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# FRACTIONAL POWERS OF THE PARABOLIC HERMITE OPERATOR. REGULARITY PROPERTIES

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ABSTRACT. Let  $\mathcal{L} = \partial_t - \Delta_x + |x|^2$ . Consider its Poisson semigroup  $e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}}$ . For  $\alpha > 0$  define the Parabolic Hermite-Zygmund spaces

$$\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha} = \left\{ f : f \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1}) \text{ and } \left\| \partial_y^k e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}} f \right\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq C_k y^{-k+\alpha}, \text{ with } k = [\alpha] + 1, y > 0. \right\},$$

with the obvious norm. It is shown that these spaces have a pointwise description of Hölder type.

The fractional powers  $\mathcal{L}^{\pm\beta}$  are well defined in these spaces and the following regularity properties are proved:

$$\alpha, \beta > 0, \quad \|\mathcal{L}^{-\beta} f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha+2\beta}} \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}}.$$

$$0 < 2\beta < \alpha, \quad \|\mathcal{L}^{\beta} f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2\beta}} \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}}.$$

Parallel results are obtained for the Hermite operator  $-\Delta + |x|^2$ . The proofs use in a fundamental way the semigroup definition of the operators  $\mathcal{L}^{\pm\beta}$  and  $(-\Delta + |x|^2)^{\pm\beta}$ . The non-convolution structure of the operators produces an extra difficulty of the arguments.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Treatises dealing with Lipschitz and Hölder spaces have been the object in quite a lot of papers and books along the last hundred years. In general they can be considered as the classes between the space of continuous functions and the space of  $\mathcal{C}^1$  (differentiable with continuous derivatives) functions, this is the case of  $C^{\alpha}$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . Also they can be considered as the spaces which fill the interval between the classes  $\mathcal{C}^k$  and  $\mathcal{C}^{k+1}$ , this is the case of the spaces  $C^{k,\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . The importance of the smoothness of the functions in the classical theory of Fourier series drove, in a natural way, to analyze the validity of different theorems for the case of Lipschitz functions. We refer to the classical book of Zygmund, [21], to see the role played by these classes in classical Fourier Analysis. In Harmonic Analysis the classes became important as spaces in which some operators are well defined and satisfy some boundedness properties, we refer to the book of E. Stein, [13], in order to have a detailed description from a Harmonic Analysis point of view. In differential equations, Lipschitz continuity is the key of the Picard-Lindelöf theorem for the existence and uniqueness of the solution to an initial value problem. Results about regularity properties with respect to Hölder classes,  $C^{\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $C^{k,\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , are one of the important matters in the theory of partial differential equations. For elliptic operators they can be used to obtain classical solutions of second order elliptic equations of the form  $Lu = f$  (see for instance [5, Chapter 6]). Moreover, in certain measure spaces without notion of derivative, the Lipschitz classes are a good substitute of the space  $\mathcal{C}^{\infty}$  in order to define distributions, and some

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abstract Harmonic Analysis can be performed. This is of special importance in spaces of homogeneous type, see [10]. Finally they are object of study in their own by researchers in Functional Analysis, see [6].

The outbreak produced by the paper of L. Caffarelli and L. Silvestre about the fractional laplacian, [2], has given way to a flowering of papers analyzing the classical properties of the elliptic operators but in the case of these “new” fractional operators. In particular, regularity properties for the operator  $(-\Delta)^\sigma$  were proved in [12]. For elliptic operators in divergence form see [3]. In the case of the Harmonic oscillator  $\mathcal{H} = -\Delta + |x|^2$ , the classes  $C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^n)$  were defined in [16], see Definition 3.14, Schauder and Hölder estimates were proved in this case.

As a shorthand it can be said that, for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , a  $C^\alpha$  function satisfies an inequality of the type  $|f(x) - f(x - y)| \leq C|y|^\alpha$ . For  $\alpha > 1$ , not an integer, the  $[\alpha]$ -order derivatives of the function  $f$  satisfy the same kind of inequality. Special mention should deserve the case  $\alpha = 1$ , with is described as the *Zygmund class*  $|f(x + y) + f(x - y) - 2f(x)| < c|y|$ , see [21, Chapter II]. See also the interesting article [7] and the references there in. These pointwise definitions imply that to prove regularity results of an operator among these spaces we need its pointwise expression. In some (in fact many) cases this can be a rather involved formula, see for example the expressions of  $(-\Delta)^\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{H}^{-\sigma}f(x)$  in [16].

In the 60's of last century the language of the semigroups was used in order to characterize Hölder spaces, see [18]. This is specially successful in the case of the Poisson semigroup. The classical reference is E. M. Stein, see [13, Chapter 5]. Being a little bit imprecise it can be said that a function  $f$  belongs to a class  $\Lambda^\alpha$  if  $\|\partial_t^k e^{-t\sqrt{-\Delta}}f\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq Ct^{-k+\alpha}$ ,  $k \geq \alpha$ . A posteriori these classes are seen to coincide with the  $C^\alpha$  classes. It is interesting to notice that this description also covers the Zygmund class. In the present paper the importance of this picture is based on the fact that in order to prove boundedness properties of operators, one could avoid the long, tedious and sometimes cumbersome computations that are needed when the pointwise expressions are handled. This will be our case.

The characterization of Hölder spaces via the Poisson semigroup  $e^{-t\sqrt{-\Delta}}$  raise the question of analyze some Hölder spaces associated to different laplacians and to find the pointwise and semigroup estimate characterizations. For the case of the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck operator in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $O = \frac{1}{2}\Delta - x \cdot \nabla$ , the so-called *Gaussian Lipschitz spaces* were defined in [4] as the collection of functions such that  $\|\partial_y^k e^{-y\sqrt{O}}f\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n, \frac{e^{-|x|^2}}{\pi^{n/2}})} \leq C_k y^{-k+\alpha}$ ,  $k = [\alpha] + 1$ , where  $e^{-y\sqrt{O}}$  is the

Poisson semigroup associated to the operator  $O$ . In the particular interval  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , these Gaussian Lipschitz spaces have been recently characterized pointwise in [9]. If  $\mathcal{S} = -\Delta + V$  is the Schrödinger operator in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , where  $V$  satisfies a reverse Hölder inequality for some  $q > n/2$ , the classes  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{S}}^\alpha$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , were defined in [11]. The authors prove that the classes can be described by a Campanato-BMO type condition, boundedness in these spaces of operators like fractional powers of  $\mathcal{S}$  are considered. For the Hermite operator  $\mathcal{H} = -\Delta + |x|^2$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , pointwise Hölder spaces,  $C_{\mathcal{H}}^{k,\alpha}$  were defined in [16] and boundedness properties of Hermite fractional laplacian,  $\mathcal{H}^\alpha$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , were considered. In the case of parabolic operators of the type  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}u(t, x) = a^{ij}(t, x)\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}u(t, x) + b^i(t, x)\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}u(t, x) + c(t, x)u(t, x) + f(t, x)$ , where  $a, b, c$  are real valued and  $c \leq 0$ , some pointwise Hölder classes were introduced in [8], where solvability and a priori estimates were proved. For  $\mathcal{M} = \partial_t - \Delta$ , the Poisson semigroup  $e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{M}}}$  is used in [17] for defining the corresponding Hölder classes. The coincidence with the pointwise classes of Krylov were proved for the  $\alpha$  considered in [8]. This semigroup characterization was used to show new regularity properties for fractional powers  $(\partial_t - \Delta_x)^{\pm\alpha}$ .

Now we shall present our results.

Along this paper we shall deal with the *parabolic Hermite operator*

$$(1.1) \quad \mathcal{L} := \partial_t + \mathcal{H} = \partial_t - \Delta_x + |x|^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad t > 0.$$

As the operators  $\partial_t$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  commute, the heat semigroup  $e^{-y\mathcal{L}}$  will be the composition of the heat semigroups  $e^{-y\partial_t}$  and  $e^{-y\mathcal{H}}$ . As these semigroups are well known, see [14] and [1], we shall have a satisfactory description of the operator  $e^{-y\mathcal{L}}$ . This description will be used in order to define, among other operators, the Poisson semigroup  $e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}}$ , the *fractional parabolic Hermite integrals*  $\mathcal{L}^{-\beta}$ ,  $\beta > 0$  and the *fractional parabolic Hermite laplacian*  $\mathcal{L}^\beta$ ,  $\beta > 0$ . See Section 2.

Once the Poisson semigroup,  $\mathcal{P}_y$ , is introduced, see Section 2, we define the following associated classes of functions.

**Definition 1.1.** [*Parabolic Hermite-Zygmund spaces*] Let  $\mathcal{P}_y = e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}}$  and  $\alpha > 0$ , we consider the class

$$\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha = \left\{ f : f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1}) \text{ and } \left\| \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y f \right\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq C_k y^{-k+\alpha}, \text{ with } k = [\alpha] + 1, y > 0. \right\},$$

whose norm is given by  $\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} := \|f\|_\infty + C$ , where  $C$  is the infimum of the positive constants  $C_k$  above.

We will show, in Theorem 1.2 that these classes have a pointwise description. Moreover, a restriction to functions depending only on  $x$ , produces a natural Definition 1.3 and a Theorem 1.4 for the case of Hermite operator in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

The operator  $\mathcal{H}$  can be factorized as  $\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i A_{-i} + A_{-i} A_i)$ ,  $A_i = \partial_{x_i} + x_i$ ,  $A_{-i} = -\partial_{x_i} + x_i$ . The first order operators  $A_{\pm i}$  play the role, with respect to operator  $\mathcal{H}$ , of the derivatives  $\pm \partial_{x_i}$  with respect to the classical laplacian  $\Delta$ . See [14], [16].

**Theorem 1.2.** Let  $\mathcal{L} := \partial_t + \mathcal{H} = \partial_t - \Delta_x + |x|^2$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $t > 0$ .

(1) Suppose that  $0 < \alpha < 2$ . Then  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  if and only if there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$(1.2) \quad \|f(\cdot - \tau, \cdot - z) + f(\cdot - \tau, \cdot + z) - 2f(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq C(|\tau|^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha, \quad (\tau, z) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

and  $(1 + |x|)^\alpha f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ . In this case, if  $K$  denotes the least constant  $C$  for which the inequality above is true, then  $\|u\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} := [u]_{M^\alpha} + K$ . Where  $[f]_{M^\alpha} = \|(1 + |\cdot|)^\alpha f(\cdot, \cdot)\|_\infty$ .

(2) Suppose that  $\alpha > 2$ . Then  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  if and only if

$$A_{\pm i} A_{\pm j} f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n, \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_t f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}.$$

In this case the following equivalence holds

$$\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha} \sim \sum_{i,j=1}^n \left( \|A_{\pm i} A_{\pm j} f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}} \right) + \|\partial_t f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}}.$$

The above results have the following parallel results in the case of Hermite operator  $\mathcal{H} = -\Delta_x + |x|^2$ .

**Definition 1.3.** [*Hermite-Zygmund spaces*] Let  $P_y = e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{H}}}$  and  $\alpha > 0$ , we consider the class

$$\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha = \left\{ g : g \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n) \text{ and } \left\| \partial_y^k P_y g \right\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq C_k y^{-k+\alpha}, \text{ with } k = [\alpha] + 1, y > 0. \right\},$$

whose norm is given by  $\|g\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha} := \|g\|_\infty + C$ , where  $C$  is the infimum of the positive constants  $C_k$  above.

**Theorem 1.4.** *Let  $g \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

- (1) *Suppose that  $0 < \alpha < 2$ . Then  $g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$  if and only if  $(1 + |\cdot|)^\alpha g \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that*

$$\|g(\cdot - z) + g(\cdot + z) - 2g(\cdot)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq C|z|^\alpha, \quad z \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

*In this case, if  $K$  denotes the least constant  $C$  for which the inequality above is true, then  $\|g\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha} := [g]_{M^\alpha} + K$ , where  $[g]_{M^\alpha} = \|(1 + |\cdot|)^\alpha g(\cdot)\|_\infty$ .*

- (2) *Suppose that  $\alpha > 1$ . Then  $g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$  if and only if*

$$A_{\pm i} g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha-1} \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

*In this case the following equivalence holds*

$$\|g\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha} \sim \|g\|_\infty + \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_{\pm i} g\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha-1}}.$$

As we said before we shall obtain regularity results of operators associated to  $\mathcal{L}$  when acting over the classes defined above. We shall consider positive, negative and imaginary powers of the operators  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$ , as well as Riesz transforms. For the appropriated definitions see Section 2.

**Theorem 1.5** (Hölder estimates). *Let  $0 < 2\beta < \alpha$  and  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$ , (respectively  $g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$ ), then  $\mathcal{L}^\beta f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2\beta}$  (respectively  $\mathcal{H}^\beta g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha-2\beta}$ ) and*

$$\|\mathcal{L}^\beta f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2\beta}} \leq C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha}, \quad (\text{respectively } \|\mathcal{H}^\beta g\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha-2\beta}} \leq C\|g\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha}).$$

**Theorem 1.6** (Schauder estimates). *Let  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ .*

- (i) *Given  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  (respectively  $g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$ ), then  $\mathcal{L}^{-\beta} f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha+2\beta}$  (respectively  $\mathcal{H}^{-\beta} g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha+2\beta}$ ) and*

$$\|\mathcal{L}^{-\beta} f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha+2\beta}} \leq C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha}, \quad (\text{respectively } \|\mathcal{H}^{-\beta} g\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha+2\beta}} \leq C\|g\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha}).$$

- (ii) *If  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ , (respectively  $g \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ), then*

$$\|\mathcal{L}^{-\beta} f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\beta} \leq C\|f\|_\infty, \quad (\text{respectively } \|\mathcal{H}^{-\beta} g\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\beta} \leq C\|g\|_\infty).$$

We also get the boundedness of the multiplier operator of the Laplace transform type on the spaces  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  and  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$ . We recall to the reader that the imaginary powers  $\lambda^{i\gamma}$  are examples of multipliers of Laplace transform type. In [11], this result is proved for every Schrödinger operator when  $0 < \alpha < 1$ .

**Theorem 1.7.** *Let  $a$  be a bounded function on  $[0, \infty)$  and consider*

$$m(\lambda) = \lambda^{1/2} \int_0^\infty e^{-s\lambda^{1/2}} a(s) ds, \quad \lambda > 0.$$

*Then, for every  $\alpha > 0$ , the multiplier operator of the Laplace transform type  $m(\mathcal{L})$  (respectively  $m(\mathcal{H})$ ) is bounded from  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  (respectively  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$ ) into itself.*

In [11], this result is proved for every Schrödinger operator when  $0 < \alpha < 1$ .

**Theorem 1.8.** *Consider the Parabolic Hermite Riesz transforms of order  $m \geq 1$  defined by*

$$R_\nu = (A_{\pm 1}^{\nu_1} A_{\pm 2}^{\nu_2} \dots A_{\pm n}^{\nu_n}) \mathcal{L}^{-m/2} \quad \text{and} \quad R_m = \partial_t^m \mathcal{L}^{-m}$$

*where  $\nu_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $|\nu| = \nu_1 + \dots + \nu_n = m$ . Let  $\alpha > 0$ , then  $R_\nu$  and  $R_m$  are bounded from  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  into itself. A parallel result holds for the operators  $(A_{\pm 1}^{\nu_1} A_{\pm 2}^{\nu_2} \dots A_{\pm n}^{\nu_n}) \mathcal{H}^{-m/2}$  when acting on the spaces  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$ .*

See [14], [16] and [19] and the references there in for more information about the hermitian Riesz transforms  $A_j \mathcal{H}^{-1/2}$ .

Apart from the above regularity results, our semigroup language allows us to get some maximum principle.

**Theorem 1.9** (Maximum principle). *Let  $0 < \beta < 1$ ,  $\alpha > 2\beta$  and  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}$ . Suppose that*

- (1)  $f(t_0, x_0) = 0$  for some  $(t_0, x_0) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ , and
- (2)  $f(t, x) \geq 0$  for  $t \leq t_0$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

*Then  $\mathcal{L}^\beta f(t_0, x_0) \leq 0$ .*

*Moreover,  $\mathcal{L}^\beta f(t_0, x_0) = 0$  if and only if  $f(t, x) = 0$  for  $t \leq t_0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .*

The organization of the paper is as follows. In Section 2 we present the mains objects like Poisson semigroup and fractional powers of operators. We observe that as the operator  $\mathcal{L}$  is not positive, the standard definitions have to be adapted to this complex case. In Section 3 we show the coincidence of the spaces  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  and  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$  with some Hölder pointwise spaces defined previously in [8] and [17] in the parabolic and Hermite settings. Section 4 is devoted to the proof of Theorems 1.2 and 1.4. Theorems 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8 and 1.9 are proved in Sections 5 and 6. Finally in Section 7 we collect some inequalities needed along the paper. The non-convolution structure of our operators, produces non trivial difficulties and technical computations that we have to solve in each case. This is common to the parabolic case  $\mathcal{L}$  and the Hermite case  $\mathcal{H}$ . We present the computations and the results in such a way that the parabolic case includes as particular case the Hermite case. This will be clarified in the subsections called *Elliptic Hermite setting* included at the end the corresponding Sections.

Along this paper, we will use the variable constant convention, in which  $C$  denotes a constant that may not be the same in each appearance. The constant will be written with subindexes if we need to emphasize the dependence on some parameters.

## 2. PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATIONS.

For functions  $g \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the heat semigroup  $e^{-\tau \mathcal{H}}$  has the pointwise expression

$$e^{-\tau \mathcal{H}} g(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}}{(2\pi \sinh 2\tau)^{n/2}} g(z) dz,$$

see [14], [20]. The operator  $\partial_t$  in (1.1) is taking care of the past, in other words its heat semigroup is given by  $e^{-\tau \partial_t} \varphi(t) = \varphi(t - \tau)$ . Hence for functions  $f \in \mathcal{C}_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)}^1(\mathbb{R})$  we have  $e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} f(t, x) = e^{-\tau \mathcal{H}} (e^{-\tau \partial_t} f(t, \cdot))(x)$ , moreover

$$(2.3) \quad e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} f(t, x) = e^{-\tau \mathcal{H}} (f(t - \tau, \cdot))(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}}{(2\pi \sinh 2\tau)^{n/2}} f(t - \tau, z) dz.$$

The Fourier-Hermite transform of a function  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  can be defined as

$$(2.4) \quad \mathcal{F}(f)(\rho, \mu) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} f(t, x) e^{-i\rho t} h_\mu(x) dt dx, \quad \rho \in \mathbb{R}, \mu \in \mathbb{N}_0^n.$$

Where  $h_\mu(x) = \prod_{j=1}^n h_{\mu_j}(x_j)$ ,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $h_k$  is the Hermite function defined by

$$h_k(t) = \frac{(-1)^k}{(2^k k! \pi^{1/2})^{1/2}} H_k(t) e^{-t^2/2}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Here  $H_k$  denotes the Hermite polynomial of degree  $k$  (see [20]). These functions are eigenvectors of the Hermite operator  $\mathcal{H}$ . In fact  $\mathcal{H}h_\mu = (2|\mu| + n)h_\mu$ . Consequently for functions  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  we have

$$(2.5) \quad \mathcal{F}(e^{-\tau\mathcal{L}}f)(\rho, \mu) = e^{-\tau(i\rho+2|\mu|+n)}\mathcal{F}(f)(\rho, \mu), \quad \rho \in \mathbb{R}, \mu \in \mathbb{N}^n.$$

Given  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\Re z \geq 0$ , by analytic continuation it can be seen that

$$e^{-t\sqrt{z}} = \frac{y}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2/4\tau} e^{-\tau z} \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{3/2}}.$$

Hence for  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  we have

$$e^{-y\sqrt{i\rho+2|\mu|+n}}\mathcal{F}(f)(\rho, \mu) = \frac{y}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2/4\tau} e^{-\tau i\rho+2|\mu|+n} \mathcal{F}(f)(\rho, \mu) \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{3/2}}.$$

This last expression can be written as

$$\mathcal{F}(e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}}f)(\rho, \mu) = \frac{y}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2/4\tau} \mathcal{F}(e^{-y\mathcal{L}}f)(\rho, \mu) \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{3/2}}.$$

The Fourier transform defined in (2.4) is an isometry in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  and in particular we have, in the  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  sense,

$$(2.6) \quad \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}}f(t, x) = \frac{y}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2/4\tau} e^{-\tau\mathcal{L}}f(t, x) \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{3/2}}.$$

For functions  $f$  good enough, formulas (2.3) and 2.6 give the following pointwise expression (2.7)

$$\mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = \frac{y}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-y^2/4\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}}{(2\pi \sinh 2\tau)^{n/2}} f(t - \tau, z) dz \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{3/2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

On the other hand,

$$ye^{-y^2/4\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}}{(2\pi \sinh 2\tau)^{n/2} \tau^{3/2}} \chi_{\{\tau>0\}} \leq C \frac{y}{\tau^{1/2}} \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{n/2}} \chi_{\{\tau>0\}} = \Phi_y(\tau, x - z).$$

As  $\Phi_y$  belongs to  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ , the formula (2.7), defining the *Parabolic Poisson Hermite integral*, remains valid for any  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,  $(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . Moreover, this integral satisfies a *Parabolic Hermite Laplace equation* as the following Proposition shows.

**Proposition 2.10.** *Assume  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ . Then  $\mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)$  satisfies the equation*

$$(2.8) \quad \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - \mathcal{L} \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = 0, \quad (t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}.$$

*Proof.* We observe that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \partial_{y^2} \left( ye^{-y^2/4\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}}{(2\pi \sinh 2\tau)^{n/2} \tau^{3/2}} \chi_{\{\tau>0\}} \right) \right| \\ & + \left| \Delta_x \left( ye^{-y^2/4\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}}{(2\pi \sinh 2\tau)^{n/2} \tau^{3/2}} \chi_{\{\tau>0\}} \right) \right| \\ & + \left| \partial_\tau \left( ye^{-y^2/4\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}}{(2\pi \sinh 2\tau)^{n/2} \tau^{3/2}} \chi_{\{\tau>0\}} \right) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{C}{\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{n/2}} \chi_{\{\tau>0\}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for  $y > 0$  and  $|x - z| > 0$ , the function  $ye^{-y^2/4\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}}{(2\pi \sinh 2\tau)^{n/2} \tau^{3/2}} \chi_{\{\tau>0\}}$  is smooth in all its variables. In particular we can write

$$\mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = \frac{y}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-y^2/4(t-\tau)} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth(t-\tau)} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh(t-\tau)}}{(2\pi \sinh 2(t-\tau))^{n/2}} f(\tau, z) dz \chi_{\{t-\tau>0\}} \frac{d\tau}{(t-\tau)^{3/2}}.$$

The above estimates also show that we can interchange the derivatives with the integral for  $y > 0$  and  $|x - z| > 0$ . Hence the Proposition follows since the kernel of this last integral satisfies the equation (2.8).  $\square$

**Remark 2.11.** *The proof of the previous Lemma also shows that for functions  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  we can write*

$$(2.9) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z) dz d\tau \\ &= \frac{y}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|2x-z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau} e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{(2\pi \sinh(2\tau))^{n/2} \tau^{3/2}} f(t - \tau, x - z) dz \chi_{\{\tau>0\}} d\tau. \end{aligned}$$

As we have noticed in (2.5), the infinitesimal generator,  $\mathcal{L}$ , of the semigroup  $e^{-\tau\mathcal{L}}$  is not positive. This forced us to use some complex variable technique in order to give a sense to the powers of the operator  $\mathcal{L}$ . Given a non necessarily positive operator  $\mathbb{L}$ , formulas to define  $\mathbb{L}^{\pm\alpha}$ , where  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , were considered in [1], [15] and [17].

Given  $\beta > 0$ , we recall the following two integrals related with the Gamma function:

$$(2.10) \quad C_\beta = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^\beta \frac{dt}{t}, \quad c_\beta = \int_0^\infty (e^{-t} - 1)^{[\beta]+1} \frac{dt}{t^{1+\beta}}.$$

It is well known that  $C_\beta = \Gamma(\beta)$  for all  $0 < \beta$  and  $c_\beta = \Gamma(-\beta)$  for  $0 < \beta < 1$ . The following Lemma was proved in [1].

**Lemma 2.12.** *Let  $0 < \beta < 1$  and  $-\pi/2 \leq \varphi_0 \leq \pi/2$ . Consider the ray in the complex plane  $\text{ray}_{\varphi_0} := \{z = re^{i\varphi_0} : 0 < r < \infty\}$ . Then*

$$\Gamma(\beta) = \int_{\text{ray}_{\varphi_0}} e^{-z} z^\beta \frac{dz}{z}, \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma(-\beta) = \int_{\text{ray}_{\varphi_0}} (e^{-z} - 1) \frac{dz}{z^{1+\beta}}.$$

For  $0 < \beta < 1$ , the absolutely convergent integrals in (2.10) can be interpreted as integrals of the functions  $F(t) = e^{-t} t^{\beta-1}$  and  $G(t) = (e^{-t} - 1)/t^{1+\beta}$  along the “complex” path  $\{z = t : 0 < t < \infty\}$ . The proof of the Lemma is based in the Cauchy Integral Theorem applied to the functions  $F(z) = e^{-z} z^{\beta-1}$  and  $G(z) = (e^{-z} - 1)/z^{1+\beta}$ . Both functions are analytic for  $z \neq 0$ . For the integrals defined in (2.10) we could state a parallel Lemma to 2.12, by choosing  $H(z) = (e^{-z} - 1)^{[\beta]+1}/z^{1+\beta}$ . The proof follows the same steps. We leave the details to the reader. We have the following Corollary.

**Corollary 2.13.** *Let  $\beta > 0$  and  $\lambda$  a complex number with  $\Re \lambda \geq 0$ . Then*

$$\lambda^{-\beta} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^\infty e^{\lambda t} t^\beta \frac{dt}{t}, \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda^\beta = \frac{1}{c_\beta} \int_0^\infty (e^{\lambda t} - 1)^{[\beta]+1} \frac{dt}{t^{1+\beta}}.$$

We use the last Corollary to define the negative and positive fractional powers of the operator  $\mathcal{L}$  as

$$\mathcal{L}^\beta f(t, x) = \frac{1}{c_{2\beta}} \int_0^\infty \left( e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}^{1/2}} - I \right)^{[2\beta]+1} f(t, x) \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{1+2\beta}},$$



where  $c_{2\beta} = \int_0^\infty (e^{-\tau} - 1)^{[2\beta]+1} \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{1+2\beta}}$ . Also, for  $\beta > 0$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}^{-\beta} f(t, x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2\beta)} \int_0^\infty e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}^{1/2}} f(t, x) \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{1-2\beta}}.$$

Observe that for good enough functions

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{L}^{\pm\beta} f)(\rho, \mu) = (i\rho + 2\mu + n)^{\pm\beta} \mathcal{F}(f)(\rho, \mu), \quad \rho \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ and } \mu \in \mathbb{N}^n.$$

### 2.1. Elliptic Hermite setting.

Given  $g \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , consider the function  $f(t, x) = g(x)$ , then formula (2.7) becomes

$$(2.11) \quad \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = \frac{y}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-y^2/4\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{|x-z|^2}{4} \coth \tau} e^{-\frac{|x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}}{(2\pi \sinh 2\tau)^{n/2}} g(z) dz \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{3/2}} = P_y g(x).$$

Where  $P_y g(x)$  is the Poisson semigroup associated to the operator  $\mathcal{H} = -\Delta_x + |x|^2$ . The thoughts developed along this section show that:

- For functions  $g \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $P_y g(x)$  satisfies the equation  $\partial_y^2 P_y g(x) - \mathcal{H} P_y g(x) = 0$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .
- Identities (2.9) and (2.11) give that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) d\tau = P_y(x, z)$ , for all  $x, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $\mathcal{P}_y$  is the Poisson kernel associated to  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $P_y$  is the Poisson kernel associated to the harmonic oscillator,  $\mathcal{H}$ .
- Let  $\beta > 0$ , for  $g$  good enough,

$$\mathcal{H}^\beta g(x) = \frac{1}{c_{2\beta}} \int \left( e^{-\tau \mathcal{H}^{1/2}} - I_d \right)^{[2\beta]+1} g(x) \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{1+2\beta}},$$

is well defined and  $\widehat{\mathcal{H}^\beta g}(\mu) = (2|\mu| + n)^\beta \hat{g}(\mu)$ ,  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}^n$ , with  $\hat{g}(\mu) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(x) h_\mu(x) dx$ .

- Let  $\beta > 0$ , for good enough functions  $g$ ,

$$\mathcal{H}^{-\beta} g(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2\beta)} \int_0^\infty e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}^{1/2}} g(x) \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{1-2\beta}}$$

is well defined and  $\widehat{\mathcal{H}^{-\beta} g}(\mu) = (2|\mu| + n)^{-\beta} \hat{g}(\mu)$ ,  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}^n$ .

### 3. COINCIDENCE OF PARABOLIC HERMITE-ZYGMUND WITH PARABOLIC HERMITE-HÖLDER SPACES.

We shall begin by recalling the following definition, that can be found in [16].

**Definition 3.14** (Hermite Hölder spaces). *Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . We consider the space of functions*

$$C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^n) = \{f : (1 + |\cdot|)^\alpha f(\cdot) \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n), \text{ and } \|f(\cdot + z) - f(\cdot)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq A|z|^\alpha\}$$

*with associated norm*

$$\|f\|_{C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha} = [f]_{M^\alpha} + [f]_{C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha}.$$

Where  $[f]_{M^\alpha} = \|(1 + |\cdot|)^\alpha f(\cdot)\|_\infty$  and  $[f]_{C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha} = \sup_{|z|>0} \frac{\|f(\cdot + z) - f(\cdot)\|_\infty}{|z|^\alpha}$ .

For  $\alpha > 1$  and not integer, we say that  $f \in C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , if there exist the derivatives of order  $[\alpha]$  and the norm

$$\|f\|_{C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha} := [f]_{M^{\alpha-[\alpha]}} + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq |i_1|, \dots, |i_m| \leq n \\ 1 \leq m \leq [\alpha]}} [A_{i_1} \dots A_{i_m} f]_{M^{\alpha-[\alpha]}} + \sum_{1 \leq |i_1|, \dots, |i_{[\alpha]}| \leq n} [A_{i_1} \dots A_{i_{[\alpha]}} f]_{C_{\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha-[\alpha]}},$$

*is finite.*

Some parabolic Hölder spaces were considered by N. Krylov, see [8]. Namely

- (i) Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ,  $C^{\alpha/2, \alpha}$  was defined as the set of bounded functions such that

$$[f]_{C^{\alpha/2, \alpha}} = \sup_{(\tau, z) \neq (0, 0)} \frac{\|f(\cdot - \tau, \cdot - z) - f(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})}}{(|\tau|^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha} < \infty.$$

- (ii) For  $1 < \alpha < 2$ ,  $f \in C^{\alpha/2, \alpha}$  if  $\partial_{x_i} f \in C^{\alpha/2-1/2, \alpha-1}$  and  $f(\cdot, x) \in C^{\alpha/2}(\mathbb{R})$  uniformly on  $x$ .

- (iii) Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ,  $C^{1+\alpha/2, 2+\alpha}$  if  $\partial_{x_i}^2 f$  and  $\partial_t f$  belong to  $C^{\alpha/2, \alpha}$ .

These Krylov's definitions together with Definition 3.14 drive us to consider the following definition.

**Definition 3.15** (Parabolic Hermite Hölder spaces). • Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . We say that

$f \in C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  if  $f \in C^{\alpha/2, \alpha}$  and

$$[f]_{M^\alpha} = \sup_{(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}} (1 + |x|)^\alpha |f(t, x)| < \infty,$$

In this case,  $\|f\|_{C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}} = [f]_{M^\alpha} + [f]_{C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}}$ .

- For  $1 < \alpha < 2$ ,  $f \in C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  if  $A_{\pm i} f \in C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2-1/2, \alpha-1}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  and  $f(\cdot, x) \in C^{\alpha/2}(\mathbb{R})$  uniformly on  $x$ .
- For  $2 < \alpha < 3$  we say that a function  $f \in C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ , if the functions  $A_{\pm i} A_{\pm j} f$  and the function  $\partial_t f$  belong to  $C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2-1, \alpha-2}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ .

In the next result we will show that the functions in  $C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , can be taken to be continuous, so the inequality  $|f(t - \tau, x + z) - f(t, x)| \leq C(\tau^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha$  holds for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Proposition 3.16.** For  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , every  $f \in C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  can be modified on a set of measure zero so that it becomes continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $f \in C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ . We will follow the ideas in Stein [13, page 142]. By the hypothesis on  $f$ , Lemma 7.34 (i) and Lemma 7.33 (3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |\mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - f(t, x)| \\ & \leq \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) (f(t - \tau, x - z) - f(t, x)) d\tau dz \right| + \left| f(t, x) \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) d\tau dz - 1 \right) \right| \\ & \leq [f]_{C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2 + |z|^2}{c\tau}} (\tau^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha}{\tau^{\frac{n+3}{2}}} d\tau dz \right) + \|f\|_\infty \left| e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}} 1(t, x) - 1 \right| \leq C \|f\|_{C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}} y^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we conclude that  $\mathcal{P}_y f$  converges uniformly to  $f$  as  $y$  goes to zero. As  $\mathcal{P}_y f$  is continuous,  $f$  can be taken to be continuous.  $\square$

Now we shall show that, for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , the pointwise Definition 3.15 is equivalent to the Definition 1.1 given by using of Poisson semigroup.

**Theorem 3.17** (Parabolic Hermite-Hölder = Parabolic Hermite-Zygmund). Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . Then

$$C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha} = \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha,$$

with equivalence of norms.

*Proof.* For  $f \in C_{t,\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2,\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ , we write

$$\begin{aligned} y\partial_y \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} y\partial_y \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)(f(t - \tau, x - z) - f(t, x))d\tau dz \\ &\quad + f(t, x) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} y\partial_y \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)d\tau dz = I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 7.34 (i) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |I_1| &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |y\partial_y \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| |f(t - \tau, x - z) - f(t, x)| dz \\ &\leq C\|f\|_{C_{\mathcal{H}}^{0,\alpha/2,\alpha}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{ye^{-\frac{y^2+|z|^2}{c\tau}}(\tau^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha}{\tau^{\frac{n+3}{2}}} d\tau dz \leq C\|f\|_{C_{t,\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2,\alpha}} y^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Regarding  $I_2$ , as  $\int_0^\infty y\partial_y(ye^{-y^2/4\tau})\frac{d\tau}{\tau^{3/2}} = 0$  we can write

$$|I_2| = \left| f(t, x) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty y\partial_y(ye^{-y^2/4\tau}) \left( e^{-\tau\mathcal{L}} 1(t, x) - 1 \right) \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{3/2}} \right| \leq C\|f\|_{C_{t,\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2,\alpha}} y^\alpha.$$

Where in the last inequality we have used Lemma 7.33 (3).

Conversely, suppose that  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$ . We can write

$$\begin{aligned} &f(t + \tau, x + z) - f(t, x) \\ &= (\mathcal{P}_y f(t + \tau, x + z) - \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)) + (f(t + \tau, x + z) - \mathcal{P}_y f(t + \tau, x + z)) + (\mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - f(t, x)). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $y = \tau^{1/2} + |z|$ . For the second summand we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| f(t + \tau, x + z) - \mathcal{P}_y f(t + \tau, x + z) \right\|_\infty &= \left\| - \int_0^y \frac{\partial \mathcal{P}_{y'} f(t + \tau, x + z)}{\partial y'} dy' \right\|_\infty \\ &\leq C\|f\|_{C_{\mathcal{H}}^{0,\alpha/2,\alpha}} \int_0^y y'^{-1+\alpha} dy' = C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} y^\alpha = C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} (\tau^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

A similar estimate can be performed for the third summand. On the other hand by the Mean Value Theorem and Lemma 4.21, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{P}_y f(t + \tau, x + z) - \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)| &\leq |\mathcal{P}_y f(t + \tau, x + z) - \mathcal{P}_y f(t + \tau, x)| + |\mathcal{P}_y f(t + \tau, x) - \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)| \\ (3.12) \quad &\leq |\nabla_x \mathcal{P}_y f(t + \tau, x + \theta z)| |z| + |\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f(t + \lambda\tau, x)| |\tau|. \end{aligned}$$

We observe that by the semigroup property, integration by parts and Lemma 7.34 (ii), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \partial_{x_i} \partial_y \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) \right| &= \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_{y/2}(\tau, x, z) \partial_y \mathcal{P}_y f(t - \tau, x - z) \Big|_{y/2} d\tau dz \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_{y/2}(\tau, x, z) \partial_{x_i} \partial_y \mathcal{P}_y f(t - \tau, x - z) \Big|_{y/2} d\tau dz \right| \\ &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \left| (\partial_{x_i} + \partial_{z_i}) \mathcal{P}_{y/2}(\tau, x, z) \partial_y \mathcal{P}_y f(t - \tau, x - z) \Big|_{y/2} \right| d\tau dz \leq C y^{-2+\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence as by Lemma 7.34 we have  $|\partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)| \leq C/y$ , then

$$\left| \partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) \right| = \left| \int_y^\infty \partial_{y'} \partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_{y'} f(t, x) dy' \right| \leq C y^{-1+\alpha}.$$

The derivative  $\left| \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) \right|$  can be handled in a parallel way, this time using point (iv) of Lemma 7.34, we get  $\left| \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) \right| \leq C y^{-2+\alpha}$ . Then going back to (3.12) we have

$$|\mathcal{P}_y f(t + \tau, x + z) - \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)| \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} (\tau^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha.$$

Finally we shall see that  $(1 + |x|)^\alpha f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ . Given  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , a direct application of Lemma 7.34 (ii) gives  $\left| \partial_y^k x_i^\gamma \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) \right| \leq C \|f\|_\infty y^{-(k+\gamma+s)}$ ,  $s > 0$ . Moreover by the semigroup property we have  $\partial_y^k x_i^k \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} x_i^k \mathcal{P}_{y/2}(\tau, x, z) \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y f(t - \tau, x - z) \Big|_{y/2} d\tau dz$ . For  $k = [\alpha] + 1$ , the hypothesis and Lemma 7.34 (ii) give  $\left| \partial_y^k x_i^k \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) \right| \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} y^{-(k+k)+\alpha}$ . Then an iterated integration gives  $\left| x_i^k \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) \right| \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} y^{-k+\alpha}$ . Now for  $|x| > 1$  and  $0 < \alpha < 1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |x|^\alpha |f(t, x)| &\leq |x|^\alpha \sup_{0 < y < \frac{1}{|x|}} |\mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)| \leq |x|^\alpha \sup_{0 < y < \frac{1}{|x|}} \left( |\mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - \mathcal{P}_{\frac{1}{|x|}} f(t, x)| + |\mathcal{P}_{\frac{1}{|x|}} f(t, x)| \right) \\ &\leq |x|^\alpha \sup_{0 < y < \frac{1}{|x|}} \left| \int_y^{\frac{1}{|x|}} \partial_{z_1} \mathcal{P}_{z_1} f(t, x) dz_1 \right| + C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} \\ &\leq |x|^\alpha \sup_{0 < y < \frac{1}{|x|}} \left| \int_y^{\frac{1}{|x|}} z_1^{-1+\alpha} dz_1 \right| + C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} \leq C. \end{aligned}$$

□

### 3.1. Elliptic Hermite setting.

Let  $g$  an  $L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  function. Consider, as in Remark 2.1 the function  $f(t, x) = g(x)$ . It is clear that if  $g \in C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$  if and only if  $f \in C_{t, \mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2, \alpha}$ . Moreover, as  $\mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = P_y g(x)$ ,  $g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$  if and only if  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$ . Hence, for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , Proposition 3.16 and Theorem 3.17 have as consequences the continuity of the functions  $g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$  and the identity  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha = C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

## 4. PROOFS OF THEOREMS 1.2 AND 1.4. COINCIDENCE WITH HÖLDER SPACES FOR $\alpha > 1$ .

**Remark 4.18.** Observe that for bounded functions  $f$ , Lemma 7.34 assures that  $\left\| \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y f \right\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq C \|f\|_\infty y^{-k}$ . Therefore we can assume in Definition 1.1 that  $y < 1$ .

**Lemma 4.19.** Let  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ , and  $k, l$  integers bigger than  $\alpha$ . Then, for  $y > 0$ , the following conditions are equivalent:

- (a)  $\left\| \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y f \right\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq A_k y^{-k+\alpha}$
- (b)  $\left\| \partial_y^l \mathcal{P}_y f \right\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq A_l y^{-l+\alpha}$ ,

where  $A_k$  and  $A_l$  are positive constants with  $A_k \sim A_l$ .

*Proof.* Let  $l = k + 1$ . By using the semigroup property we have

$$\partial_y^l \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_y \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \Big|_{y/2} \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y f(t - \tau, x - z) \Big|_{y/2} d\tau dz.$$

By Lemma 7.34 (ii) we get (a)  $\implies$  (b). For the converse, Remark 4.18 allows the integration  $\partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = \int_y^\infty \partial_z^{k+1} \mathcal{P}_z f(t, x) dz$ , that gives the result. □

**Corollary 4.20.** Let  $\alpha > 0$ . If  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$ , then for every  $0 < \beta < \alpha$ ,  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\beta$ .

For the proof of this Corollary observe that, given  $k_\alpha = [\alpha] + 1$ , we have (for  $y < 1$ )

$$\left\| \partial_y^{k_\alpha} P_y f \right\| \leq A_{k_\alpha} \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} y^{-k_\alpha + \alpha} \leq A_{k_\alpha} \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} y^{-k_\alpha + \beta}.$$

Then, Lemma 4.19 gives the result.

**Lemma 4.21.** *Let  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  and  $k = [\alpha] + 1$ .*

- (1) *For every  $\gamma \geq 0$  and  $m, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that  $\gamma + m + j \geq k$  there exists a constant  $C_{\gamma, m, j}$  such that  $\| |\cdot|^\gamma \partial_y^m \partial_{x_i}^j P_y f \|_\infty \leq C_{\gamma, m, j} \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} y^{-(\gamma + m + j) + \alpha}$ .*
- (2) *For every  $m$  such that  $m + 2 \geq k$ , there exists a constant  $C_m$  such that  $\| \partial_y^m \partial_t P_y f \|_\infty \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} y^{-(m+2) + \alpha}$ .*

*Proof.* Observe that the case  $\gamma = j = 0$  follows from the definition of the space  $\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$ , so we will exclude it in the following. Let us analyze the case when  $m \geq k$ . By the semigroup property and integration by parts we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| |x|^\gamma \partial_y^m \partial_{x_i}^j P_y f(t, x) \right| &= \left| |x|^\gamma \partial_{x_i}^j \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} P_{y/2}(\tau, x, z) \partial_y^m P_y f(t - \tau, x - z) \Big|_{y/2} d\tau dz \right| \\ &= \left| |x|^\gamma \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} (\partial_{x_i} + \partial_{z_i})^j P_{y/2}(\tau, x, z) \partial_y^m P_y f(t - \tau, x - z) \Big|_{y/2} d\tau dz \right| \\ &\leq C \| \partial_y^m P_y f \|_{y/2} \sum_{p+q=j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |x|^\gamma |\partial_{z_i}^p \partial_{x_i}^q P_{y/2}(\tau, x, z)| d\tau dz \\ &\leq C_{\gamma, m, j} \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} y^{-(\gamma + m + j) + \alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

In the last inequality we have use the hypothesis on  $f$  and Lemma 7.34 (ii) in each summand. We have chosen  $s = j + \gamma$  in the case  $p - q + \gamma \leq 0$ . While in the case  $p - q + \gamma > 0$ , we choose  $s = 2q$ .

Now we prove (2) for  $m \geq k$ . By the semigroup property, the hypothesis on  $f$  and Lemma 7.34 (iv) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_y^m \partial_t P_y f(t, x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_\tau P_{y/2}(\tau, x, z) \partial_y^m P_y f(t - \tau, x - z) \Big|_{y/2} d\tau dz \\ &\leq C \| \partial_y^m P_y f \|_{y/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_\tau P_{y/2}(\tau, x, z) d\tau dz \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha} y^{-(m+2) + \alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

In both cases, for  $m < k$  we start from the above estimates for the case  $m = k$  and then we perform an  $k - m$  iterated integration.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.22.** *Let  $\alpha > 0$ . If  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$ , then  $|x|^\alpha f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\alpha$  is not an integer we can use the same argument as in the proof of Theorem 3.17.

Let  $\alpha = 1$ , by using the arguments in the proof of Theorem 3.17, we can obtain

$$\left| |x|^2 P_y f(t, x) \right| + \left| |x| \partial_v P_v f(t, x) \right|_{v=\frac{1}{|x|}} \leq \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^1} y^{-1}.$$

Then, by using that  $\partial_{z_1} P_{z_1} f(t, x) = - \int_{z_1}^{\frac{1}{x}} \partial_{z_2}^2 P_{z_2} f(t, x) dz_2 + \partial_v P_v f(t, x) \Big|_{v=\frac{1}{|x|}}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &| |x| f(t, x) | \\ &\leq |x| \sup_{0 < y < \frac{1}{|x|}} \left| - \int_y^{\frac{1}{|x|}} \left( \int_{z_1}^{\frac{1}{|x|}} \partial_{z_2}^2 P_{z_2} f(t, x) dz_2 + \partial_v P_v f(t, x) \Big|_{v=\frac{1}{|x|}} \right) dz_1 \right| + \left| |x| P_{1/|x|} f(t, x) \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq |x| \sup_{0 < y < \frac{1}{|x|}} \int_y^{\frac{1}{|x|}} \int_{z_1}^{\frac{1}{|x|}} |\partial_{z_2}^2 \mathcal{P}_{z_2} f(t, x)| dz_2 dz_1 + \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^1} \sup_{0 < y < \frac{1}{|x|}} |x| \left( \frac{1}{|x|} - y \right) + C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^1} \\
&\leq \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^1} |x| \sup_{0 < y < \frac{1}{|x|}} \int_y^{\frac{1}{|x|}} \int_{z_1}^{\frac{1}{|x|}} z_2^{-1} dz_2 dz_1 + C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since for every  $0 < y < \frac{1}{|x|}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|x| \int_y^{\frac{1}{|x|}} \int_{z_1}^{\frac{1}{|x|}} z_2^{-1} dz_2 dz_1 &= |x| \int_y^{\frac{1}{|x|}} \left( \log \left( \frac{1}{|x|} \right) - \log z_1 \right) dz_1 \\
&= |x| \left[ \log \left( \frac{1}{|x|} \right) \left( \frac{1}{|x|} - y \right) - \left( \frac{1}{|x|} \log \frac{1}{|x|} - \frac{1}{|x|} - y \log y + y \right) \right] \\
&= |x| y \log(|x|y) + |x| \left( \frac{1}{|x|} - y \right) \leq C,
\end{aligned}$$

we conclude that  $|x| |f(t, x)| \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^1}$ .

For the cases in which  $\alpha$  is an integer bigger than 1, we have to write  $\partial_{z_1} \mathcal{P}_{z_1} f$  in terms of the integral of the derivative of order  $k$ , where  $k = [\alpha] + 1$ , and proceed analogously. We leave the details to the interested reader.  $\square$

#### 4.1. Proof of Theorem 1.2.

*Proof. Proof of epigraph (1) in Theorem 1.2.* Let  $k = [\alpha] + 1$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x + z) d\tau dz = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, -z) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz, \\
&\text{and } \int_0^\infty \partial_y^k \left( \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{3/2}} \right) d\tau = 0 \text{ we have}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) (f(t - \tau, x - z) + f(t - \tau, x + z) - 2f(t, x)) d\tau dz \\
(4.13) \quad &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \left( \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) - \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, -z) \right) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\
&+ \frac{f(t, x)}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty \partial_y^k \left( \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{3/2}} \right) (e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x) - 1) d\tau \\
&= I_1 + I_2 + I_3.
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 7.34,  $|I_1| \leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2 + |z|^2}{c\tau}} (\tau^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha}{\tau^{\frac{n+k}{2}}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} dz \leq C y^{\alpha-k}$ . For  $I_3$  we use Proposition 4.22 and the proof of Lemma 7.33 (3) to get

$$|y^k I_3| = \left| \frac{f(t, x)}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty y^k \partial_y^k \left( \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{3/2}} \right) (e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x) - 1) d\tau \right| \leq C [f]_{M^\alpha} y^\alpha.$$

Regarding  $I_2$ , we have

$$2I_2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} (\partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) - \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, -z)) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \partial_y^k \left( \frac{ye^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{3/2}} \right) \frac{e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{4} \coth \tau}}{2\sqrt{\pi}(2\pi \sinh(2\tau))^{n/2}} \left( e^{-\frac{|2x-z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau} - e^{-\frac{|2x+z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau} \right) \\ \times f(t-\tau, x-z) d\tau dz.$$

By the Mean Value Theorem applied to the function  $e^{-\frac{|2x-z|^2}{4} \tanh \tau}$  we get

$$|2I_2| \leq C \int_0^\infty \partial_y^k \left( \frac{ye^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{3/2}} \right) \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{4} \coth \tau}}{(\sinh(2\tau))^{n/2}} (\tanh \tau)^{1/2} |z| |f(t-\tau, x-z)| dz d\tau \\ \leq C \|f\|_\infty \int_0^\infty \partial_y^k \left( \frac{ye^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{3/2}} \right) \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{e^{-|w|^2} |w| (\tanh \tau)^{1/2}}{(\sinh(2\tau))^{n/2} (\coth \tau)^{\frac{n+1}{2}}} dw d\tau \\ \stackrel{\substack{\leq \\ z\sqrt{\coth \tau}=w}}{\leq} C_k \|f\|_\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{c\tau}}}{\tau^{k/2+1}} \frac{(\tanh \tau)^{1/2}}{(\sinh(2\tau))^{n/2} (\coth \tau)^{\frac{n+1}{2}}} d\tau \\ \leq C_k \|f\|_\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{c\tau}}}{\tau^{k/2}} \tau^{\alpha/2} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \leq C_k y^{-k+\alpha}.$$

We conclude that  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$ .

For the converse. If  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  with  $\alpha < 1$ , the result is a consequence of Theorem 3.17. If  $\alpha \geq 1$ , by Theorem 3.17,  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha'} = C_{t,\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha'/2,\alpha'}$  for some  $\alpha' < 1$ , then  $\|y\partial_y \mathcal{P}_y f\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \rightarrow 0$ , as  $y \rightarrow 0^+$ . On the other hand, by the proof of Proposition 3.16 we know that  $\|\mathcal{P}_y f - f\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \rightarrow 0$ , as  $y \rightarrow 0^+$ . Hence we have

$$f(t, x) = \int_0^y y' \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{P}_{y'} f(t, x)}{(\partial y')^2} dy' - y \partial_y \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) + \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x).$$

We only do computations for  $g(t, x) = \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)$ . For the other cases we have to follow the same path. By using Lemma 4.21 we have, for  $y = \tau^{1/2} + |z|$ ,

$$|g(t-\tau, x+z) + g(t-\tau, x-z) - 2g(t, x)| \\ \leq |[\nabla_x g(t-\tau, x+\theta z) - \nabla_x g(t-\tau, x-\lambda z)]||z| + 2|\partial_t g(t-\eta\tau, x)|\tau \\ \leq |D_x^2 g(t-\tau, x+\nu z)|(\theta+\lambda)|z|^2 + 2|\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f(t-\eta\tau, x)|\tau \\ \leq C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha}(\tau^{1/2} + |z|)^{-2+\alpha}(|z|^2 + \tau) \leq C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha}(\tau^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha,$$

where  $0 < \theta, \lambda < 1$ ,  $-1 < \nu < 1$ .

The fact that  $(1+|x|)^\alpha f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  follows from Proposition 4.22.

□

For the proof of epigraph (2) in Theorem 1.2, we shall prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.23.** *Suppose that  $\alpha > 2$ . Then  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  if and only if*

$$\partial_{x_i} f, x_i f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_t f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}.$$

*In this case the following equivalence holds*

$$\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}} \sim \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \|\partial_{x_i} f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}} + \|x_i f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}} \right) + \|\partial_t f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}}.$$

For the reader's convenience, the proof of this Theorem 4.23 will be divide in several steps.

**Proposition 4.24.** *Suppose that  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}$  with  $\alpha > 2$ . Then,  $\partial_t f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $2 < \alpha < 3$ , by Lemma 4.21 we have

$$(4.14) \quad \|\partial_y \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f\|_{\infty} \leq \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-3+\alpha}.$$

If  $0 < y < 1$ , we have  $\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f = \int_y^1 \partial_z \partial_t \mathcal{P}_z f dz + \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f|_{y=1}$  and this implies that  $\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f$  is in  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  uniformly on  $y$ . Moreover, since  $|\partial_t \mathcal{P}_{y'} f - \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f| \leq \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} \int_y^{y'} z^{-3+\alpha} dz \rightarrow 0$  as  $(y', y) \rightarrow 0$ , then  $\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f$  converges uniformly when  $y \rightarrow 0$ . As  $\mathcal{P}_y f$  converges uniformly to  $f$  when  $y \rightarrow 0$ , we conclude that  $\partial_t f$  exists, it is the uniform limit of  $\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f = \mathcal{P}_y \partial_t f$ . Hence  $\partial_y \mathcal{P}_y \partial_t f = \partial_y \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f$ . The last identity together with inequality (4.14) implies  $\partial_t f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}$ .

If  $\alpha \geq 3$ , by Corollary 4.20, the function  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\beta}$  for some  $\beta < 1$ . Hence by the thoughts developed before,  $\partial_t f$  exists and  $\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f = \mathcal{P}_y \partial_t f$ . The proof follows the lines of the case  $2 < \alpha < 3$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 4.25.** *Suppose that  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}$  with  $\alpha > 1$ . Then,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $1 < \alpha < 3$ . By Lemma 4.21 we have  $\left\| \frac{\partial^3 \mathcal{P}_y f}{\partial y^2 \partial x_i} \right\|_{\infty} \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-3+\alpha}$ . For  $y < 1$ , an integration gives

$$\left| \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)}{\partial y \partial x_i} \right| \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-2+\alpha} + C \left\| \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{P}_y f}{\partial y \partial x_i} \right\|_{y=1}.$$

We can proceed as in the proof Proposition 4.24 and we get that  $\partial_{x_i} f$  does exist and  $\left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right\|_{\infty} \leq C$ . To prove that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}$ , we shall see that  $\|\partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i} f)\|_{\infty} \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-3+\alpha}$ . Observe that

$$\partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i} f)(t, x) = \partial_{x_i} \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{x_i} \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz = I + II.$$

By Lemma 4.21 we have that  $|I| \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-3+\alpha} = C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-2+(\alpha-1)}$ . As  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}$ ,  $1 < \alpha < 3$ , by Proposition 4.22 we know that  $|x|f \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ . Hence, by Lemma 7.34 (iii) we get that  $|II| \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-3+\alpha} = C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-2+(\alpha-1)}$ .

Suppose now  $3 \leq \alpha < 5$ . By Corollary 4.20  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\beta}$  for all  $\beta < 3$ . Then, the result just proved says that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\gamma}$ , for all  $\gamma < 2$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2} \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\delta}$ , for all  $\delta < 1$ . We shall see that  $\|\partial_y^4 \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i} f)\|_{\infty} \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-4+(\alpha-1)}$ . As  $\mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i} f)$  satisfies (2.8), it is enough to prove that  $\|\partial_y^2(-\sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{x_j}^2 + |x|^2 + \partial_t) \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i} f)\|_{\infty} \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}} y^{-5+\alpha}$ .

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_y^2 \partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i} f)(t, x) &= \partial_y^2 \partial_{x_j}^2 \partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - \partial_{x_j}^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_y^2 \partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &= \partial_y^2 \partial_{x_j}^2 \partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_y^2 \partial_{x_j}^2 \partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad - 2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_y^2 \partial_{x_i} \partial_{x_j} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \partial_{x_j} f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_y^2 \partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \partial_{x_j}^2 f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz. \end{aligned}$$



The first summand is bounded by  $C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}}y^{-5+\alpha}$  because of Lemma 4.21. As  $f$  and  $\partial_{x_i}f$  are bounded functions, by using Lemma 7.34 (ii) we get the desired boundedness for the second and third summand. Finally Lemma 7.34 (iii) says that the forth summand is bounded by  $Cy^{-(1-\nu+s)}$ , where  $\nu < 1$  and  $s > 0$ , then by choosing  $\nu$  and  $s$  with  $s - \nu = 4 - \alpha$  we get the estimate.

On the other hand, by using Lemma 7.34 (ii) and (iii) together with the facts that  $f, \partial_{x_i}f \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2} \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\beta-2}$ , we get the desired estimate in this case.

To prove that  $\|\cdot\|^2 \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i}f)\|_{\infty} \leq C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}}y^{-5+\alpha}$ , we write

$$|x|^2 \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i}f)(t, x) = |x|^2 \partial_{x_i} \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - |x|^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{x_i} \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz$$

By Lemma 4.21 we know that the first summand is bounded by  $C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}}y^{-5+\alpha}$ . For the second summand we have

$$\begin{aligned} |x|^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |\partial_{x_i} \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z)| d\tau dz \\ \leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |\partial_{x_i} \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| (|x - z|^2 + |z|^2) |f(t - \tau, x - z)| d\tau dz, \end{aligned}$$

and by Lemma 7.34 (iii) applied to  $|x|^2 f$  and Lemma 7.34 (ii) we get the desired bound  $C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}}y^{-5+\alpha}$ .

To get the estimate for  $\|\partial_y^2 \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i}f)\|_{\infty}$ , we write

$$\partial_y^2 \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i}f)(t, x) = \partial_y^2 \partial_{x_i} \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{x_i} \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \partial_t f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz.$$

By Proposition 4.24 we know that  $\partial_t f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha - 2 < 3$ . Hence, as  $\partial_y^2 \partial_{x_i} \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = \partial_y^2 \partial_{x_i} \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_t f)(t, x)$ , by applying Lemma 4.21 (1) we get that the first summand is bounded by  $C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}}y^{-5+\alpha}$ , and by Lemma 7.34 (iii) applied to  $\partial_t f$  we get the same bound for the second summand.

The rest of the cases,  $2m + 1 \leq \alpha < 2m + 3$ , can be handled analogously by estimating the norms  $\|\partial_y^2(-\sum_j \partial_{x_j}^2 + |x|^2 + \partial_t)^m \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_i}f)\|_{\infty}$ . We leave the details to the reader.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.26.** *Suppose that  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}$  with  $\alpha > 1$ . Then,  $x_i f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .*

*Proof.* Consider the case  $1 < \alpha < 2$ . By Proposition 4.22 we know that  $x_i f \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ . In addition, we can write

$$\partial_y \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)(t, x) = x_i \partial_y \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} z_i \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz,$$

and by using Lemma 4.21 for the first summand and Lemma 7.34 together with the boundedness of  $f$  for the second summand, we get that  $\|\partial_y \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)\|_{\infty} \leq C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}}y^{-2+\alpha}$ .

Let  $2 \leq \alpha < 3$ . We have to prove that  $\|\partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)\|_{\infty} \leq C\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}}y^{-3+\alpha}$ . As  $\mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)$  satisfies (2.8) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)\|_{\infty} &= \left\| \left[ \partial_t - \sum_{j=1}^n (\partial_{x_j}^2 - |x|^2) \right] \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f) \right\|_{\infty} \\ &\leq \|\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)\|_{\infty} + \sum_{j=1}^n \|\partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)\|_{\infty} + \|\cdot\|^2 \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)\|_{\infty}. \end{aligned}$$

As  $\partial_t f$  is well defined and bounded, see Proposition 4.24,

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)(t, x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)(x_i - z_i) \partial_t f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &= x_i \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_t f)(t, x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} z_i \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \partial_t f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by using Proposition 4.24 and Lemma 4.21 (1) for  $\partial_t f$ , we get that the first summand is bounded by  $C \|\partial_t f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2} y^{-1+(\alpha-2)}} \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha} y^{-3+\alpha}}$ . For the second summand we use that  $\partial_t f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  and Lemma 7.34 (ii).

To get the bound for  $\|\partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)\|_\infty$ , for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . We can write, for every  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)(t, x) &= \partial_{x_j}^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) x_i f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad - \partial_{x_j}^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) z_i f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &= x_i \partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) + 2\delta_{i,j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{x_j} (\mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z)) d\tau dz \\ &\quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{x_j}^2 (\mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) z_i) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad - 2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{z_i} (\partial_{x_j} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) z_i) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{z_j} (\mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) z_i) \partial_{x_j} f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz,\end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta_{i,j} = 1$  if  $i = j$  and  $\delta_{i,j} = 0$  if  $i \neq j$ . Observe that in the last summand we have used integration by parts. As  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}$ , by Lemma 4.21 (1) we get that the first summand is bounded by  $C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha} y^{-3+\alpha}}$ . For the rest of summands we can apply Lemma 7.34 (ii) since  $f$  and  $\partial_{x_i} f$  are bounded functions.

It remains the case  $\|\cdot\|^2 \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)\|_\infty$ . Observe that,

$$\begin{aligned}|x|^2 |\mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)(t, x)| &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} (|x - z|^2 + |z|^2) |\mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| |x_i - z_i| |f(t - \tau, x - z)| d\tau dz \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |x - z|^{3-\alpha} |\mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| |x - z|^\alpha |f(t - \tau, x - z)| d\tau dz \\ &\quad + C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |z|^2 |\mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| |x - z| |f(t - \tau, x - z)| d\tau dz \\ &\leq C (\| |x|^\alpha f \|_\infty + \| |x| f \|_\infty) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} (|x|^{3-\alpha} + |z|^{3-\alpha} + |z|^2) |\mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| d\tau dz \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha} y^{-3+\alpha}}.\end{aligned}$$

In the last inequality we have used Lemma 7.34 (ii). It remains For the cases  $2m + 1 \leq \alpha < 2m + 3$ , with  $m \geq 1$ , we get the result by following the same kind of reasonings, that is, by estimating the norms  $\|(-\sum_j \partial_{x_j}^2 + |x|^2 + \partial_t)^{m+1} \mathcal{P}_y(x_i f)\|_\infty$ . We leave the details for the interested reader.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.27.** *Let  $\alpha > 2$  and  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  and suppose that  $\partial_{x_i} f, x_i f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $\partial_t f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}$ . Then  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}$ .*

*Proof.* Consider the case  $2 \leq \alpha < 4$ . We want to see that  $\|\partial_y^4 \mathcal{P}_y f\|_\infty \leq C y^{-4+\alpha}$ , and as  $\mathcal{P}_y f$  satisfies (2.8), we have that  $\partial_y^4 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) = \left(\partial_t - \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{x_j}^2 + |x|^2\right)^2 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)$ . Hence it is sufficient to prove that

- a)  $\|\partial_{x_j}^4 \mathcal{P}_y f\|_\infty \leq C y^{-4+\alpha}$ ,
- b)  $\|\partial_{x_j}^2 (|x|^2 \mathcal{P}_y f)\|_\infty \leq C y^{-4+\alpha}$ ,
- c)  $\||x|^2 \partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y f\|_\infty \leq C y^{-4+\alpha}$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , and
- d)  $\||x|^4 \mathcal{P}_y f\|_\infty \leq C y^{-4+\alpha}$ .
- e)  $\|\partial_t^2 \mathcal{P}_y f\|_\infty \leq C y^{-4+\alpha}$ .
- f)  $\|\partial_t |x|^2 \mathcal{P}_y f\|_\infty \leq C y^{-4+\alpha}$ .
- g)  $\|\partial_t \partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y f\|_\infty \leq C y^{-4+\alpha}$ .

Integration by parts gives

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{x_j}^4 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) &= \partial_{x_j}^3 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \partial_{x_j} f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{x_j}^3 (\partial_{x_j} + \partial_{z_j}) \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad + 2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{x_j}^2 (\partial_{x_j} + \partial_{z_j}) \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \partial_{x_j} f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \partial_{x_j} (\partial_{x_j} + \partial_{z_j}) \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \partial_{x_j}^2 f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz. \end{aligned}$$

As  $\partial_{x_j} f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}$ , by Lemma 4.21 we get that the first summand is bounded by  $C \|\partial_{x_j} f\|_{\Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}} y^{-4+\alpha}$ . For the rest of the summands we apply Lemma 7.34 together of the boundedness of the functions  $f$ ,  $\partial_{x_j} f$  and  $\partial_{x_j}^2 f$ . To prove b), we write

$$\begin{aligned} (4.15) \quad \partial_{x_j}^2 (|x|^2 \mathcal{P}_y f)(t, x) &= 2 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x) + 4 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} x_j \partial_{x_j} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad + 4 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) x_j \partial_{x_j} f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |x| \partial_{x_j} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) |x| \partial_{x_j} f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |x|^2 \partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z) d\tau dz + |x|^2 \partial_{x_j} \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_{x_j} f)(t, x). \end{aligned}$$

As the functions  $f$  and  $|x| \partial_{x_j} f$  are bounded, Lemma 7.34 takes care of the first to forth summands. The bound of last summand in (4.15) follows from the fact that  $\partial_{x_j} f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1}$  and Lemma 4.21.

To see d), we use that  $|x|^\alpha f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  and Lemma 7.34 to get

$$\begin{aligned} ||x|^4 \mathcal{P}_y f(t, x)| &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) (|x - z|^{4-\alpha} |x - z|^\alpha + |z|^4) |f(t - \tau, x - z)| d\tau dz \\ &\leq C (\| |x|^\alpha f \|_\infty + \|f\|_\infty) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) (|x|^{4-\alpha} + |z|^{4-\alpha} + |z|^4) d\tau dz \\ &\leq C (\| |x|^\alpha f \|_\infty + \|f\|_\infty) y^{-4+\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, for the estimates e)-g) observe that

$$\|\partial_t^2 \mathcal{P}_y f\|_\infty = \|\partial_t \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_t f)\|_\infty, \|\partial_t \partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y f\|_\infty = \|\partial_{x_j}^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\partial_t f)\|_\infty,$$

and  $\| |x|^2 \partial_t \mathcal{P}_y f \|_\infty = \| |x|^2 \mathcal{P}_y (\partial_t f) \|_\infty$ . Hence, by using that  $\partial_t f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-2}$  and Lemma 4.21 (1) we get the result.

For the rest of the values of  $\alpha$  we proceed analogously. We leave the details for the interested reader. This is the end of the proof of Proposition 4.27.  $\square$

Propositions 4.24, 4.25, 4.26, 4.27 show the validity of Theorem 4.23. Therefore we have proved Theorem 1.2, epigraph (2).

The proof of Theorem 1.4 is now complete. As a consequence of it we get the following characterization of the spaces of Krylov's type introduced in Definition 3.15.

**Theorem 4.28.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < 3$ ,  $\alpha$  not an integer. Then*

$$C_{t,\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha/2,\alpha} = \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha,$$

*with equivalence of norms.*

*Proof.* The case  $0 < \alpha < 1$  was proved in Theorem 3.17. Consider  $1 < \alpha < 2$ . Suppose that  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$ . By Theorem 1.2 (1) we know that (1.2) holds, and by taking  $z = 0$  in this inequality we get that  $f(\cdot, x) \in C^{\alpha/2}(\mathbb{R})$  uniformly on  $x$ . In addition, by Propositions 4.25 and 4.26 we have that  $(\partial_{x_i} \pm x_i)f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha-1} = C_{t,\mathcal{H}}^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2},\alpha-1}$ . Thus, we get that  $f \in C_{t,\mathcal{H}}^{\frac{\alpha}{2},\alpha}$ . Conversely, suppose that  $f \in C_{t,\mathcal{H}}^{\frac{\alpha}{2},\alpha}$ . Then, we have that  $(\partial_{x_i} \pm x_i)f(t, \cdot) \in C_{\mathcal{H}}^{\alpha-1}$  uniformly on  $t$  and  $f(\cdot, x) \in C^{\alpha/2}(\mathbb{R})$  uniformly on  $x$ . Hence,  $(1 + |x|)^\alpha f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & |f(t - \tau, x - z) + f(t - \tau, x + z) - 2f(t, x)| \\ & \leq |f(t - \tau, x - z) + f(t - \tau, x + z) - 2f(t - \tau, x)| + 2|f(t - \tau, x) - f(t, x)| \\ & \leq C|\nabla_x f(t - \tau, x + \theta z) - \nabla_x f(t - \tau, x - \lambda z)||z| + C\tau^{\alpha/2} \\ & \leq C|\theta + \lambda|^{\alpha-1}|z|^{\alpha-1}|z| + C\tau^{\alpha/2} \leq C(\tau^{1/2} + |z|)^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 1.2 (1) we conclude that  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$ . The case  $2 < \alpha$  is a Corollary of Theorem 4.23.  $\square$

#### 4.2. Elliptic Hermite setting.

Again as in the case of subsections 2.1 and 3.1 we handled the functions  $g(x)$  and  $f(t, x) = g(x)$ . The considerations made in that Remarks, together with Theorems 1.2 and 4.23 give the proof of Theorem 1.4.

Moreover the following Theorem is also true.

**Theorem 4.29.** *If  $\alpha > 0$  is not an integer, we have  $C_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha = \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^\alpha$ .*

**Remark 4.30.** *There exists a function  $g \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{H}}^1(\mathbb{R})$ , but so that  $\sup_{\{x: x \in [0,1], z \in [0,1]\}} |g(x+z) - g(x)| \leq Cz$  fails for all  $C$ .*

*Consider the functions  $h$  and  $\varphi$  as follows.  $h(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-k} \cos(2\pi 2^k x)$  and  $\varphi$  is a positive differentiable function, with continuous derivative, such that  $\varphi(x) = 1$  when  $x \in [-3, 3]$ , and for any  $x$  there exist a constant  $C$  with  $(1 + |x|)\varphi(x) \leq C$  and  $|\varphi'(x)| \leq C$ . It is clear that  $|h(x)| \leq 1$ , moreover it can be checked, see [21, Theorem 4.9], that  $\|h(x+z) + h(x-z) - 2h(x)\|_\infty \leq A|z|$ .*

*Now we choose the function  $g(x) = h(x)\varphi(x)$ , then by the properties of  $h$  and  $\varphi$  we have  $|(1 + |x|)g(x)| \leq C$ . On the other hand by the Mean Value Theorem we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & |g(x+z) + g(x-z) - 2g(x)| \leq |(h(x+z) + h(x-z) - 2h(x))\varphi(x+z)| \\ & \quad + |h(x-z)(\varphi(x-z) - \varphi(x+z))| + 2|h(x)(\varphi(x+z) - \varphi(x))| \leq C|z|. \end{aligned}$$

Now assume that  $g$  satisfies  $|g(x+z) - g(x)| \leq C|z|$ . Hence for  $x, z \in [0, 1]$  we would have  $|h(x+z) - h(x)| \leq C|z|$ . But it is well known that Weierstrass function doesn't satisfy Lipschitz condition, see [21, Theorem 4.9].

## 5. SCHAUDER AND HÖLDER ESTIMATES

**Lemma 5.31.** *Let  $\alpha, \beta$  positive real numbers.*

- (a) *Let  $0 < 2\beta < \alpha$  and  $f \in \Lambda_{\mathcal{L}}^\alpha$  then we have  $\mathcal{L}^\beta f(t, x) \leq C < \infty$ ,  $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .*
- (b) *For every  $\beta > 0$  and  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  we have  $\mathcal{L}^{-\beta} f(t, x) \leq C < \infty$ , for all  $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .*

*Proof.* It suffices to consider the case  $2\beta < \alpha < [2\beta] + 1 = \ell$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\mathcal{P}_\nu f(t, x) - f(t, x))^{[2\beta]+1}\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} &= \left\| \int_0^\nu \underbrace{\cdots}_\ell \int_0^\nu \partial_{y_1} \dots \partial_{y_\ell} \mathcal{P}_{y_1+\dots+y_\ell} f(t, x) dy_\ell \dots dy_1 \right\|_\infty \\ &\leq C \int_0^\nu \underbrace{\cdots}_\ell \int_0^\nu (y_1 + \dots + y_\ell)^{-\ell+\alpha} dy_\ell \dots dy_1 \leq C\nu^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Then, as  $0 < 2\beta < \alpha$ , and  $f, P_\nu f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  we have

$$(5.16) \quad \mathcal{L}^\beta f(t, x) \leq c_\beta \int_0^1 \frac{\nu^\alpha}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} d\nu + \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} \leq C < \infty.$$

To prove (b) we use the boundedness of  $f$  for  $\nu < 1$  and Lemma 7.34 (ii), with  $s_\beta > 2\beta$  when  $\nu > 1$ . Thus,

$$\mathcal{L}^{-\beta} f(t, x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2\beta)} \int_0^\infty P_\nu f(t, x) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1-2\beta}} \leq C_\beta \|f\|_\infty \left( \int_0^1 \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1-2\beta}} + \int_1^\infty \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+s_\beta-2\beta}} \right) \leq C_\beta.$$

□

*Proof of Theorem 1.5.* Let  $m = [\alpha - 2\beta] + 1$  and  $\ell = [2\beta] + 1$ . Then,  $m + \ell = [\alpha - 2\beta] + 1 + [2\beta] + 1 > \alpha - 2\beta + 2\beta = \alpha$ , as  $m + \ell \in \mathbb{N}$  we get  $m + \ell \geq [\alpha] + 1$ .

Previous Lemma 5.31 and Fubini's Theorem allow us to write

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \partial_y^m \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{L}^\beta f) \right| &= \left| c_\beta \int_0^\infty \partial_y^m \mathcal{P}_y \left( \int_0^\nu \underbrace{\cdots}_{\ell=[2\beta]+1} \int_0^\nu \partial_w^\ell \mathcal{P}_w|_{w=s_1+\dots+s_\ell} ds_1 \dots ds_\ell \right) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} \right| \\ &= \left| c_\beta \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\nu \underbrace{\cdots}_{\ell=[2\beta]+1} \int_0^\nu \partial_w^{m+\ell} \mathcal{P}_w|_{w=y+s_1+\dots+s_\ell} ds_1 \dots ds_\ell \right) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} \right| \\ &\leq C_\beta \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\nu \underbrace{\cdots}_{\ell=[2\beta]+1} \int_0^\nu (y + s_1 + \dots + s_\ell)^{-(m+\ell)+\alpha} ds_1 \dots ds_\ell \right) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} \\ &= C_\beta \int_0^y (\dots) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} + C_\beta \int_y^\infty (\dots) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} = I + II, \end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality we have used that  $m + \ell \geq [\alpha] + 1 > \alpha$ . Now we shall estimate  $I$  and  $II$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |I| &\leq C_\beta y^{-m+\alpha} \int_0^y \int_0^{\nu/y} \underbrace{\cdots}_{\ell=[2\beta]+1} \int_0^{\nu/y} (1 + s_1 + \dots + s_\ell)^{-(m+\ell)+\alpha} ds_1 \dots ds_\ell \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} \\ &\leq C_\beta y^{-m+\alpha} \int_0^y \left( \frac{\nu}{y} \right)^\ell \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} \leq C_\beta y^{-m+\alpha-\ell} \int_0^y \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta-\ell}} \leq C_\beta y^{-m+\alpha-2\beta}. \end{aligned}$$

Notice that in the last inequality we have used that  $1 + 2\beta - \ell = 2\beta - [2\beta] < 1$ . On the other hand,

$$|II| \leq c_\beta \int_y^\infty \left( (y + \nu)^{-m+\alpha} + y^{-m+\alpha} \right) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}}.$$

If  $-m+\alpha \leq 0$  we have  $|II| \leq C \int_y^\infty y^{-m+\alpha} \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} = Cy^{-m+\alpha-2\beta}$ . While in the case  $-m+\alpha > 0$ , as  $m - \alpha + 2\beta + 1 = [\alpha - 2\beta] + 1 - \alpha + 2\beta + 1 > 1$ , we get  $|II| \leq C \int_y^\infty \nu^{-m+\alpha} \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}} \leq Cy^{-m+\alpha-2\beta}$ .  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 1.6.* Let  $\ell = [\alpha + 2\beta] + 1 > [\alpha] + 1 > \alpha$ . Fubini Theorem together with Lemma 5.31 allow to get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial_y^\ell P_y(\mathcal{L}^{-\beta} f)(t, x)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} &= \left\| \int_0^\infty \partial_y^\ell P_y P_\nu f(t, x) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1-2\beta}} \right\|_\infty \\ &\leq C \int_0^\infty (y + \nu)^{-\ell+\alpha} \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1-2\beta}} \leq Cy^{-\ell+\alpha-2\beta}. \end{aligned}$$

For (b) we apply Lemma 7.34 (ii), then for  $\ell = [2\beta] + 1$  we have  $|\partial_y^\ell P_y P_\nu f(t, x)| \leq C \frac{\|f\|_\infty}{y^\ell}$ . Then we can proceed as before.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 1.7.* Let  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ , by using Lemma 7.34 (i) and (ii), we have  $\left| \int_0^\infty e^{-s\mathcal{L}^{1/2}} f(t, x) a(s) ds \right| \leq C \int_0^\infty \min(1, s^{-2}) ds \leq C$ . Moreover if  $f \in \Lambda_\mathcal{L}^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ ,  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\ell = [\alpha + 1] + 1 > \alpha + 1$ , by Fubini's Theorem we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \partial_y^\ell \mathcal{P}_y \left( \int_0^\infty \mathcal{P}_s f(t, x) a(s) ds \right) \right| &= \left| \int_0^\infty \partial_w^\ell \mathcal{P}_w f(t, x) \Big|_{w=y+s} a(s) ds \right| \\ &\leq C \left| \int_0^\infty (y + s)^{-\ell+\alpha} ds \right| \leq Cy^{-\ell+\alpha+1}. \end{aligned}$$

We have proved that the operator  $f \longrightarrow \int_0^\infty e^{-s\mathcal{L}^{1/2}} f a(s) ds$  maps  $\Lambda_\mathcal{L}^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  into  $\Lambda_\mathcal{L}^{\alpha+1}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ . Then Theorem 1.5 gives the result.  $\square$

Finally, the proof of Theorem 1.8 is a direct consequence of Theorem 1.6 and 1.2.

### 5.1. Elliptic Hermite setting.

As we did in the previous Sections, we consider  $g(x)$  and  $f(t, x) = g(x)$ , then it can be easily checked that  $\mathcal{H}^{\pm\beta} g(x) = \mathcal{L}^{\pm\beta} f(t, x)$  and  $m(\mathcal{H}) = m(\mathcal{L})$ . Hence, Remarks 2.1 and 3.1 show the Hermite's version of Theorems 1.5, 1.6, 1.7 and 1.8.

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*Proof of Theorem 1.9.* Observe that  $c_\beta > 0$  for  $[2\beta] + 1$  odd and  $c_\beta < 0$  for  $[2\beta] + 1$  even. On the other hand as the kernel  $P_\nu(\tau, x, z)$  is always positive we have  $P_\nu f(t, x) \geq 0$ ,  $t \leq t_0$ . If  $0 < \beta < 1/2$ ,  $\mathcal{L}^\beta f(t_0, x_0) = \frac{1}{c_\beta} \int_0^\infty P_\nu f(t_0, x_0) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}}$ , then  $\mathcal{L}^\beta f(t_0, x_0) \leq 0$ . If  $1/2 \leq \beta < 1$ , then  $\mathcal{L}^\beta f(t_0, x_0) = \frac{1}{c_\beta} \int_0^\infty (P_{2\nu} f(t_0, x_0) - 2P_\nu f(t_0, x_0)) \frac{d\nu}{\nu^{1+2\beta}}$ , as  $(P_{2\nu} f(t_0, x_0) - 2P_\nu f(t_0, x_0)) \leq 0$ , we obtain that  $\mathcal{L}^\beta f(t_0, x_0) \leq 0$ .  $\square$

## 7. COMPUTATIONAL RESULTS

The following remark will be used systematically along this manuscript.

**Remark 7.32.** Let  $\tau > 0$ .

- (1) If  $\tau < 1$ , then  $\sinh \tau \sim \tau$ ,  $\cosh \tau \sim C$ ,  $\coth \tau \sim \frac{1}{\tau}$  and  $\tanh \tau \sim \tau$ .
- (2) If  $\tau > 1$ , then  $\sinh \tau \sim e^\tau$ ,  $\cosh \tau \sim e^\tau$ ,  $\coth \tau \sim C$  and  $\tanh \tau \sim C$ .
- (3) Given  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$ , there exists a positive constant  $C_{\ell,n,\lambda}$  such that
$$\frac{1}{(\coth \tau)^\ell (\sinh \tau)^n} = \frac{(\tanh \tau)^\ell}{(\sinh \tau)^n} \leq C_{\ell,n,\lambda} \min(\tau^{-n+\ell}, e^{-c\tau}) \leq C_{\ell,n,\lambda} \tau^{-n+\ell-\lambda}.$$
- (4) Let  $z \geq 0$  and  $\alpha \geq 0$  there exist a constant  $C_\alpha > 0$  such that  $z^\alpha e^{-z} \leq C_\alpha e^{-z/2}$ .

As usual by  $A \sim B$  we mean there exist constants  $C_1, C_2$  such that  $C_1 A \leq B \leq C_2 A$ .

**Lemma 7.33.** For each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\tau > 0$ , we have:

- (1)  $e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x) = \frac{e^{-\frac{\tanh(2\tau)}{2}|x|^2}}{(\cosh(2\tau))^{n/2}}.$
  - (2)  $|\partial_\tau e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x)| \leq C(\min\{\tau, 1\} + |x|^2).$
  - (3) Given  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , there exists  $C_\alpha > 0$  such that
- $$(7.17) \quad \left| e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}} 1(t, x) - 1 \right| \leq C_\alpha (1 + |x|)^\alpha y^\alpha.$$

*Proof.* By using formula (2.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (2\pi \sinh(2\tau))^{n/2} e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4} \coth \tau (|x|^2 + |z|^2 - 2xz)\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4} \tanh \tau (|x|^2 + |z|^2 + 2xz)\right) dz \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4}|x|^2(\coth \tau + \tanh \tau)\right) \\ &\quad \times \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \sqrt{(\coth \tau + \tanh \tau)} z - \frac{\coth \tau - \tanh \tau}{\sqrt{(\coth \tau + \tanh \tau)}} x \right)^2 - \frac{(\coth \tau - \tanh \tau)^2 |x|^2}{(\coth \tau + \tanh \tau)} \right] \right) dz \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4}|x|^2(\coth \tau + \tanh \tau)\right) \exp\left(\frac{1}{4} \frac{(\coth \tau - \tanh \tau)^2}{(\coth \tau + \tanh \tau)} |x|^2\right) \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-\frac{u^2}{4}} \frac{du}{(\coth \tau + \tanh \tau)^{n/2}} \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}|x|^2 \tanh(2\tau)\right) \frac{(\sinh(2\tau))^{n/2}}{(2 \cosh(2\tau))^{n/2}} 2^n \pi^{n/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Where we have done the change of variables  $u = \sqrt{(\coth \tau + \tanh \tau)} z - \frac{\coth \tau - \tanh \tau}{\sqrt{(\coth \tau + \tanh \tau)}} x$ .

This concludes the proof of (1).

By using the estimates of Remark 7.32, it is easy to show that

$$|\partial_\tau e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x)| \leq C \left( \tanh(2\tau) + (1 + \tanh^2(2\tau)) |x|^2 \right) e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x) \leq C(\min\{\tau, 1\} + |x|^2).$$

For (3), consider first the case  $|x| > 1$ . By the Mean Value Theorem and parts (1), (2) in this Lemma we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left| e^{-y\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}} 1(t, x) - 1 \right| &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left| \left( \int_0^{1/|x|^2} + \int_{1/|x|^2}^\infty \right) \frac{ye^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2}} (e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x) - 1) \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \right| \\ &\leq C \int_0^{1/|x|^2} \frac{ye^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2}} |x|^2 \tau \frac{d\tau}{\tau} + C \int_{1/|x|^2}^\infty \frac{ye^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underbrace{C}_{\frac{y^2}{4\tau}=v} \left( |x|^2 y^2 \int_{\frac{|x|^2 y^2}{c}}^{\infty} v^{1/2} e^{-v} \frac{dv}{v^2} + \int_0^{\frac{|x|^2 y^2}{4}} v^{1/2} e^{-v} \frac{dv}{v} \right) \\
& \leq \frac{C|x|^2 y^2}{(|x|^2 y^2)^{1-\alpha/2}} \int_{\frac{|x|^2 y^2}{c}}^{\infty} v^{1/2-\alpha/2} e^{-v} \frac{dv}{v} + C|x|^\alpha y^\alpha \int_0^{\frac{|x|^2 y^2}{4}} v^{1/2-\alpha/2} e^{-v} \frac{dv}{v} \\
& \leq C\Gamma(1/2 - \alpha/2) |x|^\alpha y^\alpha.
\end{aligned}$$

Regarding the case  $|x| < 1$ . Again, by the Mean Value Theorem we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \int_0^1 \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2}} (e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x) - 1) \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \right| \\
& \leq C \int_0^1 \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2}} (\tau + |x|^2) \tau \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \leq C \int_0^{1/|x|^2} \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2}} |x|^2 \tau \frac{d\tau}{\tau} + \int_0^1 \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2}} \tau^2 \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \\
& \leq \underbrace{C}_{\frac{y^2}{4\tau}=v} |x|^2 y^2 \int_{\frac{|x|^2 y^2}{4}}^{\infty} v^{1/2} e^{-v} \frac{dv}{v^2} + C \int_{\frac{y^2}{4}}^{\infty} v^{1/2} e^{-v} \left( \frac{y^2}{v} \right)^2 \frac{dv}{v} \\
& \leq C|x|^\alpha y^\alpha \int_{\frac{|x|^2 y^2}{4}}^{\infty} v^{1/2-\alpha/2} e^{-v} \frac{dv}{v} + C y^\alpha \int_{\frac{y^2}{4}}^{\infty} v^{1/2-\alpha/2} e^{-v} \frac{dv}{v} \leq C\Gamma(1/2 - \alpha/2) y^\alpha.
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \int_1^\infty \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2}} (e^{-\tau \mathcal{L}} 1(t, x) - 1) \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \right| \leq C \int_1^\infty \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \leq C y^\alpha \int_1^\infty \frac{y^{1-\alpha} e^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{1/2-\alpha/2}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \\
& \leq C\Gamma(1/2 - \alpha/2) y^\alpha.
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 7.34.** *Let  $\mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)$  the Poisson kernel associated with the parabolic harmonic oscillator,  $\mathcal{L}$ , and given by (2.9). Then,*

- (i) *There exists a constant  $C$  such that for every  $x, z$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\tau > 0$ ,*  
 $\left| \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \right| \leq C y e^{-\frac{y^2 + |z|^2}{c\tau}} \tau^{-(\frac{n+3}{2})}$ , and  $\left| \partial_y^k \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) \right| \leq C_k e^{-\frac{y^2 + |z|^2}{c\tau}} \tau^{-(\frac{n+k}{2} + 1)}$ , for  $k \geq 1$ .
- (ii) *Let  $\gamma, \nu \geq 0, s \geq 0$ . For each  $\ell, k, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , there exists a constant  $C_{\gamma, \nu, k, \ell, m, s} > 0$  such that, for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\tau > 0$ ,*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |x|^\gamma |z|^\nu |\partial_y^k \partial_{z_i}^m \partial_{x_j}^\ell \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| dz dz \leq \begin{cases} C_{\gamma, \nu, \ell, k, m, s} y^{-(k+m-\ell-\nu+\gamma+s)}, & \text{if } s \geq 0, \zeta > 0, \\ C_{\gamma, \nu, \ell, k, m, s} y^{-s}, & \text{if } s > 0, \zeta \leq 0, \end{cases}$$

for  $\zeta = k + m - \ell - \nu + \gamma$  and  $i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, n$ .

- (iii) *Let  $f$  such that  $|x|^\alpha f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $s \geq 0$ . There exists a constant  $C_{s, \alpha} > 0$  such that, for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\tau > 0$ ,*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |\partial_{x_i} \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t - \tau, x - z)| dz d\tau \leq C_{s, \alpha} y^{-(1-\alpha+s)}.$$

- (iv) *There exists a constant  $C$  such that for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\tau > 0$ ,*

$$(7.18) \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |\partial_\tau \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| dz d\tau \leq C y^{-2}.$$



*Proof.* Along this proof will use Remark 7.32 and the estimates:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_y^k \left( \frac{ye^{-\frac{y^2}{4\tau}}}{\tau^{3/2}} \right) &\leq C_k e^{-\frac{y^2}{8\tau}} \tau^{-(k/2+1)}, \quad \left| \partial_{x_i}^\ell \left( e^{-\frac{|2x-z|^2 \tanh \tau}{4}} \right) \right| \leq C_\ell e^{-\frac{|2x-z|^2 \tanh \tau}{8}} (\tanh \tau)^{\ell/2} \quad \text{and} \\ |\partial_{z_i}^m e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{4}}| &\leq C_m e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{8}} (\coth \tau)^{m/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Estimate (i) is consequence of Remark 7.32. In order to prove (ii), as

$$|\partial_y^k \partial_{z_i}^m \partial_{x_j}^\ell \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| \leq \frac{C}{(\sinh \tau)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}} \tau^{-(k/2+1)} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{C}} (\coth \tau)^{m/2} e^{-|x-\frac{z}{2}|^2 \tanh \tau} (\tanh \tau)^{\ell/2},$$

again by Remark 7.32, for every  $\lambda \geq 0$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |x|^\gamma |z|^\nu |\partial_y^k \partial_{z_i}^m \partial_{x_j}^\ell \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| dz d\tau \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{(|x-\frac{z}{2}|^\gamma + |\frac{z}{2}|^\gamma) |z|^\nu e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{C}} e^{-|x-\frac{z}{2}|^2 \tanh \tau}}{\tau^{(k/2+1)} (\sinh \tau)^{n/2}} (\coth \tau)^{m/2} (\tanh \tau)^{\ell/2} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} dz \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{C}}}{\tau^{\frac{k+n+m-\ell+\gamma-\nu+\lambda}{2}}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} dz \leq C \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}}}{\tau^{\frac{k+m-\ell+\gamma-\nu+\lambda}{2}}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau}. \end{aligned}$$

The constant  $C$  depends on  $\gamma, \nu, \ell, k, m$  and  $\lambda$ . The result follows by choosing  $\lambda = s$  in the case  $k+m-\ell+\gamma-\nu > 0$ , for  $k+m-\ell+\gamma-\nu \leq 0$  we choose  $\lambda = -(k+m-\ell+\gamma-\nu) + s$  in the case  $k+m-\ell+\gamma-\nu \leq 0$ .

For (iii), as  $|x|^\alpha f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |\partial_{x_i} \partial_y^2 \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z) f(t-\tau, x-z)| dz d\tau \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{4}} e^{-\frac{|2x-z|^2 \tanh \tau}{C}} \tanh \tau |2x-z|^{1-\alpha} |2x-z|^\alpha |f(t-\tau, x-z)|}{\tau (\sinh(2\tau))^{n/2}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} dz \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{4}} (\tanh \tau)^{\frac{1+\alpha}{2}} |x-z|^\alpha |f(t-\tau, x-z)|}{\tau (\sinh(2\tau))^{n/2}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} dz \\ &+ C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{4}} (\tanh \tau)^{\frac{1+\alpha}{2}} |z|^\alpha |f(t-\tau, x-z)|}{\tau (\sinh(2\tau))^{n/2}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} dz \\ &\leq C[f]_{M^\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{4}} (\tanh \tau)^{\frac{1+\alpha}{2}}}{\tau (\sinh(2\tau))^{n/2}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} dz \\ &+ C\|f\|_\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{4}} \tanh \tau}{\tau (\sinh(2\tau))^{n/2} (\coth \tau)^{\alpha/2}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} dz \\ &\leq C \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{C\tau}}}{\tau^{\frac{1-\alpha+\lambda}{2}}} \frac{d\tau}{\tau}. \end{aligned}$$

The result follows by taking  $\lambda = s$ .

We shall prove (iv) in the case of the first derivative, we leave the details for the second derivative to the reader. By using the ideas in the proof of (iii) we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |\partial_\tau \mathcal{P}_y(\tau, x, z)| dz d\tau$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq C \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{c\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{c}} e^{-\frac{|2x-z|^2 \tanh \tau}{c}}}{\tau^{3/2} (\sinh 2\tau)^{n/2}} \left( \frac{1}{\tau} + \frac{\cosh(2\tau)}{\sinh(2\tau)} + \frac{|y|^2}{\tau^2} + \frac{|z|^2}{(\sinh \tau)^2} + \frac{|2x-z|^2}{(\cosh \tau)^2} \right) d\tau \\
&\leq C \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{y e^{-\frac{y^2}{c\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2 \coth \tau}{c}} e^{-\frac{|2x-z|^2 \tanh \tau}{c}}}{\tau^{3/2} (\sinh 2\tau)^{n/2}} \left( \frac{1}{\tau} + \frac{\cosh(2\tau)}{\sinh(2\tau)} + \frac{|y|^2}{\tau^2} + \frac{|z|^2}{(\sinh \tau)^2} + \frac{|2x-z|^2}{(\cosh \tau)^2} \right) d\tau \\
&\leq C \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{c\tau}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{c\tau}}}{\tau^{1+n/2}} \frac{1}{\tau} d\tau \leq C \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{y^2}{c\tau}}}{\tau} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \leq \frac{C}{y^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

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