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# ON THE CAUCHY PROBLEM FOR THE $n$ -CALORIC EQUATION AND FOR THE TIME-PLANE

1. Let  $x = (x_1, x_2)$ ,  $X = (x_1, x_2, t)$ . In this paper we shall construct a continuous function  $u = U(X)$  defined for  $t \geq 0$  and all  $x_1, x_2$  which is the solution  $u(X)$  for the  $n$ -caloric equation

$$(1) \quad P^n u(X) = 0,$$

where  $n$  is a positive integer,  $n \geq 2$

$$P = D_{x_1}^2 + D_{x_2}^2 - D_t, \quad P^n = P(P^{n-1}), \quad P^0 = \text{Id}$$

in the domain

$$(2) \quad W = \{X: |x_i| < \infty, \quad i = 1, 2; \quad t > 0\}$$

and satisfies the initial conditions

$$(3) \quad D_t^i u(X) = f_i(x) \text{ for } X \in S = \{X: |x_j| < \infty, \quad j = 1, 2, \quad t = 0\}, \\ (i=0, 1, \dots, n, 1).$$

2. Let  $Y = (y_1, y_2, s)$ ,  $y = (y_1, y_2)$ , and let

$$r = |x, y| = \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2}.$$

Let us consider the function

$$(4) \quad G_n(X, Y) = (t-s)^{n-1} U(X, Y),$$

where

$$(5) \quad U(X, Y) = \begin{cases} (t-s)^{-1} \exp((4(t-s))^{-1}(-r)^2) & \text{for } s < t \\ 0 & \text{for } s \geq t, X \neq Y \end{cases}$$

is the fundamental solution of the equation  $Pu(X) = 0$ .

Let  $P_X^n$  denote the operator  $P^n$  acting on the variables  $x_1, x_2, t$ .

**L e m m a 1.** The function  $G_n(X, Y)$  given by formulas (4), (5) satisfies the  $n$ -caloric equation  $P_X^n G(X, Y) = 0$ .

**P r o o f .** We shall prove this lemma by induction

$1^\circ$  For  $n = 2$  we have  $G_2(X, Y) = (t-s)U(X, Y)$ , then

$$P_X(t-s)U(X, Y) = \Delta_X(t-s)U(X, Y) - D_t(t-s)U(X, Y) = \\ = (t-s)P_X U(X, Y) - U(X, Y) \text{ and consequently}$$

$$P_X^2 G_2(X, Y) = -P_X U(X, Y) = 0.$$

$2^\circ$  Let us assume that the function  $G_{k-1}(X, Y) = (t-s)^{k-2}U(X, Y)$

satisfies the equation  $P_X^{k-1} G_{k-1} = 0$ . We shall prove that

the function  $G_k = (t-s)^{k-1}U(X, Y)$  satisfies the equation  $P_X^k G_k(X, Y) = 0$ . Namely

$$P_X^k G_k(X, Y) = P_X^{k-1}(P_X(t-s)^{k-1}U(X, Y)) = P_X^{k-1}((t-s)^{k-1}\Delta_X U(X, Y) - \\ - (t-s)^{k-1}D_t U(X, Y) - (k-1)(t-s)^{k-2}U(X, Y)) = \\ = P_X^{k-1}((t-s)^{k-1}P_X U(X, Y) - (k-1)(t-s)^{k-2}U(X, Y)) = 0,$$

because

$$P_X U(X, Y) = 0 \text{ and } P_X^{k-1}(t-s)^{k-2}U(X, Y) = 0.$$

**L e m m a 2.** The function  $U_1(X, y) = U(X, Y)|_{S=0} = t^{-1} \exp((-4t)^{-1} r^2)$  satisfies the equation

$$(6) \quad D_t^i U_1(X, y) = \Delta_X^i U_1(X, y) \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1).$$

**P r o o f .** Since  $D_t U_1(X; y) = \Delta_X U_1(X; y)$  thus

$$\begin{aligned} D_t^2 U_1(X; y) &= D_t D_t U_1(X; y) = D_t \Delta_X U_1(X; y) = \Delta_X D_t U_1(X; y) = \\ &= \Delta_X^2 U_1(X; y). \end{aligned}$$

We shall assume that the function  $U_1(X, y)$  satisfies the equation (6) for  $i = k < n-1$ , then for  $i = k+1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_t^{k+1} U_1(X, y) &= D_t^k D_t U_1(X, y) = D_t^k \Delta_X U_1(X, y) = \\ &= \Delta_X D_t^k U_1(X, y) = \Delta_X^{k+1} U_1(X, y). \end{aligned}$$

We shall prove the following

**L e m m a 3.** Let the function  $f(y)$  be of the class  $C^{2n}$  in the set  $E_2 = \{x: |x_i| < \infty, i = 1, 2\}$  and bounded with its derivatives up to the order  $2n$  on  $E_2$ . Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} D_t^i (4\pi)^{-1} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(y) U_1(X; y) dy = \Delta^i f(x_0) \quad (i = 1, \dots, n)$$

when

$$X \rightarrow (x_0, 0) \in S, \quad x_0 = (x_1^0, x_2^0).$$

**P r o o f .** At first we shall prove that the integrals

$$I(X) = \iint_{E_2} f(y) D_t^i U_1(X, y) dy \quad (i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1)$$

are uniformly convergent in every set

$$W_1 = \left\{ X: |x_i| \leq a_i \quad i = 1, 2; t_1 \leq t \leq t_2 \right\},$$

$a_i, t_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) being arbitrary positive numbers. The derivatives  $D_t^i U_1(X; y)$  are linear combinations of the functions

$$t^\alpha (r^2)^\beta \exp((-4t)^{-1} r^2),$$

where  $\beta$  is nonnegative number, and  $\alpha$  is negative number. Consequently it is sufficient to prove that the integrals

$$J(X) = \iint_{E_2} f(y) t^\alpha (r_1^2)^\beta \exp((-4t)^{-1} r^2) dy$$

are uniformly convergent in the set  $W_1$ . For the integral  $J(X)$  we have the following estimation

$$|J(X)| \leq M \iint_{E_2} t^\alpha (r^2)^\beta \exp((-4t)^{-1} r^2) dy,$$

where  $M = \sup |f(y)|$ .

Upon the change of variables

$$x_1 - y_1 = 2\sqrt{t} u \cos \varphi, \quad x_2 - y_2 = 2\sqrt{t} u \sin \varphi$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} |J(X)| &\leq M \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \int_0^\infty 4(4tu^2)^\beta t^{\alpha+1} u \exp(-u^2) du = \\ &= 2M\pi 4^{\beta+1} t^{\alpha+\beta+1} \int_0^\infty u^{2\beta+1} \exp(-u^2) du \leq M_1 t^{\alpha+\beta+1} \text{ for } X \in W_1, \end{aligned}$$

where  $M_1$  is a convenient positive constant.

It follows from the above inequality that the integral  $J(X)$  is uniformly convergent in  $W_1$ . Let  $K(x_0, R)$  denote the circle with center at  $x_0$  and radius  $R > 0$ . By uniform convergence of the integrals  $I(X)$  and by Lemma 2 for  $X \in W_2$  we have

$$D_t^i \frac{1}{4\pi} \iint_{E_2} f(y) U_1(X, y) dy = B_1^i(X) + B_2^i(X) \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1),$$

where

$$B_1^i(X) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \iint_{E_2 \setminus K(x_0, R)} f(Y) D_t^i U_1(X, y) dy,$$

$$B_2^i(X) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \iint_{K(x_0, R)} f(Y) \Delta_Y^i U_1(X, y) dy, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1.$$

Since  $\lim B_k^i(X) = B_k^i(x_0, t)$  as  $x \rightarrow x_0$ ,  $0 < t$  ( $k=1, 2$ ;  $i=1, 2, \dots, n-1$ ), it is sufficient to prove, that

- (a)  $\lim B_1^i(x_0, t) = 0$  as  $t \rightarrow 0_+$ ,  
 (b)  $\lim B_2^i(x_0, t) = \Delta^i f(x_0)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0_+$ . ( $i=1, 2, \dots, n-1$ )

Ad (b). Since the functions  $f(y)$  and  $\Delta_Y^i U_1(X, y)|_{x=x_0}$  are of class  $C^{2i-2}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, n-1$ ) in the circle  $K(x_0, R)$ , thus [1]

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_{K(x_0, R)} \left( f(y) \Delta_Y^i U_1(X; y) \Big|_{x=x_0} - \Delta^i f(y) U_1(X, y) \Big|_{x=x_0} \right) dy = \\ & = - \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \int_{\partial K(x_0, R)} (\Delta^k f(y) D_{n_y} (\Delta_Y^{i-k-1} U_1(X; y)) \Big|_{x=x_0} - \\ & - \Delta_Y^i U_1(X; y) \Big|_{x=x_0} D_{n_y} \Delta^{i-k-1} f(y)) d\sigma_y, \end{aligned}$$

where  $n$  is the inward normal to the boundary  $\partial K(x_0, R)$ , of the domain  $K(x_0, R)$ .

Therefore we have

$$(7) \quad B_2^i(x_0, t) = B_3^i(x_0, t) - \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} C_k^i(x_0, t) + \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} L_k^i(x_0, t),$$

where

$$B_3^i(x_0, t) = \iint_{K(x_0, R)} \Delta^i f(y) U_1(X, y) \Big|_{x=x_0} dy \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, n-1),$$

$$C_k^i(x_0, t) = \int_{\partial K(x_0, R)} \Delta^k f(y) D_n \Delta_y^{i-k-1} U_1(X, y) \Big|_{x=x_0} d\sigma_y$$

$$(k=0, 1, \dots, i-1; i=1, 2, \dots, n-1),$$

$$L_k^i(x_0, t) = \int_{\partial K(x_0, R)} D_n \Delta^{i-k-1} f(y) \Delta_y^i U_1(X, y) \Big|_{x=x_0} d\sigma_y$$

$$(k=0, 1, \dots, i-1; i=1, 2, \dots, n-1).$$

Expanding the function  $\Delta^i f(y)$  by formula

$$\Delta^i \bar{f}(y) = \begin{cases} \Delta^i f(y) & \text{for } y \in K(x_0, R) \\ 0 & \text{for } y \in E_2 \setminus K(x_0, R) \end{cases}$$

and by Weierstrass theorem we have

$$\lim B_3^i(x_0, t) = \Delta^i f(x_0) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0_+.$$

We must still prove that the other integrals in formula (7) tend to zero when  $t \rightarrow 0_+$ . Since  $D_{n_y} U(X, y) = -D_r U$  for  $y \in \partial K(x_0, R)$  and by Lemma 2 we get

$$\begin{aligned}
C_k^1(x_0, t) &= - \int_{\partial K(x_0, R)} \Delta^k f(y) D_R(\Delta^{1-k-1} U_1(X; y)) \Big|_{x=x_0} d\sigma_y = \\
&= \int_{\partial K(x_0, R)} \Delta^k f(y) D_t^{1-k-1} D_R(U_1(X; y)) \Big|_{x=x_0} d\sigma_y = \\
&= \int_{\partial K(x_0, R)} \Delta^k f(y) D_t^{1-k-1} (R(-2t^2)^{-1} \exp((-4t)^{-1} R^2)) d\sigma_y.
\end{aligned}$$

Since the derivatives  $D_t^{1-k-1}((-2t^2)^{-1} R \exp((-4t)^{-1} R^2))$  are linear combinations of the functions

$$t^{-\alpha} R^{2\beta} \exp((-4t)^{-1} R^2) \quad (\beta \geq 0, \alpha > 0)$$

we must show that the functions

$$S(x_0, t) = \int_{\partial K(x_0, R)} \Delta^k f(y) t^{-\alpha} R^{2\beta} \exp((-4t)^{-1} R^2) d\sigma_y$$

tend to zero when  $t \rightarrow 0_+$ .

For that purpose we present  $S(x_0, t)$  in the form

$$S(x_0, t) = M_2 \sqrt{t} \int_{\partial K(x_0, R)} f(y) ((4t)^{-1} R^2)^{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}} \exp((-4t)^{-1} R^2) d\sigma_y,$$

where  $M_2$  is the convenient constant. By the assumptions of Lemma 3 and by the inequality

$$(8) \quad A^a e^A \leq a^a e^{-a} \quad \text{for} \quad A \geq 0, \quad a > 0$$

we obtain

$$|S(x_0, t)| \leq M_3 \sqrt{t} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{when} \quad t \rightarrow 0_+;$$

$M_3$  being the convenient positive constant.

Arguing similarly as for the integrals  $C_k^1(x_0, t)$  we may prove that the integrals  $L_k^1(x_0, t)$  ( $k=0, 1, \dots, i-1$ ;  $i=1, 2, \dots, n-1$ ) tend to zero as  $t \rightarrow 0_+$ , which implies (b).

In order to prove (a) we observe that the functions  $D_t^1 U_1(X, y)$  are the linear combinations of the functions

$$t^{1-\beta}((t)^{-1}r^2)^\alpha \exp((-4t)^{-1}r^2) \quad (\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 2).$$

Then the functions  $B_1^1(X)$  are also linear combinations of the integrals

$$g(x_0, t) = \\ = M_4 t \iint_{E_2 \setminus K(x_0, R)} f(y) ((4t)^{-1}r^2)^{\alpha+\beta} (r^{2\beta})^{-1} \exp((-4t)^{-1}r^2) \Big|_{x=x_0} dy,$$

$M_4$  being the convenient positive constant.

Now we have by (8)

$$|g(x_0, t)| \leq M_5 t \iint_{E_2 \setminus K(x_0, R)} r^{-2} \Big|_{x=x_0} dy \leq M_6 t \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0_+,$$

where  $M_5, M_6$  are the convenient positive constants. Therefore the condition (a) is satisfied.

Let

$$(9) \quad Q(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} t^i u_i(X),$$

where

$$(9a) \quad u_i(X) = (4\pi)^{-1} \iint_{E_2} h_i(y) U_1(X, y) dy, \quad X \in W, \quad (i=0, 1, \dots, n-1).$$

Now we shall prove the following



**L e m m a 4.** Let the functions  $f_1(y)$ ,  $h_1(y)$  be of the class  $C^{2n-2i-2}$  ( $i=0,1,\dots,n-1$ ) in  $E_2$  and bounded with their derivatives up to the order  $2n-2i-2$  in the set  $E_2$ . Let the function  $Q(X)$  given by the formulas (9), (9a) satisfy the initial conditions (3). Then the functions  $f_k$ ,  $h_k$  ( $k=0,1,\dots,n-1$ ) satisfy the system of the equations

$$(10) \quad \frac{1}{k!} f_k(x) = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{i=0}^k \Delta^{k-i} h_i(x) \binom{k}{i} i! \quad (k=0,1,\dots,n-1) \text{ for } x \in E_2.$$

**P r o o f .** Making use of the initial conditions (3) and of Lemma 3 we can prove the formula (10). In virtue of Weierstrass' theorem and by the initial conditions (3) for  $i = 0$ , we have

$$f_0(x_0) = \lim Q(X) = h_0(x_0) \quad \text{when } X \rightarrow (x_0, 0_+).$$

From the initial conditions (3), for  $i = 1$ , we get

$$\lim D_t Q(X) = f_1(x_0) \quad \text{as } X \rightarrow (x_0, 0_+).$$

On the other hand we have

$$D_t Q(X) = u_1(X) + D_t u_0(X) + t D_t u_1(X) + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} (i t^{i-1} u_i(X) + t^i D_t u_i(X)),$$

where  $u_i(X)$  ( $i=0,1,\dots,n-1$ ) are given by formula (9a). Now it follows from Weierstrass theorem and lemma 3, that

$$\lim D_t Q(X) = \lim D_t u_0(X) + \lim u_1(X) = \Delta h_0(x_0) + h_1(x_0)$$

when  $X \rightarrow (x_0, 0_+)$ . Hence

$$f_1(x_0) = \Delta h_0(x_0) + h_1(x_0).$$

In view of the initial conditions (3), for  $i = k \leq n-1$ ,  $2 \leq i$ , we have

$$\lim D_t^k Q(X) = f_k(x_0) \quad \text{when} \quad X \rightarrow (x_0, 0_+).$$

On the other hand we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_t^k Q &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} D_t^k(u_i t^i) = D_t^k u_0 + \dots + D_t^k(t^k u_k) + \\ &+ \sum_{i=k+1}^{n-1} D_t^k(t^{k+1} u_{k+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} D_t^k(t u_1) &= t D_t^k u_1 + \binom{k}{1} D_t^{k-1} u_1 \\ D_t^k(t^2 u_2) &= \binom{k}{0} t^2 D_t^k u_2 + \binom{k}{1} 2t D_t^{k-1} u_2 + \binom{k}{2} 2! D_t^{k-2} u_2 \\ &\dots \dots \dots \\ D_t^k(t^k u_k) &= \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} D_t^i(t^k) D_t^{k-i} u_k = \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} k(k-1) \dots (k-i+1) t^{k-i} D_t^{k-i} u_k \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim D_t^k Q &= \lim \sum_{i=0}^k D_t^k(t^i u_i) = \lim(D_t^k u_0 + \binom{k}{1} D_t^{k-1} u_1 + \\ &+ 2! \binom{k}{2} D_t^{k-2} u_2 + \dots + \binom{k}{k} k! u_k). \end{aligned}$$

Now by Lemma 3 and Weierstrass' theorem we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{X \rightarrow (x_0, 0_+)} D_t^k Q &= \Delta^k f_0(x_0) + \binom{k}{1} \Delta^{k-1} h_1(x_0) + \binom{k}{2} 2! \Delta^{k-2} h_2(x_0) + \dots + \\ &+ \binom{k}{k} k! h_k(x_0) \quad (k=0, 1, \dots, n-1). \end{aligned}$$

This proves our Lemma 5. Now we shall prove the following lemma.

**L e m m a 5.** Let the functions  $f_k, h_k$  ( $k=0,1,\dots,n-1$ ) satisfy the assumptions of Lemma 4 and satisfy the system (10). Then we have

$$(10a) \quad h_k(x) = (k!)^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^k \binom{k}{i} \Delta^i f_{k-i}(x) \quad (k=0,1,\dots,n-1).$$

**P r o o f .** Substituting the functions  $h_i$  ( $i=0,1,\dots,k$ ) defined by formula (1a) into the right hand side of the  $k$ -th equation of system (10) we get

$$\begin{aligned} P_k &= \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} i! \Delta^{k-i} \left( \frac{1}{i!} \sum_{s=0}^i (-1)^s \binom{i}{s} \Delta^s f_{i-s} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} \Delta^{k-i} \left( \sum_{s=0}^i (-1)^s \Delta^s f_{i-s} \right) \quad (k=0,1,\dots,n-1). \end{aligned}$$

If  $k=0$ , then  $P_k = f_0$ . Let  $k \geq 1$ . It can easily be checked that the sum  $P_k$  is a linear combination of the functions  $\Delta^{k-1} f_l$  ( $l=0,1,\dots,k$ ) with the coefficients  $\alpha_l^k$  ( $l=0,1,\dots,k$ ) of the form

$$(11) \quad P_k = \alpha_k^k f_k + \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} \alpha_l^k \Delta^{k-1} f_l,$$

where

$$(11a) \quad \begin{cases} \alpha_k^k = \frac{1}{k!} \\ \alpha_l^k = \frac{1}{k!} \frac{1}{l!} \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k}{j} \binom{j}{j-1} (-1)^{j+1} = \frac{1}{k! l!} \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k}{j} j(j-1) \dots \\ \dots (j-l+1) (-1)^{j+1} \quad (l=0,1,\dots,k-1). \end{cases}$$

In order to prove (10a) it is enough to show that  $\alpha_1^k = 0$  ( $l=0,1,\dots,k-1$ ). Since

$$(12) \quad (x+b)^k = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} x^j b^{k-j},$$

we have

$$(12a) \quad D_x^l (x+b)^k = \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k}{j} k(k-1)\dots(k-l+1) x^{j-l} b^{k-j} =$$

$$= k(k-1)\dots(k-l+1)(x+b)^{k-l} \quad \text{for } l=1,2,\dots,k-1.$$

If we substitute  $x = -1$ ,  $b = 1$  in (12) and (12a) we obtain

$$0 = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{0} (-1)^j,$$

$$0 = \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k}{j} k(k-1)\dots(k-l+1) (-1)^{j-l} = k! l! \alpha_1^k = k! \alpha_0^k$$

$$\text{for } l=1,2,\dots,k-1.$$

**L e m m a 6.** Let the functions  $h_i$  ( $i=0,1,\dots,n-1$ ) be bounded and measurable in the set  $E_2$  and let

$$I(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dy \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h_1(y) D_{x_2}^{\alpha_1} D_{x_2}^{\alpha_2} D_t^{\alpha} (t^i U_1(X,y)) dy_2,$$

where  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 = 0,1,\dots,2n$ ;  $\alpha = 0,1,\dots,n$ ;  $i = 0,1,\dots,n-1$ . Then the integrals  $I(X)$  are uniformly convergent in the set

$$W_1 = \left\{ X: |x_1| \leq a_1, t_1 \leq t \leq t_2 \right\},$$

where  $a_i$  ( $i=1,2$ ),  $t_i$  ( $i=1,2$ ) are positive numbers and  $U_1(X,y) = U(X,Y)|_{S=0}$ .

**P r o o f .** The integral  $I(X)$  is a linear combination of the integrals

$$H(X) = t^{\beta_1} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dy_1 \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h_1(y) r^{\beta_2(x_1-y_1)} \beta_3(x_2-y_2)^{\beta_4} \exp((4t)^{-1}r^2) dy_2,$$

where  $\beta_i \geq 0$  ( $i=2,3,4$ ),  $\beta_1 \leq n-2$ .

Let us observe that the function  $H(X)$  may be written in the form

$$H(X) = t^{m_0} M_1 \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dy_1 \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h_1(y) ((t)^{-1}r^2)^{\frac{\beta_2}{2}} \exp((-16t)^{-1}r^2) ((t)^{-1} \times \\ \times (x_1-y_1)^2)^{\frac{\beta_3}{2}} \exp((-16t)^{-1}(x_1-y_1)^2) ((t)^{-1}(x_2-y_2)^2)^{\frac{\beta_4}{2}} \exp((-16t)^{-1} \times \\ \times (x_2-y_2)^2) \exp((-8t)^{-1}r^2) dy_2,$$

where  $m_0 = \beta_1 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i/2}^4 \beta_i$ ,  $M_1$  is a convenient constant.

Using the inequality (8) and assumptions of lemma 6 we get

$$|H(X)| \leq M_2 t^{m_0} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dy_1 \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp((-8t_2)^{-1}r^2) dy_2, \text{ for } X \in W_2.$$

$M_2$  being the convenient positive constant. It follows from the above inequality that the integral  $H(X)$  is uniformly convergent in  $W_1$ .

Now we shall prove

**T h e o r e m 1.** Let the functions  $f_i, h_i$  ( $i=0,1,\dots, n-1$ ) be of the class  $C^{2n-2i-2}$  and be bounded with their derivatives up to the  $2n-2i-2$  order in the set  $E_2$  and satisfy the equations (10a). Then the function  $Q(X)$  given by formulas (9), (9a) is the solution of the problem (1), (2), (3).

P r o o f . By Lemmas 1 and 6 we have

$$P^n Q(X) = ((4\pi)^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \iint_{E_2} h_i(y) P^n(t^i U_1(X, y)) dy = (4\pi)^{-1} \times$$

$$\times \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \iint_{E_2} h_i(y) P_X^{n-i-1}(P_X^{i+1}(t^i U_1(X, y))) dy = 0$$

for  $X \in W$  and for  $i=0, 1, \dots, n-1$ .

By Lemma 4 and by assumptions of Theorem 1 we obtain

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow (x_0, 0) \in S} D_t^{\frac{1}{2}} Q(X) = f_i(x_0) \quad (i=0, 1, \dots, n-1).$$

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