

Sheet 3

Exercise 1.1 (Heat equation in L^p (I))

For any $t > 0$ and $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, we define the function $e^{t\Delta}f$ by

$$e^{t\Delta}f := f \star h_t,$$

where

$$\forall y \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad h_t(y) := \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{\frac{d}{2}}} e^{-\frac{|y|^2}{4t}}.$$

1. Let $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$. What is the Cauchy problem satisfies $u : (t, x) \in]0, +\infty[\times \mathbb{R}^d \mapsto e^{t\Delta}f \in \mathbb{R}$.
2. Let $p \in [1, \infty[$ and $t > 0$. Show that for any $q \in [p, \infty[$, $e^{t\Delta}$ extend to a continuous operator for $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ to $L^q(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and that

$$\|e^{t\Delta}\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^p, L^q)} \leq \|h_t\|_{L^{(1+1/q-1/p)^{-1}}}.$$

3. Show that for any $p \in [1, \infty[$, $q \in [p, \infty[$ and $t > 0$, we have

$$\|e^{t\Delta}\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^p, L^q)} \leq \frac{1}{t^{\frac{d}{2}(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q})}}.$$

4. (Smoothing effect of the heat equation) Show that for any $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with $p \in [1, \infty[$, the function $u : (t, x) \in]0, +\infty[\times \mathbb{R}^d \mapsto e^{t\Delta}f \in \mathbb{R}$ belongs to $\mathcal{C}^\infty(]0, +\infty[\times \mathbb{R}^d)$ and satisfies the heat equation.

Exercise 1.2 (Schrödinger equation in L^2 (I))

For any $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, we define the function

$$e^{it\Delta}f := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{ix \cdot \xi} e^{it|\xi|^2} \widehat{f}(\xi) d\xi.$$

1. Show that for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$ the operator $e^{it\Delta}$ extends to an operator from $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ into itself and that

$$\forall f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d), \quad \|e^{it\Delta}f\|_{L^2} = \|f\|_{L^2}.$$

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Exercise 1.3 (Heat equation in L^p (II))

1. Let $p \in [1, \infty[$ and $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Show that $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} e^{t\Delta}f = f$ in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$.
2. Show that, for any $t, s > 0$, we have $e^{t\Delta} \circ e^{s\Delta} = e^{(s+t)\Delta}$ in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ for $p \in [1, \infty[$.
3. Show that, for any $t > 0$, we have $(e^{t\Delta})^* = e^{t\Delta}$ in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$.

Exercise 1.4 (Schrödinger equation in L^2 (II))

Let t and s in \mathbb{R} . Show that

- $e^{i0\Delta} = \text{Id}_{L^2}$.
- $e^{it\Delta} \circ e^{is\Delta} = e^{i(s+t)\Delta}$ in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$.
- $(e^{it\Delta})^* = e^{-it\Delta}$ in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$.