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## A MEAN VALUE THEOREM APPROACH TO THE REMOVABLE SETS OF PARABOLIC EQUATIONS

### Abstract

*In this paper, we prove Landis-Gerver's type mean value theorem adopted to the parabolic equations. As an application, Carlson type theorem on removable sets for  $H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}$ -Holder continuous solutions is investigated for the divergence structure linear parabolic equations. In partial, when  $\alpha$  is sufficiently small, we show that the compact set  $E$  is removable iff the anisotropic Hausdorff measure  $\Lambda^{\frac{(n+\alpha)}{n+2}}(E) = 0$ .*

### 1. Introduction

In this paper, we consider the problem of a removable singularity for the class of Hölder continuous solutions of linear parabolic equations of divergent form

$$\sum_{i,k=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( a_{ik}(x, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_k} \right) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0. \tag{1}$$

The elements of the matrix  $\|a_{ik}(x, t)\|_{i,k=1,2,\dots,n}$  are assumed to be the measurable functions in domain  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ , which satisfy the condition of uniform parabolicity: there exists a  $\lambda \in (0, 1]$  such that the inequality

$$\lambda |\xi|^2 \leq \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) \xi_i \xi_k \leq \lambda^{-1} |\xi|^2 \tag{2}$$

is satisfied for any  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and almost all  $x, t \in D$ .

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . Points from  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  will be denoted by  $z = (x, t)$ , where  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n; t \in \mathbb{R}$ . We denote by  $H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}(D)$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ), the class of continuous functions  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , which satisfy the condition

$$|f(x, t) - f(x', t')| \leq K \left( |x - x'|^2 + |t - t'| \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}},$$

where  $K > 0$  does not depend on the points  $(x, t), (x', t') \in D$ . Put  $H^\alpha(D) := H^{\alpha, \alpha}(D)$ . Let  $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a domain in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We denote by  $W^{1,2}(\Omega)$  the Sobolev space of functions  $u \in L^2(\Omega)$  defined in  $\Omega$ , for which derivatives of first order  $u_{x_i}; i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , belong, in the sense of the distribution theory, to  $L_2(\Omega)$  ( $u_{x_i} \in L_{2,loc}(\Omega)$ ).

The norm of space  $L_2(\Omega)$  is given as  $\|f\|_{L_2(\Omega)} = \left( \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . We denote by

$\dot{W}^{1,2}(\Omega)$  a subspace of the space  $W^{1,2}(\Omega)$ , where the class of functions  $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$  is

an everywhere dense set. We also recall that  $B(x_0, r) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x - x_0| < r\}$  is

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an  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean ball with center at  $x_0$  and radius  $r > 0$ , and  $S(x_0, r) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x - x_0| = r\}$  is the surface of the ball  $B(x_0, r)$ .

Let the domain  $D$  be a cylinder  $Q_{t_1, t_2} = \Omega \times [t_1, t_2]$ . Then the notation  $f(x, t) \in L^s[t_1, t_2; L^r(\Omega)]$  means that function  $f$  has finite norm

$$\|f\|_{L^s[t_1, t_2; L^r(\Omega)]} = \left( \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|f(\cdot, t)\|_{L^r(\Omega)}^s dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}; \quad 1 \leq r \leq \infty, 0 < s < \infty.$$

The notation  $f(x, t) \in L^2[t_1, t_2; W^{1,2}(\Omega)]$  means that the  $f$  has the finite norm

$$\|f\|_{L^2[t_1, t_2; W^{1,2}(\Omega)]} = \left( \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|f(\cdot, t)\|_{W^{1,2}(\Omega)}^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

For a differentiable function of  $n + 1$  variables  $f(x, t)$  denote by  $\nabla_x f$  the vector  $\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}\right)$ . Denote by  $kC(z_0, r)$  the cylinder

$$\{(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : |x - x_0| < kr; t_0 - k^2 r^2 < t < t_0\}.$$

We denote by  $\partial D$  the boundary of the domain  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ , and by  $\Gamma(D)$  the proper boundary of this domain  $D$ , that is the set of points  $(y, \tau) \in \partial D$  for which there exists a cylinder  $\{(x, t) : |x - y| < r, \tau - r^2 < t < \tau\}$  wholly embedded into  $D$  for some  $r > 0$ .

**Definition 1.1.** A function  $u(x, t)$  is called a weak solution, in the domain  $D$ , of the nonhomogeneous equation  $Lu = h$ ;  $h \in L^1[t_1, t_2, L^1(\Omega)]$  if for any cylinder  $Q_{t_1, t_2} = \Omega \times (t_1, t_2) \subset D$  we have  $u \in L^2[t_1, t_2, W^{1,2}(\Omega)] \cap L^\infty[t_1, t_2, L^2(\Omega)]$  and the integral identity

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} u(x, t_2) \varphi(x, t_2) dx + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \int_{\Omega} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_k} - u \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \right) dx \\ = \int_{\Omega} u(x, t_1) \varphi(x, t_1) dx + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \int_{\Omega} h(x, t) \varphi(x, t) dx \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

is fulfilled for any  $\varphi \in C(\Omega \times (t_1, t_2))$  with a compact support in  $\Omega \times (t_1, t_2)$ .

Assuming in Definition 1.1  $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega \times (t_1, t_2))$ , instead of the identity (3), we will have

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \int_{\Omega} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_k} - u \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \right) dx = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \int_{\Omega} h(x, t) \varphi(x, t) dx, \quad (4)$$

where is assumed  $u \in L^2[t_1, t_2; W^{1,2}(\Omega)]$ .

By the existence and uniqueness of a solution in the sense of both definitions, for  $h \in L^s[t_1, t_2, L^r(\Omega)]$ ;  $\frac{n}{2r} + \frac{1}{s} < 1$  we have, they are equivalent (see, f.e.

[1],[2],[17],[19]). Moreover, if  $u(x, t_1) = 0$  and  $u(x, t_2) = 0$  for  $(x, t) \in \partial\Omega \times (t_1, t_2)$ , then for a solution we have the representation

$$u(x, t) = - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} d\tau \int_{\Omega} g(y, \tau) h(y, \tau) dy,$$

where  $g_{y,\tau}(x, t)$  is Green's function of the Dirichlet problem for the equation (1) with a singularity at the point  $(y, \tau)$ . According to [1], Green function has estimates  $g_{y,\tau}, \nabla_x g_{y,\tau} \in L^{s'} [t_1, t_2, L^{r'}(\Omega)]$ , where the numbers  $r, s$  are as above. Moreover, Green function is unique and  $\|g(x, t)\|_{L^{s'} [t_1, t_2, L^{r'}(\Omega)]} \leq C$  in  $Q_{t_1, t_2}$ . For Green function the following estimate holds in the cylinder  $Q_{t_1, t_2}$

$$C_1 (t - \tau)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta_1 |x - y|^2}{(t - \tau)}\right) \leq g_{y,\tau}(x, t) \leq C_2 (t - \tau)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta_2 |x - y|^2}{(t - \tau)}\right)$$

if the points  $x, y$  lie at a positive distance  $\delta$  from the boundary  $\partial\Omega$ , where  $C_i, \beta_i; i = 1, 2$  are positive constants not depending on  $(x, t), (y, \tau) \in Q_{t_1, t_2}$  (see [1], [3]).

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $E \subset\subset D$  be a compact subset of the bounded domain  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . We say, the set  $E$  is removable for the class  $H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}(D)$  of solutions of the equation (1) if every weak local solution of the equation (1) in  $D \setminus E$  (in the sense that  $u$  solves (1) with  $L^2 [t_1, t_2, W^{1,2}(\Omega)] \cap L^\infty [t_1, t_2, L^2(\Omega)]$  for every cylinder  $Q_{t_1, t_2} \subset D \setminus E$ ) belonging to the space  $H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}(D)$  throughout the domain  $D$  is extendable into the compact set  $E$  as a solution.

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $s \in \mathbb{R}_+$  be some number,  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a bounded closed subset. Let the finite system of cylinders  $\{C_\nu = C(z_\nu, r_\nu)\}_{\nu=1,2,\dots,N}$  be a finite system of cylinders such that  $r_\nu \leq \delta$  cover the set  $E$ , i.e.  $E \subset \bigcup_\nu C_\nu$ . Put  $\Lambda^{s, \delta}(E) =$

$\inf \left\{ \sum_\nu |C_\nu|^s \right\}$ . Here  $|C_\nu|$  stands for an  $n + 1$  dimensional Lebesgue measure of a cylinder  $C_\nu$ , i.e.  $r_\nu^{n+2}$ , and the lower bound is taken with respect to all the cylinders. Put

$$\Lambda^s(E) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \Lambda^{s, \delta}(E).$$

This characteristic is a parabolic generalization of Hausdorff measure.

According to Carlson theorem [6], a necessary and sufficient condition for the compact set  $E$  to be removable in the class of harmonic functions outside  $E$  and belonging to class  $H^\alpha(D)$  is expressed in terms of a Hausdorff measure of order  $n - 2 + \alpha$  of the form

$$mes_{n-2+\alpha}(E) = 0, \quad 0 < \alpha < 1$$

(For the case  $\alpha = 1$  this result is obtained in [23], [28]). R. Harley and J. Polking [11] proved the corresponding result for general elliptic equations with variable coefficients (see also, E. Dolzhenko [7] and A. Pokrovski [25] dealing with questions of removable sets for the class of solutions of elliptic equations with derivatives from Hölder classes). For the case  $p \geq 2$ , the authors [14] proved a sufficient condition

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of removability in the class  $H^\alpha(D)$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ) of solutions of  $p$ -Laplace equation  $(A = |\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u)$  of the form

$$mes_{n-p+(p-1)\alpha}(E) = 0; \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1. \quad (5)$$

Furthermore, T.Kilpelainen and X.Zong [12] proved a complete analogue of Carlson's result for  $p$ -Laplace equation. The mentioned authors proved the necessity of the condition (5) and also gave an alternative proof of sufficiency that included the range of an exponent  $1 < p < 2$ . The same approach was applied in [21] to the case of a metric space. In [22], for the  $H^\alpha(D)$  class of solutions of degenerated quasilinear elliptic equations a necessary and sufficient condition for removability sets was proved.

A necessary and sufficient condition for the compact set  $E \subset D$  to be removable for the class  $H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}(D)$  of solutions of the heat equation  $\Delta u - u_t = 0$  was obtained in J. Kral [16] (see also, [20]). There the sufficiency follows from the general results for semi-elliptic equations with constant complex coefficients (for the bibliography see [20], while the necessity follows from the work [16], where Hölder continuity of heat potential has been proved). According to the results of, the compact set  $E \subset D$  is removable for the class  $H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}(D)$  ( $0 < \alpha < 1$ ) of solutions of a heat equation if and only if

$$\Lambda^{\frac{(n+\alpha)}{(n+2)}}(E) = 0. \quad (6)$$

We also refer to the works [4], [8], [15], [13], which deal with the problems of removable singularities for other classes of solutions. For example, in [13] the removability of the  $t$ -axis is considered for the class of solutions of heat equation having logarithmic growth when approaching the axis. The approaches similar to [6] was considered in [29] for heat equation.

In the present paper, we will prove a mean value Theorem of Landis-Gerver type adopted to the parabolic equations. We will show that the condition (6) is necessary and sufficient for a compact set to be removable. The sufficiency is proved by application of remained mean value theorem. To prove the necessity, we use a parabolic version of the Frostman's lemma. By means of this lemma we construct a special measure with the needed estimate with respect to all cylinders and then find a solution of the corresponding nonhomogeneous problem. For this solution we prove the  $L_\infty$ -estimate, where essential use is made of the upper bound of the fundamental solution of (1) from [3]. The obtained result enables us to claim that the found solution belongs to a certain anisotropic Campanato class which enables Hölder continuity of the solution order  $\alpha$  with respect to the  $x$ -axis and, of order  $\frac{\alpha}{2}$  with respect to the  $t$ -axis.

**Lemma 1.1.** *Assume that  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  is a bounded domain and a function  $u \in L^1(D)$  satisfies the inequality*

$$\int_{C(z,r)} |u - (u)_{z,r}| dx \leq Mr^{n+2+\alpha}; \quad \alpha \in (0, 1]$$

for any cylinder.  $C(z, r) \subset D$ . Then  $u \in H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}(D)$  and for any  $D' \subset\subset D$  the

estimate

$$\sup_{D'} |u| + \sup_{z_1, z_2 \in D'} \frac{|u(z_1) - u(z_2)|}{(|x_1 - x_2|^2 + |t_1 - t_2|)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}} \leq C \left( M + \|u\|_{L^1(D)} \right)$$

is satisfied, where  $C = C(n, \alpha, D', D)$ ,  $(u)_{z,r} = \frac{1}{|C(z,r)|} \iint_{C(z,r)} u(x,t) dx dt$ .

The proof of this lemma can be obtained following the method of S. Campanato (see [5], or deduce from the corresponding general results for homogeneous spaces in [26])

**Lemma 1.2.** *Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be a compact set such that  $\Lambda^{\frac{(n+\alpha)}{(n+2)}}(E) > 0$ . Then there exists a measure  $\mu$  with positive mass in  $E$  and having support in  $E$  such that for any cylinder  $C(z,r)$  the inequality holds:*

$$\mu(C(z,r)) \leq Cr^{n+\alpha},$$

where the constant  $C > 0$  does not depends on cylinder.

The proof of this lemma can be derived by using similar approaches as in [6], or can be directly deduced from the corresponding general results for homogeneous spaces [27].

For the equation (1) we have the well-known local estimate of Hölder's norm for a solution

$$|u(z) - u(z')| \leq C \left( |x - x'|^2 + |t - t'| \right)^{\frac{\kappa}{2}}, \tag{7}$$

where  $z = (x,t)$ ,  $z' = (x',t')$  are arbitrary points of the domain  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  lying at a positive distance  $\delta$  from the domain boundary, the constant  $C > 0$  depends only on the norm  $\|u\|_{L^2(D)}$  and the constants  $\delta, n, \lambda$ . Let  $\kappa \in (0, 1]$  be a maximal number in the inequality (7), i.e. the best Hölder exponent (in this connection see, for example, [17], [9], [19], [24], [30]).

The main result of the present paper is the following statement

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < \kappa$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be a bounded domain,  $E \subset\subset D$  be a compact subset. Then for the compact set  $E$  to be removable in the class  $H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}(D)$  of solutions of the equation (1) such that  $u \in L^2[t_1, t_2, W^{1,2}(\Omega)] \cap L^\infty[t_1, t_2, L^2(\Omega)]$  in any cylinder  $Q_{t_1, t_2} \subset D \setminus E$ , it is necessary and sufficient that is satisfied the condition (6)*

Theorem 1.1 immediately implies the following well-known result-the Carlson-Kral theorem for a heat equation.

**Corollary 1.1.** *Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Then for the compact set  $E \subset\subset D$  to be removable in the class  $H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}(D)$  of solutions of a heat equation such that  $u \in L^2[t_1, t_2, W^{1,2}(\Omega)] \cap L^\infty[t_1, t_2, L^2(\Omega)]$  for any cylinder  $Q_{t_1, t_2} \subset D \setminus E$  it is necessary and sufficient that the condition (6) be satisfied.*

## 2. Proof of main results

There was proved the following  $n$ -dimensional generalization of mean value theorem in the monograph [18].

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**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a domain in the ball layer  $B(x_0, 2r) \setminus \overline{B}(x_0, r)$  such that the domain  $D$  has limit points at surfaces of spheres  $S(x_0, 2r)$  and  $S(x_0, r)$ .

Suppose the coefficients of square form  $\sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x)\eta_i\eta_k$  are continuously differentiable and defined at some neighborhood of the domain  $D$ . Furthermore, there exists a  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  such that for any  $x \in D$ ,  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$  it follows that

$$\lambda |\eta|^2 \leq \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x)\eta_i\eta_k \leq \lambda^{-1} |\eta|^2$$

Assume that  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function which is twice continuously differentiable in the domain  $D$ .

Then there exists a piecewise continuous surface  $\Sigma$  such that the surface separates in  $D$  the spheres  $S(x_0, 2r)$  and  $S(x_0, r)$ . At that, the integral over  $\Sigma$  is estimated as

$$\int_{\Sigma} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \nu} \right| ds \leq K \frac{\left( \text{osc}_D f \right) \text{mes}_n D}{r^2},$$

where  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \nu} = \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} N_k$  is a conormal derivative, the constant  $K$  depend on  $n, \lambda$ . Here  $N = (N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n)$  in a unit vector ordered perpendicular to the surface  $\Sigma$ .

Using this theorem, below we derive own version, adopted for investigation of removable sets of parabolic equations.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be a domain contained in the cylindrical layer  $C(z_0, 2r) \setminus \overline{C}(z_0, r)$  such that the domain  $D$  has limit points at surfaces of cylindrical  $\partial C(z_0, 2r)$  and  $\partial C(z_0, r)$ . Suppose the coefficients of square form  $\sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t)\eta_i\eta_k$  are continuously differentiable and are defined at some neighborhood of the domain  $D$ . Furthermore, there exists a  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  such that for any  $(x, t) \in D$ ,  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$  it follows that

$$\lambda |\eta|^2 \leq \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t)\eta_i\eta_k \leq \lambda^{-1} |\eta|^2$$

Assume that  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function of two variables, which is twice continuously differentiable in some neighborhood of domain  $D$ .

Then there exists a piecewise continuous surface  $\Sigma$  such that the surface separates in  $D$  the proper surfies of cylinders  $\Gamma(C(z_0, 2r))$  and  $\Gamma(C(z_0, r))$ . At that, the integral over  $\Sigma$  is estimated as

$$\int_{\Sigma} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mu} \right| d\sigma \leq K \left( \text{osc}_D f \right) r^n, \quad (8)$$

where  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mu} = \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} N_k$  is a conormal derivative, the constant  $K$  depend on  $n, \lambda$ . Here  $N = (N_0, N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n)$  is a unit vector ordered perpendicular to the surface  $\Sigma$  and  $d\sigma$  is an element of  $n$ -dimensional area on surface  $\Sigma$

**Remark 2.1.** In the Theorem 2.2, we have considered all cylindrical layer  $\Omega = C(z_0, 2r) \setminus C(z_0, r)$ . The following estimate holds if one consider in place  $\Omega$  any domain  $D$  contained in  $\Omega$ , that has a limit points on  $\partial C(z_0, 2r)$  and  $\partial C(z_0, r)$ . In general settings, we come to the estimate

$$\int_{\Sigma} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mu} \right| d\sigma \leq K \left( \underset{D}{osc} f \right) \frac{(mes_{n+1} D)}{r^2}.$$

in place of 2.2.

**Proof of Theorem 2.2.** Denote by  $\Omega_\tau = \Omega \cap \{t = \tau\}$ . It follows from Theorem 2.1 that there exists a piecewise smooth surface  $\Sigma_\tau \subset \Omega_\tau$  such that  $\Sigma_\tau$  separates spheres  $S(x_0, 2r)$  and  $S(x_0, r)$ . At that, the estimate holds:

$$\int_{\Sigma_\tau} \left| \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} N_k \right| ds \leq K \left( \underset{D}{osc} f \right) \frac{(mes_n \Omega_\tau)}{r^2}. \tag{9}$$

By uniformly continuity of the functions  $f$  and  $a_{ik}$ ,  $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , it follows that the inequality (9) with  $2K$  will be hold for any surface  $\Sigma'_t$  which is a small shifting of  $\Sigma_\tau$  along axis  $t$ ,  $t \in (\tau - \Delta\tau, \tau + \Delta\tau)$  :

$$\int_{\Sigma'_t} \left| \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} N_k \right| ds \leq 2\omega_{n-1} K \left( \underset{D}{osc} f \right) r^{n-2} \tag{10}$$

Let us construct the desired surface for the inequality (8). In connection with (10), find sufficiently small  $\Delta\tau$  such that for a sequence  $\{\tau_\gamma\}_{\gamma=1}^m$  with  $t_0 - 2r^2 = \tau_0 < \tau_1 < \dots < \tau_m = t_0 + 2r^2$  and  $\tau_{\gamma+1} - \tau_\gamma < \Delta\tau$ ;  $\gamma = 1, 2, \dots, m$  the inequality (10) take place.

Then we attain to the inequality

$$\int_{\tilde{\Sigma}_\gamma} \left| \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(\cdot, \cdot) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} N_k \right| d\sigma \leq 2\omega_{n-1} K \left( \underset{D}{osc} f \right) r^{n-2} (\tau_{\gamma+1} - \tau_\gamma)$$

multiplying (10) by  $\tau_{\gamma+1} - \tau_\gamma$ , where  $\tilde{\Sigma}_\gamma = \Sigma_{\tau_\gamma} \times [\tau_\gamma, \tau_{\gamma+1}]$  is a cylinder,  $d\sigma$  is an element of  $n$ -dimensional area on  $\tilde{\Sigma}_\gamma$ ,  $\gamma = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . We had used that  $N_0 = 0$  on  $\tilde{\Sigma}_\gamma$ . Evidently,  $d\sigma = ds dt$  on  $\tilde{\Sigma}_\gamma$ . Now sew the cylinders  $\tilde{\Sigma}_\gamma$  and  $\tilde{\Sigma}_{\gamma+1}$  by using piece of surface  $\{t = \tau_{\gamma+1}\}$ , say they are  $\hat{\Sigma}_\gamma$ . Since  $\hat{\Sigma}_\gamma$  is perpendicular to  $t$  axis (since on this surface  $N_0 = 1, N_1 = 0, \dots, N_n = 0$ ), we have

$$\int_{\hat{\Sigma}_\gamma} \left| \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(\cdot, \cdot) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} N_k \right| d\sigma = 0.$$

Now for the desirable surface is union of all surfaces  $\tilde{\Sigma}\gamma, \hat{\Sigma}\gamma$ . Denoting it by  $\Sigma$ , we will have

$$\int_{\Sigma} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mu} \right| d\sigma = \sum_{\gamma=1}^m \int_{\tilde{\Sigma}\gamma \cup \hat{\Sigma}\gamma} \left| \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(\cdot, \cdot) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} N_k \right| d\sigma$$

$$\leq 2\omega_{n-1}K \left( \text{osc}_D f \right) r^{n-2} \sum_{\gamma=1}^m (\tau_{\gamma+1} - \tau_{\gamma}) \leq K_1 \left( \text{osc}_D f \right) r^n.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.2.

**Proof of sufficiency of Theorem 1.1.** We shall derive the proof in several steps.

**Approximation.** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be a bounded domain,  $u \in W^{1,2}(D \setminus E)$  be a solution of the equation (1.1) and let  $\Lambda^{\frac{(n+\alpha)}{(n+2)}}(E) = 0, u \in C^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}(D)$ . Let us continue the function  $u$  out of  $D$  by zero. Denote by  $u_{\varepsilon}$  the smooth mollifying of  $u$  with kernel  $\rho$ , i.e.  $u_{\varepsilon}(x) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \rho\left(\frac{x-y}{\varepsilon}\right) u(y) dy; \rho \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n), \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \rho(y) dy = 1, \varepsilon > 0$ .

Evidently,  $u \in C_0^{\infty}(D)$  and its support is an  $\varepsilon$  neighborhood of support  $u$ . Put  $u^{(j)} = u_{\frac{1}{j}}$ . Then  $u^{(j)} \rightarrow u$  uniformly at any subdomain  $\bar{G} \subset D$ . We have the same convergence also in the norm of space  $W^{1,2}(G \setminus U)$ , where  $E \subset U$  and  $U$  is an open subset of  $G$ . Indeed, for sufficiently large  $j \geq j_0(U)$  we have the inequalities  $u^{(j)} \leq C(u\chi_{D \setminus U})^*$  and  $|\nabla u^{(j)}| \leq C(|\nabla u| \chi_{D \setminus U})^*$ , where the upper symbol  $(*)$  denotes the maximal function,  $\chi_{D \setminus U}$  is characteristics function of the set  $D \setminus U$ . Using the boundedness of the domain  $D$  and Holder inequality, we have  $u \in W_{loc}^{1,1}(D \setminus E)$ . Then  $\|u^{(j)} - u\| \rightarrow 0$ , therefore, for some suitable subsequence of  $\{u^{(j)}\}$ , denote it again as  $\{u^{(j)}\}$ , we have  $u^{(j)} \rightarrow u$  and  $\nabla u^{(j)} \rightarrow \nabla u$  a.e. in  $D \setminus U$  (see f.e. [10]). Now it follows from the convergence to zero integrable function a.e. in  $D \setminus U$  and existence of majorate functions as  $C(u\chi_{D \setminus U})^*$  and  $C(|\nabla u| \chi_{D \setminus U})^*$  respectively, we have the convergence

$$\int_{D \setminus U} \left| D_x^{\alpha} u^{(j)} - D_x^{\alpha} u \right|^2 dx \rightarrow 0, |\alpha| \leq 1 \text{ as } j \rightarrow \infty. \tag{11}$$

Integrability of the functions  $C(u\chi_{D \setminus U})^*$  and  $C(|\nabla u| \chi_{D \setminus U})^*$  follows from the boundedness of maximal operator on space  $L_2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and the fact that  $u \in W^{1,2}(D \setminus U)$ .

**Equation for approximations.** It follows from the condition  $\Lambda^{\frac{(n+\alpha)}{(n+2)}}(E) = 0$  that  $mes_{n+1}(E) = 0$ . Let  $E' \supset E$  is arbitrary open subset. We can suppose  $mes_{n+1}E' < \eta$ , where  $\eta > 0$  is any number.

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be any number. Cover the set  $E$  by finite number of cylinders  $\{C_{\nu} = C(z_{\nu}, r_{\nu})\}_{\nu=1}^m$  such that  $\bigcup_{\nu=1}^m C_{\nu} \supset E$  and  $r_{\nu} < \delta$ ,



$$\sum_{\nu=1}^m r_{\nu}^{n+\alpha} < \varepsilon. \tag{12}$$

Suppose the number  $\delta = \delta(\varepsilon, \eta)$  is small such that the set  $\Gamma'' = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^m (4C_{\nu})$  lies in  $E'$ .

It follows from Theorem 2.2 that there exists peaceful smooth surfies  $\gamma_{\nu}^{(j)}$ ;  $\nu = 1, 2, \dots, m$  such that the  $\gamma_{\nu}^{(j)}$  separates the surfies  $\partial(2C_{\nu})$  and  $\partial(4C_{\nu})$  and simultaneously, the estimate holds:

$$\int_{\gamma_{\nu}^{(j)}} \left| \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial \mu} \right| d\sigma \leq K_{osc} u^{(j)} r_{\nu}^n.$$

Denote by  $\Gamma_{\nu}^{(j)}$  the interior of  $\gamma_{\nu}^{(j)}$ . Then  $\Gamma^{(j)} = \bigcup_{\nu} \Gamma_{\nu}^{(j)} \supset \Gamma' = \bigcup_{\nu} (2C_{\nu})$ . Put  $\sigma_{\nu}^{(j)} = \Gamma^{(j)} \cap \gamma_{\nu}$ . Let  $\sigma_{\nu}^{(j)} \neq \emptyset$  for some  $\nu$ . Then it follows from (11) that

$$\int_{\sigma_{\nu}^{(j)}} \left| \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial \mu} \right| d\sigma \leq K_{osc} u^{(j)} r_{\nu}^n.$$

Evidently,  $G \setminus \bar{\Gamma}$  is a strictly subset of  $D \setminus E$ . Therefore, for any  $\psi \in C_0^1(D \setminus \Gamma')$  we have the identity

$$\sum_{i,k=1}^n \iint_{G \setminus \Gamma'} \left( a_{ik}(x, t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_i} - u \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right) dxdt = 0. \tag{13}$$

Therefore and by (11) for  $u^{(j)}$  and  $\forall \psi \in C_0^1(D \setminus \Gamma')$  we have the identity

$$\sum_{i,k=1}^n \iint_{G \setminus \Gamma'} \left( a_{ik}^{(j)}(x, t) \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_i} - u^{(j)} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right) dxdt = \delta_j.$$

in place of the equation (13). This follows from the convergence  $u^{(j)} \rightarrow u$  and  $\nabla u^{(j)} \rightarrow \nabla u$  a.e. in  $G \setminus \Gamma'$  and Vitali's theorem. Since the integrated functions are equiintegrable : for any subset  $g \subset D \setminus \Gamma'$  do to Young's inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i,k=1}^n \iint_g \left| a_{ik}^{(j)} \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_k} - u^{(j)} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right| dxdt \\ & \leq C \iint_g \left( |\nabla u^{(j)}| |\nabla \psi| + |u^{(j)}| \left| \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right| \right) dxdt \\ & \leq C \left( \iint_g |\nabla u^{(j)}|^2 dxdt + \iint_g |\nabla \psi|^2 dxdt + \iint_g \left| \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right|^2 dxdt + \iint_g |u^{(j)}|^2 dxdt \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq C \left( \iint_g |\nabla u^{(j)} - \nabla u|^2 dxdt + \iint_g |\nabla u|^2 dxdt + \iint_g |\nabla \psi|^2 dxdt \right) \\ &+ C \left( \iint_g |u^{(j)} - u|^2 dxdt + \iint_g |u^{(j)} - u|^2 dxdt + \iint_g |u|^2 dxdt \right) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (14) \end{aligned}$$

as  $mes_{n+1}g \rightarrow 0$  and  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . Here and further by  $\delta_j$  we denote different sequences that have zero limit as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Approximation of Green's formulae.** Let the function  $\varphi \in C_0^1(D)$ . Define the quasimetrix  $d(z, z') = \max \{ |x - x'|, \sqrt{t - t'} \}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ , where  $z = (x, t)$ ;  $z' = (x', t')$ . Put  $d(z) = dist(z, \Gamma^j)$  and  $\psi = \varphi \xi \left( \frac{d(x)}{\tau} \right)$ , where  $0 \leq \xi(x) \leq 1$  is an infinitely differentiable function such that  $\xi(x)$  is equal to zero if  $s \leq 0$  and equals to 1 for  $s \geq 1$ .  $\tau > 0$  is a parameter,  $\forall \varphi \in C_0^1(D)$ . Evidently,  $\psi \in C_0^1(D \setminus \Gamma^j)$ . For  $j = 1, 2, \dots$  from (14) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_j &= \sum_{i,k=1}^n \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^j} \left( a_{ik}^{(j)} \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_i} \xi - u^{(j)} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \right) dxdt \\ &+ \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{i,k=1}^n \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^j} \left( a_{ik}^{(j)} \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial d}{\partial x_i} \xi' \left( \frac{d(z)}{\tau} \right) \varphi - u^{(j)} \xi' \left( \frac{d(z)}{\tau} \right) \frac{\partial d}{\partial t} \varphi \right) dxdt. \end{aligned}$$

Here using the Lebesgue theorem, easily can be shown that the first term tends to

$$\sum_{i,k=1}^n \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} \left( a_{ik}^{(j)} u_{x_k}^{(j)} \varphi_{x_i} + u^{(j)} \varphi_t \right) dxdt \quad \text{as } \tau \rightarrow 0.$$

For the second term, applying the known Federer's formula (see, f.e. [18]), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{i,k=1}^n \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^j} \left( \xi' \left( \frac{d(x)}{\tau} \right) a_{ik} \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_i} + u^{(j)} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \right) dxdt \\ &= \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \left( \int_{\{d(x)=p\} \cap (D \setminus \Gamma^j)} \varphi \frac{\left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}^{(j)} \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial d}{\partial x_i} - u^{(j)} \frac{\partial d}{\partial t} \right)}{\left( |\nabla d|^2 + \left( \frac{\partial d}{\partial t} \right)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} ds_p \right) \xi' \left( \frac{p}{\tau} \right) dp \end{aligned}$$

Do to the intermediate point theorem, there exists a  $p_0 \in (0, \tau)$  such that the last expression is equal to

$$\left( \int_{d(x)=p_0} \varphi \frac{\left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}^{(j)} \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial d}{\partial x_i} - u^{(j)} \frac{\partial d}{\partial t} \right)}{\left( |\nabla d|^2 + \left( \frac{\partial d}{\partial t} \right)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} d\sigma_{p_0} \right) \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \xi' \left( \frac{t}{\tau} \right) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\longrightarrow \sum_{i,k=1}^n \int_{d(x)=p_0} \varphi \left( |\nabla d|^2 + \left( \frac{\partial d}{\partial t} \right)^2 \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}^{(j)} \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial d}{\partial x_i} - u^{(j)} \frac{\partial d}{\partial t} \right) d\sigma_{p_0} \\ &\longrightarrow \int_{\partial\Gamma^{(j)}} \varphi \left( \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial \mu} - u^{(j)} N_0 \right) d\sigma \quad \text{as } \tau \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Taking into account these limits and tending  $\tau$  to zero, we find the following, in place of Green's formulae

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i,k=1}^n \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}^{(j)} \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_i} - u^{(j)} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \right) dxdt = \\ &= \int_{\partial\Gamma^{(j)}} \varphi \left( \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial \mu} - u^{(j)} N_0 \right) ds + \delta_j \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

**The belongness**  $u \in W^{1,2}(D)$ . Using the last formulae, prove that  $u \in W^{1,2}(D)$ . Put  $\varphi = u^{(j)} \xi \in C_0^1(D)$ , where  $\xi \in C_0^1(D)$  is equal to 1 in  $G$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}^{(j)} u_{x_k}^{(j)} \left( u^{(j)} \xi \right)_{x_i} - u^{(j)} \left( u^{(j)} \xi \right)_t \right) dxdt \\ &= \int_{\partial\Gamma^{(j)}} u^{(j)} \left( \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial \mu} - u^{(j)} N_0 \right) d\sigma + \delta_j \\ &\leq \|u^{(j)}\|_{C(D)} \int_{\partial\Gamma^{(j)}} \left( \left| \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial \mu} \right| \right) d\sigma - \int_{\partial\Gamma^{(j)}} \left( u^{(j)} \right)^2 N_0 d\sigma + \delta_j. \\ &\leq CK \|u\|_{C(D)} \sum_{\nu} r^{n+\alpha} + \delta_j = O(\varepsilon) + \delta_j. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} &\iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} \left( \sum_{j,k=1}^n a_{ik}^{(j)} u_{x_k}^{(j)} u_{x_i}^{(j)} + \left( u^{(j)} \right)^2 \right) \xi dxdt \\ &= - \sum_{j,k=1}^n \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} \left( \sum_{j,k=1}^n a_{ik}^{(j)} u_{x_k}^{(j)} u^{(j)} \xi_{x_i} + \left( u^{(j)} \right)^2 \xi_t \right) dxdt + O(\varepsilon) + \delta_j. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} |\nabla u^{(j)}|^2 \xi dxdt \leq \lambda^{-2} \|u^{(j)}\|_{C(D)} \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} |\nabla u^{(j)}| |\nabla \xi| dxdt + O(\varepsilon) + \delta_j.$$

whence

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma''} |\nabla u^{(j)}|^2 dxdt &\leq \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} |\nabla u^{(j)}|^2 \xi dxdt \leq \\ &\leq C \int_{D \setminus G} |\nabla u^{(j)}| dx + O(\varepsilon) + \delta_j = O(1). \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Now by using the convergence  $\nabla u^{(j)} \rightarrow \nabla u$  a.e. in  $D \setminus \Gamma''$  and the equiintegrability of function sequence  $\{|\nabla u^{(j)}|^2\}$ , we have

$$\iint_g |\nabla u^{(j)}|^2 dxdt \leq C \iint_g |\nabla u^{(j)} - \nabla u|^2 dxdt + C \iint_g |\nabla u|^2 dxdt \rightarrow 0$$

as  $m\varepsilon s_n \rightarrow 0$ . Whence tending  $j \rightarrow \infty$  in ( ) we find

$$\iint_{G \setminus \Gamma''} |\nabla u|^2 dxdt \leq C \iint_{D \setminus G} |\nabla u| dxdt.$$

**The sufficiency of (6).** For any  $\varphi \in C_0^1(D)$  from the equality ( ) and  $\varphi(x) \leq \|\varphi\|_{C(D)}$ ,  $x \in D$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}^{(j)} u_{x_k}^{(j)} \varphi_{x_i} - u^{(j)} \varphi_t \right) dxdt &\leq \|\varphi\|_{C(D)} \int_{\partial \Gamma^{(j)}} \left| \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial \mu} \right| d\sigma + \delta_j \\ &\leq \|\varphi\|_{C(D)} \sum_{\nu} \int_{\gamma_{\nu}} \left| \frac{\partial u^{(j)}}{\partial \mu} \right| d\sigma + \delta_j. \end{aligned}$$

Now using equiintegrability of expression in integral, as above, we obtain

$$\iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik} u_{x_k} \varphi_{x_i} - u \varphi_t \right) dxdt \leq CK \|\varphi\|_{C(D)} \sum_{\nu} r_{\nu}^{n+\alpha} + \delta_j, \quad (17)$$

whence

$$\iint_{D \setminus \Gamma^{(j)}} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik} u_{x_k} \varphi_{x_i} - u \varphi_t \right) dxdt \leq O(\varepsilon) + \delta_j. \quad (18)$$

Since  $C_0^1(D)$  is dense in  $\dot{W}^{1,2}(D)$  and  $u \in W_{loc}^{1,2}(D \setminus E)$ , the inequality is true for all functions  $\varphi \in \dot{W}^{1,2}(D)$ . Further, from (17), (18) and the belongness  $u \in W^{1,2}(D)$  it follows that

$$\iint_{D \setminus E'} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik} u_{x_k} \varphi_{x_i} - u \varphi_t \right) dxdt = O(\varepsilon).$$

Since  $\varepsilon, \eta$  are arbitrary, we have

$$\iint_D \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik} u_{x_k} \varphi_{x_i} - u \varphi_t \right) dx dt = 0,$$

i.e. the function  $u \in W^{1,2}(D)$  is a solution (1) in the domain  $D$ .

This complete the sufficiency of Theorem 2.2.

**Proof of necessity of Theorem 1.1.** Let  $\Lambda^{\frac{(n+\alpha)}{(n+2)}}(E) > 0$  for a compact subset  $E \subset D$ . We will show that the set  $E$  is removable. It follows from the Lemma 1.2 that there exists a measure  $\mu$  with positive mass and a support on the set  $E$  such that

$$\mu(C(z, r)) \leq Cr^{n+\alpha} \tag{19}$$

for any cylinder  $C(z, r)$ .

Let  $u(x, t) = \int_{C(z_0, r)} \Gamma_{y, \tau}(x, t) d\mu(y, \tau)$ , where  $\Gamma_{y, \tau}(x, t)$  is a fundamental solution

of the equation (1). Then  $\nabla_x u(x, t) = \int_{C(z_0, r)} \nabla_x \Gamma_{y, \tau}(x, t) d\mu(y, \tau)$ . Therefore, by virtue of summability  $\Gamma_{y, \tau}, \nabla_x \Gamma_{y, \tau} \in L^1[t_0 - r^2, t_0; L^1(\Omega)]$ , we have

$$\int_{t_0 - r^2}^{t_0} \left( \int_{B(x_0, r)} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) u_{x_i} \varphi_{x_k} \right) dx \right) dt - \iint_{C(z_0, r)} u \varphi_t dx dt = \int_{C(z_0, r)} \varphi d\mu$$

for any  $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(C(z_0, r))$ .

Let  $u^{(j)}$  be the the above constructed averaging of  $u$  with a smooth kernel. Then by virtue of  $u, u_x \in L^1(C(z_0, r))$  we will have  $u^{(j)} \rightarrow u$  and  $\nabla_x u^{(j)} \rightarrow \nabla_x u$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  in the norm of the space  $L^1(C(z_0, r))$ . Therefore,

$$\int_{t_0 - r^2}^{t_0} \left( \int_{B(x_0, r)} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) u_{x_i}^{(j)} \varphi_{x_k} \right) dx \right) dt - \iint_{C(z_0, r)} u^{(j)} \varphi_t dx dt = \int_{C(z_0, r)} \varphi d\mu + \delta_j.$$

Let  $h^{(j)}$  be the solution of the equation (1) which coincides with  $u^{(j)}$  on the proper boundary of the cylinder  $C(z_0, r)$ . For the existence of a solution of this problem see for example [18], [16], [28]. Then

$$\int_{t_0 - r^2}^{t_0} \left( \int_{B(x_0, r)} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) h_{x_i}^{(j)} \varphi_{x_k} \right) dx \right) dt - \iint_{C(z_0, r)} h^{(j)} \varphi_t dx dt = \int_{C(z_0, r)} \varphi d\mu + \delta_j$$

and for the function  $\nu^{(j)} = u^{(j)} - h^{(j)}$  we have the identity

$$\int_{t_0 - r^2}^{t_0} \left( \int_{B(x_0, r)} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x, t) \nu_{x_i}^{(j)} \varphi_{x_k} \right) dx \right) dt - \iint_{C(z_0, r)} \nu^{(j)} \varphi_t dx dt = \int_{C(z_0, r)} \varphi d\mu + \delta_j$$

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Assuming  $\varphi = \nu^{(j)}$  we have

$$\int_{t_0-r^2}^{t_0} \left( \int_{B(x_0,r)} \left( \sum_{i,k=1}^n a_{ik}(x,t) \nu_{x_i}^{(j)} \nu_{x_k}^{(j)} \right) dx \right) dt - \iint_{C(z_0,r)} \nu^{(j)} \nu_t^{(j)} dx dt = \int_{C(z_0,r)} \nu^{(j)} d\mu + \delta_j$$

Whence for sufficiently large  $j$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 \iint_{C(z_0,r)} \sum_{k=1}^n \left( \nu_{x_k}^{(j)} \right)^2 dx dt + \int_{\{x \in B(x_0,r), t=t_0\}} \left( \nu^{(j)} \right)^2 dx \\ \leq 2 \left( \sup_{C(z_0,r)} \left| \nu^{(j)} \right| \right) \mu(C(z_0,r)) + \delta_j \end{aligned}$$

Further, by virtue of the Sobolev inequality for  $n$ -dimensional balls and the fact that  $\text{ess sup}_{C(z_0,r)} |\nu^{(j)}| \leq 2 \text{ess sup}_{C(z_0,r)} |\nu|$ , for sufficiently large  $j$  we obtain

$$C_1 \iint_{C(z_0,r)} \left( \nu^{(j)} \right)^2 dx dt \leq 4r^2 \mu(C(z_0,r)) \left( \sup_{C(z_0,r)} |\nu| \right).$$

Whence by Hölder inequality and the estimate (19) we have

$$\iint_{C(z_0,r)} \left| \nu^{(j)} \right| dx dt \leq 2C_2 r^{n+2+\frac{\alpha}{2}} \left( \sup_{C(z_0,r)} |\nu| \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (20)$$

Now prove the following estimate to finish our arguments.

**Estimation of**  $\left( \sup_{C(z_0,r)} |\nu| \right)$ . Let  $\forall(x,t) \in C(z_0,r)$  be fixed. According to [1], [3], for  $\nu$  we have the estimate

$$|\nu(x,t)| = \left| \int_{C(z_0,r)} g_{y,\tau}(x,t) d\mu(y,\tau) \right| \leq \int_{C(z_0,r)} G_{y,\tau}(x,t) d\mu(y,\tau),$$

where the function  $G_{y,\tau}(x,t)$  is a fundamental solution of the equation (1) and by [3],  $G_{y,\tau}(x,t) \leq \Gamma_{y,\tau}(x,t) = \frac{C_1}{(t-\tau)^{\frac{n}{2}}} e^{-C_2 \frac{|x-y|}{t-\tau}}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} |\nu(x,t)| &\leq C_1 \int_0^\infty \mu \{ (y,\tau) : \Gamma_{y,\tau}(x,t) > a \} da \\ &= C_1 \int_0^{r^{-n}} \mu \{ \Gamma \geq a \} da + C_1 \int_{r^{-n}}^\infty \mu \{ \Gamma \geq a \} da = C_1 (I_1 + I_2) \end{aligned}$$

It is not difficult to understand from the geometrical standpoint that the set  $\{(y, \tau) \in C(z_0, r) : \Gamma_{y,\tau}(x, t) > a\}$  lies inside the cylinder  $C\left(z, C_3 a^{-\frac{1}{n}}\right)$  for some  $C_3$  and for all  $a \in (r^{-n}, \infty)$ . Therefore by using  $\mu(\Gamma \geq a) \leq C a^{-\frac{n+\alpha}{n}}$ , we have

$$I_2 \leq \int_{r^{-n}}^{\infty} a^{-\frac{n+\alpha}{n}} da = C(n, \alpha)r^\alpha.$$

For  $0 < a < r^{-n}$  we apply the estimate

$$\mu\{\Gamma \geq a\} \leq \mu(C(z_0, r)) = Cr^{n+\alpha}.$$

Then for the integral  $I_1$  we have

$$I_1 \leq \int_0^{r^{-n}} a^{n+\alpha} da = Cr^\alpha.$$

As a result we obtain the estimate

$$|\nu(x, t)| \leq Cr^\alpha; \quad C = C(n, \alpha, \lambda) \tag{21}$$

**Necessity of the condition.** (6) We obtain the proof of the estimate (21) using there the estimate  $\int_{C(z_0, r)} \Gamma_{y,\tau}(x, t) d\mu(y, \tau) \leq Cr^\alpha$  for  $(x, t) \in C(z_0, r)$ , which means the uniform convergence of the integral in the representation of the function

$$u(x, t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \Gamma_{y,\tau}(x, t) d\mu(y, \tau).$$

The last means that sequence of approximations  $u^{(j)}$  really converges to the function  $u$  uniformly on any compact set in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . In view of this fact and the estimates (21), (20), passing to limit as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain

$$\iint_{C(z_0, r)} \nu(x, t) dx dt \leq Cr^{n+2+\alpha}.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{C(z_0, r)} |u - (u)_{z_0, r}| dx dt &\leq \iint_{C(z_0, r)} |u - h| dx dt + \iint_{C(z_0, r)} |h - (h)_{z_0, r}| dx dt \\ \iint_{C(z_0, r)} |(h)_{z_0, r} - (u)_{z_0, r}| dx dt &\leq 2 \iint_{C(z_0, r)} |u - h| dx dt + \iint_{C(z_0, r)} |h - (h)_{z_0, r}| dx dt \\ &\leq 2 \iint_{C(z_0, r)} \nu(x, t) dx dt + \iint_{C(z_0, r)} |h - (h)_{z_0, r}| dx dt \leq Cr^{n+2+\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

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whence by virtue of  $\alpha \leq \kappa$  we have

$$\frac{1}{|C(z_0, r)|} \iint_{C(z_0, r)} |u - (u)_{z_0, r}| dxdt \leq Cr^\alpha.$$

Further, by virtue of Lemma 1.1, we obtain

$$u \in H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}},$$

i.e. the set  $E$  is not removable in the class  $H^{\alpha, \frac{\alpha}{2}}$ , which proves the necessity of the condition (6). Here, for the function  $h$  we have used the estimate of Hölder norm (7) for solutions of the equation (1) in order to have the inequality

$$\iint_{C(z_0, r)} |h - (h)_{z_0, r}| dxdt \leq Cr^{n+2+\kappa}.$$

This complete the proof of Theorem 1.1.

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