EXAMPLES OF SINGULAR PARABOLIC MEASURES AND SINGULAR TRANSITION PROBABILITY DENSITIES

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We consider strongly parabolic operators

$$L = \sum_{i, j=1}^{n} a_{ij}(t, x) D_{x_i x_j}^2 - D_i,$$

i.e., we assume there exists $\lambda > 0$ such that for each t > 0, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $a_{ii}(t,x) = a_{ii}(t,x)$ and

$$\lambda |\xi|^2 \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(t,x)\xi_i\xi_j \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} |\xi|^2.$$

If in addition, the coefficients are uniformly continuous then the classical Cauchy or initial value problem,

$$Lu = 0, t > 0$$
$$u(0, x) = g(x)$$

is uniquely solvable for continuous g with compact support in \mathbb{R}^n . The solution u(t, x), satisfies the condition

$$\sum_{|\alpha|<2} \int_a^b \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left[|D_x^{\alpha} u|^p + |D_t u|^p \right] dx \, dt < \infty \tag{i}$$

for each $0 < a < b < \infty$ and each 1 . In particular*u* $is continuous in <math>R^{n+1}_+ = (0, \infty) \times R^n$, uniformly continuous in $[a, b] \times R^n$, for each $0 < a < b < \infty$ and in addition satisfies

$$\lim_{t \to 0^+} \sup_{x} |u(t,x) - g(x)| = 0.$$
(ii)

The maximum principle implies that the mapping

$$g \rightarrow u(t,x)$$

is a positive continuous linear functional on $C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$, the space of continuous functions with compact support. Hence there exists a locally finite (actually finite

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