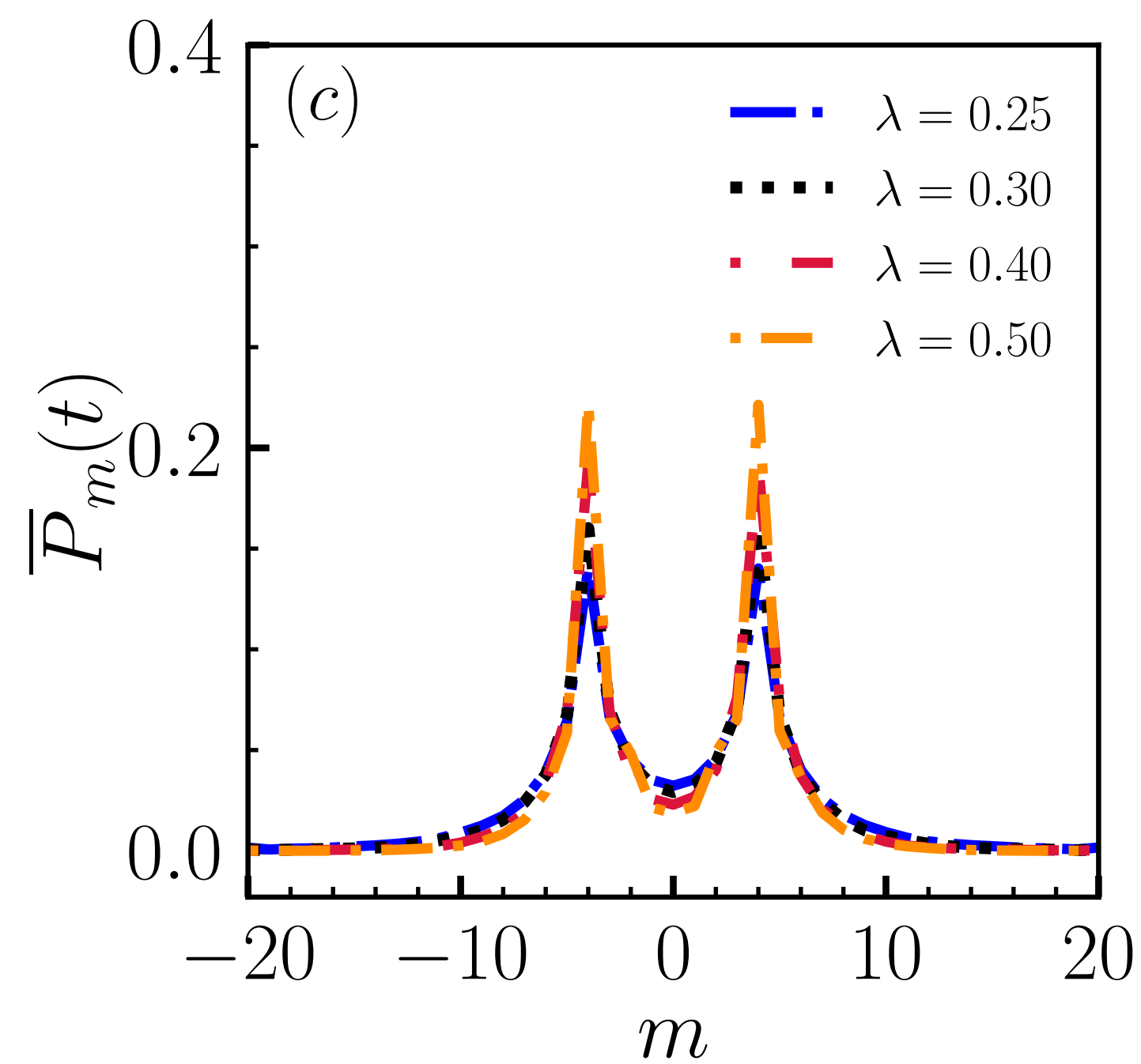
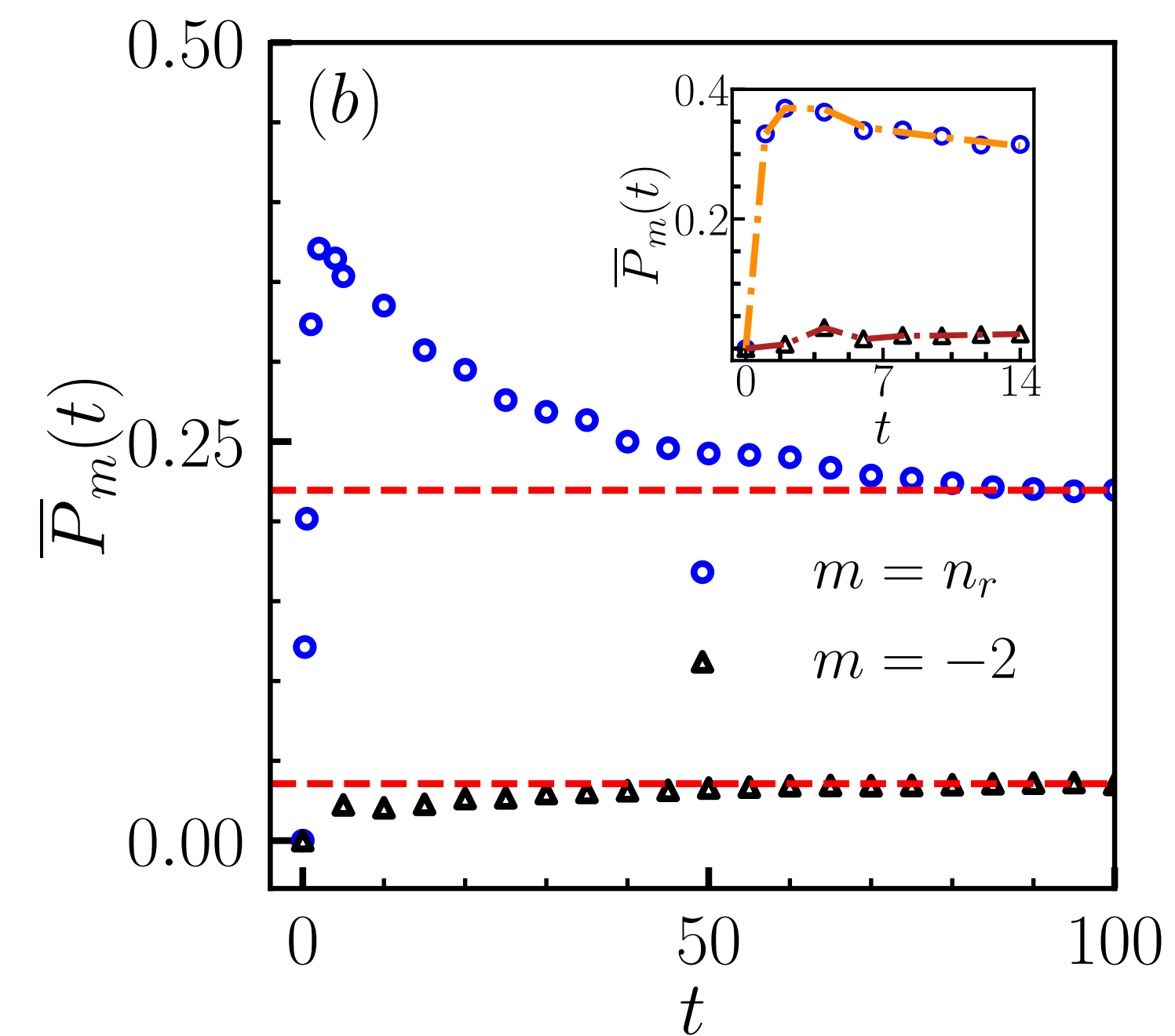
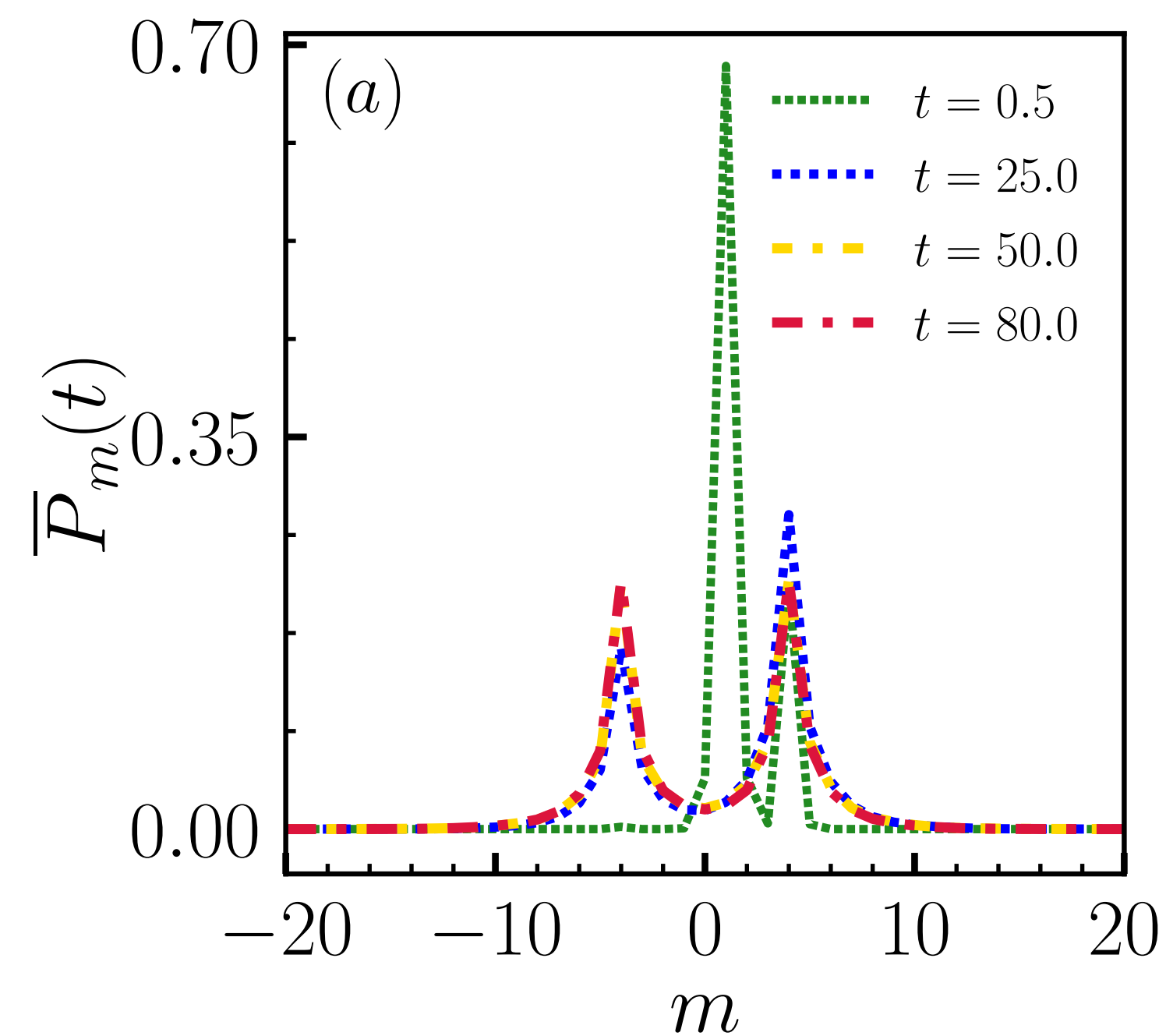


**Resetting locations  
symmetric with  
respect to origin;  
Initial location NOT  
at origin**

$$n_0 = 1$$

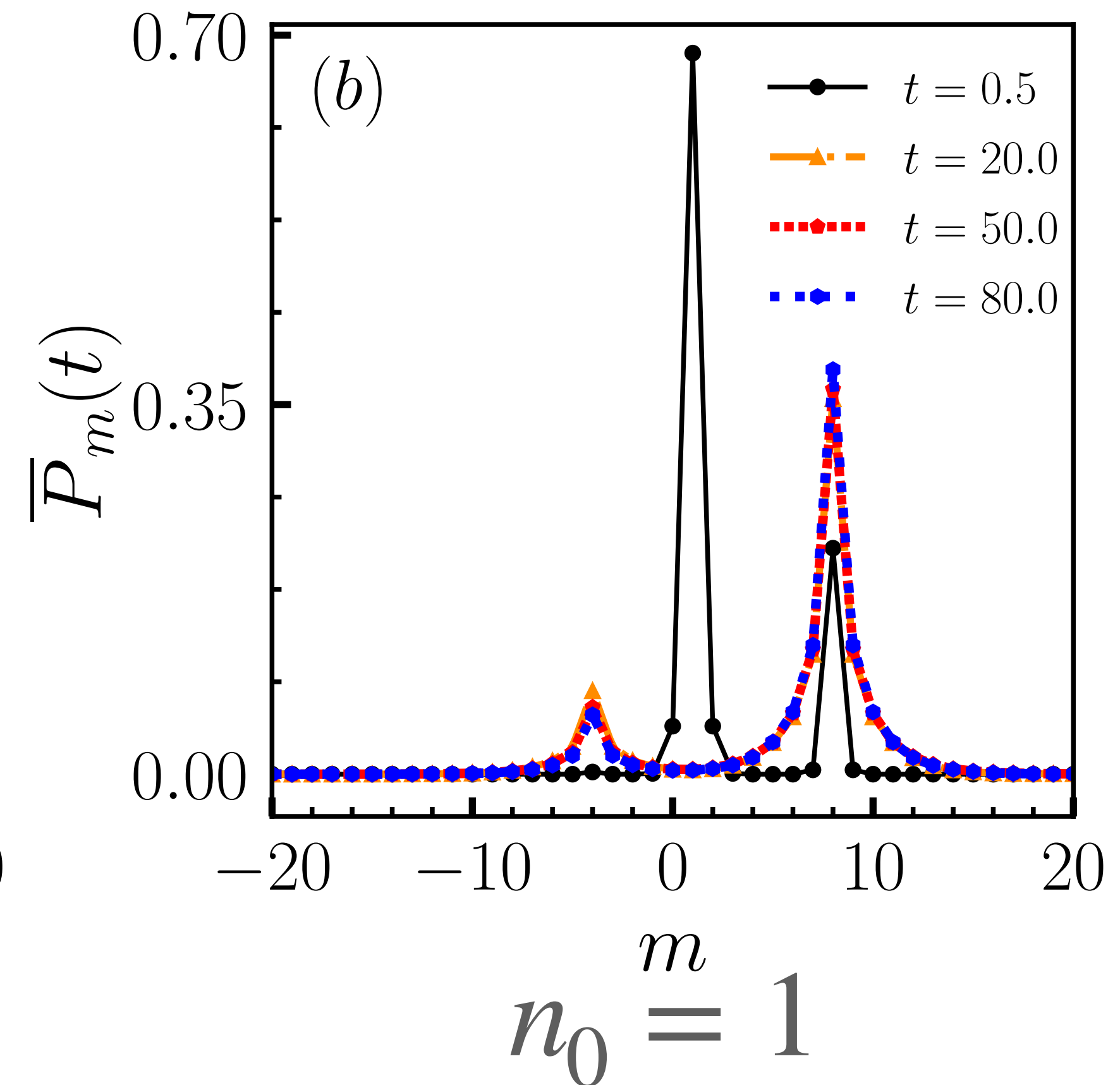
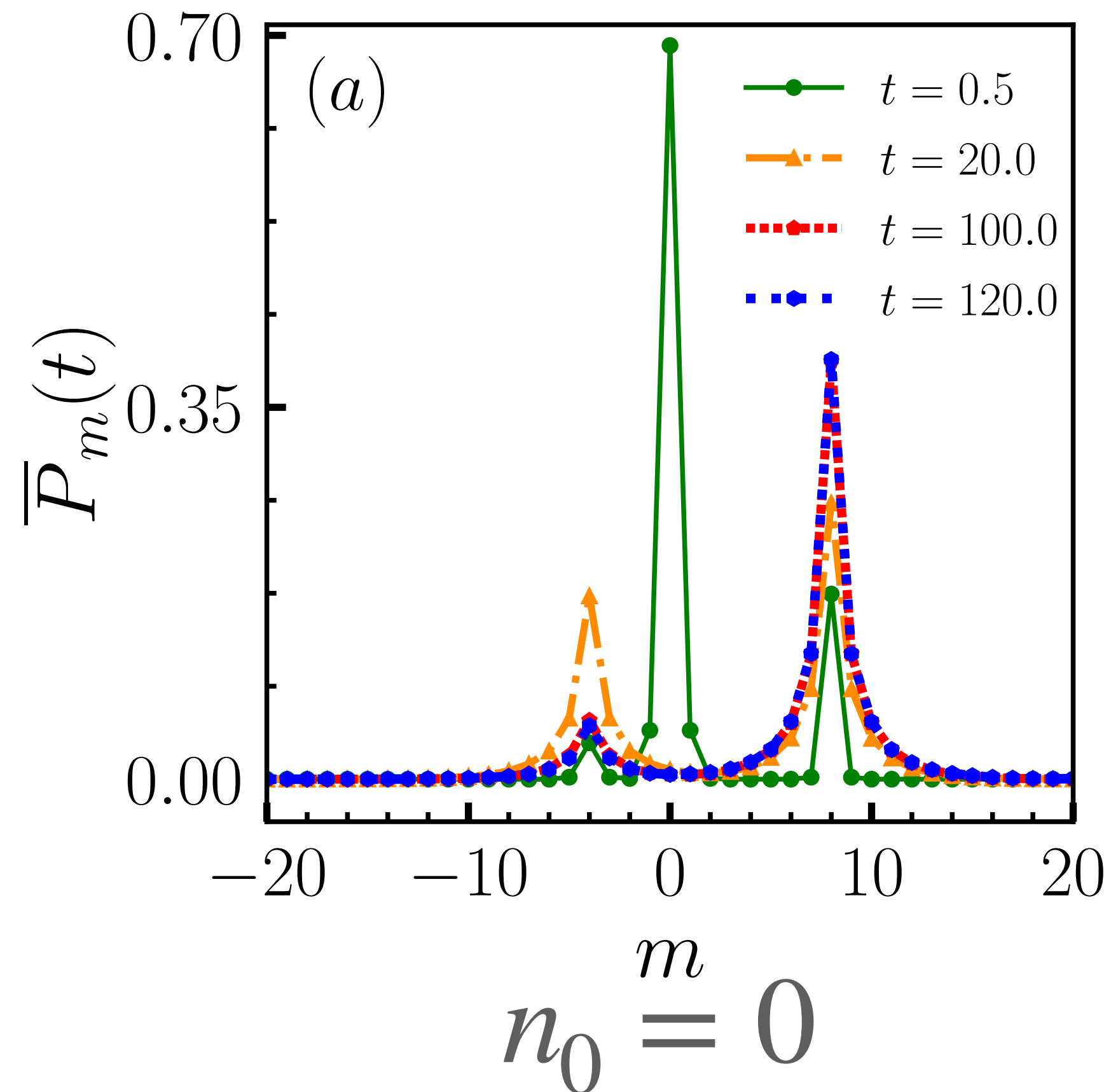
$$n_l = -4, n_r = 4$$

1. Stationary state, unlike the bare model
2. Localization around reset locations
3. Transient state: particle more likely to be found to the right of the origin than to the left
4. Stationary state independent of initial location



Resetting locations  
NOT symmetric  
with respect to  
origin;  
Initial location MAY  
or MAY NOT be at  
origin

$$n_l = -4, n_r = 8$$



1. Stationary state
2. Localization around reset locations
3. Particle more likely to be found at the reset location to the right than to the left
4. No bias in bare TBM dynamics, yet an effective bias towards one of the reset sites due to conditional resetting



**Power-law resetting:**

**Time interval between reset satisfies**

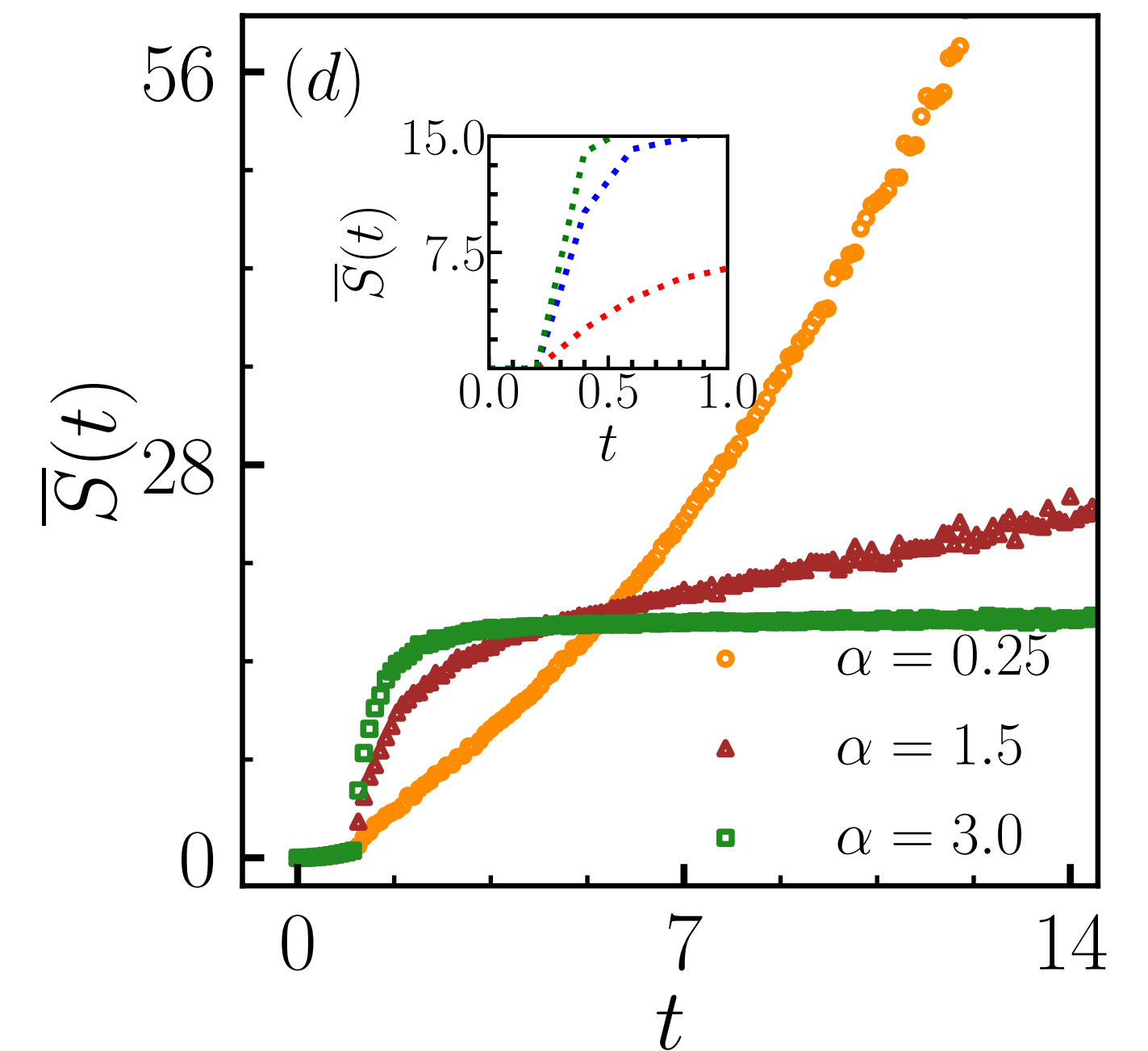
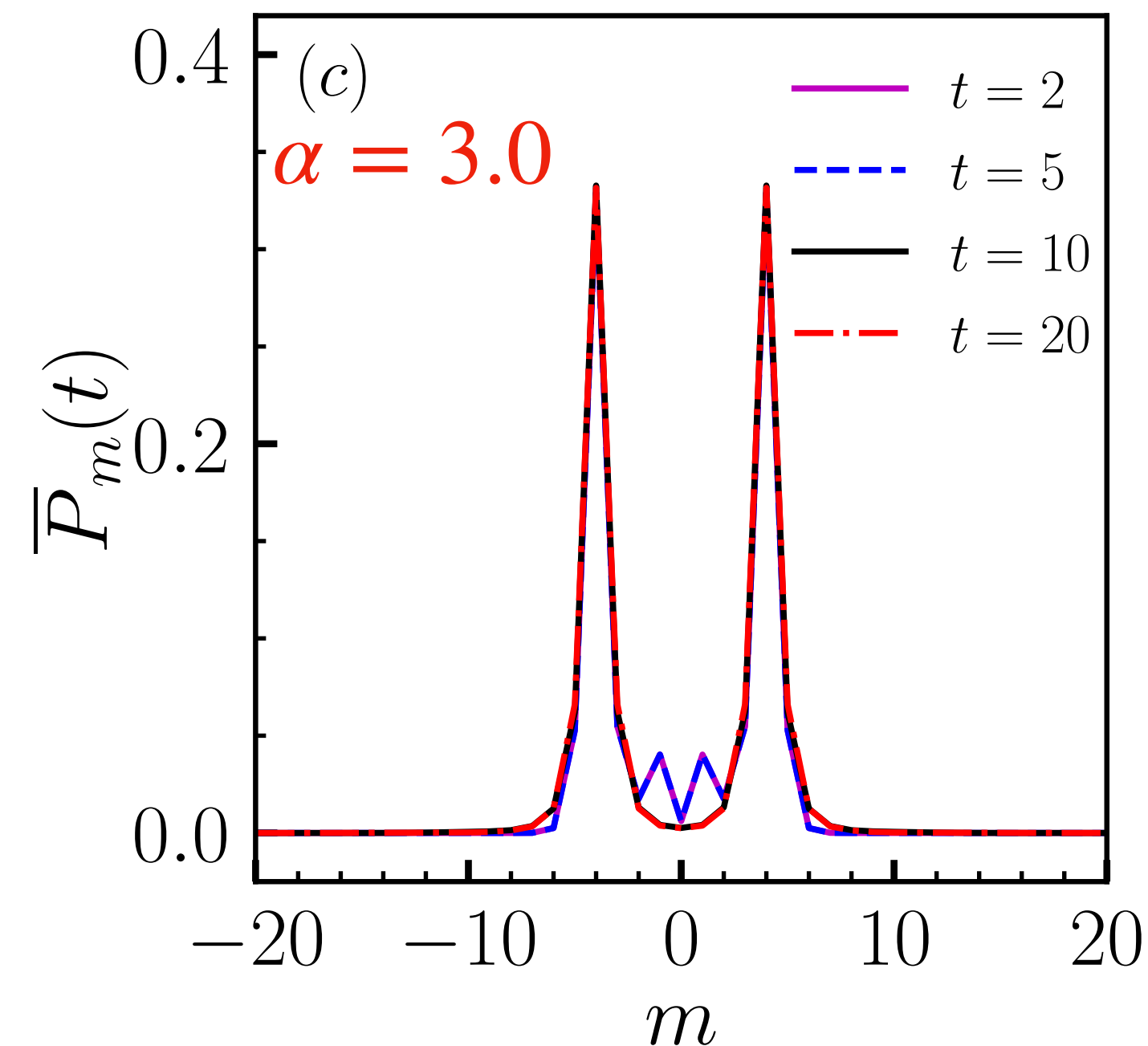
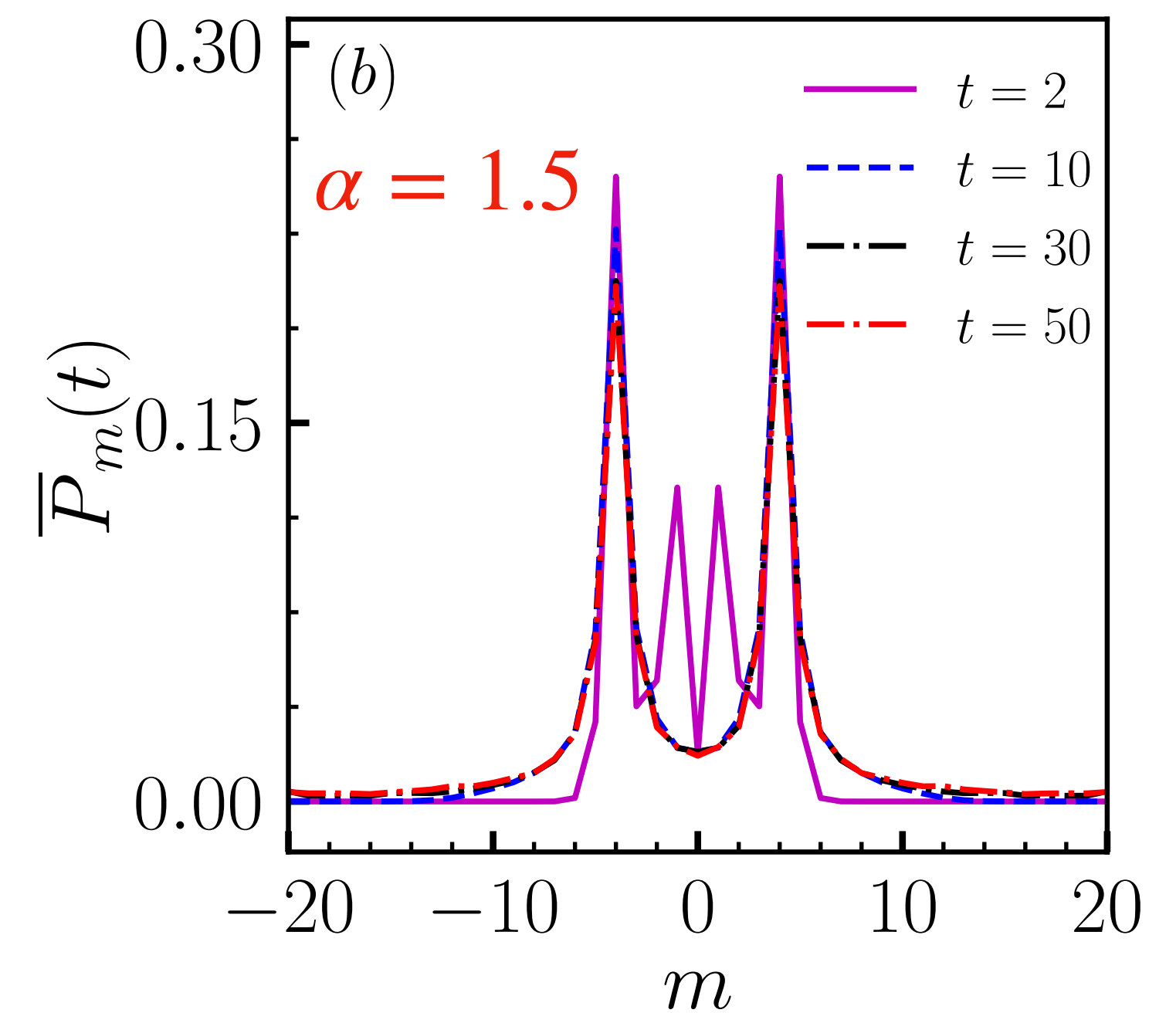
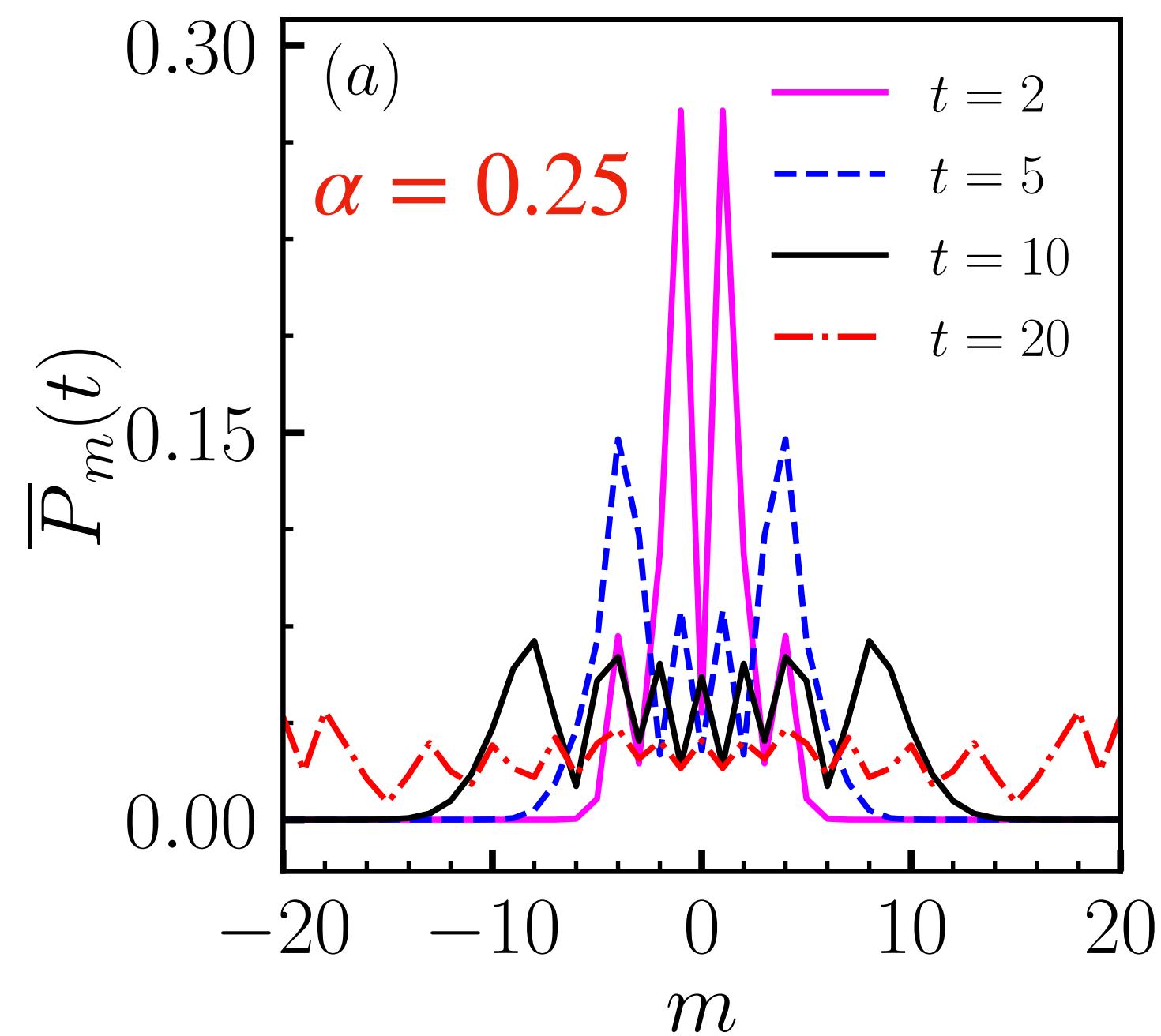
$$p(\tau) = \frac{\alpha}{\tau_0(\tau/\tau_0)^{1+\alpha}}; \quad \alpha > 0; \quad \tau \in [\tau_0, \infty)$$

Resetting locations  
symmetric with  
respect to initial  
location; Initial  
location at origin

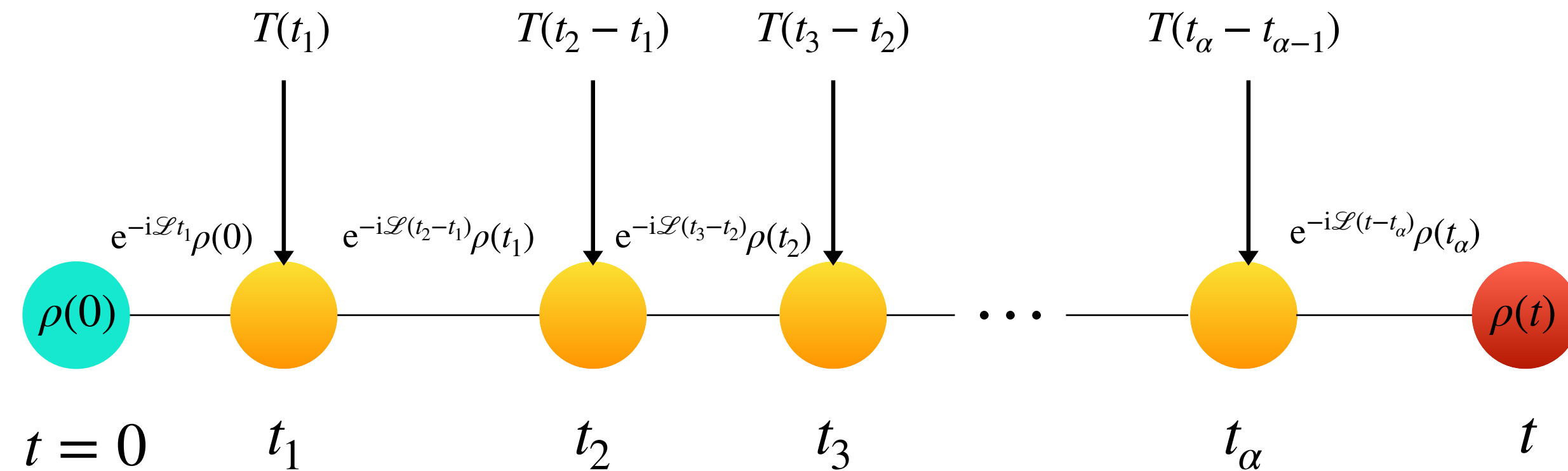
$$n_0 = 0$$

$$n_l = -4, n_r = 4$$

1. Stationary state for  $\alpha > 2$
2. No stationary state for  $\alpha < 1$
3. Stationary state and yet unbounded MSD for  $1 < \alpha < 2$
4. **Lesson:** Conditional reset does not ALWAYS lead to a stationary state
  - $\langle \tau \rangle$  finite: Stationary State
  - $\langle \tau \rangle$  infinite: NO Stationary State



# Analytical calculation: A glimpse



**Averaged density operator:**  $\bar{\rho}(t) = U(t)\rho(0)$

$$U(t) \equiv \sum_{\alpha=0}^{\infty} \int_0^t dt_\alpha \int_0^{t_\alpha} dt_{\alpha-1} \dots \int_0^{t_3} dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 F(t - t_\alpha) e_+^{-i \int_{t_\alpha}^t dt' \mathcal{L}(t')} T(t_\alpha - t_{\alpha-1}) p(t_\alpha - t_{\alpha-1}) e_+^{-i \int_{t_{\alpha-1}}^{t_\alpha} dt' \mathcal{L}(t')} \\ \dots T(t_2 - t_1) p(t_2 - t_1) e_+^{-i \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt' \mathcal{L}(t')} T(t_1) p(t_1) e_+^{-i \int_0^{t_1} dt' \mathcal{L}(t')}$$

**Laplace space and exponential**  $p(\tau) = \lambda e^{-\lambda\tau}$  :  $\tilde{\bar{\rho}}(s) = \tilde{U}(s)\rho(0)$

$$\tilde{U}(s) = \tilde{U}_0(s) \sum_{\alpha=0}^{\infty} \lambda^\alpha (\tilde{T}'(s'))^\alpha$$

# Analytical calculation: A glimpse (contd.)

$$\bar{P}_m(t) = \langle m | \bar{\rho}(t) | m \rangle \quad \widetilde{\bar{P}}_m(s) = \langle m | \widetilde{U}_0(s) \sum_{\alpha=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{\alpha} (\widetilde{T}'(s'))^{\alpha} \rho(0) | m \rangle = \sum_{\alpha=0}^{\infty} \widetilde{\bar{P}}_m^{(\alpha)}(s)$$

$$\Omega_{n_r}^{n_0}(\gamma\tau_1) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} J_{|j-n_0|}^2(\gamma\tau_1) + \frac{1}{2} J_{|n_0|}^2(\gamma\tau_1); \quad \Omega_{n_l}^{n_0}(\gamma\tau_1) = \sum_{j=-1}^{-\infty} J_{|j-n_0|}^2(\gamma\tau_1) + \frac{1}{2} J_{|n_0|}^2(\gamma\tau_1)$$

$$\bar{P}_m^{(1)}(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t dt_1 (J_{|m-n_r|}^2(\gamma(t-t_1)) \Omega_{n_r}^{n_0}(\gamma t_1) + J_{|m-n_l|}^2(\gamma(t-t_1)) \Omega_{n_l}^{n_0}(\gamma t_1))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{P}_m^{(2)}(t) = \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 \Big[ & J_{|m-n_r|}^2(\gamma(t-t_2)) \Big( \Omega_{n_r}^{n_r}(\gamma(t_2-t_1)) \Omega_{n_r}^{n_0}(\gamma t_1) + \Omega_{n_r}^{n_l}(\gamma(t_2-t_1)) \Omega_{n_l}^{n_0}(\gamma t_1) \Big) \\ & + J_{|m-n_l|}^2(\gamma(t-t_2)) \Big( \Omega_{n_l}^{n_r}(\gamma(t_2-t_1)) \Omega_{n_r}^{n_0}(\gamma t_1) + \Omega_{n_l}^{n_l}(\gamma(t_2-t_1)) \Omega_{n_l}^{n_0}(\gamma t_1) \Big) \Big] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{P}_m^{(\alpha \geq 1)}(t) = \lambda^{\alpha} e^{-\lambda t} \Big[ & \int_0^t dt_{\alpha} \int_0^{t_{\alpha}} dt_{\alpha-1} \dots \int_0^{t_3} dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 \Big[ J_{|m-n_r|}^2(\gamma(t-t_{\alpha})) \sum_{\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_{\alpha}} \Omega_{n_r}^{\mu_{\alpha}}(\gamma(t_{\alpha}-t_{\alpha-1})) \dots \Omega_{\mu_2}^{\mu_1}(\gamma(t_2-t_1)) \Omega_{\mu_1}^{n_0}(\gamma t_1) \\ & + J_{|m-n_l|}^2(\gamma(t-t_{\alpha})) \sum_{\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_{\alpha}} \Omega_{n_l}^{\mu_{\alpha}}(\gamma(t_{\alpha}-t_{\alpha-1})) \dots \Omega_{\mu_2}^{\mu_1}(\gamma(t_2-t_1)) \Omega_{\mu_1}^{n_0}(\gamma t_1) \Big] \end{aligned}$$

# Take-home message(s)

1. Studied conditional reset of tight-binding (TBM) quantum particle to two reset locations, conditioned on the location of the particle at the time instant of reset; reset rates symmetric with respect to origin
2. Choice of reset locations with respect to origin crucial in dictating the stationary state
3. Considering reset locations asymmetrically disposed around the origin leads to enhanced localization around one of the reset sites, despite no explicit bias in the dynamics
4. Future scope: TBM with an inherent bias and its interplay with reset-induced bias; More general (?) protocol for conditional resetting, ....

**Thank You for your attention !**