Astral diffusion as a limit process for symmetric random walk in a high contrast periodic medium

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with an exponentially decaying function \( D(s) \):

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Consider the operator

\[(LF)(x, k) = \begin{pmatrix} \Theta \cdot \nabla \nabla f_0(x) \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + L_A F(x, k),\]

where \(\Theta\) is a positive definite matrix (defined in terms of the homogenization problem), and \(L_A\) is a generator of a continuous time Markov jump process

\[L_A F(x, k) = \lambda(k) \sum_{\substack{j = 0 \ \text{to} \ M \ \text{and} \ j \neq k}} \mu_{k,j} \left( f_j(x) - f_k(x) \right).\]
The intensities of jump rates are

\[ \begin{align*}
\alpha_{0j} &= \frac{1}{|B|} \sum_{y \in B} v(y, y_j), \\
\alpha_{j0} &= \sum_{y \in B} v(y_j, y), \\
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Remark. The coefficients of the operator \( L_A \) depend only on the elements of matrix \( V \).
Astral diffusion
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Then by the Hille-Yosida theorem the closure of $L$ is a generator of a strongly continuous, positive, contraction semigroup $T(t)$ on $C_0(E)$, that is a Feller semigroup.

**Question:** How to see the semigroup convergence

$$T_{\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}} \rightarrow T(t)?$$
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Then for every $F \in C_0(E)$

$$T_\varepsilon^{\left[ \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2} \right]} \pi_\varepsilon F \to T(t)F \quad \text{for all} \quad t \geq 0$$

(1)

as $\varepsilon \to 0$. 

The idea of the proof

The proof of the Theorem relies on the following approximation theorem

**Theorem (Theorem 6.5, Ch.1, S. N. Ethier, T. G. Kurtz, Markov processes: Characterization and convergence, 2005.)**

For \( n = 1, 2, \ldots \), let \( T_n \) be a linear contraction on the Banach space \( L_n \), let \( \varepsilon_n \) be a positive number, and put \( A_n = \varepsilon_n^{-1}(T_n - E) \). Assume that \( \lim_{n \to \infty} \varepsilon_n = 0 \).

Let \( \{T(t)\} \) be a strongly continuous contraction semigroup on the Banach space \( L \) with generator \( A \), and let \( D \) be a core for \( A \).

Assume that \( \pi_n : L \to L_n \) are bounded linear transformations with \( \sup_n \|\pi_n\| < \infty \).

Then the following are equivalent:

a) For each \( f \in L \), \( T_n \left[ \frac{t}{\varepsilon_n} \right] \pi_n f \to T(t)f \) for all \( t \geq 0 \) as \( \varepsilon \to 0 \).

b) For each \( f \in D \), there exists \( f_n \in L_n \) for each \( n \geq 1 \) such that \( f_n \to f \) and \( A_n f_n \to Af \).
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The matrix $\Theta$ defined by

$$
\Theta = \frac{1}{|B|} \sum_{y \in B} \sum_{\xi \in \Lambda_y} p_0(y, y + \xi) \xi \otimes \left( \frac{1}{2} \xi + h(y + \xi) \right)
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is positive definite, i.e. $(\Theta \eta, \eta) > 0 \quad \forall \eta \neq 0$. 
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where \( \Theta^1, \ldots, \Theta^N \) are positive definite matrices, and \( L_A \) is a generator of a continuous time Markov jump process

\[
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Lemma

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Thank you for your attention!