

## SCHWARTZ KERNEL THEOREM FOR THE FOURIER HYPERFUNCTIONS

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### § 0. Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to give a direct proof of the Schwartz kernel theorem for the Fourier hyperfunctions. The Schwartz kernel theorem for the Fourier hyperfunctions means that with every Fourier hyperfunction  $K$  in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_1} \times \mathbf{R}^{n_2})$  we can associate a linear map

$$\mathcal{K} : \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_2}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^{n_1})$$

and vice versa, which is determined by

$$\langle \mathcal{K}\varphi, \psi \rangle = K(\psi \otimes \varphi), \quad \psi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_1}), \varphi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_2}).$$

For the proof we apply the representation of the Fourier hyperfunctions as the initial values of the smooth solutions of the heat equation as in [3] which implies that if a  $C^\infty$ -solution  $U(x, t)$  satisfies some growth condition then we can assign a unique compactly supported Fourier hyperfunction  $u(x)$  to  $U(x, t)$  (see Theorem 1.4). Also we make use of the following real characterizations of the space  $\mathcal{F}$  of test functions for the Fourier hyperfunctions in [1, 3, 5]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} &= \left\{ \varphi \in C^\infty \mid \sup_{\alpha, x} \frac{|\partial^\alpha \varphi(x)| \exp k|x|}{h^{|\alpha|} \alpha!} < \infty \text{ for some } h, k > 0 \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \varphi \in C^\infty \mid \sup |\varphi(x)| \exp k|x| < \infty, \sup |\hat{\varphi}(\xi)| \exp h|\xi| < \infty \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{for some } h, k > 0 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Also, we closely follow the direct proof of the Schwartz kernel theorem for the distributions as in Hörmander [2].

### § 1. Preliminaries

We denote by  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbf{R}^n$  for  $x_1 \in \mathbf{R}^{n_1}$  and  $x_2 \in \mathbf{R}^{n_2}$ , and use the multi-index notation;  $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n$ ,  $\partial^\alpha = \partial^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial^{\alpha_n}$  for  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbf{N}_0^n$  where

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$\mathcal{N}_0$  is the set of nonnegative integers.

For  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{R}^n)$  the Fourier transform  $\hat{f}$  is defined by

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int e^{-ix \cdot \xi} f(x) dx, \quad \xi \in \mathbf{R}^n.$$

We first give two equivalent definitions of the space  $\mathcal{F}$  of test functions for the Fourier hyperfunctions in [1, 3, 5] as follows:

DEFINITION 1.1 ([3]). An infinitely differentiable function  $\varphi$  is in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^n)$  if there are positive constants  $h$  and  $k$  such that  $\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_{h,k}$ , where

$$\mathcal{F}_{h,k} = \left\{ \varphi \in C^\infty \mid |\varphi|_{h,k} = \sup_{\alpha, \tilde{x}} \frac{|\partial^\alpha \varphi(x)| \exp k|x|}{h^{|\alpha|} \alpha!} < \infty \right\}$$

DEFINITION 1.2 ([1]). The space  $\mathcal{F}$  of test functions for the Fourier hyperfunctions consists of all  $C^\infty$  functions such that for some  $h, k > 0$

$$\sup_x |\varphi(x)| \exp k|x| < \infty,$$

$$\sup_\xi |\hat{\varphi}(\xi)| \exp h|\xi| < \infty.$$

We denote by  $E_t(x)$  the  $n$ -dimensional heat kernel;

$$E_t(x) = \begin{cases} (4\pi t)^{-n/2} \exp(-|x|^2/4t), & t > 0, \\ 0, & t \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

We now need the following Proposition 1.3 and Theorem 1.5 to prove the Main theorem in § 2.

PROPOSITION 1.3 ([4]). *There are positive constants  $C$  and  $a$  such that*

$$|\partial^\alpha E_t(x)| \leq C^{|\alpha|+1} t^{-(n+|\alpha|)/2} (\alpha!)^{1/2} \exp(-a|x|^2/4t),$$

where  $a$  can be taken as close as desired to 1 and  $0 < a < 1$ .

From Proposition 1.3 we can easily obtain the following

COROLLARY 1.4. *There exist positive constants  $C, C' > 0$  such that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and sufficiently small  $t > 0$*

$$|E_t(x)|_{C^{\varepsilon-1/2, \varepsilon}} \leq C' \varepsilon^{-n/2} \exp[\varepsilon(1/t + |x|)].$$

PROOF. By Proposition 1.3 we can easily see that there exist positive constants  $C, C' > 0$  such that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\sup_{\alpha, \tilde{x}} \frac{|\partial_y^\alpha E_t(x-y)| \exp \varepsilon|y|}{(C \varepsilon^{-1/2})^{|\alpha|} \alpha!} \leq C' \varepsilon^{-n/2} \exp(\varepsilon/2t) \exp(2\varepsilon^2 t) \exp \varepsilon|x|.$$

In fact, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |\partial_y^\alpha E_t(x-y)| \\ & \leq C^{|\alpha|+1} t^{-(n+|\alpha|)/2} \alpha!^{1/2} \exp(-a|x-y|^2/4t) \\ & \leq C^{|\alpha|+1} (\varepsilon^{-1/2})^{|\alpha|} \varepsilon^{-n/2} \exp \varepsilon/2t [(n+|\alpha|)!]^{1/2} \alpha!^{1/2} \exp(-a|x-y|^2/4t) \\ & \leq (\sqrt{2}C\varepsilon^{-1/2}) |\alpha| C' \alpha! \exp(-a|x-y|^2/4t). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we obtain that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and small  $t > 0$

$$|E_t(x-\cdot)|_{C^{\varepsilon^{-1/2}, \varepsilon}} \leq C' \varepsilon^{-n/2} \exp[\varepsilon(1/t+|x|)],$$

which completes the proof.

**THEOREM 1.5** ([3]). *Let  $u \in \mathcal{F}'$  and  $T > 0$ . Then  $U(x, t) = u_y(E(x-y, t))$  is a  $C^\infty$  function in  $\mathbf{R}^n \times (0, T)$  and satisfies the following:*

- (i)  $(\partial/\partial t - \Delta)U(x, t) = 0$  in  $\mathbf{R}^n \times (0, T)$ .
- (ii) For every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$|U(x, t)| \leq C \exp[\varepsilon(1/t+|x|)] \quad \text{in } \mathbf{R}^n \times (0, T).$$

- (iii)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} U(x, t) = u$  in  $\mathcal{F}'$  i.e.,

$$u(\varphi) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int U(x, t) \varphi(x) dx, \quad \varphi \in \mathcal{F}.$$

*Conversely, every  $C^\infty$  function  $U(x, t)$  in  $\mathbf{R}^n \times (0, T)$  satisfying (i) and (ii) can be expressed in the form  $U(x, t) = u_y(E(x-y, t))$  with a unique element  $u \in \mathcal{F}'$ .*

**THEOREM 1.6** ([3]). *If  $\varphi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^n)$  then it follows that  $\varphi * E_t$  converges to  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^n)$  when  $t \rightarrow 0^+$ .*

We shall prove the associativity for convolution in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ .

**THEOREM 1.7.** *If  $u \in \mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$  and  $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^n)$  then*

$$(u * \varphi) * \psi = u * (\varphi * \psi).$$

The proof is an easy consequence of the following

**THEOREM 1.8.** *If  $\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_{h_1, k_1}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ ,  $\psi \in \mathcal{F}_{h_2, k_2}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ , then the Riemann sum*

$$(1.1) \quad \sum_{j \in \mathbf{Z}^n} \varphi(x - js) s^n \psi(js)$$

*converges to  $\varphi * \psi(x)$  in  $\mathcal{F}_{h, k}$  when  $s \rightarrow 0$  for  $h > \max\{h_1, h_2, 2\sqrt{2}\}$ ,  $k < \min\{k_1, k_2\}$ .*

Before proving Theorem 1.8 we show the following refinement of Definition

1.2 which is the main theorem in [1].

LEMMA 1.9. *Let  $h > 2\sqrt{2}$  and  $k > 0$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_{h,k}$
- (ii)  $\sup_x |\varphi(x)| \exp k|x| < \infty$   
 $\sup_x |\partial^\alpha \varphi(x)| \leq C(h/2\sqrt{2})^{|\alpha|} \alpha!$
- (iii) *There exists an integer  $a > 2\sqrt{2}$  such that*

$$(1.2) \quad \sup_x |\varphi(x)| \exp k|x| < \infty,$$

$$(1.3) \quad \sup_{\xi} |\hat{\varphi}(\xi)| \exp(2\sqrt{2}|\xi|/ah) < \infty.$$

PROOF. It follows from Theorem 2.1 in [1] that (ii) is a sufficient condition for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_{h,k}$ . So it suffices to prove the implications (i) $\Rightarrow$ (iii) and (iii) $\Rightarrow$ (ii)

(i) $\Rightarrow$ (iii): It suffices to show (1.3). We obtain from (i) that

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi^\alpha \hat{\varphi}(\xi)| &= \left| \int e^{-ix \cdot \xi} \partial^\alpha \varphi(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq C_0 h^{|\alpha|} \alpha! \int \exp(-k|x|) dx \\ &\leq C_1 (ah/2\sqrt{2})^{|\alpha|} \alpha! (2\sqrt{2}/a)^{|\alpha|} \quad \text{for all } \alpha \end{aligned}$$

where  $a > 2\sqrt{2}$ . Hence

$$\sum_{\alpha} 1/\alpha! (2\sqrt{2}|\xi|/ah)^{|\alpha|} |\hat{\varphi}(\xi)| \leq C_1 \sum_{\alpha} (2\sqrt{2}/a)^{|\alpha|} < \infty$$

Therefore we obtain (1.3).

(iii) $\Rightarrow$ (ii): By Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial^\alpha \varphi(x)|^{4a} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{4an}} \left| \int e^{ix \cdot \xi} \xi^\alpha \hat{\varphi}(\xi) d\xi \right|^{4a} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{4an}} \int (|\xi|^{|\alpha|} |\hat{\varphi}(\xi^{1/2})|^{4a} d\xi) \left( \int |\hat{\varphi}(\xi)|^{2a/4a-1} d\xi \right)^{4a-1} \\ &\leq C \sup_{\xi} \frac{|\xi|^{4a|\alpha|}}{\exp(2\sqrt{2}|\xi|/h)} \\ &\leq C'(h/2\sqrt{2})^{4a|\alpha|} (\alpha!)^{4a}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we obtain (ii).

LEMMA 1.10. *Let  $k > 0$  and  $j = (j_1, \dots, j_n)$ ,  $j_i \in \mathbf{N}_0$ , and let  $0 < s < A$  for some fixed  $A$ . Then*

$$\sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}_0^n} s^n \exp(-ks|j|) < C$$

where  $C$  is independent of  $s$  and  $|j|$  is a Euclidean norm.

PROOF. Note that  $\sqrt{n}|j| \geq \sum_i j_i$  for  $j \in \mathbf{N}_0^n$  and that the function  $x/(1 - \exp(-kx))$  is strictly increasing for  $x > 0$ . If  $0 < s < A$  then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}_0^n} s^n \exp(-ks|j|) \\ & \leq \sum_{j_1 \in \mathbf{N}_0} s \exp(-ksj_1/\sqrt{n}) \times \cdots \times \sum_{j_n \in \mathbf{N}_0} s \exp(-ksj_n/\sqrt{n}) \\ & = \left( \frac{2s}{1 - \exp(-ks/\sqrt{n})} \right)^n \\ & < \left( \frac{2A}{1 - \exp(-kA/\sqrt{n})} \right)^n. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF OF THEOREM 1.8. Choose  $h, k > 0$  such that  $h > \max\{h_1, h_2, 2\sqrt{2}\}$  and  $k < \min\{k_1, k_2\}$ . Let  $f_s(x) = \sum_j \varphi(x - js) s^n \psi(js)$ ,  $s > 0$ . By Lemma 1.9 we shall show that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a constant  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $s < \delta$  then

$$(1.4) \quad \sup_x |f_s(x) - \varphi * \psi(x)| \exp k|x| < \varepsilon,$$

$$(1.5) \quad \sup_{\xi} |\hat{f}_s(\xi) - \widehat{\varphi * \psi}(\xi)| \exp(2\sqrt{2}|\xi|/ah) < \varepsilon$$

where  $a > 2\sqrt{2}$ . From now on we take  $a = 4\sqrt{2}$ . Choose  $k'$  such that  $k < k' < \min\{k_1, k_2\}$ .

If  $s < A$  then  $f_s \in \mathcal{F}_{h, k'}$  by Lemma 1.10. In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} |f_s|_{h, k'} & \leq \sum_j \frac{|\partial^\alpha \varphi(x - js)| s^n |\psi(js)|}{h^{|\alpha|} \alpha!} \exp k'|x - js| \exp k'|js| \\ & \leq C \sum_j s^n \exp(-(k_2 - k')|js|) \\ & \leq M_1 \end{aligned}$$

where  $M_1$  is independent of  $s < A$ . Similarly we obtain  $\varphi * \psi \in \mathcal{F}_{h, k'}$ . For any  $\varepsilon > 0$  choose  $R = R_\varepsilon > 0$  such that

$$\exp(-(k' - k)R) < \varepsilon, \quad \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{h_1} - \frac{1}{h}\right)R\right) < \varepsilon.$$

Thus for all  $s < A$  we obtain

$$(1.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \sup_{|x| \geq R} |f_s(x) - \varphi * \psi(x)| \exp k|x| & \leq \sup_{|x| \geq R} (|f_s(x)| + |\varphi * \psi(x)|) \exp k|x| \\ & \leq C \sup_{|x| \geq R} \exp(-k'|x|) \exp k|x| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq C \exp(-(k'-k)R) \\ &\leq C\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Note that for any  $s > 0$  the function  $f_s(x)$  is continuous on the compact set  $\{x \mid |x| \leq R\}$  and the sequence  $\{f_s \mid 0 < s < A\}$  is bounded and equicontinuous. In fact, for  $|x| \leq R$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1.7) \quad |f_s| &\leq C' \sum_j \exp(-k_1|x-j s|) s^n \exp(-k_2|j s|) \\ &\leq C' e^{k_1 R} \sum_j \exp(-(k_1+k_2)|j s|) s^n \\ &\leq M_2 \end{aligned}$$

where  $M_2$  is independent of  $s < A$ . The last inequality is also obtained by Lemma 1.10. Also, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta_1 > 0$  such that if  $|x_1 - x_2| < \delta_1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} (1.8) \quad |f_s(x_1) - f_s(x_2)| &= \sum_j |\varphi(x_1 - j s) - \varphi(x_2 - j s)| s^n |\psi(j s)| \\ &= \sum_j |\nabla \varphi(\xi)| |x_1 - x_2| s^n |\psi(j s)| \\ &\leq M |x_1 - x_2| \end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality is obtained from (1.7). Thus, by Arzela-Ascoli's theorem we obtain that for  $|x| \leq R$  the sequence  $\{f_s\}$  converges uniformly to  $\varphi * \psi(x)$ , i.e., for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta_2 > 0$  such that if  $s < \delta_2$  then

$$(1.9) \quad \sup_{|x| \leq R} |f_s(x) - \varphi * \psi(x)| \exp k|x| < \varepsilon$$

If  $\delta = \min\{A, \delta_2\}$  then (1.4) is obtained from (1.6) and (1.9). On the other hand, if  $g_s(\xi) = \sum_j s^n \exp(-i(j s \cdot \xi)) \psi(j s)$  we obtain for some  $B > 0$  the sequence  $\{g_s \mid 0 < s < B\}$  is bounded and equicontinuous as (1.7) and (1.8). Thus for  $|\xi| \leq R$  the sequence  $\{g_s\}$  converges uniformly to  $\hat{\psi}(\xi)$ , i.e., for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta_3 > 0$  such that if  $s < \delta_3$  then

$$(1.10) \quad \sup_{|\xi| \leq R} |g_s(\xi) - \hat{\psi}(\xi)| < \varepsilon.$$

From the above fact we obtain (1.5). In fact, if  $s < \delta = \min\{\delta_3, B\}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} (1.11) \quad \sup_{\xi} |\hat{f}_s(\xi) - \widehat{\varphi * \psi}(\xi)| \exp(|\xi|/2h) \\ &= \sup_{\xi} |\sum_j \hat{\varphi}(\xi) \exp(-i(j s \cdot \xi)) s^n \psi(j s) - \hat{\varphi}(\xi) \hat{\psi}(\xi)| \exp(|\xi|/2h) \\ &\leq \sup_{\xi} |\hat{\varphi}(\xi)| \exp(|\xi|/2h) |g_s(\xi) - \hat{\psi}(\xi)| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq C \sup_{|\xi| \leq R} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{h_1} - \frac{1}{h}\right)|\xi|\right) |g_s(\xi) - \hat{\phi}(\xi)| \\ &\quad + C \sup_{|\xi| \geq R} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{h_1} - \frac{1}{h}\right)|\xi|\right) (|g_s(\xi)| + |\hat{\phi}(\xi)|) \\ &\leq C' \sup_{|\xi| \leq R} |g_s(\xi) - \hat{\phi}(\xi)| + C \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{h_1} - \frac{1}{h}\right)R\right) \\ &\leq M_4 \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.

**THEOREM 1.11.** *If  $u \in \mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$  then  $u * E_t$  converges to  $u$  in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0^+$ .*

**PROOF.** We note that  $u(\phi) = u * \check{\phi}(0)$  if  $\phi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^n)$  and  $\check{\phi}(x) = \phi(-x)$ . This gives

$$(u * E_t)(\phi) = (u * E_t) * \check{\phi}(0) = u * (E_t * \check{\phi})(0) = u(E_t * \phi).$$

By Theorem 1.6  $E_t * \phi$  converges to  $\phi$  in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^n)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0^+$ . So it follows that  $(u * E_t)(\phi)$  converges to  $u(\phi)$  as claimed.

**§ 2. Main Theorem**

We are now in a position to state and prove the Schwartz kernel theorem for the space  $\mathcal{F}'$ .

**THEOREM 2.1.** *If  $K \in \mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^{n_1} \times \mathbf{R}^{n_2})$  then a linear map  $\mathcal{K}$  determined by*

$$(2.1) \quad \langle \mathcal{K}\phi, \psi \rangle = K(\phi \otimes \psi), \quad \phi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_1}), \psi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_2})$$

*is continuous in the sense that  $\mathcal{K}\phi_j$  converges to 0 in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^{n_1})$  if  $\phi_j$  converges to 0 in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_2})$ . Conversely, for every such linear map  $\mathcal{K}$  there is one and only one Fourier hyperfunction  $K$  such that (2.1) is valid.*

**PROOF.** If  $K \in \mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^{n_1} \times \mathbf{R}^{n_2})$  then (2.1) defines a Fourier hyperfunction  $\mathcal{F}\phi$ , since the map  $\phi \rightarrow K(\phi \otimes \varphi)$  is continuous. Also  $\mathcal{K}$  is continuous, since the map  $\varphi \rightarrow K(\phi \otimes \varphi)$  is continuous.

Let us now prove the converse. We first prove the uniqueness, i.e., if

$$u(\phi \otimes \varphi) = 0 \quad \text{for } \phi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_1}), \varphi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_2}),$$

then  $u = 0$  in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^{n_1} \times \mathbf{R}^{n_2})$ .

It follows from Theorem 1.11 that  $u * E_t$  converges to  $u$  in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0^+$ . However,  $u * E_t = 0$ , since  $E_t(x_1 - y_1, x_2 - y_2)$  is the product of a function of  $y_1$  and one of  $y_2$ . Hence  $u = 0$  in  $\mathcal{F}'$ .

We now prove the existence. Since  $\mathcal{K}$  is continuous, the bilinear form on  $\mathcal{F}_{h_1, k_1}(\mathbf{R}^{n_1}) \times \mathcal{F}_{h_2, k_2}(\mathbf{R}^{n_2})$

$$(\phi, \varphi) \longmapsto \langle \mathcal{K}\varphi, \phi \rangle$$

is separately continuous, therefore continuous, since  $\mathcal{F}_{h, k}$  is a Fréchet space for all  $h, k > 0$ . Hence we obtain that there is a constant  $C(h_1, k_1, h_2, k_2)$  such that

$$(2.2) \quad |\langle \mathcal{K}\varphi, \phi \rangle| \leq C |\phi|_{h_1, k_1} |\varphi|_{h_2, k_2}.$$

Set for  $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbf{R}^{n_1} \times \mathbf{R}^{n_2}$  and small  $t > 0$

$$(2.3) \quad K_t(x_1, x_2) = \langle \mathcal{K}E_{t, 2}(x_2 - \cdot), E_{t, 1}(x_1 - \cdot) \rangle$$

where  $E_{t, j}(x_j)$  is the  $n_j$ -dimensional heat kernel.

We now show that  $K_t$  has a limit in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^{n_1} \times \mathbf{R}^{n_2})$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , and then show that (2.1) is also satisfied by the limit. It follows from (2.2) and Corollary 1.4 that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a constant  $C_\varepsilon > 0$  such that

$$|K_t(x_1, x_2)| \leq C_\varepsilon \exp \varepsilon(1/t + |x|).$$

Since

$$\partial E_t / \partial t = \Delta_x E_t, \quad t > 0$$

we have

$$\partial K_t / \partial t = \Delta_x K_t.$$

It follows from Theorem 1.5 that there exists a limit  $K_0 \in \mathcal{F}'$  such that  $K_t$  converges to  $K_0$  in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbf{R}^{n_1} \times \mathbf{R}^{n_2})$ .

Let  $\varphi_j \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_j})$ ,  $j=1, 2$  and form

$$\langle K_t, \varphi_1 \otimes \varphi_2 \rangle = \iint K_t(x_1, x_2) \varphi_1(x_1) \varphi_2(x_2) dx_1 dx_2.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint K_t(x_1, x_2) \varphi_1(x_1) \varphi_2(x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \\ &= \iint \langle \mathcal{K}E_{t, 2}(\cdot - x_2) \varphi_2(x_2), E_{t, 1}(\cdot - x_1) \varphi_1(x_1) \rangle dx_1 dx_2. \end{aligned}$$

Approximating the above integral by the Riemann sum we obtain from Lemma 1.8 that

$$\langle K_t, \varphi_1 \otimes \varphi_2 \rangle = \langle \mathcal{K}(\varphi_2 * E_{t, 2}), \varphi_1 * E_{t, 1} \rangle.$$

Since  $\varphi_j * E_{t, j}$  converges to  $\varphi_j$  in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{R}^{n_j})$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , it follows from (2.2) that the right hand side converges to  $\langle \mathcal{K}\varphi_2, \varphi_1 \rangle$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$ . Thus

$$\langle K_0, \varphi_1 \otimes \varphi_2 \rangle = \langle \mathcal{K}\varphi_2, \varphi_1 \rangle$$

which completes the proof.



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