

(ii) The generator of the translation (semi)group on $E = L^p(\mathbb{R}_{(+)})$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, is

$$\begin{aligned} Af &:= \frac{d}{dx}f = f' , \\ D(A) &:= \{f \in E : f \text{ absolutely continuous, } f' \in E\} . \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Take $f \in D(A)$ such that $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h}(T(h)f - f) = g \in E$. Since integration is continuous we obtain for every $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_{(+)}$ that

$$(*) \quad \frac{1}{h} \int_b^{b+h} f(x) dx - \frac{1}{h} \int_a^{a+h} f(x) dx = \int_a^b \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} dx$$

converges to $\int_a^b g(x) dx$ as $h \rightarrow 0+$. But for almost all a, b the left hand side of $(*)$ converges to $f(b) - f(a)$. By redefining f on a nullset we obtain

$$f(y) = \int_a^y g(x) dx + f(a) , \quad y \in \mathbb{R}_{(+)},$$

which is an absolutely continuous function whose derivative is (almost everywhere) equal to g .

On the other hand, let f be absolutely continuous such that $f' \in L^p$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int \left| \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} - f'(x) \right|^p dx \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int \frac{1}{h} \left| \int_0^h (f'(x+s) - f'(x)) ds \right|^p dx \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int \left| \int_0^1 (f'(x+uh) - f'(x)) du \right|^p dx \\ &\leq \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int \int_0^1 |f'(x+uh) - f'(x)|^p du dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int |f'(x+uh) - f'(x)|^p dx du = 0 , \text{ hence } f \in D(A) . \end{aligned}$$

□

2.5. Rotation Groups

On $E = C(\Gamma)$, resp. $E = L^p(\Gamma, m)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, m Lebesgue measure we have canonical groups defined by rotations of the unit circle Γ with a certain period, i.e. for $0 < \tau \in \mathbb{R}$ the operators

$$R_\tau(t)f(z) := f(e^{2\pi i t/\tau} \cdot z)$$

yield a group $(R_\tau(t))_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ having period τ , i.e. $R_\tau(\tau) = \text{Id}$. As in Example 2.4 one shows that its generator has the form