

DIRICHLET FORMS AND SYMMETRIC DIFFUSIONS ON A BOUNDED DOMAIN IN R^{d**}

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Abstract

Let D be a bounded C^2 -domain in R^d and (a_{ij}) be a bounded symmetric matrix defined on D . Consider the symmetric form

$$\mathcal{E}(u, v) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^d \int_D a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial x_j} dx, \quad u, v \in H^1(D).$$

Under some assumptions it is shown that the diffusion process associated with the regular Dirichlet space $(\mathcal{E}, (H^1(D)))$ on $L^2(\bar{D})$ can be characterized as a unique solution of a certain stochastic differential equation.

§ 0. Introduction

Let D be a bounded domain in R^d and $a_{ij}(x)$ $1 \leq i, j \leq d$, be bounded Borel functions on D such that the matrix (a_{ij}) is symmetric and uniformly positive definite on D . Consider the following form

$$\mathcal{E}(u, v) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^d \int_D a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial x_j} dx, \quad u, v \in H^1(D), \quad (0.1)$$

where $H^1(D)$ is the Sobolev space of order 1. It is easy to see that $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$ is a Dirichlet space on $L^2(D)$ which is local but not regular. However, if $C^\infty(\bar{D})$ is dense in $H^1(D)$ and if we regard $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$ as a Dirichlet space on $L^2(\bar{D})$ rather than on $L^2(D)$, then it is regular because the \mathcal{E}_1 -norm $(\mathcal{E}_1(u, v) = \mathcal{E}(u, v) + (u, v))$ is equivalent to the Sobolev norm on $H^1(D)$. Thus according to Fukushima's Theorems ([2], Theorems 6.2.1 and 6.2.2) there exists uniquely (up to the equivalence) a dx -symmetric diffusion process $\mathcal{M} = \{\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, \bar{X}_t, P_x, x \in \bar{D}\}$ on $(\bar{D}, \mathcal{B}(\bar{D}))$ whose Dirichlet space is $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$.

The purpose of this paper is to characterize \bar{X}_t , under some assumptions on D and on (a_{ij}) , as a unique solution of an SDE (stochastic differential equation) on \bar{D} . Our proof of this result is essentially based on a generalized Stokes formula for functions in $H^1(D)$ which is established in § 1. In § 2 we show that for each $v \in H^1(D)$, the restriction on ∂D of its quasi-continuous modification \tilde{v} on \bar{D} is a

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version of its trace $\nu(v)$ on ∂D . The main result is proved in § 3.

§ 1. A Generalized Stokes Formula

Let D be a bounded C^3 -domain in R^d . It is well known that $C^\infty(\bar{D})$ is dense in $H^1(D)$ and D is situated on one side of ∂D , where $H^1(D)$ denotes the Sobolev space of order 1, i. e.

$$H^1(D) = \left\{ u \in L^2(D) : \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \in L^2(D), 1 \leq i \leq d \right\}. \tag{1.1}$$

Let $n(x) = (n_1(x), \dots, n_d(x))$ denote the unit outward normal vector of D at $x \in \partial D$. It is well known that for $v \in C^1(D)$ we have so-called "Stokes formula"

$$\int_D \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial x_i} dx = \int_{\partial D} v(x) n_i(x) \sigma(dx), \tag{1.2}$$

where $\sigma(dx)$ stands for the "area measure" on the boundary ∂D . The following lemma extends this formula to the case where $v \in H^1(D)$:

Lemma 1.1. *Let $v \in H^1(D)$. We denote by $\nu(v)$ the trace of v on the boundary ∂D . Then we have*

$$\int_D \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial x_i} dx = \int_{\partial D} \nu(v)(x) n_i(x) \sigma(dx). \tag{1.3}$$

Proof Consider the following symmetric form on $H^1(D)$

$$a(u, v) = \sum_{i=1}^d \int_D \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial x_i} dx + \int_D u(x) v(x) dx.$$

It is well known that there exists a unique $u \in H^1(D)$ such that

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\partial D} \nu(v) d\sigma, \forall v \in H^1(D), \tag{1.4}$$

where $\nu(v)$ is the trace of v on ∂D which is in $H^{1/2}(\partial D)$ (see [1], § 37). Since $a(|v|, |v|) \leq a(v, v)$, we have

$$\int_{\partial D} |\nu(v)| d\sigma \leq \int_{\partial D} \nu(|v|) d\sigma = a(u, |v|) \leq \sqrt{a(u, u)} \sqrt{a(|v|, |v|)} \leq \|u\|_{H^1} \|v\|_{H^1}. \tag{1.5}$$

This means the mapping $v \rightarrow \nu(v)$ is continuous from $H^1(D)$ into $L^1(\partial D, d\sigma)$.

Now suppose $v \in H^1(D)$. Let $v_n \in C^2(\bar{D})$, $n \geq 1$, such that $\|v_n - v\|_{H^1} \rightarrow 0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$). As $\nu(v_n) = v_n|_{\partial D}$, we have by (1.2)

$$\int_D \frac{\partial v_n(x)}{\partial x_i} dx = \int_{\partial D} \nu(v_n)(x) n_i(x) \sigma(dx),$$

from which and by letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ we get (1.3).

The following result is essential for proving our main result in § 3.

Lemma 1.2. *Let $\alpha_{ij} \in C^1(\bar{D})$, $i, j = 1, \dots, d$. Then for any $u \in C^1(\bar{D})$ and $v \in H^1(D)$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i,j=1}^d \int_D a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_j} dx \\ &= - \int_D v(x) Au(x) dx + \int_{\partial D} \nu(v)(x) \sum_{i,j=1}^d a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_j} n_i(x) \sigma(dx) \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

where

$$Au(x) = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_j} \right].$$

Proof Let $h_i(x) = v(x) \sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_j}$, $i=1, \dots, d$. It is obvious that $h_i \in H^1(D)$

and we have

$$\nu(h_i)(x) = \nu(v)(x) \sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_j}, \quad x \in \partial D.$$

Thus by (1.3), we get

$$\sum_i \int_D \frac{\partial h_i(x)}{\partial x_i} dx = \sum_i \int_{\partial D} \nu(v)(x) \sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_j} n_i(x) \sigma(dx),$$

which is just (1.6).

§ 2. A Remark on Quasi C^3 -Continuous Modifications

Let D be a bounded C^3 -domain in R^d . Consider the following form

$$\mathcal{E}(u, v) = \sum_{i=1}^d \int_D \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial x_i} dx.$$

It is known that $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$ is a regular local Dirichlet space on $L^2(\bar{D})$. Thus each $v \in H^1(D)$ admits a modification \tilde{v} on \bar{D} which is quasi-continuous on \bar{D} . On the other hand, if D is a C^1 -domain such that D is situated on one side of ∂D , then each $v \in H^1(D)$ has its trace $\nu(v)$ on ∂D . The following lemma tells us that we have actually $\tilde{v}|_{\partial D} = \nu(v)$, $\sigma(dx)$ -a. e.

Lemma 2.1. *Let D be a bounded C^3 -domain in R^d .*

(1) *The "area measure" σ on ∂D is of finite energy integral in the sense of [2].*

(2) *For each $v \in H^1(D)$, the restriction on ∂D of its quasi-continuous modification \tilde{v} on \bar{D} is a version of its trace $\nu(v)$ on ∂D with respect to $\sigma(dx)$.*

Proof Put

$$\mathcal{E}_1(u, v) = \mathcal{E}(u, v) + \int_D u(x)v(x) dx, \quad u, v \in H^1(D).$$

By (1.4) there exists a unique $u \in H^1(D)$ such that

$$\mathcal{E}_1(u, v) = \int_{\partial D} v d\sigma, \quad \forall v \in C(\bar{D}) \cap H^1(D).$$

Thus by definition σ is of finite energy integral and we have

$$\mathcal{E}_1(u, v) = \int_{\partial D} \tilde{v}(x) \sigma(dx), \quad v \in H^1(D)$$

(see [2], Theorem 3.2.2). This means in particular that the mapping $v \rightarrow \tilde{v}|_{\partial D}$ is continuous from $H^1(D)$ into $L^1(\partial D, d\sigma)$ (see the proof of Lemma 1.1). But this

mapping coincides with the trace mapping ν on $C^2(\bar{D})$, so they are the same on $H^1(D)$. Thus we have $\tilde{v}|_{\partial D} = \nu(v)$, $\sigma(dx)$ -a. e., for each $v \in H^1(D)$.

§ 3. The Main Result

Let D be a bounded C^3 -domain in R^d . Let $a_{ij}(x)$, $1 \leq i, j \leq d$, be functions in $C^1(\bar{D})$ such that the matrix (a_{ij}) is symmetric and uniformly positive definite on D . Consider the regular Dirichlet space $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$ on $L^2(\bar{D})$ which is defined by (0.1). Let $\mu = \{\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, \bar{X}_t, P_x, x \in D\}$ be a dx -symmetric diffusion process associated with $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$.

Let $\sigma = (\sigma_{ij})$ denote the square root of (a_{ij}) and put

$$b(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^d \frac{\partial a_{ij}(x)}{\partial x_j}, \quad c_t(x) = \sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij}(x) n_j(x), \quad (3.1)$$

where $n(x) = (n_1(x), \dots, n_d(x))$ denotes the unit outward normal vector of D at $x \in \partial D$. Consider the following SDE on \bar{D} :

$$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t \sigma(X_s) dB_s + \int_0^t b(X_s) dx - \int_0^t c(X_s) dL_s, \quad (3.2)$$

where $X_t = (X_t^1, \dots, X_t^d)$, $B_t = (B_t^1, \dots, B_t^d)$ and L_t are stochastic processes satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) (B_t) is a d -dimensional Brownian motion,
- (ii) (L_t) is a continuous non-negative increasing process satisfying

$$\int_0^t I_{\partial D}(X_s) dL_s = L_t, \quad (3.3)$$

- (iii) (X_t) is a continuous process taking values in \bar{D} .

A solution of (3.2) is understood as a system $\{X_t, B_t, L_t\}$ defined on a filtered probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, P)$ and satisfying the conditions (i)–(iii) and (3.2). The following theorem is the main result of this paper.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $\mu = \{\Omega, \mathcal{F}_t, \bar{X}_t, P_x, x \in \bar{D}\}$ be a dx -symmetric diffusion process associated with $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$.*

(1) *The "area measure" $\sigma(dx)$ on ∂D is of finite energy integral with respect to $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$.*

(2) *Let (L_t) be the PCAF (positive continuous additive functional) associated with the measure σ . Then there is a d -dimensional process (B_t) and a Borel set $N \subset \bar{D}$ of zero \mathcal{E}_1 -capacity such that, for each $x \in \bar{D} \setminus N$, the system $(\bar{X}_t, B_t, L_t, P_x)$ is a solution of SED (3.2).*

(3) *Let \mathcal{L} be the L^2 -generator of the Dirichlet form \mathcal{E} on $L^2(\bar{D})$. Put*

$$\mathcal{D}_0 = \left\{ u \in C^2(\bar{D}) : \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \Big|_{\partial D} = 0 \right\},$$

where

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} n_i(x), \quad x \in \partial D.$$

Then $\mathcal{D}_0 \subset \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L})$ and, for $u \in \mathcal{D}_0$, we have

$$\mathcal{L}u = \frac{1}{2} Au, \quad \text{where } Au = \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[a_{ij} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_j} \right].$$

Proof (1) By Lemma 2.1 (i) or (1.5) we have

$$\int_{\partial D} |v(x)| \sigma(dx) \leq C \sqrt{\mathcal{E}_1(v, v)}, \quad v \in C(\bar{D}) \cap H^1(D), \quad (3.4)$$

which means $\sigma(dx)$ is a measure of finite energy integral with respect to $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$

(2) Let (L_t) be the PCAF associated with the measure $\sigma(dx)$. Then by [2, lemma 5.1.4], one has

$$P_x \left[L_t = \int_0^t I_{\partial D}(\bar{X}_s) dL_s, \quad \forall t \geq 0 \right] = 1 \quad (3.5)$$

for each $x \in \bar{D} \setminus N_1$, where N_1 is a set of zero capacity.

For any $f, g \in \mathcal{B}_b(\bar{D})$, ($\mathcal{B}_b(\bar{D})$ stands for the set of all bounded Borel functions on \bar{D}) put

$$\nu(A) = \int_{\partial D \cap A} f(x) \sigma(dx) + \int_{D \cap A} g(x) dx, \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(\bar{D}). \quad (3.6)$$

Then ν is a signed measure of finite energy integral and the CAF associated with ν is

$$A_t = \int_0^t f(\bar{X}_s) dL_s + \int_0^t g(\bar{X}_s) ds. \quad (3.7)$$

Now let $u \in C^2(\bar{D})$, put

$$Au = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[a_{ij} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_j} \right]. \quad (3.8)$$

Then $Au \in C(\bar{D})$. Put

$$\nu(dx) = - \sum_{i=1}^d c_i(x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \sigma(dx) + \frac{1}{2} Au(x) dx. \quad (3.9)$$

Then the CAF associated with ν is

$$A_t = - \int_0^t \sum_{i=1}^d c_i(\bar{X}_s) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i}(\bar{X}_s) dL_s + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Au(\bar{X}_s) ds. \quad (3.10)$$

According to [2, Lemma 5.1.4], one has for any $v \in H^1(D)$

$$\lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \int_D E_x[A_t] v(x) dx = \int_D \tilde{v}(x) \nu(dx). \quad (3.11)$$

On the other hand, by Lemma 1.2 and Lemma 2.1 (2) we have for any $v \in H^1(D)$

$$\mathcal{E}(u, v) = - \frac{1}{2} \int_D \tilde{v}(x) Au(x) dx + \int_{\partial D} \tilde{v}(x) \sum_i c_i(x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i}(x) \sigma(dx) = - \int_D \tilde{v}(x) \nu(dx). \quad (3.12)$$

Thus (3.11) and (3.12) give us

$$\lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \int_D E_x[A_t] v(x) dx = -\mathcal{E}(u, v), \quad v \in H^1(D). \tag{3.13}$$

According to [2, Theorem 5.3.1] there is a set $N_2 \in \bar{D}$ of zero capacity such that, for each $x \in \bar{D} \setminus N_2$, the process

$$M_t^{[u]} = u(X_t) - u(X_0) - A_t \tag{3.14}$$

is a P_x -martingale. In addition, by [2, Theorem 5.2.3], we have for any $u, v, f \in C^2(\bar{D})$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D f(x) \mu \langle M^{[u]}, M^{[v]} \rangle(dx) &= \mathcal{E}(uf, v) + \mathcal{E}(vf, u) - \mathcal{E}(uv, f) \\ &= \int_D f(x) \sum_{i,j=1}^d a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial x_j} dx, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mu \langle M^{[u]}, M^{[v]} \rangle$ denotes the signed smooth measure associated with the CAF $\langle M^{[u]}, M^{[v]} \rangle$. Therefore we have

$$\langle M^{[u]}, M^{[v]} \rangle_t = \int_0^t \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^d a_{ij} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_j} \right) (\bar{X}_s) ds. \tag{3.15}$$

Now let $u_i(x) = x_i, M^i = M^{[u_i]}$. Then we have by (3.10), (3.14) and (3.15)

$$M_t^i = \bar{X}_t^i - \bar{X}_0^i - \int_0^t b_i(\bar{X}_s) ds + \int_0^t c_i(\bar{X}_s) dL_s, \tag{3.16}$$

$$\langle M^i, M^j \rangle_t = \int_0^t a_{ij}(\bar{X}_s) ds. \tag{3.17}$$

Let (α_{ij}) be the inverse of (σ_{ij}) and put

$$B = \begin{cases} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2^n} \alpha_{ij}(\bar{X}_{(k-1)t/2^n}) (M_{kt/2^n}^i - M_{(k-1)t/2^n}^i), & \text{if the limit exists,} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then for $x \in \bar{D} \setminus N_2$ the process $B_t = (B_t^1, \dots, B_t^d)$ is a d -dimensional Brownian motion under P_x , and one has

$$M_t^i = \sum_{j=1}^d \int_0^t \sigma_{ij}(\bar{X}_s) dB_s^j, \quad P_x\text{-a. e.} \tag{3.18}$$

From (3.16) and (3.18) we see that, for $x \in \bar{D} \setminus (N_1 \cup N_2)$, the system $(\bar{X}_t, B_t, L_t, P_x)$ is a solution of SDE (3.2).

(3) Let $u \in \mathcal{D}_0$. We have $Au \in L^2(\bar{D})$ and by (1.6)

$$\mathcal{E}(u, v) = \frac{1}{2} (-Au, v), \quad v \in H^1(D).$$

This means $u \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L})$ and $\mathcal{L}u = \frac{1}{2} Au$ (see [2], p. 19).

Remark. If the SDE (3.2) admits a unique weak solution for any initial distribution, then the corresponding family of probability measure $\{Q_x, x \in D\}$ on the sample space is called the reflecting diffusion on \bar{D} with the directions $c(x)$ of oblique reflection at the boundary. In general, such a reflecting diffusion does not exist. But the above theorem tells us that the family of probability $\{P_x, x \in \bar{D}\}$ can be regarded as an analogue of such a reflecting diffusion.

The next theorem gives us a sufficient condition under which the above

mentioned reflecting diffusion on \bar{D} exists and can be regarded as the dx -symmetric diffusion associated with $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$.

Theorem 3.2. *If furthermore each a_{ij} is in $C^2(\bar{D})$, then the SDE (3.2) admits a unique strong solution. We denote by Ω the space of the continuous functions on R_+ with values in \bar{D} , and let $\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma\{X_s, s \leq t\}$, $\mathcal{F} = \bigvee_{t \in R_+} \mathcal{F}_t$, where $X_s(w) = w(s)$ is the coordinate process. Then $\{\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, X_t, Q_x, x \in \bar{D}\}$ is a diffusion process associated with $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$, where Q_x is the law of the solution of (3.2) with $X_0 = x$.*

Proof Since $\langle c(x), n(x) \rangle = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x) n_i(x) n_j(x) \geq \delta > 0$, the first assertion of the theorem is a fact proved in [3]. Without loss of the generality, the diffusion process associated with $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$ can be constructed on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t)$ with the coordinate process (X_t) and a family of probability measures $\{P_x, x \in \bar{D}\}$. Thus by Theorem 3.1, for each $x \in \bar{D} \setminus N$ where N is a Borel set of zero capacity, one has $P_x = Q_x$. Therefore $\{\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, X_t, Q_x, x \in \bar{D}\}$ is a diffusion process associated with $(\mathcal{E}, H^1(D))$.

Remark. Under each Q_x , (X_t) is a semimartingale, because it satisfies the SDE (3.2), where (L_t) and (B_t) can be constructed as follows. Since we see easily

$$\int_0^t I_{2D}(X_s) ds = 0,$$

by (3.3) we have

$$\int_0^t c(X_s) dL_s = - \int_0^t I_{2D}(X_s) dX_s.$$

Let $d_i(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_{ij}(x) n_j(x)$, where (β_{ij}) is the inverse of (a_{ij}) . Then $\langle c(x), d(x) \rangle = 1$,

and

$$L_t = - \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t I_{2D}(X_s) d_i(X_s) dX_s^i. \tag{3.19}$$

After that, we put

$$M_t = X_t - X_0 - \int_0^t b(X_s) ds + \int_0^t c(X_s) dL_s.$$

Then we can construct the process (B_t) just as in the proof of Theorem 3.1. In this way we have constructed a family of solutions $\{X_t, B_t, L_t, P_x, x \in D\}$ of SDE (3.2) on the same space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t)$ with the same processes (X_t) , (B_t) and (L_t) . According to Theorems 3.1 and 3.2 the process (L_t) is necessarily the PCAF associated with the measure σ . This fact can also be proved by the following argument. Let $u \in C^2(\bar{D})$, $v \in H^1(D)$. From (3.2) and by Ito's formula we have ((T_t) denotes the L^2 -semigroup of the diffusion)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}(u, v) &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} (u - T_t u, v) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \int_D v(x) E_x [u(x) - u(X_t)] dx \\ &= - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2t} \int_D v(x) E_x \left[\int_0^t Au(X_s) ds \right] dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \int_D v(x) E_x \left[\int_0^t \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} (X_s) c_i(X_s) dL_s \right] dx \\
 & = \frac{1}{2} (-Au, v)_{L^2} + \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \int_D v(x) E_x \left[\int_0^t \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} (X_s) c_i(X_s) dL_s \right] dx,
 \end{aligned}$$

from which and (3.12) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \int_D v(x) E_x \left[\int_0^t \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} (X_s) c_i(X_s) dL_s \right] dx \\
 & = \int_{\partial D} \tilde{v}(x) \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x_i} c_i(x) \sigma(dx).
 \end{aligned}$$

In particular, if we take $u \in C^2(\bar{D})$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} c_i(x) = 1$ for $x \in \partial D$, then we have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \int_D v(x) E_x(L_t) dx = \int_{\partial D} \tilde{v}(x) \sigma(dx).$$

This means (L_t) is the PCAF associated with the measure σ of finite energy integral (see [Lemma 5.1.4]).

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