

Dini continuity of the first derivatives of generalized solutions to the Dirichlet problem for linear elliptic second order equations in nonsmooth domains

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Abstract. We consider generalized solutions to the Dirichlet problem for linear elliptic second order equations in a domain bounded by a Dini–Lyapunov surface and containing a conical point. For such solutions we derive Dini estimates for the first order generalized derivatives.

1. Introduction. We consider generalized solutions to the Dirichlet problem for a linear uniformly elliptic second order equation in divergence form

$$(DL) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (a^{ij}(x)u_{x_j} + a^i(x)u) + b^i(x)u_{x_i} + c(x)u \\ = g(x) + \frac{\partial f^j(x)}{\partial x_j}, & x \in G, \\ u(x) = \varphi(x), & x \in \partial G \end{cases}$$

(summation over repeated indices from 1 to n is understood), where $G \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a bounded domain with boundary ∂G and ∂G is a Dini–Lyapunov surface containing the origin \mathcal{O} as a conical point. This last means that $\partial G \setminus \mathcal{O}$ is a smooth manifold but near \mathcal{O} the domain G is diffeomorphic to a cone.

Hölder estimates for the first derivatives of generalized solutions to the problem (DL) are well known in the case where the leading coefficients $a^{ij}(x)$ are Hölder continuous (see e.g. [5, 8.11] for smooth domains and [1] for domains with angular points). Here we derive Dini estimates for the first derivatives of generalized solutions of the problem (DL) in a domain with a conical boundary point under *minimal* smoothness conditions on the leading coefficients (Dini continuity). It should be noted that interior Dini continuity

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of the first and second derivatives of generalized solutions to the problem (DL) was investigated in [3, 7] under the condition of Dini continuity of the first derivatives of the leading coefficients.

We introduce the following notations and definitions:

- $[l]$: the integral part of l (if l is not an integer);
- $r = |x| = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)^{1/2}$;
- $G' \Subset G$: G' has compact closure contained in G ;
- $\text{mes } G$: volume of G ;
- S^{n-1} : the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^n ;
- $B_r(x_0)$: the open ball in \mathbb{R}^n of radius r centered at x_0 ;
- $\omega_n = 2\pi^{n/2}/(n\Gamma(n/2))$: the volume of the unit ball in \mathbb{R}^n ;
- $\sigma_n = n\omega_n$: the area of the n -dimensional unit sphere;
- \mathbb{R}_+^n : the half-space $x_n > 0$;
- Σ : the hyperplane $\{x_n = 0\}$;
- $B_r^+ = B_r \cap \mathbb{R}_+^n$, where $x_0 \in \overline{\mathbb{R}_+^n}$;
- (r, ω) : the spherical coordinates of $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with pole \mathcal{O} ;
- Ω : a domain in S^{n-1} with smooth $(n-2)$ -dimensional boundary $\partial\Omega$;
- $G_a^b = G \cap \{(r, \omega) \mid 0 \leq a < r < b, \omega \in \Omega\}$: a layer in \mathbb{R}^n ;
- $\Gamma_a^b = \partial G \cap \{(r, \omega) \mid 0 \leq a < r < b, \omega \in \partial\Omega\}$: the lateral surface of the layer G_a^b ;
- $D_i u = u_{x_i} = \partial u / \partial x_i$, $D_{ij} u = u_{x_i x_j} = \partial^2 u / \partial x_i \partial x_j$;
- $\nabla u \equiv u_x = (u_{x_1}, \dots, u_{x_n})$: the gradient of $u(x)$;
- $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{n}(x) = \{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_n\}$: the unit outward normal to ∂G at the point x ;
- $d\Omega$: the $(n-1)$ -dimensional area element of the unit sphere;
- $d\sigma$: the $(n-1)$ -dimensional area element of ∂G ;
- Δ : the Laplacian in \mathbb{R}^n ;
- Δ_ω : the Laplace–Beltrami operator on the unit sphere S^{n-1} ;
- $d(x) = \text{dist}(x, \partial G \setminus \mathcal{O})$;
- $\Phi(x)$: any possible extension into G of a boundary function $\varphi(x)$, i.e., $\Phi(x) = \varphi(x)$ for $x \in \partial G$;
- $\mathcal{A}(t)$: a function defined for $t \geq 0$, nonnegative, increasing, continuous at zero, with $\lim_{t \rightarrow +0} \mathcal{A}(t) = 0$.

DEFINITION 1.1. The function \mathcal{A} is called *Dini continuous at zero* if $\int_0^d t^{-1} \mathcal{A}(t) dt < \infty$ for some $d > 0$.

DEFINITION 1.2. The function \mathcal{A} is called an α -*function*, $0 < \alpha < 1$, on $(0, d]$ if $t^{-\alpha} \mathcal{A}(t)$ is decreasing on $(0, d]$, i.e.

$$(1.1) \quad \mathcal{A}(t) \leq t^\alpha \tau^{-\alpha} \mathcal{A}(\tau), \quad 0 < \tau \leq t \leq d.$$

In particular, setting $t = c\tau$, $c > 1$, we have

$$(1.2) \quad \mathcal{A}(c\tau) \leq c^\alpha \mathcal{A}(\tau), \quad 0 < \tau \leq c^{-1}d.$$

If an α -function \mathcal{A} is Dini continuous at zero, then we say that \mathcal{A} is an α -Dini function. In that case we also define the function $\mathcal{B}(t) = \int_0^t (\mathcal{A}(\tau)/\tau) d\tau$. It is obvious that \mathcal{B} is increasing and continuous on $[0, d]$, and $\mathcal{B}(0) = 0$. We integrate the inequality (1.1) over τ from 0 to t :

$$(1.3) \quad \mathcal{A}(t) \leq \alpha \mathcal{B}(t).$$

Similarly from (1.1) we derive

$$\int_{\delta}^d (\mathcal{A}(t)/t^2) dt = \int_{\delta}^d t^{\alpha-2} (\mathcal{A}(t)/t^{\alpha}) dt \leq \delta^{-\alpha} \mathcal{A}(\delta) \int_{\delta}^d t^{\alpha-2} dt \leq (1 - \alpha)^{-1} \mathcal{A}(\delta)/\delta,$$

whence by (1.3),

$$(1.4) \quad \delta \int_{\delta}^d (\mathcal{A}(t)/t^2) dt \leq (1 - \alpha)^{-1} \mathcal{A}(\delta) \leq \alpha(1 - \alpha)^{-1} \mathcal{B}(\delta), \quad \forall \alpha \in (0, 1), 0 < \delta < d.$$

DEFINITION 1.3. The function \mathcal{B} is called *equivalent* to \mathcal{A} , written $\mathcal{A} \sim \mathcal{B}$, if there exist positive constants C_1 and C_2 such that

$$C_1 \mathcal{A}(t) \leq \mathcal{B}(t) \leq C_2 \mathcal{A}(t) \quad \text{for all } t \geq 0.$$

An *equivalence test* is known [4, theorem of Sec. 1]: $\mathcal{A} \sim \mathcal{B}$ if and only if

$$(1.5) \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{A}(2t)/\mathcal{A}(t) > 1.$$

In some cases we shall consider functions \mathcal{A} such that also

$$(1.6) \quad \sup_{0 < \tau \leq 1} \mathcal{A}(\tau t)/\mathcal{A}(\tau) \leq c \mathcal{A}(t), \quad \forall t \in (0, d],$$

with some constant c independent of t . Examples of α -Dini functions \mathcal{A} which satisfy (1.5), (1.6) with $c = 1$ are:

$$t^{\alpha}, \quad 0 \leq t < \infty; \\ t^{\alpha} \ln(1/t), \quad t \in (0, d], \quad d = \min(e^{-e}, e^{-1/\alpha}), \quad e^{-1} < \alpha < 1.$$

We will consider the following function spaces:

- $C^l(\overline{G})$: the Banach space of functions having all the derivatives of order at most l (if $l = \text{integer} \geq 0$) and of order $[l]$ (if l is noninteger) continuous in \overline{G} and whose $[l]$ th order partial derivatives are uniformly Hölder continuous with exponent $l - [l]$ in \overline{G} ; $|u|_{l;G}$ is the norm of the element $u \in C^l(\overline{G})$; if $l \neq [l]$ then

$$|u|_{l;G} = \sum_{j=0}^{[l]} \sup_G |D^j u| + \sup_{\substack{|\alpha|=[l] \\ x,y \in G \\ x \neq y}} \frac{|D^{\alpha} u(x) - D^{\alpha} u(y)|}{|x - y|^{l-[l]}}.$$

- $C_0^k(G)$: the set of functions in $C^k(G)$ with compact support in G .

- $C^{0,\mathcal{A}}(G)$: the set of bounded and continuous functions f on G with

$$[f]_{\mathcal{A};G} = \sup_{\substack{x,y \in G \\ x \neq y}} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{\mathcal{A}(|x - y|)} < \infty;$$

equipped with the norm

$$\|f\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} = |f|_{0;G} + [f]_{\mathcal{A};G},$$

this set is a Banach space. We also define the quantity

$$[f]_{\mathcal{A},x} = \sup_{y \in G \setminus \{x\}} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{\mathcal{A}(|x - y|)}.$$

It is not difficult to see that if $\mathcal{A} \sim \mathcal{B}$ then $[f]_{\mathcal{A}} \sim [f]_{\mathcal{B}}$.

If $k \geq 1$ is an integer then we denote by $C^{k,\mathcal{A}}(G)$ the subspace of $C^k(G)$ consisting of functions whose $(k-1)$ th order partial derivatives are uniformly Lipschitz continuous and each k th order derivative belongs to $C^{0,\mathcal{A}}(G)$; it is a Banach space with the norm

$$\|f\|_{k,\mathcal{A};G} = |f|_{k;G} + \sum_{|\beta|=k} [D^\beta f]_{\mathcal{A};G}.$$

The *interpolation inequality* (see [8, (10.1)]) will be needed: *if the domain has a Lipschitz boundary, then for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a constant $c(\varepsilon, G)$ such that for every $f \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(G)$,*

$$(1.7) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n |D_i f|_{0;G} \leq \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^n [D_i f]_{\mathcal{A};G} + c(\varepsilon, G) |f|_{0;G}.$$

- $L_p(G)$: the Banach space of p -integrable functions u on G ($p \geq 1$) with norm $\|u\|_{p;G}$.

Moreover, $\lambda = \lambda(\Omega)$ will stand for the smallest positive eigenvalue of the problem

$$(EVP) \quad \begin{cases} \Delta_\omega \psi + \lambda(\lambda + n - 2)\psi = 0, & \omega \in \Omega \subset S^{n-1}, \\ \psi(\omega) = 0, & \omega \in \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

and $c(\dots)$ will be different constants depending only on the quantities appearing in parentheses.

Let $T \subset \partial G$ be a nonempty set. Following [5, Sec. 6.2] and [8, Sec. 3] we shall say that the boundary portion T is of class $C^{1,\mathcal{A}}$ if for each point $x_0 \in T$ there are a ball $B = B(x_0)$, a one-to-one mapping ψ of B onto a ball B' and a constant $K > 0$ such that:

- (i) $B \cap \partial G \subset T$, $\psi(B \cap G) \subset \mathbb{R}_+^n$;
- (ii) $\psi(B \cap \partial G) \subset \Sigma$;
- (iii) $\psi \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(B)$, $\psi^{-1} \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(B')$;

(iv) $\|\psi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};B} \leq K, \|\psi^{-1}\|_{1,\mathcal{A};B'} \leq K.$

It is not difficult to see that for $y = \psi(x)$ one has

(1.8) $K^{-1}|y - y'| \leq |x - x'| \leq K|y - y'|, \quad \forall x, x' \in B.$

LEMMA [8, Sec. 7, (iv)]. *Let \mathcal{A} be an α -function and $f \in C^{0,\mathcal{A}}(B), \psi^{-1} \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(B')$. Then $f \circ \psi^{-1} \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(B)$ and*

(1.9) $[f \circ \psi^{-1}]_{\mathcal{A};B} \leq K^\alpha [f]_{\mathcal{A};B}.$

2. Dini estimates of the first derivatives for the generalized Newtonian potential (cf. [5, Ch. 4]). We shall consider the Dirichlet problem for the Poisson equation

(PE)
$$\begin{cases} \Delta v = \mathcal{G} + \sum_{j=1}^n D_j \mathcal{F}^j, & x \in G, \\ v(x) = 0, & x \in \partial G. \end{cases}$$

Let $\Gamma(x - y)$ be the normalized fundamental solution of Laplace's equation. The following estimates are known (see e.g. [5, (2.12), (2.14)]):

(2.1)
$$\begin{aligned} |\Gamma(x - y)| &= |x - y|^{2-n} / (n(n - 2)\omega_n), \quad n \geq 3, \\ |D_i \Gamma(x - y)| &\leq |x - y|^{1-n} / (n\omega_n), \\ |D_{ij} \Gamma(x - y)| &\leq |x - y|^{-n} / \omega_n, \\ |D^\beta \Gamma(x - y)| &\leq C(n, \beta) |x - y|^{2-n-|\beta|}. \end{aligned}$$

We define the functions

(2.2) $z(x) = \int_G \Gamma(x - y) \mathcal{G}(y) dy, \quad w(x) = D_j \int_G \Gamma(x - y) \mathcal{F}^j(y) dy,$

assuming that the functions $\mathcal{G}(x)$ and $\mathcal{F}^j(x), j = 1, \dots, n,$ are integrable on G . The function z is called the *Newtonian potential* with density function \mathcal{G} , and w is called the *generalized Newtonian potential* with density function $\text{div } \mathcal{F}$. We now give estimates for these potentials.

Let $B_1 = B_R(x_0), B_2 = B_{2R}(x_0)$ be concentric balls in \mathbb{R}^n and z, w be Newtonian potentials in B_2 .

LEMMA 1. *Suppose $\mathcal{G} \in L_p(B_2), p > n/2,$ and $\mathcal{F}^j \in L_\infty(B_2), j = 1, \dots, n.$ Then*

(2.3)
$$\begin{aligned} |z|_{0;B_1} &\leq c(p) R^{2/p'} \ln^{1/p'}(1/(2R)) \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p;B_2}, \quad n = 2, \\ |z|_{0;B_1} &\leq c(p, n) R^{2-n+n/p'} \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p;B_2}, \quad n \geq 3, \end{aligned}$$

$$(2.4) \quad |w|_{0;B_1} \leq 2R \sum_{j=1}^n |\mathcal{F}^j|_{0;B_2},$$

where $1/p + 1/p' = 1$.

Proof. The estimates follow from inequalities (2.1), Hölder's inequality and [5, Lemma 4.1].

In the following the D operator is always taken with respect to the x variable.

LEMMA 2 [5, Lemmas 4.1, 4.2]. *Let $\partial G \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}$, $\mathcal{G} \in L_p(G)$, $p > n$, $\mathcal{F}^j \in C^{0,\mathcal{A}}(G)$, where \mathcal{A} is an α -function Dini continuous at zero. Then for any $x \in G$,*

$$(2.5) \quad D_i z(x) = \int_G D_i \Gamma(x-y) \mathcal{G}(y) dy,$$

$$(2.6) \quad D_i w(x) = \int_{G_0} D_{ij} \Gamma(x-y) (\mathcal{F}^j(y) - \mathcal{F}^j(x)) dy \\ - \mathcal{F}^j(x) \int_{\partial G_0} D_i \Gamma(x-y) \nu_j d_y \sigma$$

($i = 1, \dots, n$); here G_0 is any domain containing G for which the Gauss divergence theorem holds and \mathcal{F}^j are extended to vanish outside G .

LEMMA 3 (cf. [5, Lemma 4.4]). *Let $\mathcal{G} \in L_p(B_2)$, $p > n$, $\mathcal{F}^j \in C^{0,\mathcal{A}}(\overline{B_2})$, where \mathcal{A} is an α -function Dini continuous at zero. Then $z, w \in C^{1,\mathcal{B}}(\overline{B_1})$ and*

$$(2.7) \quad \|z\|_{1,\mathcal{B};B_1} \leq c(n, p, R, \mathcal{A}^{-1}(2R)) \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p;B_2},$$

$$(2.8) \quad \|w\|_{1,\mathcal{B};B_1} \leq c(n, p, \alpha, R, \mathcal{A}^{-1}(2R), \mathcal{B}(2R)) \sum_{j=1}^n \|\mathcal{F}^j\|_{0,\mathcal{A};B_2}.$$

Proof. Let $x, \bar{x} \in B_1$ and $G = B_2$. By formulas (2.5), (2.6), taking into account (2.1) and Hölder's inequality and setting $|x-y| = t$, $y-x = t\omega$, $dy = t^{n-1} dt d\Omega$, we have

$$(2.9) \quad |D_i z| \leq (n\omega_n)^{-1} \int_{B_2} |x-y|^{1-n} |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy \\ \leq (n\omega_n)^{-1} \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p;B_2} \left\{ \int_{B_2} |x-y|^{(1-n)p'} dy \right\}^{1/p'} \\ = \frac{p-1}{p-n} (2R)^{(p-n)/(p-1)} \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p;B_2},$$

$$(2.10) \quad |D_i w(x)| \leq (n\omega_n)^{-1} R^{1-n} \sum_{j=1}^n |\mathcal{F}^j(x)| \int_{\partial B_2} d_y \sigma$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \omega_n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},x} \int_{B_2} \frac{\mathcal{A}(x-y)}{|x-y|^n} dy \\
 & \leq 2^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^n |\mathcal{F}^j(x)| + n \sum_{j=1}^n [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},x} \int_0^{2R} \frac{\mathcal{A}(t)}{t} dt \\
 & \leq c(n)\mathcal{B}(2R) \sum_{j=1}^n (|\mathcal{F}^j(x)| + [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},x}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking into account (2.5) we obtain by subtraction

$$|D_i z(x) - D_i z(\bar{x})| \leq \int_{B_2} |D_i \Gamma(x-y) - D_i \Gamma(\bar{x}-y)| \cdot |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy.$$

We set $\delta = |x - \bar{x}|$, $\xi = \frac{1}{2}(x - \bar{x})$ and write $B_2 = B_\delta(\xi) \cup \{B_2 \setminus B_\delta(\xi)\}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.11) \quad & \int_{B_\delta(\xi)} |D_i \Gamma(x-y) - D_i \Gamma(\bar{x}-y)| \cdot |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy \\
 & \leq \int_{B_\delta(\xi)} |D_i \Gamma(x-y)| \cdot |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy + \int_{B_\delta(\xi)} |D_i \Gamma(\bar{x}-y)| \cdot |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy \\
 & \leq (n\omega_n)^{-1} \left\{ \int_{B_\delta(\xi)} |x-y|^{1-n} |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy + \int_{B_\delta(\xi)} |\bar{x}-y|^{1-n} |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy \right\} \\
 & \leq 2(n\omega_n)^{-1} \int_{B_{3\delta/2}(x)} |x-y|^{1-n} |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy \\
 & \leq 2(n\omega_n)^{-1} \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p;B_2} \left(\int_{B_{3\delta/2}(x)} |x-y|^{(1-n)p'} dy \right)^{1/p'} \\
 & \leq 2(n\omega_n)^{-1/p} \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p;B_2} \left(\frac{3\delta}{2} \right)^{1-n/p} \{n + (1-n)p'\}^{-1/p'} \\
 & \leq \frac{2(n\omega_n)^{-1/p} (2R)^{1-n/p}}{\{n + (1-n)p'\}^{-1/p'}} \cdot \frac{\mathcal{A}(|\bar{x}-x|)}{\mathcal{A}(2R)} \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p;B_2}, \quad 1/p + 1/p' = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

(here we take into account that $\delta^\alpha \leq (2R)^\alpha \mathcal{A}(\delta)/\mathcal{A}(2R)$ for all $\alpha > 0$ by (1.1), since $\delta \leq 2R$). Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.12) \quad & \int_{B_2 \setminus B_\delta(\xi)} |D_i \Gamma(x-y) - D_i \Gamma(\bar{x}-y)| \cdot |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy \\
 & \leq |x - \bar{x}| \int_{B_2 \setminus B_\delta(\xi)} |DD_i \Gamma(\tilde{x}-y)| \cdot |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy \\
 & \hspace{15em} \text{(for some } \tilde{x} \text{ between } x \text{ and } \bar{x}\text{)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \delta \omega_n^{-1} \int_{|y-\xi| \geq \delta} |y - \tilde{x}|^{-n} |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy \\
&\leq 2^n \delta \omega_n^{-1} \int_{|y-\xi| \geq \delta} |y - \xi|^{-n} |\mathcal{G}(y)| dy \quad (\text{since } |y - \xi| \leq 2|y - \tilde{x}|) \\
&\leq 2^n \delta \omega_n^{-1} \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p; B_2} \left(\int_{|y-\xi| \geq \delta} |y - \xi|^{-np'} dy \right)^{1/p'} \\
&\leq 2^n \omega_n^{-1/p} (p-1)^{1/p'} \delta^{1-n/p} \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p; B_2} \\
&\leq 2^n \omega_n^{-1/p} (p-1)^{1/p'} (2R)^{1-n/p} \frac{\mathcal{A}(|x - \bar{x}|)}{\mathcal{A}(2R)} \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p; B_2}.
\end{aligned}$$

From (2.11) and (2.12), taking into account (1.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.13) \quad |D_i z(x) - D_i z(\bar{x})| &\leq c(n, p, R) \mathcal{A}^{-1}(2R) \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p; B_2} \mathcal{A}(|x - \bar{x}|) \\
&\leq c(n, p, R) \mathcal{A}^{-1}(2R) \|\mathcal{G}\|_{p; B_2} \mathcal{B}(|x - \bar{x}|), \quad \forall x, \bar{x} \in B_1.
\end{aligned}$$

The first of the required estimates, (2.7), follows from (2.3) and (2.13). Now we derive the estimate (2.8).

By (2.6) for all $x, \bar{x} \in B_1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.14) \quad D_i w(\bar{x}) - D_i w(x) &= \sum_{j=1}^n (\mathcal{F}^j(x) \mathcal{J}_{1j} + (\mathcal{F}^j(x) - \mathcal{F}^j(\bar{x})) \mathcal{J}_{2j}) + \mathcal{J}_3 \\
&\quad + \mathcal{J}_4 + \sum_{j=1}^n (\mathcal{F}^j(x) - \mathcal{F}^j(\bar{x})) \mathcal{J}_{5j} + \mathcal{J}_6,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{J}_{1j} &= \int_{\partial B_2} (D_i \Gamma(x - y) - D_i \Gamma(\bar{x} - y)) \nu_j(y) dy \sigma, \\
\mathcal{J}_{2j} &= \int_{\partial B_2} D_i \Gamma(\bar{x} - y) \nu_j(y) dy \sigma, \\
\mathcal{J}_3 &= \int_{B_\delta(\xi)} D_{ij} \Gamma(x - y) (\mathcal{F}^j(x) - \mathcal{F}^j(y)) dy, \\
\mathcal{J}_4 &= \int_{B_\delta(\xi)} D_{ij} \Gamma(\bar{x} - y) (\mathcal{F}^j(y) - \mathcal{F}^j(\bar{x})) dy, \\
\mathcal{J}_{5j} &= \int_{B_2 \setminus B_\delta(\xi)} D_{ij} \Gamma(x - y) dy,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_6 = \int_{B_2 \setminus B_\delta(\xi)} (D_{ij}\Gamma(x-y) - D_{ij}\Gamma(\bar{x}-y))(\mathcal{F}^j(\bar{x}) - \mathcal{F}^j(y)) dy.$$

(Here we set again $\delta = |x - \bar{x}|$, $\xi = \frac{1}{2}(x - \bar{x})$ and write $B_2 = B_\delta(\xi) \cup \{B_2 \setminus B_\delta(\xi)\}$.)

We estimate these integrals by analogy with [5, pp. 58–59]:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{J}_{1j}| &\leq |x - \bar{x}| \int_{\partial B_2} |DD_i\Gamma(\tilde{x}-y)| d_y\sigma \\ &\quad \text{(for some point } \tilde{x} \text{ between } x \text{ and } \bar{x}) \\ &\leq |x - \bar{x}| n\omega_n^{-1} \int_{\partial B_2} |\tilde{x} - y|^{-n} d_y\sigma \\ &\leq n^2 2^{n-1} |x - \bar{x}| R^{-1} \quad \text{(since } |\tilde{x} - y| \geq R \text{ for } y \in \partial B_2) \\ &\leq n^2 2^{n-1} \mathcal{A}(|x - \bar{x}|) R^{-1} \delta / \mathcal{A}(\delta) \\ &\leq n^2 2^n \mathcal{A}(|x - \bar{x}|) / \mathcal{A}(2R) \\ &\quad \text{(since } \delta = |x - \bar{x}| \leq 2R \text{ and } \delta / \mathcal{A}(\delta) \leq 2R / \mathcal{A}(2R) \text{ by (1.1))} \\ &\leq n^2 2^n \alpha \mathcal{B}(\delta) / \mathcal{A}(2R) \quad \text{(by (1.3)).} \end{aligned}$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{J}_{2j}| &\leq 2^{n-1}, \\ |\mathcal{J}_3| &\leq \omega_n^{-1} [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},x} \int_{B_\delta(\xi)} |x-y|^{-n} \mathcal{A}(|x-y|) dy \\ &\leq \omega_n^{-1} [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},x} \int_{B_{3\delta/2}(x)} |x-y|^{-n} \mathcal{A}(|x-y|) dy \\ &= n [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},x} \int_0^{3\delta/2} t^{-1} \mathcal{A}(t) dt \\ &\leq (3/2)^\alpha n [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},x} \mathcal{B}(\delta) \quad \text{(by (1.2)).} \end{aligned}$$

By analogy with the estimate for \mathcal{J}_3 we obtain

$$|\mathcal{J}_4| \leq (3/2)^\alpha n [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},\bar{x}} \mathcal{B}(\delta), \quad |\mathcal{J}_{5j}| \leq 2^n \quad \text{(see [5, p. 59]),}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{J}_6| &\leq |x - \bar{x}| \int_{B_2 \setminus B_\delta(\xi)} |DD_{ij}\Gamma(\tilde{x}-y)| \cdot |\mathcal{F}^j(\bar{x}) - \mathcal{F}^j(y)| dy \\ &\quad \text{(for some } \tilde{x} \text{ between } x \text{ and } \bar{x}) \\ &\leq |x - \bar{x}| c(n) \int_{|y-\xi| \geq \delta} |\mathcal{F}^j(\bar{x}) - \mathcal{F}^j(y)| \cdot |\tilde{x} - y|^{-n-1} dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq c(n)\delta[\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},\bar{x}} \int_{|y-\xi|\geq\delta} \mathcal{A}(|\bar{x}-y|)|\tilde{x}-y|^{-n-1} dy \\
 &\leq 2^{n+1}c(n)\delta[\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},\bar{x}} \int_{|y-\xi|\geq\delta} \mathcal{A}((3/2)|\xi-y)|\xi-y|^{-n-1} dy \\
 &\hspace{10em} (\text{since } |\bar{x}-y| \leq (3/2)|\xi-y| \leq 3|x-\tilde{y}|) \\
 &\leq 2^{n+1}n\omega_n c(n)(3/2)^\alpha \delta[\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},\bar{x}} \int_{\delta}^R t^{-2} \mathcal{A}(t) dt \\
 &\hspace{10em} (\text{since } \mathcal{A}((3/2)t) \leq (3/2)^\alpha \mathcal{A}(t) \text{ by (1.2)}) \\
 &\leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} (3/2)^\alpha n\omega_n 2^{n+1} c(n) [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},\bar{x}} \mathcal{B}(\delta) \quad (\text{by (1.4)}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now from (2.14) and the above estimates we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.15) \quad &|D_i w(\bar{x}) - D_i w(x)| \\
 &\leq c(n, \alpha) \sum_{j=1}^n (|\mathcal{F}^j(x)| \mathcal{A}^{-1}(2R) + [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},x} + [\mathcal{F}^j]_{\mathcal{A},\bar{x}}) \mathcal{B}(|x - \bar{x}|), \\
 &\hspace{15em} \forall x, \bar{x} \in B_1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, from (2.10) and (2.15) it follows that $w \in C^{1,\mathcal{B}}(B_1)$ and the estimate (2.8) holds. Lemma 3 is proved.

THEOREM 1. *Let v be a generalized solution of equation (PE) in B_2^+ with $\mathcal{G} \in L_{n/(1-\alpha)}(B_2^+)$, $\mathcal{F}^j \in C^{0,\mathcal{A}}(\overline{B_2^+})$, where \mathcal{A} is an α -function satisfying the Dini condition at zero, and let $v = 0$ on $B_2 \cap \Sigma$. Then $v \in C^{1,\mathcal{B}}(\overline{B_1^+})$ and*

$$\|v\|_{1,\mathcal{B};B_1^+} \leq c \left(|v|_{0;B_2^+} + \|\mathcal{G}\|_{n/(1-\alpha);B_2^+} + \sum_{j=1}^n \|\mathcal{F}^j\|_{0,\mathcal{A};B_2^+} \right),$$

where $c = c(n, \alpha, R, \mathcal{A}^{-1}(2R), \mathcal{B}(2R))$.

Theorem 1 follows from (2.7), (2.8), representation of solutions of (PE) by means of the fundamental solution and by the same argument as in [5, 4.4–4.5] (see also [5, 8.11]).

3. Dini continuity near a smooth portion of the boundary

THEOREM 2 (cf. [5, Corollary 8.36]). *Let \mathcal{A} be an α -Dini function ($0 < \alpha < 1$) satisfying the condition (1.5). Let $T \subset \partial G$ be of class $C^{1,\mathcal{A}}$. Let $u \in W^1(G)$ be a weak solution of the problem (DL) with $\varphi \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(\partial G)$. Suppose the coefficients of the equation in (DL) satisfy the conditions*

$$\begin{aligned} a^{ij}(x)\xi_i\xi_j &\geq \nu|\xi|^2, \quad \forall x \in \overline{G}, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n, \\ a^{ij}, a^i, f^i &\in C^{0,\mathcal{A}}(\overline{G}) \quad (i, j = 1, \dots, n), \\ b^i, c &\in L_\infty(G), \quad g \in L_{n/(1-\alpha)}(G). \end{aligned}$$

Then $u \in C^{1,\mathcal{B}}(G \cup T)$ and for every $G' \Subset G \cup T$,

$$(3.1) \quad \|u\|_{1,\mathcal{B};G'} \leq c(n, T, \nu, k, d') \left(|u|_{0;G} + \mathbf{lg}|g|_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} \right),$$

where $d' = \text{dist}(G', \partial G \setminus T)$ and

$$k = \max_{i,j=1,\dots,n} \{ \|a^{ij}, a^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G}, |b^i, c|_{0;G} \}.$$

Proof. We use the perturbation method. We freeze the leading coefficients $a^{ij}(x)$ at $x_0 \in G \cup T$ by setting, without loss of generality, $a^{ij}(x_0) = \delta_i^j$ (see [5, Lemma 6.1]), and rewrite the equation of (DL) in the form (PE) for the function $v(x) = u(x) - \varphi(x)$ with

$$(3.2) \quad \mathcal{G}(x) = g(x) - b^i(x)(D_i v + D_i \varphi) - c(x)(v(x) + \varphi(x)),$$

$$(3.3) \quad \mathcal{F}^i(x) = (a^{ij}(x_0) - a^{ij}(x))D_j v - a^{ij}(x)D_j \varphi - a^i(x)(v(x) + \varphi(x)) + f^i(x) \quad (i = 1, \dots, n).$$

It is not difficult to observe that the conditions on the coefficients of the equation and on T are invariant under maps of class $C^{1,\mathcal{A}}$. Therefore after a preliminary rectification of T by means of a diffeomorphism $\psi \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}$ it is sufficient to prove the theorem in the case $T \subset \Sigma$. This is carried out using Theorem 1 in a standard way (see [5, Chs. 6, 8]). In this connection we use the following estimates for the functions (3.2), (3.3):

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbf{lg}|g|_{n/(1-\alpha);B_2^+} &\leq \mathbf{lg}|g|_{n/(1-\alpha);B_2^+} + k \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |D_i v|_{0;B_2^+} + |v|_{0;B_2^+} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^n |D_i \varphi|_{0;B_2^+} + |\varphi|_{0;B_2^+} \right) \\ &\leq \mathbf{lg}|g|_{n/(1-\alpha);B_2^+} + k \left(\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^n [D_i v]_{\mathcal{A};B_2^+} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + c_\varepsilon |v|_{0;B_2^+} + |\varphi|_{1;B_2^+} \right) \quad (\text{by (1.7)}), \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.5) \quad \sum_{j=1}^n \|\mathcal{F}^j\|_{0,\mathcal{A};B_2^+} \leq nk\mathcal{A}(2R)\|\nabla v\|_{0,\mathcal{A};B_2^+} + k \sum_{i=1}^n |D_i v|_{0,B_2^+} \\ + c(k)(|v|_{0,B_2^+} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};B_2^+}) + \sum_{j=1}^n \|f^j\|_{0,\mathcal{A};B_2^+}.$$

Taking into account once more the inequality (1.7) and the condition (1.5) that ensures the equivalence $[\]_{\mathcal{A}} \sim [\]_{\mathcal{B}}$, from (3.4)–(3.5) we finally obtain

$$(3.6) \quad \mathbf{lg}\mathbf{l}_{n/(1-\alpha);B_2^+} + \sum_{j=1}^n \|\mathcal{F}^j\|_{0,\mathcal{A};B_2^+} \\ \leq k(\varepsilon + n\mathcal{A}(2R))\|v\|_{1,\mathcal{B};B_2^+} + c_\varepsilon(k)(|v|_{0,B_2^+} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};B_2^+}) \\ + \sum_{j=1}^n \|f^j\|_{0,\mathcal{A};B_2^+} + \mathbf{lg}\mathbf{l}_{n/(1-\alpha);B_2^+} \quad \text{for all } \varepsilon > 0.$$

Since \mathcal{A} is continuous, choosing $\varepsilon, R > 0$ sufficiently small we obtain the desired assertion and the estimate (3.1) in a standard way from (2.16) and (3.6).

4. Dini continuity near the conical point. We consider the problem (DL) under the following assumptions:

- (i) ∂G is a Dini–Lyapunov surface with conical point \mathcal{O} ;
- (ii) the uniform ellipticity holds:

$$\nu\xi^2 \leq a^{ij}(x)\xi_i\xi_j \leq \mu\xi^2, \quad \forall x \in G, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

where $\nu, \mu = \text{const} > 0$ and $a^{ij}(0) = \delta_i^j$ ($i, j = 1, \dots, n$);

- (iii) $a^{ij}, a^i \in C^{0,\mathcal{A}}(G)$ ($i, j = 1, \dots, n$) where \mathcal{A} is an α -Dini function on $(0, d]$, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, satisfying the conditions (1.5)–(1.6) and also

$$(4.1) \quad \sup_{0 < \varrho \leq 1} \varrho^{\lambda-1}/\mathcal{A}(\varrho) \leq \text{const},$$

$$|x| \left(\sum (b^i(x))^2 \right)^{1/2} + |x|^2 |c(x)| \leq \mathcal{A}(|x|);$$

- (iv) $g \in L_{n/(1-\alpha)}(G)$, $\varphi \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(\partial G)$, $f^j \in C^{0,\mathcal{A}}(\overline{G})$, $j = 1, \dots, n$;

$$(v) \int_G r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) g^2(x) dx < \infty,$$

$$\int_G r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n |f^j|^2 + |\nabla \Phi|^2 + r^{-2} \Phi^2 \right) dx < \infty,$$

where \mathcal{H} is a continuous increasing function satisfying the Dini condition at $t = 0$.

THEOREM 3. *Let u be a generalized solution of (DL) and suppose that assumptions (i)–(v) are satisfied. Then there exist $d > 0$ and a constant $c > 0$ independent of u and depending only on parameters and norms of the given functions appearing in assumptions (i)–(v), such that*

$$(4.2) \quad |u(x)| \leq c|x|\mathcal{A}(|x|) \left(\mathbf{I}g_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} \right. \\ \left. + \left\{ \int_G \left(r^{4-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)g^2(x) + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \right. \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)|\nabla\Phi|^2 \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + |u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2 \right) dx \right\}^{1/2} \right), \quad \forall x \in G_0^d,$$

$$(4.3) \quad |\nabla u(x)| \leq c\mathcal{A}(|x|) \left(\mathbf{I}g_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} \right. \\ \left. + \left\{ \int_G \left(r^{4-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)g^2(x) + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \right. \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)|\nabla\Phi|^2 \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + |u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2 \right) dx \right\}^{1/2} \right), \quad \forall x \in G_0^d.$$

Proof. We use Kondrat'ev's method of layers: we move away from the conical point of $\varrho > 0$ and work in $G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}$; after the change of variables $x = \varrho x'$ the layer $G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}$ takes the position of a fixed domain $G_{1/4}^2$ with smooth boundary.

1°. We consider a solution u in the domain G_0^{2d} with some positive $d \ll 1$; then u is a weak solution in G_0^{2d} of the problem

$$(DL)_{0,2d} \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (a^{ij}(x)u_{x_j} + a^i(x)u) + b^i(x)u_{x_i} + c(x)u \\ = g(x) + \frac{\partial f^j}{\partial x_j}, & x \in G_0^{2d}, \\ u(x) = \varphi(x), & x \in \Gamma_0^{2d} \subset \partial G_0^{2d}. \end{cases}$$

We make the change of variables $x = \varrho x'$ and set $v(x') = \varrho^{-1}\mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho)u(\varrho x')$,

$\varrho \in (0, d)$, $0 < d \ll 1$. Then v satisfies in $G_{1/4}^2$ the problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'_i} (a^{ij}(\varrho x') v_{x'_j} + \varrho a^i(\varrho x') v) + \varrho b^i(\varrho x') v_{x'_i} + \varrho^2 c(\varrho x') v \\ = \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f^j(\varrho x')}{\partial x'_j} + \varrho \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) g(\varrho x'), & x' \in G_{1/4}^2, \\ v(x') = \varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \varphi(\varrho x'), & x' \in \Gamma_{1/4}^2. \end{cases}$$

To solve this problem we use Theorem 2. We check its assumptions. Since under assumption (ii), \mathcal{A} is increasing, $\varrho \in (0, d)$ and $0 < d \ll 1$, from the inequality $\varrho^{-1}|x - y| \geq |x - y|$ for $\varrho \in (0, d)$ it follows that

$$\mathcal{A}(|x' - y'|) = \mathcal{A}(\varrho^{-1}|x - y|) \geq \mathcal{A}(|x - y|)$$

and by (iii) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i,j} \|a^{ij}(\varrho \cdot)\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G_{1/4}^2} + \varrho \sum_i \|a^i(\varrho \cdot)\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G_{1/4}^2} \\ \leq \sum_{i,j} \|a^{ij}\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} + d \sum_i \|a^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Further, let Φ be a regularity preserving extension of the boundary function φ into a domain G_ε^d for $\varepsilon > 0$ (such an extension exists; see e.g. [5, Lemma 6.38]).

Since $\varphi \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(\partial G)$ we have

$$\|\Phi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \leq c(G) \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \leq \text{const.}$$

By definition of the norm in $C^{1,\mathcal{A}}$ we obtain

$$(4.4) \quad \sup_{\substack{x,y \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho} \\ x \neq y}} \frac{|\nabla \Phi(x) - \nabla \Phi(y)|}{\mathcal{A}(|x - y|)} \leq \|\Phi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \leq c(G) \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}.$$

Now we show that by (v) and the smoothness of φ ,

$$(4.5) \quad |\varphi(x)| \leq c|x|\mathcal{A}(|x|), \quad |\nabla \Phi(x)| \leq c\mathcal{A}(|x|), \quad \forall x \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}.$$

Indeed, from

$$\varphi(x) - \varphi(0) = \int_0^1 \frac{d}{d\tau} \Phi(\tau x) d\tau = x_i \int_0^1 \frac{\partial \Phi(\tau x)}{\partial(\tau x_i)} d\tau$$

by Hölder's inequality we have

$$(4.6) \quad |\varphi(x) - \varphi(0)| \leq r|\nabla \Phi|.$$

From (iv) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.7) \quad & \int_{G_0^\varrho} (r^{2-n} |\nabla \Phi|^2 + r^{-n} |\varphi|^2) dx \\
&= \int_{G_0^\varrho} (r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) |\nabla \Phi|^2 + r^{-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) |\varphi|^2) (r^{2\lambda} \mathcal{H}(r)) dx \\
&\leq \text{const } \varrho^{2\lambda} \mathcal{H}(\varrho).
\end{aligned}$$

Since $|\varphi(0)| \leq |\varphi(x)| + |\varphi(x) - \varphi(0)|$, by (4.6) we obtain

$$|\varphi(0)| \leq |\varphi(x)| + r |\nabla \Phi|.$$

Squaring both sides, multiplying by r^{-n} and integrating over G_0^ϱ we obtain

$$(4.8) \quad \varphi^2(0) \int_{G_0^\varrho} r^{-n} dx \leq 2 \int_{G_0^\varrho} (r^{-n} \varphi^2(x) + r^{2-n} |\nabla \Phi|^2) dx < \infty$$

by (4.7). Since

$$\int_{G_0^\varrho} r^{-n} dx = \text{mes } \Omega \int_0^\varrho \frac{dr}{r} = \infty,$$

the assumption $\varphi(0) \neq 0$ contradicts (4.8). Thus $\varphi(0) = 0$. Then from (4.4) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|\nabla \Phi(x) - \nabla \Phi(y)| &\leq \text{const } \mathcal{A}(|x - y|) \|\varphi\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; \Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}, \quad \forall x, y \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}, \\
|\nabla \Phi(y)| &\leq |\nabla \Phi(x) - \nabla \Phi(y)| + |\nabla \Phi(x)| \\
&\leq c \mathcal{A}(|x - y|) \|\varphi\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; \Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} + |\nabla \Phi(x)|.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence considering y to be fixed in $G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}$ and x variable, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
|\nabla \Phi(y)|^2 \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{2-n} dx &\leq 2c^2 \|\varphi\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; \Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}^2 \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{2-n} \mathcal{A}^2(|x - y|) dx \\
&\quad + 2 \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{2-n} |\nabla \Phi(x)|^2 dx
\end{aligned}$$

or by (4.7),

$$\varrho^2 |\nabla \Phi(y)|^2 \leq c(\text{mes } \Omega, k_1) (\varrho^2 \mathcal{A}^2(\varrho) + \varrho^{2\lambda} \mathcal{H}(\varrho)), \quad \forall y \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}.$$

Hence the assumption (4.1) yields the second inequality of (4.5). Now the first inequality of (4.5) follows from (4.6) and $\varphi(0) = 0$. Thus (4.5) is proved.

Now we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.9) \quad & \varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \|\varphi(\varrho \cdot)\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; G_{1/4}^2} \\
& \leq c \varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \|\Phi(\varrho \cdot)\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; G_{1/4}^2} \\
& = c \varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \left\{ \sup_{x' \in G_{1/4}^2} |\Phi(\varrho x')| + \sup_{x' \in G_{1/4}^2} |\nabla' \Phi(\varrho x')| \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sup_{\substack{x', y' \in G_{1/4}^2 \\ x' \neq y'}} \frac{|\nabla' \Phi(\varrho x') - \nabla' \Phi(\varrho y')|}{\mathcal{A}(|x' - y'|)} \right\} \\
& \leq c_1 + c \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \sup_{x, y \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \frac{|\nabla \Phi(x) - \nabla \Phi(y)|}{\mathcal{A}(\varrho^{-1}|x - y|)} \\
& = c_1 + c [\nabla \Phi]_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \sup_{0 < t < 4\varrho} \frac{\mathcal{A}(t)}{\mathcal{A}(\varrho^{-1}t)} \\
& \leq \text{const}, \quad \forall \varrho \in (0, d),
\end{aligned}$$

by (4.5), since by (1.6),

$$\sup_{0 < t < 4\varrho} \frac{\mathcal{A}(t)}{\mathcal{A}(\varrho^{-1}t)} = \sup_{0 < \tau < 4} \frac{\mathcal{A}(\tau\varrho)}{\mathcal{A}(\tau)} \leq c \mathcal{A}(\varrho).$$

In the same way we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.10) \quad & \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \|f^j\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{1/4}^2} \\
& = \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \left(\|f^j\|_{0; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} + \sup_{\substack{x, y \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho} \\ x \neq y}} \frac{|f^j(x) - f^j(y)|}{\mathcal{A}(\varrho^{-1}|x - y|)} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Since $f^j \in C^{0, \mathcal{A}}(\overline{G})$, we get

$$(4.11) \quad |f^j(x) - f^j(y)| \leq \tilde{c}_j \mathcal{A}(|x - y|), \quad \forall x, y \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.12) \quad & \int_{G_0^g} r^{2-n} |f^j(x)|^2 dx = \int_{G_0^g} (r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) |f^j(x)|^2) (\mathcal{H}(r) r^{2\lambda}) dx \\
& \leq \text{const } \varrho^{2\lambda} \mathcal{H}(\varrho)
\end{aligned}$$

by (v). Now fix y in $G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}$. Then

$$|f^j(y)| \leq |f^j(x)| + |f^j(x) - f^j(y)| \leq |f^j(x)| + \tilde{c}_j \mathcal{A}(|x - y|).$$

Hence

$$|f^j(y)|^2 \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{2-n} dx \leq 2 \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{2-n} |f^j(x)|^2 dx + 2\tilde{c}_j^2 \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{2-n} \mathcal{A}^2(|x - y|) dx.$$

Calculations and (4.12) give

$$\varrho^2 |f^j(y)|^2 \leq c(\tilde{c}_j, k_1, \text{mes } \Omega)(\varrho^2 \mathcal{A}^2(\varrho) + \varrho^{2\lambda} \mathcal{H}(\varrho)), \quad \forall y \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}.$$

Hence by the assumption (4.1) it follows that

$$(4.13) \quad |f^j(x)| \leq c_j \mathcal{A}(\varrho), \quad \forall x \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}, \quad j = 1, \dots, n.$$

Further, in the same way as in the proof of (4.9),

$$(4.14) \quad \sup_{\substack{x, y \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho} \\ x \neq y}} \frac{|f^j(x) - f^j(y)|}{\mathcal{A}(\varrho^{-1}|x - y|)} \leq [f^j]_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \sup_{0 < t < 4\varrho} \frac{\mathcal{A}(t)}{\mathcal{A}(\varrho^{-1}t)} \\ \leq c\mathcal{A}(\varrho)[f^j]_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}.$$

Now from (4.10), (4.13) and (4.14) we obtain

$$(4.15) \quad \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \sum_{j=1}^n |f^j|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{1/4}^2} \leq \text{const.}$$

It remains to verify the finiteness of $\|\varrho \mathcal{A}(\varrho)^{-1} g(\varrho x')\|_{n/(1-\alpha); G_{1/4}^2}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \varrho \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \left(\int_{G_{1/4}^2} |g(\varrho x')|^{n/(1-\alpha)} dx' \right)^{(1-\alpha)/n} \\ = \varrho^\alpha \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \left(\int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} |g(x)|^{n/(1-\alpha)} dx \right)^{(1-\alpha)/n} \\ \leq d^\alpha \mathcal{A}^{-1}(d) \left(\int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} |g(x)|^{n/(1-\alpha)} dx \right)^{(1-\alpha)/n} \\ \leq \text{const}, \quad \forall \varrho \in (0, d), \end{aligned}$$

by the condition (1.1). Thus the conditions of Theorem 2 are satisfied.

By this theorem we have

$$(4.16) \quad \|v\|_{1, \mathcal{B}; G_{1/2}^1} \\ \leq c\{n, \nu, G, \max_{i, j=1, \dots, n} (\|a^{ij}(\varrho \cdot)\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{1/4}^2}, \varrho \|a^i(\varrho \cdot)\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{1/4}^2}), \mathcal{A}(2\varrho)\} \\ \times \left(|v|_{0; G_{1/4}^2} + \varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \|\varphi(\varrho \cdot)\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; \Gamma_{1/4}^2} + \varrho \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \|g(\varrho \cdot)\|_{n/(1-\alpha); G_{1/4}^2} \right) \\ + \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \sum_{j=1}^n \|f^j(\varrho \cdot)\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{1/4}^2}, \quad \forall \varrho \in (0, d).$$

2°. To estimate $|v|_{0;G_{1/4}^2}$ we use the local estimate at the boundary of the maximum of the modulus of a solution [5, Theorem 8.25]. We check the assumptions of that theorem. To this end, set

$$z(x') = v(x') - \varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \Phi(\varrho x')$$

and write the problem for the function z :

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'_i} (a^{ij}(\varrho x') z_{x'_j} + \varrho a^i(\varrho x') z) + \varrho b^i(\varrho x') z_{x'_i} + \varrho^2 c(\varrho x') z \\ = G(x') + \frac{\partial F^j(x')}{\partial x'_j}, & x' \in G_{1/4}^2, \\ z(x') = 0, & x' \in \Gamma_{1/4}^2, \end{cases}$$

where

$$(4.17) \quad G(x') \equiv \varrho \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) g(\varrho x') - \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) b^i(\varrho x') \Phi_{x'_i}(\varrho x') \\ - \varrho \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) c(\varrho x') \Phi(\varrho x'),$$

$$(4.18) \quad F^i(x') \equiv \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) f^i(\varrho x') - \varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) a^{ij}(\varrho x') \Phi_{x'_j}(\varrho x') \\ - \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) a^i(\varrho x') \Phi(\varrho x') \quad (i = 1, \dots, n).$$

First we verify the smoothness of the coefficients (see the remark at the end of [5, 8.10]). Let $q > n$. We have

$$(4.19) \quad \int_{G_{1/4}^2} |\varrho a^i(\varrho x')|^q dx' = \varrho^{q-n} \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} |a^i(x)|^q dx \\ \leq c_2(G) d^q \|a^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G}^q, \quad \forall \varrho \in (0, d).$$

By (iii) we also obtain

$$(4.20) \quad \int_{G_{1/4}^2} |\varrho b^i(\varrho x')|^q dx' = \varrho^{q-n} \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} |b^i(x)|^q dx \leq 4^q \varrho^{-n} \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} |r b^i(x)|^q dx \\ \leq 4^q \varrho^{-n} \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \mathcal{A}^q(r) dx \leq 2^{n+2q} \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{-n} \mathcal{A}^q(r) dx \\ = 2^{n+2q} \text{mes } \Omega \int_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho} \frac{\mathcal{A}^q(r)}{r} dr \\ \leq 2^{n+2q} \text{mes } \Omega \cdot \mathcal{A}^{q-1}(2d) \int_0^{2d} \frac{\mathcal{A}(r)}{r} dr,$$

$$(4.21) \quad \int_{G_{1/4}^2} |\varrho^2 c(\varrho x')|^{q/2} dx' = \varrho^{q-n} \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} |c(x)|^{q/2} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 4^q \varrho^{-n} \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} |r^2 c(x)|^{q/2} dx \\
&\leq 2^{2q+n} \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{-n} \mathcal{A}^{q/2}(r) dx \\
&\leq 2^{2q+n} \text{mes } \Omega \cdot \mathcal{A}^{(q-2)/2}(2d) \int_0^{2d} \frac{\mathcal{A}(r)}{r} dr,
\end{aligned}$$

for $q > n$ and all $\varrho \in (0, d)$.

In the same way from (4.17) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.22) \quad &\varrho \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \mathbf{I}G(x') \mathbf{I}_{q/2; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \\
&= \varrho \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \left(\int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \varrho^{-n} \left\{ |g(x)|^{q/2} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |b^i(x)| \right)^{q/2} |\nabla \Phi|^{q/2} + |c(x)|^{q/2} |\Phi(x)|^{q/2} \right\} dx \right)^{2/q}.
\end{aligned}$$

By (iv) setting $q = n/(1 - \alpha) > n$ and applying Hölder's inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.23) \quad &\varrho \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \left(\int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \varrho^{-n} |g(x)|^{q/2} dx \right)^{2/q} \\
&\leq c \varrho^\alpha \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \left(\int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \varrho^{-n/2} |g(x)|^{q/2} dx \right)^{2/q} \\
&\leq c \varrho^\alpha \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \mathbf{I}g \mathbf{I}_{q; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} (\text{mes } \Omega \ln 8)^{1/q} \\
&\leq c(d, \alpha, q, \text{mes } \Omega, \mathcal{A}(d)) \mathbf{I}g \mathbf{I}_{q; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}},
\end{aligned}$$

since by (1.1), $\varrho^\alpha \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \leq d^\alpha \mathcal{A}^{-1}(d)$ for all $\varrho \in (0, d)$. Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.24) \quad &\varrho \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \left(\int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{-n} \right. \\
&\quad \left. \times \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |b^i(x)| \right)^{q/2} |\nabla \Phi|^{q/2} + |c(x)|^{q/2} |\Phi(x)|^{q/2} \right\} dx \right)^{2/q} \\
&\leq c(\text{mes } \Omega)^{2/q} \|\varphi\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \mathcal{A}^{(q-2)/q}(\varrho) \int_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho} \frac{\mathcal{A}(r)}{r} dr.
\end{aligned}$$

From (4.22)–(4.24) we obtain

$$(4.25) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|G(\varrho \cdot)\|_{q/2; G_{1/4}^2} \\ & \leq \text{const} \left(q, \alpha, d, \text{mes } \Omega, \mathcal{A}(d), \int_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho} \frac{\mathcal{A}(r)}{r} dr \right) \\ & \quad \times (\|g\|_{q; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} + \|\varphi\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; \Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}), \quad q = n/(1 - \alpha) > n. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, in the same way from (4.18) we have

$$(4.26) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{G_{1/4}^2} |F^i(x')|^q dx' \\ & \leq c \left(q, G, \max_{j=1, \dots, n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \|a^{ij}\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G}^q, \sum_{i=1}^n \|a^i\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G}^q \right\} \right) \\ & \quad \times \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{-n} \mathcal{A}^{-q}(r) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^q + |\nabla \Phi|^q + |\Phi|^q \right) dx. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from (4.5) as $\varrho \rightarrow +0$ that $|\nabla \Phi(0)| = 0$. Therefore

$$|\nabla \Phi(x)| = |\nabla \Phi(x) - \nabla \Phi(0)| \leq \mathcal{A}(|x|) \|\varphi\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; \Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}, \quad \forall x \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho},$$

and hence

$$|\Phi(x)| \leq r |\nabla \Phi| \leq |x| \mathcal{A}(|x|) \|\varphi\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; \Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}, \quad \forall x \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}.$$

Similarly it follows from (4.13) as $\varrho \rightarrow +0$ that $f^j(0) = 0$ for $j = 1, \dots, n$. Therefore we have for all $x \in G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}$,

$$|f^j(x)| = |f^j(x) - f^j(0)| \leq \mathcal{A}(r) [f^j]_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}.$$

Consequently, estimating the right side of (4.26) and taking into account the inequalities obtained, we have

$$(4.27) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n \|F^i\|_{q; G_{1/4}^2} \leq c \left(q, G, \max_{j=1, \dots, n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \|a^{ij}\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G}^q, \sum_{i=1}^n \|a^i\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G}^q \right\} \right) \\ & \quad \times \text{mes } \Omega \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}^q + \|\varphi\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; \Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}}^q \right). \end{aligned}$$

So all conditions of [5, Theorem 8.25] are satisfied. By this theorem we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4.28) \quad & \sup_{x' \in G_{1/2}^1} |z(x')| \\
 & \leq c \left(\|z\|_{2; G_{1/4}^2} + \|G\|_{n/(2(1-\alpha)); G_{1/4}^2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|F^i\|_{n/(1-\alpha); G_{1/4}^2} \right) \\
 & \leq c \left(\|z\|_{2; G_{1/4}^2} + \|g\|_{n/(1-\alpha); G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} + \|\varphi\|_{1, \mathcal{A}; \Gamma_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Setting $w(x) = u(x) - \varphi(x)$ we have for $w(x)$ the problem

$$(DL)_{0,2d} \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (a^{ij}(x)w_{x_j} + a^i(x)w) + b^i(x)w_{x_i} + c(x)w \\ = G(x) + \frac{\partial F^j}{\partial x_j}, & x \in G_0^{2d}, \\ w(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_0^{2d} \subset \partial G_0^{2d}, \end{cases}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(x) &= g(x) - b^i(x)\Phi_{x_i} - c(x)\Phi(x), \\
 F^i(x) &= f^i(x) - a^{ij}(x)\Phi_{x_j} - a^i(x)\Phi(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by assumptions (i), (ii),

$$|a^{ij}(x) - \delta_i^j| \leq \|a^{ij}\|_{0, \mathcal{A}; G} \mathcal{A}(|x|), \quad x \in G.$$

By [6, Theorem 1] there is a constant $c > 0$ independent of w, G, F^i such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4.29) \quad & \int_{G_0^{\varrho}} r^{2-n} |\nabla w|^2 dx \leq c\varrho^{2\lambda} \int_{G_0^{2d}} \left\{ |w(x)|^2 + |\nabla w|^2 + G^2(x) + \sum_{i=1}^n |F^i(x)|^2 \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) G^2(x) + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \times \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |F^i(x)|^2 \right\} dx, \quad \forall \varrho \in (0, d).
 \end{aligned}$$

Our assumptions guarantee that the integral on the right side is finite. Since $z(x') = \varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) w(\varrho x')$ we obtain from (4.29),

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4.30) \quad & \int_{G_{1/4}^2} |\nabla' z|^2 dx' \leq 2^{n-2} \varrho^{-2} \mathcal{A}^{-2}(\varrho) \int_{G_{\varrho/4}^{2\varrho}} r^{2-n} |\nabla w|^2 dx \\
 & \leq c\varrho^{2\lambda-2} \mathcal{A}^{-2}(\varrho) \int_G \left\{ |w|^2 + |\nabla w|^2 + G^2(x) \right.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{i=1}^n |F^i(x)|^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) G^2(x) \\
& + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |F^i(x)|^2 \} dx.
\end{aligned}$$

By assumptions (i)–(iv) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.31) \quad & |G(x)|^2 \leq c\{|g|^2 + \mathcal{A}^2(r)(r^{-2}|\nabla\Phi|^2 + r^{-4}\Phi^2)\}, \\
& \sum_{i=1}^n |F^i(x)|^2 \leq c\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \max_{i,j=1,\dots,n} (\|a^{ij}\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G}, \|a^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G})(|\nabla\Phi|^2 + \Phi^2) \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Applying now the Friedrichs inequality and taking into account (4.1), we obtain from (4.30), (4.31),

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.32) \quad & \|z\|_{2;G_{1/4}^2}^2 \leq c_0 \|\nabla' z\|_{2;G_{1/4}^2}^2 \\
& \leq c\varrho^{2\lambda-2} \mathcal{A}^{-2}(\varrho) \int_G \left\{ |w|^2 + |\nabla w|^2 + g^2(x) \right. \\
& \quad + \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 + |\nabla\Phi|^2 + \Phi^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) g^2(x) \\
& \quad + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 \\
& \quad \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) |\nabla\Phi|^2 + r^{-2} \mathcal{A}^2(r) |\nabla\Phi|^2 \right\} dx \\
& \leq \text{const} \left\{ \|g\|_{n/(1-\alpha);G}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G}^2 + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};G}^2 \right. \\
& \quad + \int_G \left(|w|^2 + |\nabla w|^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) g^2(x) \right. \\
& \quad + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 \\
& \quad \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) |\nabla\Phi|^2 \right) dx \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

by assumptions (iii)–(v). By the definition of $z(x')$, inequalities (4.28), (4.32) and assumptions (i)–(v) we finally obtain

$$(4.33) \quad \|v\|_{0;G_{1/4}^2} \leq \|z\|_{0;G_{1/4}^2} + \varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \|\varphi(\varrho \cdot)\|_{0;G_{1/4}^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq c \left(\mathbf{I}g \mathbf{I}_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} \right. \\ &\quad + \left\{ \int_G \left(|w|^2 + |\nabla w|^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) g^2(x) \right. \right. \\ &\quad + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 \\ &\quad \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) |\nabla \Phi|^2 \right) dx \right\}^{1/2} \Big). \end{aligned}$$

3°. Returning to the variables $x, u(x)$, we now obtain from inequalities (4.16), (4.33),

$$\begin{aligned} (4.34) \quad &\varrho^{-1} \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \sup_{x \in G_{\varrho/2}^e} |u(x)| + \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\varrho) \sup_{x \in G_{\varrho/2}^e} |\nabla u(x)| \\ &\quad + \sup_{\substack{x,y \in G_{\varrho/2}^e \\ x \neq y}} \frac{|\nabla u(x) - \nabla u(y)|}{\mathcal{A}(\varrho) \mathcal{B}(|x-y|)} \\ &\leq c \left(\mathbf{I}g \mathbf{I}_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} \right. \\ &\quad + \left\{ \int_G \left(|u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) g^2(x) \right. \right. \\ &\quad + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 \\ &\quad \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) |\nabla \Phi|^2 \right) dx \right\}^{1/2} \Big). \end{aligned}$$

Setting $|x|=2\varrho/3$ we deduce from (4.34) the validity of (4.2), (4.3). This completes the proof of Theorem 3.

REMARK. As an example of \mathcal{A} that satisfies all the conditions of Theorem 3, besides the function r^α , one may take $\mathcal{A}(r) = r^\alpha \ln(1/r)$, provided $\lambda \geq 1 + \alpha$. In the case of $\mathcal{A}(r) = r^\alpha$ the result of [1] follows from Theorem 3 for a single equation and the estimate (4.2) coincides with [6, (10)].

5. Global regularity and solvability

THEOREM 4. *Let \mathcal{A} be an α -Dini function ($0 < \alpha < 1$) that satisfies the conditions (1.5), (1.6), (4.1). Let $\overline{G} \setminus \{\mathcal{O}\}$ be a domain of class $C^{1,\mathcal{A}}$, and*

$\mathcal{O} \in \partial G$ be a conical point of G . Suppose that assumptions (i)–(iv) are valid and

$$(vi) \quad \int_G (c(x)\eta - a^i(x)D_i\eta) dx \leq 0, \quad \forall \eta \geq 0, \eta \in C_0^1(G).$$

Then the generalized problem (DL) has a unique solution $u \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(\overline{G})$ and we have the estimate

$$(5.1) \quad \|u\|_{1,\mathcal{A};G} \leq c \left(\|g\|_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} \right. \\ \left. + \left\{ \int_G \left(r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) g^2(x) \right. \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) |\nabla \Phi|^2 \right) dx \right\}^{1/2} \right).$$

Proof. The inequality (4.34) implies that

$$(5.2) \quad |\nabla u(x) - \nabla u(y)| \\ \leq c \mathcal{B}(|x-y|) \left(\|g\|_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} \right. \\ \left. + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} + \left\{ \int_G \left(|u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) g^2(x) \right. \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 + r^{2-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) |\nabla \Phi|^2 \right) dx \right\}^{1/2} \right)$$

for all $x, y \in G_{\varrho/2}^{\varrho}$ and all $\varrho \in (0, d)$.

From (4.34), (5.2) we now infer that $u \in C^{1,\mathcal{B}}(\overline{G_0^d})$. Indeed, let $x, y \in \overline{G_0^d}$ and $\varrho \in (0, d)$. If $x, y \in G_{\varrho/2}^{\varrho}$ then (5.2) holds. If $|x-y| > |\varrho| = |x|$ then by (4.34) we obtain

$$\frac{|\nabla u(x) - \nabla u(y)|}{\mathcal{B}(|x-y|)} \\ \leq 2c \mathcal{A}(|x|) \mathcal{B}^{-1}(|x|) \left(\|g\|_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} + \left\{ \int_G \left(|u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda} \mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) g^2(x) \right. \right. \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)|\nabla\Phi|^2 \Big) dx \Big\}^{1/2}) \\
 & \leq 2c\alpha \left(\mathbf{I}g\mathbf{I}_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \left\{ \int_G (|u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)g^2(x) \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)|\nabla\Phi|^2 \right) dx \right\}^{1/2} \Big)
 \end{aligned}$$

in view of (1.3). Because of the condition (1.5) for the equivalence of \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} , we derive $u \in C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(\overline{G_0^d})$ and the estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.3) \quad \|u\|_{1,\mathcal{A};G_0^d} & \leq c \left(\mathbf{I}g\mathbf{I}_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \left\{ \int_G (|u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)g^2(x) \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)|\nabla\Phi|^2 \right) dx \right\}^{1/2} \Big),
 \end{aligned}$$

following from the above arguments.

By means of a partition of unity, from the bounds (3.1) of Theorem 2 and (5.3) we derive

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.4) \quad \|u\|_{1,\mathcal{A};G} & \leq c \left(\mathbf{I}g\mathbf{I}_{n/(1-\alpha);G} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|f^i\|_{0,\mathcal{A};G} + \|\varphi\|_{1,\mathcal{A};\partial G} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + |u|_{0;G} + \left\{ \int_G (|u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2 + r^{4-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)g^2(x) \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r) \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i(x)|^2 \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + r^{2-n-2\lambda}\mathcal{H}^{-1}(r)|\nabla\Phi|^2 \right) dx \right\}^{1/2} \Big).
 \end{aligned}$$

By the assumption (vi) that guarantees the uniqueness of the solution for the problem (DL), we have the bound [5, Corollary 8.7]

$$\int_G (|u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2) dx \leq C \int_G \left(g^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n |f^i|^2 + |\nabla\Phi|^2 + \Phi^2 \right) dx,$$

which together with the global boundedness of weak solutions [5, Theorem 8.16], and the bound (5.4), leads to the desired estimate (5.1).

Finally, the global estimate (5.1) leads to the assertion on the unique solvability in $C^{1,\mathcal{A}}(\overline{G})$. This is proved by an approximation argument using the relevant propositions from [8] in the same way as in [5, Theorem 8.34].

REMARK. The conclusion of Theorem 4 is best possible. This is shown for $\mathcal{A}(r) = r^\alpha$, $\lambda \geq 1 + \alpha$, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, in [6] (see also examples in [2]).

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