

satisfying $\|e_n \otimes e_n\| \leq 1$ and

$$(e_n \otimes e_n)(e_m \otimes e_m) = \delta_{n,m}(e_n \otimes e_n) \quad \text{for } n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

For $t > 0$ we define

$$\begin{aligned} T(t) &:= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \exp(-\pi^2 n^2 t) \cdot e_n \otimes e_n \\ &= e_0 \otimes e_0 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \exp(-\pi^2 n^2 t) \cdot e_n \otimes e_n \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} T(t)f(x) &= \int_0^1 k_t(x,y) f(y) dy \\ \text{where } k_t(x,y) &= 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \exp(-\pi^2 n^2 t) \cos \pi n x \cos \pi n y. \end{aligned}$$

The Jacobi identity

$$\begin{aligned} w_t(x) &:= 1/(4\pi t)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \exp(-(x+2m)^2/4t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \exp(-\pi^2 n^2 t) \cos \pi n x \end{aligned}$$

and trigonometric relations show that

$$k_t(x,y) = w_t(x+y) + w_t(x-y)$$

which is a positive function on $[0,1]^2$. Therefore $T(t)$ is a bounded operator on $C[0,1]$ with

$$\|T(t)\| = \|T(t)1\| = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} \int_0^1 k_t(x,y) dy = 1.$$

From the behavior of $T(t)$ on the dense subspace E_0 it follows that

$(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ with $T(0) = \text{Id}$ is a strongly continuous semigroup on E and its generator A coincides with B on E_0 . Finally we observe that E_0 is a core for $(A, D(A))$ by Prop.1.9(ii).

Consequently $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ is the semigroup generated by the closure of the second derivative with domain $D(B)$.

2.8. n-dimensional Diffusion Semigroup

On $E = L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, the operators

$$\begin{aligned} T(t)f(x) &:= (4\pi t)^{-n/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp(-|x-y|^2/4t) f(y) dy \\ &:= \mu_t * f(x) \end{aligned}$$

for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $t > 0$ and $\mu_t(x) := (4\pi t)^{-n/2} \exp(-|x|^2/4t)$ form a strongly continuous semigroup:

In fact the integral exists for every $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, since μ_t is an element of the Schwartz space $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ of all rapidly decreasing smooth functions on \mathbb{R}^n .

Moreover,

$$\|T(t)f\|_p \leq \|\mu_t\|_1 \|f\|_p = \|f\|_p$$

by Young's inequality [Reed-Simon (1975), p.28], hence $\|T(t)\| \leq 1$ for every $t > 0$. Next we observe that $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is dense in E and invariant under each $T(t)$. Therefore we can apply the Fourier trans-