

# THE RADIAL HEAT EQUATION WITH POLE TYPE DATA<sup>1</sup>

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**1. Introduction.** Recently, detailed studies have been undertaken relating to the solutions and expansions of solutions of the initial value problem

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} (a) \quad U_t(r, t) &= \Delta_\mu U(r, t), & r > 0, t > 0, \\ (b) \quad U(r, 0) &= \phi(r) \end{aligned}$$

with  $\Delta_\mu \equiv D_r^2 + [(\mu - 1)/r]D_r$ . Results have been obtained when  $\phi(r)$  is entire of growth  $(1, \sigma)$  in  $r^2$  [1], [3], [4] and these have been extended to the  $L_2$  theory in [3]. In this note, we state some results on the structures of solutions of (1) when the data function  $\phi(r)$  has a pole at  $r=0$  but is otherwise entire. These structures are defined in terms of convolution integrals and the proofs are based on the Laplace transform formulation [2] of solutions of (1) and the expansion theory referred to above. The details of the proofs will appear in a forthcoming paper that will also discuss logarithmic singularities.

We denote by  $U^\mu(r, t; \phi(r))$  the solution of (1) defined by

$$\int_0^\infty K_\mu(r, \xi; t) \phi(\xi) d\xi$$

with

$$K_\mu(r, \xi; t) = \frac{1}{2t} r^{1-\mu/2} \xi^{\mu/2} \exp [-(r^2 + \xi^2)/4t] I_{\mu/2-1}(r\xi/2t).$$

(See [1], [4].) The abbreviation  $a = r^2/16t^2$  will be used in the statement of results.

**2. Main results.** Our first theorem relates to functions  $\phi(r)$  that are odd while the remaining results relate strictly to functions with poles.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $\phi(r) = r\psi(r)$  in which  $\psi(r)$  is an entire function of  $r^2$  of growth  $(1, \sigma)$ . For  $0 \leq t < 1/4\sigma$  and  $\mu > 2$ ,*

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &U^\mu(r, t; \phi(r)) \\
 (2) \quad &= \frac{r^{2-\mu} \exp[-r^2/4t]}{\pi^{1/2}(4t)^{5/2-\mu}} \int_0^a (a-\xi)^{-1/2} \xi^{(\mu-8)/2} e^{4\xi t} U^{\mu-1}(4t\xi^{1/2}, t; \psi) d\xi.
 \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 2. Let  $\phi(r) = r^{2-\mu-2\alpha}\psi(r)$  with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1/2$  and  $\psi(r)$  an entire function of  $r^2$  of growth  $(1, \sigma)$ . For  $0 \leq t < 1/4\sigma$  and  $\mu > 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3) \quad U^\mu(r, t; \phi(r)) &= \frac{r^{2-\mu} \exp[-r^2/4t](4t)^{\mu/2-\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\mu/2 + \alpha - 1)} \\
 &\cdot \int_0^a \xi^{-\alpha} (a-\xi)^{\mu/2+\alpha-2} e^{4\xi t} U^{2-2\alpha}(4t\xi^{1/2}, t; \psi) d\xi.
 \end{aligned}$$

Observe that the choice  $\alpha = 0$  in Theorem 2 corresponds to the case in which the multiplier of  $\psi(r)$  is precisely the potential function for the Laplacian operator  $\Delta_\mu$ . This theorem shows that the pole can be more badly behaved than the potential function. In fact, the following theorem shows that the pole can be as badly behaved as  $r^{-\mu+\epsilon}$  for arbitrary  $\epsilon > 0$  and still give rise to a classical solution.

THEOREM 3. Let  $\phi(r) = r^{2-\mu-2\alpha} \{A + r^2\psi(r)\}$  in which  $\alpha$  is close to but less than 1,  $\mu/2 + \alpha > 2$ ,  $A$  is a constant, and  $\psi(r)$  is an entire function of  $r^2$  of growth  $(1, \sigma)$ . For  $0 \leq t < 1/4\sigma$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4) \quad U^\mu(r, t; \phi) &= \frac{r^{2-\mu} \exp[-r^2/4t]}{(4t)^{1-\mu/2}} \\
 &\cdot \left\{ \frac{A(4t)^{1-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\mu/2 + \alpha - 1)} \int_0^a \xi^{-\alpha} (a-\xi)^{\mu/2+\alpha-2} e^{4\xi t} d\xi + \frac{(4t)^{2-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\mu/2 + \alpha - 2)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \cdot \int_0^a \xi^{1-\alpha} (a-\xi)^{\mu/2+\alpha-3} e^{4\xi t} U^{4-2\alpha}(4t\sqrt{\xi}, t; \psi) d\xi \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows, from the change of valuables  $\xi = a\sigma$ , that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0; t > 0} U^\mu(r, t; \phi)$$

exists in all of the above theorems. This simply states that the pole in the data function dissipates from the solution function.

Finally, as a corollary to Theorem 2 where  $\alpha = 0$ , we have the special result:

COROLLARY 2.1. Let  $\mu = 2m$  be an even integer with  $m \geq 2$ . Then

$$(5) \quad U^{2m}(r, t; r^{2-2m+2j}) = r^{2-2m} R_j^{4-2m}(r, t) + (-1)^{j+1} \exp[-r^2/4t] \\ \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{m-2-j} \frac{(m-2-k)!}{k!(m-2-j-k)!} r^{2(1-m+k)} (4t)^{j-k}, \quad 0 \leq j \leq m-2.$$

In this,  $R_\mu^{4-\mu}(r, t) = j!(4t)^j L_j^{(1-\mu/2)}(-r^2/4t)$  with  $L_j^\nu(x)$  the generalized Laguerre polynomial of degree  $j$  and index  $\nu$ . In the case that  $\mu$  is even with  $\mu \geq 4$ , we can divide the data into the pole type terms (finite in number) and the entire part. The corollary applies to the pole terms while the expansion theory in [1], [4] applies to the entire part.

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