# On analytic semigroups and cosine functions in Banach spaces

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#### Abstract

If A generates a bounded cosine function on a Banach space X then the negative square root B of A generates a holomorphic semigroup, and this semigroup is the conjugate potential transform of the cosine function. This connection is studied in detail, and it is used for a characterization of cosine function generators in terms of growth conditions on the semigroup generated by B. This characterization relies on new results on the inversion of the vector-valued conjugate potential transform.

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#### 1. Introduction

In a Banach space X, consider a closed linear operator A which generates a cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  (see e.g. Fattorini [6] or Goldstein [7] for more information about cosine operator functions). Then A generates a holomorphic semigroup  $T(\cdot)$  of angle  $\pi/2$ . The semigroup and the cosine function are related by the abstract Weierstrass formula

$$T(t)x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi t}} \int_0^\infty e^{-\tau^2/4t} C(\tau)x d\tau, \quad t > 0.$$

On the other hand, assume that A generates a  $C_0$ -semigroup  $T(\cdot)$ . If  $T(\cdot)$  is uniformly bounded, then one can define the fractional powers  $(-A)^{\alpha}$  of -A for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . We restrict ourselves to the case  $\alpha = 1/2$ . First define the operator J with domain D(J) = D(A) by

$$Jx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \lambda^{-1/2} (\lambda - A)^{-1} (-A) x d\lambda, \quad x \in D(J).$$

Then J is closable and by definition,  $(-A)^{1/2} := \overline{J}$  (see e.g. Yosida [16, p.260]).

The operator  $B := -(-A)^{1/2}$  is the generator of a holomorphic semigroup  $T_B(\cdot)$  which has an explicit representation (see [16, p.268]):

$$T_B(t)x = \frac{t}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-t^2/4\tau} T(\tau) x \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{3/2}}, \quad x \in X, \ t > 0.$$

Combining the above facts, we see that whenever A generates a uniformly bounded cosine function  $C(\cdot)$ , the negative square root of A generates a bounded holomorphic semigroup of angle  $\pi/2$  given by the formula

$$T_B(t)x = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{t^2 + \tau^2} C(\tau) x \, d\tau, \ x \in X, \ t > 0.$$
 (1)

It is our intention in this paper to study this connection in more details. In the first part, we introduce the general transformation: if  $f:(0,\infty)\to X$  is measurable, and if the integral  $\int_0^\infty \|f(\tau)\|/(t^2+\tau^2)\,d\tau$  converges for all  $t\in(0,\infty)$  then we define

$$Cf(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{t^2 + \tau^2} f(\tau) d\tau, \quad t \in (0, \infty),$$

and we call Cf the conjugate potential transform of f. We provide a vector-valued inversion theory for the conjugate potential transform in the spirit of [14], using Widder's results on the inversion of convolution transforms [15].

In the second part we consider the relationship (1) and prove that  $T_B(\cdot)$  satisfies the semigroup property iff  $C(\cdot)$  satisfies the cosine functional equation. A similar relationship was studied by Dettman [4] in connection with the Cauchy problem. Our approach is operator theoretic.

A remarkable feature is the following: by using the sine function  $S(\cdot)$  associated with the cosine function, one can recast formula (1) in the form

$$T_B(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{t^2 + \tau^2} dS(\tau), \quad x \in X.$$
 (2)

Now, if we do not assume that A generates a cosine function but rather that it generates a sine function which is Lipschitz-continuous in the strong

operator topology, then we prove that the representation (2) implies that in fact A generates a strongly continuous cosine function. This is to be likened to Arendt [1] where a similar phenomenon occurs in the relationship between resolvents and integrated semigroup. More precisely, the fact that Widder's theorem holds for general Banach spaces only in an *integrated form* while it holds in all Banach spaces in the usual form for resolvents of densely defined linear operators.

The results of the first section can then be used to recover  $C(\cdot)$  from  $T_B(\cdot)$  in the representation (1). We provide an explicit representation to that effect. Another interesting fact is that since the transform of Section 2 was studied for general vector-valued functions, it can be used, along with the inversion formula to relate the solution of the second order Cauchy problem associated with A to that of the first order Cauchy problem associated with the negative square root of A.

#### 1. Inversion of the conjugate potential transform

If  $f:(0,\infty)\to X$  is measurable with  $\int_0^\infty \|f(t)\|/(s^2+t^2)\,dt<\infty$  for all  $s\in(0,\infty)$  then we define

$$Cf(s) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{s}{s^2 + t^2} f(t) dt, \quad s \in (0, \infty).$$

In this section we give an inversion formula which recovers any bounded continuous function f from the transformed function  $\mathcal{C}f$ , and we characterize those functions  $F:(0,\infty)\to X$  which can be represented as

$$F(s) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{s}{s^2 + t^2} d\phi(t), \quad s \in (0, \infty),$$

where  $\phi:(0,\infty)\to X$  is Lipschitz-continuous.

Before we state the inversion formula we introduce some notations. For  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbf{R}$  open and  $f: \Omega \to X$  differentiable, we set

$$Df(s) = f'(s)$$
 and  $\Delta f(s) = sf'(s)$ ,  $s \in \Omega$ .

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we denote by  $E_n$  the polynomial

$$E_n(s) = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \left( 1 - \frac{s^2}{(2k+1)^2} \right),$$

and we put  $E_0(s) = 1$ . If  $f \in C^{2n}$  then we put

$$E_n^D[f] = E_n(D)f$$
 and  $E_n^{\Delta}[f] = E_n(\Delta)f$ .

With these notations the proposed inversion formula takes the form:

THEOREM 1 If  $f:(0,\infty)\to X$  is bounded and continuous then, for all  $s\in(0,\infty)$ ,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} E_n^{\Delta}[\mathcal{C}f](s) = f(s).$$

This theorem will be proven using Widder's results on the inversion of convolution transforms (see [15] and Theorem 2). This is possible because the operator  $\mathcal{C}$  can be "translated" into a convolution transform in the following way:

If  $f:(0,\infty)\to X$  is any function then, for  $u\in\mathbf{R}$ , put  $\Gamma f(u)=f(e^u)$ . If  $f\in L_\infty((0,\infty),X)$  then

$$\Gamma(\mathcal{C}f)(s) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^s}{e^{2s} + t^2} f(t) dt$$
$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{e^{s-u}}{e^{2(s-u)} + 1} \Gamma f(u) du$$
$$= K * \Gamma f(s),$$

where the convolutional kernel  $K \in L_1(\mathbf{R})$  is given by

$$K(u) = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{e^u}{e^{2u} + 1}.$$

The convolution transform  $g \mapsto K * g$  can be inverted by using the following theorem, which is a special case of [15, Chapter 7, Theorem 7].

Theorem 2 Let  $K: \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{R}$  be a measurable function with the following properties:

(i) The bilateral Laplace transform of K converges in a strip symmetric about the imaginary axis.

(ii)  $F(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-su} K(u) du$  has no zeros in a strip  $|\Re(s)| < \sigma$ , and  $E(s) = F(s)^{-1}$  can be written as

$$E(s) = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{s}{a_k} \right),$$

where the numbers  $a_k \in \mathbf{R} \setminus \{0\}$  are such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n 1/a_k = 0$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 1/a_k^2 < \infty$ .

If  $g : \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{R}$  is bounded and continuous then  $K * g \in C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R})$ , and, for all  $s \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \prod_{k=0}^{n} \left( 1 - \frac{D}{a_k} \right) [K * g](s) = g(s).$$

We show next that the kernel  $K(u) = 2\pi^{-1}e^{u}(e^{2u}+1)^{-1}$  fulfills the assumptions of the foregoing theorem. The bilateral Laplace transform

$$F(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-su} K(u) du = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-su} \frac{e^{u}}{e^{2u} + 1} du$$

of K exists in the strip  $|\Re(s)| < 1$ , and, by substitution,

$$F(s) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{t^s}{1 + t^2} dt = \frac{1}{\cos(s\pi/2)}.$$
 (3)

Hence F has no zeros in the strip  $|\Re(s)| < 1$ . Moreover, by [8, p.484],  $E(s) = F(s)^{-1}$  can be written as

$$E(s) = \cos(s\pi/2) = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{s^2}{(2k+1)^2}\right) = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{s}{a_k}\right),$$

where  $a_k = k + 1$  if k is even, and  $a_k = -k$  if k is odd. Moreover,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\sum_{k=0}^n\frac{1}{a_k}=0\quad\text{and}\quad\sum_{k=0}^\infty\frac{1}{a_k^2}<\infty.$$

Hence K fulfills the assumptions of Theorem 2. Since  $E(s) = \lim_{n\to\infty} E_n(s)$  we can use Theorem 2 for the proof of the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 3 Let  $g : \mathbf{R} \to X$  be bounded and continuous. Then  $K * g \in C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R}, X)$  and, for all  $s \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} E_n^D[K * g](s) = g(s).$$

*Proof.* We consider first a real-valued bounded and continuous function  $g: \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{R}$ . Since K satisfies the assumptions of Theorem 2 it follows that for all  $s \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} E_n^D[K * g](s) = g(s). \tag{4}$$

In order to prove the conclusion for X-valued functions we make the following observations:

(a) Let  $K_n = E_n^D[K]$ , for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$  By induction it can be proven easily that

$$K_n(u) = c_n \frac{e^{(2n+1)u}}{(e^{2u}+1)^{2n+1}},$$

where  $c_n$  is a positive constant depending only on n. In particular,  $K_n$  is positive for all n.

(b) Let  $\hat{K}_n$  denote the Fourier transform of  $K_n$ . Then, by (3),

$$\hat{K}_n(\omega) = \widehat{E_n^D[K]}(\omega) = E_n(i\omega)\hat{K}(\omega) = \frac{E_n(i\omega)}{\cos(i\omega\pi/2)}.$$

Consequently,  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K_n(t) dt = \hat{K}(0) = 1$ . Since, by (a),  $K_n$  is positive we have  $||K_n||_{L_1} = 1$ .

(c) Since  $K_n$  belongs to  $L_1(\mathbf{R})$  for all  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  it follows that

$$E_n^D[K * g] = E_n^D[K] * g = K_n * g.$$

If  $g: \mathbf{R} \to X$  is bounded and continuous then K \* g belongs to  $C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R}, X)$ . For  $u, s \in \mathbf{R}$  define  $\tau_s(u) = ||g(s) - g(s + u)||$ . Then  $\tau_s : \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{R}$  is bounded and continuous. So we may conclude from (a) - (c) together with (4) that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \|g(s) - E_n^D[K * g](s)\|$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \|\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K_n(u)(g(s) - g(s - u)) du\|$$

$$\leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K_n(u)\tau_s(-u) dt$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} K_n * \tau_s(0) = \tau(0) = 0,$$

 $\equiv$ 

and the proof is complete.

In order to deduce Theorem 1 from Proposition 3 we note that  $\Gamma(\Delta F) = D(\Gamma F)$  if  $F \in C^1((0, \infty), X)$ , and

$$\Gamma\left(E_n^{\Delta}[F]\right) = E_n^D[\Gamma F] \tag{5}$$

for  $f \in C^{2n}((0,\infty),X)$ .

*Proof.* (of Theorem 1) Let  $f:(0,\infty)\to X$  be bounded and continuous. Then  $F=\mathcal{C}f$  belongs to  $C^{\infty}((0,\infty),X)$ , and by (5),

$$\Gamma\left(E_n^{\Delta}[F]\right) = E_n^D[\Gamma F] = E_n^D[K * \Gamma f].$$

Since  $\Gamma f: \mathbf{R} \to X$  is bounded and continuous we can apply Proposition 3 to  $\Gamma f$ . Hence

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} E_n^{\Delta}[F](s) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \Gamma\left(E_n^{\Delta}[F]\right) (\log s)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} E_n^D[K * \Gamma f](\log s)$$

$$= \Gamma f(\log s)$$

$$= f(s),$$

for all  $s \in (0, \infty)$ .

In the following section we need the injectivity of  $\mathcal{C}$  on  $L_{\infty}([0,\infty),X)$ . Therefore, we prove the following corollary to Proposition 3.

COROLLARY 4 Let  $f \in L_{\infty}([0,\infty),X)$ . If Cf = 0 then f = 0.

Proof. Since  $\Gamma: L_{\infty}([0,\infty),X) \to L_{\infty}(\mathbf{R},X)$  is an isometric isomorphism, and  $\Gamma(\mathcal{C}f) = K * \Gamma f$  for  $f \in L_{\infty}([0,\infty),X)$ , it is sufficient to prove that K \* g = 0 implies g = 0 for  $g \in L_{\infty}(\mathbf{R},X)$ . If K \* g = 0 then, for all  $h \in L_1(\mathbf{R})$ ,

$$0 = (K * g) * h = K * (g * h).$$

Since  $g * h : \mathbf{R} \to X$  is bounded and continuous Proposition 3 implies that

$$0 = g * h(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)h(-t) dt$$
, for all  $h \in L_1(\mathbf{R})$ .

 $\equiv$ 

The inversion formula in Theorem 1 is the key for a characterization of those function  $F:(0,\infty)\to X$  which have a representation

$$F(s) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{s}{s^2 + t^2} d\phi(t), \quad s \in (0, \infty),$$

where  $\phi:[0,\infty)\to X$  is Lipschitz-continuous. Our next task is to state and prove such a characterization. To this end, we need some more notations, and we recall some facts about vector-valued Lipschitz-continuous functions, which may be found in [14, Chapter 1, Section 3].

For Lipschitz-continuous functions  $\phi:[0,\infty)\to X$  we introduce the Lipschitz norm

$$\|\phi\|_{Lip} = \sup \left\{ \frac{\|\phi(s) - \phi(t)\|}{s - t} : 0 \le s < t < \infty \right\}.$$
 (6)

By  $Lip([0,\infty),X)$  we denote the space of all Lipschitz-continuous functions  $\phi:[0,\infty)\to X$  with  $\phi(0)=0$ . The space  $Lip([0,\infty),X)$  supplied with the norm defined in (6) is a Banach space. Moreover, we have the following proposition (see e.g. [14, Proposition 1.3.5]).

PROPOSITION 5 The mapping which assigns to  $\phi \in Lip([0,\infty),X)$  the operator  $T_{\phi}: L_1([0,\infty)) \to X$  defined by

$$T_{\phi}h = \int_{0}^{\infty} h(t) \, d\phi(t)$$

is an isometric isomorphism.

If  $\psi: \Omega \to X$ ,  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ , is any function, and if  $x^* \in X^*$ , then  $x^* \circ \psi$  stands for the scalar-valued function given by  $x^* \circ \psi(t) = x^* (\psi(t)), t \in \Omega$ .

THEOREM 6 Let  $F:(0,\infty)\to X$  be any function, and let M be a positive real number. Then the following two assertions are equivalent:

(i) There exists  $\phi \in Lip([0,\infty), X)$ , with  $\|\phi\|_{Lip} \leq M$ , such that, for all s > 0,

$$F(s) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{s}{s^2 + t^2} \, d\phi(t). \tag{7}$$

(ii) 
$$F \in C^{\infty}((0,\infty),X)$$
 and

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbf{N} \cup \{0\}} \left\| E_n^{\Delta}[F] \right\|_{\infty} \le M. \tag{8}$$

Proof. (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) Let  $\phi \in Lip([0,\infty),X)$  have Lipschitz norm equal to M. Then F defined by (7) belongs to  $C^{\infty}((0,\infty),X)$ . In order to prove (8) it is sufficient to show  $\sup_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \left\| E_n^{\Delta}[x^*\circ F] \right\|_{\infty} \leq M$  for all  $x^*\in X^*$  with  $\|x^*\| \leq 1$ . If  $x^*\in X^*$  has norm less than or equal to one then  $x^*\circ \phi$  is a scalar-valued Lipschitz-continuous function with  $\|x^*\circ \phi\|_{Lip} \leq M$ . Hence,  $x^*\circ \phi$  has a Radon-Nikodym derivative  $f_{x^*}$  with  $\|f_{x^*}\|_{\infty} \leq M$ . Moreover, for  $s\in (0,\infty)$ ,

$$x^* \circ F(s) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{s}{s^2 + t^2} d(x^* \circ \phi)(t)$$
$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{s}{s^2 + t^2} f_{x^*}(t) dt$$
$$= \mathcal{C} f_{x^*}(s).$$

Therefore, we have to show  $\|E_n^{\Delta}[\mathcal{C}f_{x^*}]\|_{\infty} \leq M$ . But by (5), this estimate is an immediate consequence of

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| E_n^D[\Gamma(\mathcal{C}f_{x^*})] \right\|_{\infty} &= \|K_n * \Gamma f_{x^*}\|_{\infty} \\ &\leq \|K_n\|_{L_1} \|\Gamma f_{x^*}\|_{\infty} \\ &\leq M. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) Let  $F \in C^{\infty}((0,\infty),X)$  fulfill (8). Then for  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , the operators  $T_n: L_1([0,\infty)) \to X$  defined by

$$T_n h = \int_0^\infty h(t) E_n^{\Delta}[F](t) dt$$

have norm less than or equal to M. We claim that the family  $(T_n)$  converges pointwise to an operator  $T: L_1([0,\infty)) \to X$  with  $||T|| \le M$ . To see this we rewrite  $T_n h$  in the following way:

$$T_n h = \int_0^\infty h(t) E_n^{\Delta}[F](t) dt$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^u h(e^u) E_n^{\Delta}[F](e^u) du$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^\infty \Gamma_1 h(u) E_n^D[\Gamma F](u) du,$$

 $\equiv$ 

where  $\Gamma_1: L_1([0,\infty)) \to L_1(\mathbf{R})$  is given by  $\Gamma_1 h(u) = e^u h(e^u)$ . Since  $\Gamma_1$  is an isometric isomorphism it is enough to show that the operators  $S_n: L_1(\mathbf{R}) \to X$  given by  $S_n g = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u) E_n^D[\Gamma F](u) du$  converge towards an operator  $S: L_1(\mathbf{R}) \to X$ . To see this, take  $s \in \mathbf{R}$  and consider  $K_s(u) = K(s-u)$ . Then, by Proposition 3,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} S_n K_s = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K(s - u) E_n^D[\Gamma F](u) du$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} K * E_n^D[\Gamma F](s)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} K_n * \Gamma F(s) = \Gamma F(s).$$

Hence,  $S_n g$  converges for all g in the subset  $\kappa = \{K_s : s \in \mathbf{R}\} \subseteq L_1(\mathbf{R})$ . We know from (3) that the Fourier transform of K has no zeros. Hence, by Wiener's Tauberian theorem [16, Theorem XI.16.3] it follows that  $\kappa$  is total in  $L_1(\mathbf{R})$ . In addition, the family  $(S_n)$  is bounded, since  $||S_n|| = ||T_n|| \leq M$ . Hence, by the Banach-Steinhaus theorem,  $(S_n)$  converges pointwise to an operator  $S: L_1(\mathbf{R}) \to X$ . In particular,  $SK_s = \Gamma F(s)$ . Consequently,  $(T_n)$  converges pointwise to an operator  $T: L_1([0,\infty)) \to X$  with  $||T|| \leq M$ , and S and T are related by  $Th = S(\Gamma_1 h)$ .

Now, by Proposition 5, there exists  $\phi \in Lip([0,\infty),X)$  with  $\|\phi\|_{Lip} \le \|T\| \le M$ , such that T has a representation

$$Th = \int_0^\infty h(t) d\phi(t), \quad h \in L_1([0, \infty)).$$

Let  $k_s(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{s}{s^2 + t^2}$ . Then  $\Gamma_1 k_s(u) = K_{\log s}(u)$ . Consequently,

$$F(s) = \Gamma F(\log s) = SK_{\log s} = S(\Gamma_1 k_s) = Tk_s = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{s}{s^2 + t^2} d\phi(t),$$

and the proof is complete.

#### 2. A characterization of uniformly bounded cosine functions

Let us first recall the following definitions: A mapping  $T(\cdot):(0,\infty)\to \mathbf{L}(X)$  has the semigroup property if

$$T(t+u) = T(t)T(u), \quad t, u > 0,$$

and  $T(\cdot)$  is a  $C_0$ -semigroup if, in addition,  $T(\cdot)$  is strongly continuous in  $[0,\infty)$  and  $T(0)=\mathrm{Id}$ . A mapping  $C(\cdot):\mathbf{R}\to\mathbf{L}(X)$  satisfies the cosine functional equation if

$$C(t)C(u) = \frac{1}{2} [C(t+u) + C(t-u)], \quad t, u \in \mathbf{R},$$
 (9)

and  $S(\cdot): \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  fulfills the sine functional equation if S is strongly measurable with

$$S(t)S(u) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^u \left[ S(t+\sigma) + S(t-\sigma) \right] d\sigma, \quad t, u \in \mathbf{R}.$$
 (10)

If, in addition to (9),  $C(\cdot)$  is strongly continuous with C(0) = Id then  $C(\cdot)$  is a cosine function.  $S(\cdot)$  is a sine function if, in addition to (10),  $S(\cdot)$  is non-degenerate, that is S(t)x = 0 for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  implies x = 0.

If  $C(\cdot)$  is a cosine function, then the generator A of  $C(\cdot)$  is defined by

$$D(A) = \{x \in X : C(\cdot)x \in C^2(\mathbf{R}, X)\}$$
 and  $Ax = C''(0)x$  for x in  $D(A)$ .

The generator A of a sine function  $S(\cdot)$  is given by: x belongs to D(A) if and only if there exists  $y \in X$  such that, for all  $\tau \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$S(\tau)x = \tau x + \int_0^\tau (\tau - \sigma)S(\sigma)y \, d\sigma. \tag{11}$$

In this case Ax = y. Note that y is uniquely determined by (11) since  $S(\cdot)$  is non degenerate. In case we assume that the sine function is exponentially bounded, with densely defined generator, one can provide equivalent definitions using the Laplace transform (see [9], and [13]).

If  $C: \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  is strongly continuous and even, and if  $S: \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  is defined by

$$S(t) = \int_0^t C(\tau) d\tau, \quad t \in \mathbf{R},$$

then it follows by straightforward calculations that  $C(\cdot)$  fulfills the cosine functional equation if and only if  $S(\cdot)$  fulfills the sine functional equation. Consequently,  $C(\cdot)$  is a cosine function if and only if  $S(\cdot)$  is a sine function. In this case the generators of  $C(\cdot)$  and  $S(\cdot)$  are the same.

Let A be the generator of a bounded  $C_0$ -semigroup  $T(\cdot)$ . Then, by [16, Chapter IX.11] (see also the introduction), we can define  $B = -(-A)^{1/2}$ , and

B is the generator of a bounded  $C_0$ -semigroup  $T_B(\cdot)$ . If A generates a cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  then we have the fundamental connection (see Introduction)

$$T_B(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{t^2 + \tau^2} C(\tau) \, d\tau, \tag{12}$$

and if  $S(\cdot)$  is the sine function generated by A then

$$T_B(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{t^2 + \tau^2} \, dS(\tau). \tag{13}$$

Unless otherwise stated, integrals involving operator-valued functions will be understood in the strong operator topology henceforth. Our main goal in this section is to show that the converse of the above assertion holds; more precisely,

THEOREM 7 Let A be the generator of a bounded  $C_0$ -semigroup and let  $T_B(\cdot)$  be the  $C_0$ -semigroup generated by  $B = -(-A)^{1/2}$ . Then A generates a bounded cosine function if and only if there exists a strongly Lipschitz-continuous function  $S(\cdot): [0, \infty) \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  such that

$$T_B(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{t^2 + \tau^2} dS(\tau), \quad t > 0.$$
 (14)

Before we prove Theorem 7 we need a couple of lemmas and propositions, and we make a few remarks.

REMARK 8 (i) If  $F: \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  is a strongly Lipschitz continuous function then, as a consequence of the uniform boundedness principle, F is Lipschitz continuous with respect to the operator norm. Therefore, it is enough to prove Theorem 7 for Lipschitz continuous sine functions.

(ii) If the densely defined operator A generates a Lipschitz-continuous sine function  $S(\cdot)$  then A generates a bounded strongly continuous analytic semigroup  $T(\cdot)$  given by

$$T(t)x = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}t^{3/2}} \int_0^\infty e^{-\tau^2/4t} \tau S(\tau) x d\tau$$
 (15)

(see Arendt-Kellermann [3]). If we proceed as in the introduction, we find that the semigroup  $T_B(\cdot)$  generated by the negative square root B of A has the representation:

$$T_B(t) = -\frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\tau t}{(t^2 + \tau^2)^2} S(\tau) d\tau.$$
 (16)

It is well-known that there are operators that generate sine functions but do not generate cosine functions (see [3], [9] and [5]). Proposition 10 below states that the semigroup property corresponds to the cosine functional equation via (12) and to the sine functional equation via (13).

(iii) In the case where X has the Radon-Nikodym property (see [14] or [1]), the assumption on  $S(\cdot)$  implies the existence of a derivative  $S'(\cdot) = C(\cdot)$  which is bounded. The cosine functional equation for  $C(\cdot)$  combined with strong measurability imply that  $C(\cdot)$  is strongly continuous (see [6, Theorem 1.1, p. 24] or [12]; these results extend the corresponding facts for the semigroup functional equation [10]).

For our further investigations it is useful to introduce the Poisson kernels

$$P_s(\sigma) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{s}{s^2 + \sigma^2}, \quad s > 0, \ \sigma \in \mathbf{R}.$$

We note that the family  $(P_s)$  has the following semigroup property

$$P_s * P_t = P_{s+t}, \quad s, t > 0.$$
 (17)

If f is bounded and measurable on  $\mathbf{R}$  then we let

$$\mathcal{P}f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_t(\tau)f(\tau) d\tau, \quad t \in \mathbf{R}.$$

We note that  $\mathcal{P}f = 0$  implies f = 0 if  $f \in L_{\infty}(\mathbf{R}, X)$  is even. This follows from Corollary 4 since for even functions  $f \in L_{\infty}(\mathbf{R}, X)$ 

$$\mathcal{P}f(t) = 2\int_0^\infty P_t(\tau)f(\tau) d\tau = (\mathcal{C}f_{|[0,\infty)})(t).$$

In the sequel we write  $Q_t = -P'_t$ .

Lemma 9 If  $f: \mathbf{R} \to X$  is odd and Lipschitz-continuous, and if

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_t(\tau) f(\tau) d\tau = 0, \quad \text{for all } t > 0$$
 (18)

then  $f(\tau) = 0$  for all  $\tau \in \mathbf{R}$ .

*Proof.* It is enough to prove the lemma for scalar-valued functions. Then the vector-valued case follows by applying the Hahn-Banach theorem. Let f be an odd, scalar-valued Lipschitz-continuous function with (18). Then f has an even, bounded Radon Nikodym derivative f'. By partial integration it follows that

$$0 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_t(\tau) f(\tau) d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_t(\tau) f'(\tau) d\tau.$$

Since the operator  $\mathcal{P}$  is injective on even functions we conclude that f' = 0. Consequently, f is constant. But a constant function which is odd must be 0.

Proposition 10 Let  $T(\cdot):[0,\infty)\to \mathbf{L}(X)$  be bounded and strongly continuous.

(i) If  $C(\cdot): \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  is bounded, strongly continuous and even, and if  $C(\cdot)$  and  $T(\cdot)$  are related by

$$T(t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{t}{t^2 + \tau^2} C(\tau) d\tau, \quad t > 0,$$

then  $T(\cdot)$  has the semigroup property if and only if  $C(\cdot)$  fulfills the cosine functional equation. Moreover, T(0) = C(0).

(ii) If  $S(\cdot): \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  is strongly Lipschitz-continuous and odd, and if  $S(\cdot)$  and  $T(\cdot)$  are connected by

$$T(t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{t}{t^2 + \tau^2} dS(\tau), \quad t > 0,$$

then  $T(\cdot)$  has the semigroup property if and only if  $S(\cdot)$  fulfills the sine functional equation.

*Proof.* We first prove (ii).

(ii) By partial integration it follows that

$$T(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_t(\tau) dS(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_t(\tau) S(\tau) d\tau.$$

Consequently,

$$T(s)T(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_s(\sigma)Q_t(\tau) S(\sigma)S(\tau) d\tau d\sigma$$

The semigroup property of the Poisson kernels gives

$$Q_{s+t}(\tau) = -\frac{d}{d\tau} P_{s+t}(\tau) = -\frac{d}{d\tau} (P_s * P_t)(\tau) = Q_s * P_t(\tau).$$

Since S and  $Q_s$  are odd it follows that

$$T(s+t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_{s+t}(\rho)S(\rho) d\rho$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_{s}(\rho-\tau)P_{t}(\tau) d\tau S(\rho) d\rho$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_{s}(\sigma)P_{t}(\tau)S(\sigma+\tau) d\tau d\sigma$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_{s}(\sigma)P_{t}(\tau) \frac{1}{2} [S(\sigma+\tau) + S(\sigma-\tau)] d\tau d\sigma.$$

Integrating the right hand side of the above equation by parts gives

$$T(s+t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_s(\sigma) Q_t(\tau) \left( \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\tau} \left[ S(\sigma + \rho) + S(\sigma - \rho) \right] d\rho \right) d\tau d\sigma.$$

If  $S(\cdot)$  fulfills the sine functional equation then it follows directly that  $T(\cdot)$  has the semigroup property in  $(0, \infty)$ . That  $T(\cdot)$  has the semigroup property in the closed interval  $[0, \infty)$  follows from the strong continuity of  $T(\cdot)$ .

Conversely, if  $T(\cdot)$  has the semigroup property then we obtain

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_s(\sigma) Q_t(\tau) S(\sigma) S(\tau) d\tau d\sigma$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q_s(\sigma) Q_t(\tau) \left( \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\tau} [S(\sigma + \rho) + S(\sigma - \rho)] d\rho \right) d\tau d\sigma,$$

for all  $s, t \geq 0$ . Since the functions

$$(\sigma, \tau) \mapsto \int_0^{\tau} [S(\sigma + \rho) + S(\sigma - \rho)] d\rho \quad \text{and} \quad (\sigma, \tau) \mapsto S(\sigma)S(\tau)$$

are odd in  $\sigma$  for  $\tau$  fixed, and in  $\tau$  for  $\sigma$  fixed, it follows from Lemma 9 that

$$S(\sigma)S(\tau) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\tau} [S(\sigma + \rho) + S(\sigma - \rho)] d\rho,$$

whence  $S(\cdot)$  fulfills the sine functional equation.

(i) Define  $S(\cdot): \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  by

$$S(t) = \int_0^t C(\tau) d\tau.$$

Since  $C(\cdot)$  is even it follows that  $S(\cdot)$  fulfills the sine functional equation if and only  $C(\cdot)$  fulfills the cosine functional equation. Moreover,

$$T(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_t(\tau)C(\tau) d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_t(\tau) dS(\tau).$$

Hence it follows from (ii) that  $C(\cdot)$  fulfills the cosine functional equation if and only if  $T(\cdot)$  has the semigroup property.

Moreover, since the family of Poisson kernels  $(P_t)$  is an approximate identity it follows that

$$T(0) = \lim_{t \to 0^+} T(t) = \lim_{t \to 0^+} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_t(\tau) C(\tau) d\tau = C(0).$$

If A generates an integrated semigroup  $U(\cdot)$  then, for all  $x \in X$  and  $\tau > 0$ ,

$$\int_0^\tau U(\sigma)x \, d\sigma \in D(A), \quad \text{and} \quad U(\tau)x = \tau x + A \int_0^\tau U(\sigma)x \, d\sigma$$

(see Arendt [1, Proposition 3.3]). If we consider sine functions instead of integrated semigroups then, by Arendt [2], we obtain the following result.

LEMMA 11 Let  $S(\cdot)$  be a sine function with generator A. Then, for all  $x \in X$  and  $\tau \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\int_0^\tau (\tau - \sigma) S(\sigma) x \, d\sigma \in D(A), \text{ and } S(\tau) x = \tau x + A \int_0^\tau (\tau - \sigma) S(\sigma) x \, d\sigma. \tag{19}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\tau \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $x \in X$  and set  $x_{\tau} = \int_0^{\tau} (\tau - \sigma) S(\sigma) x \, d\sigma$ . Then

$$S(t)x_{\tau} = S(t) \int_{0}^{\tau} (\tau - \sigma)S(\sigma)x \, d\sigma$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\tau} (\tau - \sigma) \int_{0}^{\sigma} [S(t + \rho) + S(t - \rho)]x \, d\rho d\sigma$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\tau} (\tau - \sigma) \left[ \int_{t}^{t+\sigma} S(\rho)x \, d\rho - \int_{t}^{t-\sigma} S(\rho)x \, d\rho \right] \, d\sigma$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\tau} (\tau - \sigma) \int_{t}^{t+\sigma} S(\rho)x \, d\rho d\sigma.$$

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It follows that

$$\frac{d}{dt}S(t)x_{\tau} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\tau} (\tau - \sigma)[S(t + \sigma) - S(t - \sigma)]x \, d\sigma. \tag{20}$$

In particular,  $S'(0)x_{\tau} = x_{\tau}$ . From (20) we infer

$$\frac{d}{dt}S(t)x_{\tau} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{t}^{t+\tau} (\tau + t - \sigma)S(\sigma)x \, d\sigma + \frac{1}{2} \int_{t}^{t-\tau} (\tau - t + \sigma)S(\sigma)x \, d\sigma,$$

whence

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}S(t)x_{\tau} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_t^{t+\tau} S(\sigma)x \, d\sigma - \tau S(t)x - \int_t^{t-\tau} S(\sigma) \, d\sigma - \tau S(t)x \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{t-\tau}^{t+\tau} S(\sigma)x \, d\sigma - \tau S(t)x = [S(\tau) - \tau]S(t)x.$$

Therefore,

$$S(t)x_{\tau} = \int_0^t (t-\sigma)S''(\sigma)x_{\tau} d\sigma + tS'(0)x_{\tau} + S(0)x_{\tau}$$
$$= tx_{\tau} + \int_0^t (t-\sigma)S(\sigma)[S(\tau) - \tau]x d\sigma.$$

Consequently,  $x_{\tau} \in D(A)$  and  $Ax_{\tau} = S(\tau)x - \tau x$ .

PROPOSITION 12 Let B generate a  $C_0$ -semigroup  $T_B(\cdot)$  on X and let A be the generator of a strongly Lipschitz-continuous sine function  $S(\cdot)$ . If

$$T_B(t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{t}{\tau^2 + t^2} \, dS(\tau), \quad t > 0, \tag{21}$$

then  $B^2 = -A$ .

*Proof.*  $T_B$  is infinitely often differentiable in t > 0; this follows easily from the representation (21) (actually,  $T_B(\cdot)$  is analytic). Hence  $T_B(t)x$  belongs to  $D(B^n)$  for all t > 0,  $x \in X$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and

$$B^n T_B(t) x = \frac{d^n}{dt^n} T_B(t) x.$$

In order to prove that  $B^2 = -A$ , we use integration by parts combined with the estimates  $||S(\tau)x|| \leq M\tau ||x||$  and  $||\int_0^\tau S(\rho)x \, d\rho|| \leq M\tau^2 ||x||$  for some number M > 0, and the fundamental formula (Lemma 11, 19) for sine function generators:

$$B^{2}T_{B}(t)x = \frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}T_{B}(t)x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}P_{t}(\tau) dS(\tau)x$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} -\frac{d^{2}}{d\tau^{2}}P_{t}(\tau) d\left(\tau x + A \int_{0}^{\tau} (\tau - \sigma)S(\sigma)x d\sigma\right)$$

$$= -A \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d^{2}}{d\tau^{2}}P_{t}(\tau) \left(\int_{0}^{\tau} S(\sigma)x d\sigma\right) d\tau$$

$$= A \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{d\tau}P_{t}(\tau)S(\tau)x d\tau$$

$$= -A \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_{t}(\tau) dS(\tau)x$$

$$= -AT_{B}(t)x.$$

Let  $x \in D(B^2)$ . Then

$$\lim_{t \to 0^+} -AT_B(t)x = \lim_{t \to 0^+} B^2 T_B(t)x = \lim_{t \to 0^+} T_B(t)B^2 x = B^2 x.$$

Since A is closed and  $\lim_{t\to 0^+} T_B(t)x = x$  it follows that  $x\in D(A)$  and  $-Ax = B^2x$ . Conversely, if  $x\in D(A)$  then

$$\lim_{t \to 0^{+}} B^{2} T_{B}(t) x = -\lim_{t \to 0^{+}} A T_{B}(t) x = -\lim_{t \to 0^{+}} A \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_{t}(\tau) dS(\tau) x$$
$$= -\lim_{t \to 0^{+}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_{t}(\tau) dS(\tau) A x = -\lim_{t \to 0^{+}} T_{B}(t) A x = -A x.$$

Consequently, by the closedness of  $B^2$  implies that  $x \in D(B^2)$  and  $B^2x = -Ax$ .

Now we are in the position to prove the main theorem (Theorem 7).

*Proof.* (of Theorem 7) Assume first that A generates a bounded cosine function  $C(\cdot)$ . Then A is the generator of a sine function  $S(\cdot)$  which is given by

$$S(t) = \int_0^t C(\tau) d\tau.$$

Hence, since  $C(\cdot)$  is bounded  $S(\cdot)$  is Lipschitz-continuous, and (14) follows from (12).

Conversely, assume that there exists a Lipschitz-continuous function  $S(\cdot)$ :  $[0,\infty) \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  such that  $T_B(\cdot)$  and  $S(\cdot)$  are connected by (14). We may assume without loss of generality that S(0) = 0. Then  $S(\cdot)$  can be extended to an odd, strongly Lipschitz-continuous function  $S: \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  by putting S(t) = -S(-t) for t < 0. Then

$$T_B(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty P_t(\tau) dS(\tau) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty P_t(\tau) dS(\tau).$$

Therefore, Proposition 10 implies that  $S(\cdot)$  fulfills the sine functional equation. Moreover, if S(t)x = 0 for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  then it follows from (14) that T(t)x = 0 for all t > 0, whence x = 0. Consequently,  $S(\cdot)$  is a sine function, which, by Proposition 12, is generated by  $-B^2 = A$ .

It remains to show that  $S(\cdot)$  has a strong derivative  $C(\cdot)$ . Let  $x \in D(A)$ . Then

$$S(t)x = tx + \int_0^t (t - \tau)S(\tau)Ax \, d\tau.$$

Hence S(t)x is continuously differentiable and we can define

$$\Phi(x)(t) = S'(t)x = x + \int_0^t S(\tau)Ax \, d\tau, \quad t \in \mathbf{R}.$$

Since  $S(\cdot)$  is Lipschitz-continuous we have

$$\|\Phi(x)\|_{\infty} = \|S(\cdot)x\|_{Lip} \le \|S(\cdot)\|_{Lip} \|x\|.$$
 (22)

Hence  $\Phi: D(A) \to C_b(\mathbf{R}, X)$  is a bounded linear operator. Consequently,  $\Phi$  has a unique bounded linear extension to  $\overline{D(A)} = X$ . Define  $C(t)x = \Phi(x)(t)$ . Then, for every  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\sup_{\|x\| \le 1} \|C(t)x\| \le \|S(\cdot)\|_{Lip}.$$

Hence,  $C(t) \in \mathbf{L}(X)$  for each  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , and  $C(\cdot) : \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{L}(X)$  is bounded and strongly continuous. Moreover,  $C(\cdot)$  is a cosine function, since  $S(\cdot)$  is a sine function, and  $C(\cdot)$  is generated by A since  $S(\cdot)$  is generated by A.

Combining Theorem 1, Theorem 6 and Theorem 7 we obtain the following

COROLLARY 13 Let A be the generator of a bounded  $C_0$ -semigroup, and let  $B = -(-A)^{1/2}$  generate the semigroup  $T_B(\cdot)$ . Then A generates a bounded cosine function if and only if there exists M > 0 such that

$$||E_n^{\Delta}[T_B](t)|| \le M$$
 for all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and  $t > 0$ .

In this case, the cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  generated by A is given by

$$C(t)x = C(-t)x = \lim_{n \to \infty} E_n^{\Delta}[T_B](t)x, \quad t \ge 0, x \in X.$$

We now provide an explicit description of  $E_n^{\Delta}[T_B](t)$ . We claim first that  $E_n^{\Delta}[T_B](t) = p_n(tB)T_B(t)$ , where  $p_n$  is a polynomial of degree 2n. This statement is certainly true for n = 0, with  $p_0(t) = 1$ . For any polynomial p let us define  $(\Phi p)(t) = t[p(t) + p'(t)]$ . If the statement holds for n > 0 then

$$\Delta E_n^{\Delta}[T_B](t) = \Delta p_n(tB)T_B(T) = t[Bp'_n(tB)T_B(t) + p_n(tB)BT_B(t)] = (\Phi p_n)(tB)T_B(t).$$

Consequently,  $E_{n+1}^{\Delta}[T_B](t) = p_{n+1}(tB)T_B(t)$ , where

$$p_{n+1} = \left(1 - \frac{\Phi^2}{(2n+1)^2}\right) p_n = \prod_{k=0}^n \left(1 - \frac{\Phi^2}{(2k+1)^2}\right) p_0 = E_n^{\Phi}[p_0]$$

is a polynomial of degree 2n + 2 = 2(n + 1).

Secondly, we describe the  $p_n$ 's explicitly. Let  $p_n(t) = a_{2n}t^{2n} + a_{2n-1}t^{2n-1} + \dots + a_1t + a_0$ . The polynomial  $p_n$  is uniquely determined by the equation

$$E_n^{\Delta}[e^t] = p_n(t)e^t = \sum_{i=0}^{2n} a_i t^j \cdot \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^l}{l!} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} b_l t^l,$$
 (23)

where  $b_l = \sum_{j=0}^{\min(l,2n)} a_j/(l-j)!$ . On the other hand, since  $\Delta(t^l) = lt^l$  we have

$$E_n^{\Delta}[e^t] = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{E_n^{\Delta}[t^l]}{l!} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^l}{l!} \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \left( 1 - \frac{l^2}{(2k+1)^2} \right) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} c_l t^l, \qquad (24)$$

where  $c_l = E_n(l)/l!$ . Combining (23) and (24) we have

$$\sum_{j=0}^{l} \frac{a_j}{(l-j)!} = c_l, \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, 2n.$$
 (25)

Let  $\alpha = (a_0, \ldots, a_{2n}), \ \gamma = (c_0, \ldots, c_{2n})$ . Then (25) may be written as  $A\alpha = \gamma$ , where A is the matrix given by

Consequently,  $\alpha = A^{-1}\gamma$ , where

Since  $c_1 = c_3 = \ldots = c_{2n-1} = 0$  we obtain the following representation of  $E_n^{\Delta}[T_B](t)$ :

PROPOSITION 14 If  $T_B(\cdot)$  is a differentiable semigroup which is generated by B, then

$$E_n^{\Delta}[T_B](t) = \left[a_{2n}(tB)^{2n} + \ldots + a_1(tB) + a_0\right] T_B(t),$$

where

$$a_k = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{l=0}^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} \left[ (-1)^k \binom{k}{2l} \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} \left( 1 - \frac{(2l)^2}{(2j+1)^2} \right) \right], \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n,$$

and  $\lfloor k/2 \rfloor$  denotes the greatest nonnegative integer not exceeding k/2.

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Finally, if we consider the Laplace operator on one of the spaces  $L^p(\mathbf{R})$   $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $C_0(\mathbf{R})$  or  $BUC(\mathbf{R})$  (with maximal distributional domain for  $L^p(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ), then the semigroup  $T_B(\cdot)$  corresponds to the classical Poisson transform for which an inversion theory has been carried out in [14].

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