

Integral Menger Curvature and Rectifiability of n -dimensional Borel sets in Euclidean N -space

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Abstract

In this thesis we show that an n -dimensional Borel set in Euclidean N -space with finite integral Menger curvature is n -rectifiable, meaning that it can be covered by countably many images of Lipschitz continuous functions up to a null set in the sense of Hausdorff measure. This generalises Léger's [Lég99] rectifiability result for one-dimensional sets to arbitrary dimension and co-dimension. In addition, we characterise possible integrands and discuss examples known from the literature.

Intermediate results of independent interest include upper bounds of different versions of P. Jones's β -numbers in terms of integral Menger curvature without assuming lower Ahlfors regularity, in contrast to the results of Lerman and Whitehouse [LW09].

Zusammenfassung

In dieser Arbeit zeigen wir, dass eine n -dimensionale Borel Menge mit endlicher integraler Menger Krümmung n -rektifizierbar ist, d.h. es existieren abzählbar viele Lipschitz Abbildungen, deren Bilder, bis auf eine Nullmenge bzgl. des Hausdorff Maßes, die Menge überdecken. Dies ist eine Verallgemeinerung von Légers Arbeit [Lég99] über Rektifizierbarkeit von eindimensionalen Mengen zu Mengen beliebiger Dimension und Codimension. Wir charakterisieren mögliche Integranden und diskutieren einige bekannte Beispiele aus anderen Arbeiten.

Als Zwischenergebnis zeigen wir Abschätzungen von P. Jones β -Zahlen gegen die integrale Menger Krümmung. Im Gegensatz zu den Arbeiten von Lerman and Whitehouse [LW09] müssen wir nur obere Ahlfors Regularität voraussetzen.

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1 Introduction

For three points $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^N$, we denote by $c(x, y, z)$ the inverse of the radius of the circum-circle determined by these three points. This expression is called *Menger curvature*¹ of x, y, z . For a Borel set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, we define by

$$\mathcal{M}_2(E) := \int_E \int_E \int_E c^2(x, y, z) \, d\mathcal{H}^1(x) d\mathcal{H}^1(y) d\mathcal{H}^1(z)$$

the *total Menger curvature* of E , where \mathcal{H}^1 denotes the one-dimensional Hausdorff measure. In 1999, J.C. Léger proved the following theorem.

Theorem ([Lég99]). *If $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ is some Borel set with $0 < \mathcal{H}^1(E) < \infty$ and $\mathcal{M}_2(E) < \infty$, then E is 1-rectifiable, i.e., there exists a countable family of Lipschitz functions $f_i : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ such that $\mathcal{H}^1(E \setminus \bigcup_i f_i(\mathbb{R})) = 0$.*

This result is an important step in the proof of Vitushkin's conjecture (for more details see [Tol14a, Dud10]), which states that a compact set with finite one-dimensional Hausdorff measure is removable for bounded analytic functions if and only if it is purely 1-unrectifiable, which means that every 1-rectifiable subset of this set has Hausdorff measure zero. A higher dimensional analogue of Vitushkin's conjecture is proven in [NTV14] but without using a higher dimensional version of Léger's theorem since in the higher dimensional setting there seems to be no connection between the n -dimensional Riesz transform and curvature (cf. introduction of [NTV14]).

There exist several generalisations of Léger's result. Hahlomaa proved in [Hah08, Hah07, Hah05] that if X is a metric space and $\mathcal{M}_2(X) < \infty$, then X is 1-rectifiable. Another version of this theorem dealing with sets of fractional Hausdorff dimension equal or less than $\frac{1}{2}$ is given by Lin and Mattila in [LM00].

In the present work, we generalise the result of Léger to arbitrary dimension and co-dimension, i.e., for n -dimensional subsets of \mathbb{R}^N where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ satisfies $n < N$. In the case $n = N$ every $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ is n -rectifiable. On the one hand, it is quite clear which conclusion we want to obtain, namely that the set E is n -rectifiable, which means that there exists a countable family of Lipschitz functions $f_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ such that $\mathcal{H}^n(E \setminus \bigcup_i f_i(\mathbb{R}^n)) = 0$. On the other hand, it is by no means clear how to define integral Menger curvature for n -dimensional sets. Léger himself suggested an expression which turns out to be improper for our proof² (cf. Lemma 3.12 in section 3.2). We characterise possible integrands for our result in Definition 3.1, but for now let us start with an explicit example:

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) = \frac{\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{\prod_{0 \leq i < j \leq n+1} d(x_i, x_j)},$$

¹Named after Karl Menger [Men30] who realized that $c(x, y, z)$ can be expressed purely in terms of mutual distances between the points. Menger's goal was a coordinate free metric geometry in contrast to classic differential geometry.

²Hence, we agree with a remark made by Lerman and Whitehouse at the end of the introduction of [LW09].

where the numerator denotes the $(n + 1)$ -dimensional volume of the simplex spanned by the vertices x_0, \dots, x_{n+1} , and $d(x_i, x_j)$ is the distance between x_i and x_j . Using the law of sines, we obtain for $n = 1$

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0, x_1, x_2) = \frac{\mathcal{H}^2(\Delta(x_0, x_1, x_2))}{d(x_0, x_1)d(x_0, x_2)d(x_1, x_2)} = \frac{1}{4}c(x_0, x_1, x_2).$$

Hence, \mathcal{K} can be regarded as a generalisation of the original Menger curvature for higher dimensions. We set

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(E) := \int_E \dots \int_E \mathcal{K}^2(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}).$$

Now we can state our main theorem for this specific integrand (see Theorem 3.4 for the general version).

Theorem 1.1. *If $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ is some Borel set with $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(E) < \infty$, then E is n -rectifiable.*

In the one-dimensional case, one gets 1-rectifiability for every connected set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ with $\mathcal{H}^1(E) < \infty$ [Fed69, remark at the end of 3.3.22]. Federer mentions that no comparable result is valid for higher dimensional sets.

In the higher dimensional case, there exist well-known equivalent characterisations of n -rectifiability, for example, in terms of approximating tangent planes [Mat95, Thm. 15.19], orthogonal projections [Mat95, Thm. 18.1, Besicovitch-Federer projection theorem], and in terms of densities [Mat95, Thm. 17.6 and Thm. 17.8 (Preiss's theorem)]. Recently, Tolsa and Toro proved in [TT14] among other things that for some Borel set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ with $\mathcal{H}^n(E) < \infty$, fulfilling some lower and upper density property, the condition

$$\int_0^1 \left| \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(B(x, r) \cap E)}{r^n} - \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(B(x, 2r) \cap E)}{(2r)^n} \right|^2 \frac{dr}{r} < \infty$$

is equivalent to being n -rectifiable. For the case $n = 1$, in [Tol14b], Tolsa could even get the same result without the density condition.

Now we present some of our own intermediate results that finally lead to the proof of Theorem 1.1, but that might also be of independent interest itself. A key tool are the so called β -numbers³ defined for $k > 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $t > 0$, $p \geq 1$ by

$$\beta_{p;k}(x, t) := \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)} \left(\frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(x, kt)} \left(\frac{d(y, P)}{t} \right)^p \, d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

where $\mathcal{P}(N, n)$ denotes the set of all n -dimensional planes in \mathbb{R}^N , $d(y, P)$ is the distance of y to the n -dimensional plane P and μ is a Borel measure on \mathbb{R}^N . There is a connection between those β -numbers and integral Menger curvature. In section 5.2, we prove the following theorem (see Theorem 5.6 for a more general version):

³Introduced by P. W. Jones in [Jon90] and [Jon91].

Theorem 1.2. *Let μ be some arbitrary Borel measure on \mathbb{R}^N with compact support such that there is a constant $C \geq 1$ with $\mu(B) \leq C(\text{diam } B)^n$ for all balls $B \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ (one may call this upper Ahlfors regularity), where $\text{diam } B$ denotes the diameter of the ball B . Let $B(x, t)$ be a fixed ball with $\mu(B(x, t)) \geq \lambda t^n$ for some $\lambda > 0$ and let $k > 2$. Then there exist some constants $k_1 > 1$ and $C \geq 1$ such that*

$$\beta_{2;k}(x, t)^2 \leq \frac{C}{t^n} \int_{B(x, k_1 t)} \dots \int_{B(x, k_1 t)} \chi_D(x_0, \dots, x_n) \mathcal{K}^2(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mu(x_0) \dots d\mu(x_{n+1}),$$

where $D = \{(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in B(x, k_1 t)^{n+2} \mid d(x_i, x_j) \geq \frac{t}{k_1}, i \neq j\}$.

A measure μ is said to be n -dimensional Ahlfors regular if and only if there exists some constant $C \geq 1$ so that $\frac{1}{C}(\text{diam } B)^n \leq \mu(B) \leq C(\text{diam } B)^n$ for all balls B with centre on the support of μ . We mention that we do not have to assume for this theorem that the measure μ is n -dimensional Ahlfors regular. We only need the upper Ahlfors regularity and the condition $\mu(B(x, t)) \geq \lambda t^n$ for this specific ball $B(x, t)$.

Lerman and Whitehouse obtain a comparable result in [LW09, Thm. 1.1]. The main differences are that, on the one hand, they have to use an n -dimensional Ahlfors regular measure, but, on the other hand, they work in a real separable Hilbert space of possibly infinite dimension instead of \mathbb{R}^N . The higher dimensional Menger curvatures they used (see [LW09, introduction and section 6]) are examples of integrands that also fit in our more general setting⁴. This means that all of our results are valid if one uses their integrands instead of the initial \mathcal{K} presented as an example above.

In addition to rectifiability, there is the notion of uniform rectifiability, which implies rectifiability. A set is uniformly rectifiable if it is Ahlfors regular⁵ and if it fulfils a second condition in terms of β -numbers (cf. [DS93, Thm. 1.57, (1.59)]). In [LW09] and [LW11], Lerman and Whitehouse give an alternative characterisation of uniform rectifiability by proving that for an Ahlfors regular set this β -number term is comparable to a term expressed with integral Menger curvature. One of the two inequalities needed is given in [LW09, Thm. 1.3], and is similar to our following theorem, which is a consequence of Theorem 1.2 in connection with Fubini's theorem (see Theorem 5.7 for a more general version). We emphasise again that in our case the measure μ does not have to be Ahlfors regular.

Theorem 1.3. *Let μ, λ and k be as in the previous theorem. There exists a constant $C \geq 1$ such that*

$$\int \int_0^\infty \beta_{2;k}(x, t)^2 \mathbb{1}_{\{\mu(B(x, t)) \geq \lambda t^n\}} \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \leq C \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\mu).$$

In the last years, there occurred several papers working with integral Menger curvatures. Some deal with (one-dimensional) space curves and get higher regularity ($C^{1,\alpha}$) of the arc length parametrisation if the integral Menger curvature is finite, e.g [SSvdM09, SSvdM10]. Others handle higher dimensional objects in [Kol12, KSvdM13, SvdM11] occasionally using versions of integral Menger curvatures similar to ours⁶. Remarkable are the results of Blatt

⁴A characterisation of all possible integrands for our result can be found at the beginning of section 3.1. In Lemma 3.8, we discuss one of the integrands of Lerman and Whitehouse.

⁵A set E is n -dimensional Ahlfors regular if and only if the restricted Hausdorff measure $\mathcal{H}^n \llcorner E$ is n -dimensional Ahlfors regular.

⁶Our main result does not work with their integrands, but most of the partial results are valid, cf. section 3.2.

and Kolasinski [BK12, Bla13]. They proved among other things that for $p > n(n + 1)$ and some compact n -dimensional C^1 manifold Σ

$$\mathcal{E}_p^{n+1} = \int_{\Sigma} \cdots \int_{\Sigma} \left(\frac{\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{\text{diam}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))^{n+2}} \right)^p d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \cdots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}) < \infty$$

is equivalent to having a local representation as the graph of a function belonging to the Sobolev Slobodeckij space $W^{2-\frac{n(n+1)}{p}, p}$.

Finally, we mention that in [SSvdM13, SvdM13a] Menger curvature energies are recently used as knot energies in geometric knot theory to avoid some of the drawbacks of self-repulsing potentials by the Möbius energy [O'H91, FHW94].

Sketch of the proof

Theorem 1.1 is proven by an indirect argumentation following the general strategy of Léger. We assume that the set E is not n -rectifiable and a subset of $B(0, 1)$. It is possible (cf. Lemma A.1) to decompose E into two disjoint subsets E_r and E_u where one is n -rectifiable and the other one is purely n -unrectifiable. Herein, a set E_u is purely n -unrectifiable if we have $\mathcal{H}^n(E_u \cap f(\mathbb{R}^n)) = 0$ for every Lipschitz function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$. Our assumption implies that $\mathcal{H}^n(E_u) > 0$. It is possible to find a subset \hat{E}_u of E_u with $\mathcal{H}^n(\hat{E}_u) > 0$ and \hat{E}_u is compact, upper Ahlfors regular and has very small integral Menger curvature. Since \hat{E}_u is a subset of E , we obtain $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\hat{E}_u) < \infty$. To get a contradiction it is now enough to define a Lipschitz function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ with $\mathcal{H}^n(\hat{E}_u \cap f(\mathbb{R}^n)) > 0$. In order to define this function f , we will define some function $A : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ in chapter 6, where $P_0 \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ is an n -dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^N and P_0^\perp denotes the orthogonal complement of P_0 . We choose P_0 such that it is a good approximation of \hat{E}_u in the sense of β -numbers. This is possible since the β -numbers are controlled by the integral Menger curvature and we choose \hat{E}_u keeping the integral Menger curvature of \hat{E}_u small.

Next, we divide \hat{E}_u in four parts, namely \mathcal{Z} and F_1, F_2, F_3 . F_1 will be the set which collects the thin parts of \hat{E}_u and in F_2 we collect those parts of \hat{E}_u with locally large β -numbers. The construction of F_3 is a bit more complicated. We combine all components of \hat{E}_u , where in a local sense good approximations by n -planes exist, but all those planes have a large angle to the plane P_0 . Finally, the rest of \hat{E}_u is in \mathcal{Z} .

Now it is possible to define a Lipschitz continuous function $A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ such that the graph of A covers \mathcal{Z} . All this is done in chapter 6.

The following chapters 7 and 8 prove that the set \mathcal{Z} can not be a null set which implies that we have covered a non-trivial part of \hat{E}_u with the graph of A . This is in contradiction to the assumption that $E_u \supset \hat{E}_u$ is purely n -unrectifiable. It is relatively easy to see that the thin set F_1 is small. The set F_2 is small since, with the Theorem 1.3, we have controlled the size of all β -numbers from small to large scale by the integral Menger curvature. It is more complicated to prove that F_3 is small. For this purpose, we introduce the expression

$$\gamma_A(q, t) := \inf_{\text{affine function } a} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(A(u), a(u))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u)$$

and get some control on this expression by the integral Menger curvature, similar to the one

we get on the β -numbers (cf. section 7.2). Due to the fact that the function A was constructed approximating F_3 , the control we have on the γ -functions finally implies that even F_3 is small.

We mention that exactly this final step, the smallness of F_3 , is the one which reduces the amount of possible integrands for the main result (cf. Definition 3.1) to those that have the right scaling behaviour together with the integrability exponent $p = 2$. For example, the integrand used in [KSvdM13]

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{\text{diam } \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})^{n+2}}$$

together with the integrability exponent $p = n(n+1)$ is suitable for all parts of our proof except for the last one. If you change the exponent of the denominator from $n+2$ to $\frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}$ together with integrability exponent $p = 2$, the main result is valid again.

Organisation of this work

In chapter 2, we introduce simplices and give some notation and basic results. Furthermore, we define the angle between affine subspaces and state some lemmas working with this notion. In the next chapter, we can give the precise formulation of our main result Theorem 3.4 including the characterisation of integrands and integral Menger curvatures for which our main result holds. In particular, Theorem 1.1 turns out to be a simple corollary of this main result. After that, we give some examples of integrands known from several papers working with integral Menger curvatures and explain which of those are suitable for our setting. The following chapters 4 to 8 give the proof of our main result following the sketch given above. In chapter 5, we present some results for a Borel measure including the general versions of Theorems 1.2 and 1.3, namely Theorem 5.6 and 5.7. We remark that all statements in chapter 6, 7 and 8, except section 7.1, depend on the construction given in chapter 6.

2 Preliminaries

2.1 Basic notation

Let $n, m, N \in \mathbb{N}$ with $1 \leq n < N$ and $1 \leq m < N$. If $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ is some subset of \mathbb{R}^N , we write \bar{E} for its closure and $\overset{\circ}{E}$ for its interior. We set $d(x, y) := |x - y|$ where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $|\cdot|$ is the usual Euclidean norm. Furthermore, for $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $E_1, E_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, we set $d(x, E_2) = \inf_{y \in E_2} d(x, y)$, $d(E_1, E_2) = \inf_{z \in E_1} d(z, E_2)$ and $\#E$ means the number of elements of E . By $B(x, r)$ we denote the closed ball in \mathbb{R}^N with centre x and radius r , and we define by ω_n the n -dimensional volume of the n -dimensional unit ball.

2.2 Basic linear algebra facts

Let $G(N, m)$ be the Grassmannian, the space of all m -dimensional linear subspaces of \mathbb{R}^N and $\mathcal{P}(N, m)$ the set of all m -dimensional affine subspaces of \mathbb{R}^N . For $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$, we define π_P as the orthogonal projection on P , i.e., for a point $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ the point $\pi_P(a)$ is the unique point in P that fulfils $[\pi_P(a) - a] \perp P$. If $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$, we have that $P - \pi_P(0) \in G(N, m)$, hence $P - \pi_P(0)$ is the linear subspace parallel to P . Furthermore, we set $\pi_P^\perp := \pi_{P - \pi_P(0)}^\perp := \pi_{(P - \pi_P(0))^\perp}$ where $\pi_{(P - \pi_P(0))^\perp}$ is the orthogonal projection on the orthogonal complement of $P - \pi_P(0)$. This implies that $\pi_P^\perp = \pi_{\tilde{P}}^\perp$ and $\pi_P \neq \pi_{\tilde{P}}$ whenever P is parallel but not equal to \tilde{P} .

Furthermore, for $A \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, we set $A + x := \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n | y - x \in A\}$. By $\text{span}(A)$, we denote the linear subspace of \mathbb{R}^N spanned by the elements of A . If $A = \{o_1, \dots, o_m\}$ or $A = A_1 \cup A_2$, we may write $\text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_m)$ resp. $\text{span}(A_1, A_2)$ instead of $\text{span}(A)$.

Lemma 2.1. *Let $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$ and $a, x \in \mathbb{R}^N$. We have*

$$\pi_P(a) = \pi_{P-x}(a - x) + x.$$

Proof. The point $\pi_{P-x}(a - x)$ is in $P - x$ and so $\pi_{P-x}(a - x) + x$ is in P . Furthermore $\pi_{P-x}(a - x)$ fulfils $[\pi_{P-x}(a - x) - (a - x)] \perp P - x$ where $P - x$ is parallel to P . So we conclude that $[(\pi_{P-x}(a - x) + x) - a] \perp P$ which implies that $\pi_{P-x}(a - x) + x = \pi_P(a)$. \square

Lemma 2.2. *Let $b, a, a_i \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$ for $i = 1, \dots, l$, $l \in \mathbb{N}$ with*

$$b = a + \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i (a_i - a)$$

and $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$. Then we have

$$\pi_P(b) = \pi_P(a) + \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i [\pi_P(a_i) - \pi_P(a)].$$

For those $b \in \mathbb{R}^N$, the projection π_P seems to be linear, although P is an affine subspace.

Proof. We choose $x \in P$ so that $P - x$ is a linear subspace of \mathbb{R}^N . Using Lemma 2.1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_P \left(a + \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i (a_i - a) \right) &= \pi_{P-x} \left(a + \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i (a_i - a) - x \right) + x \\ &= \pi_{P-x} (a - x) + x + \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i [\pi_{P-x}(a_i - x) + x - \pi_{P-x}(a - x) - x] \\ &= \pi_P (a) + \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i [\pi_P(a_i) - \pi_P(a)]. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.3. *With the requirements of Lemma 2.2, we have*

$$d(b, P) \leq d(a, P) + \sum_{i=1}^l |\alpha_i| (d(a_i, P) + d(a, P)).$$

Proof. With Lemma 2.2, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(b, P) &= |b - \pi_P(b)| \\ &= \left| a + \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i (a_i - a) - \left(\pi_P(a) + \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i [\pi_P(a_i) - \pi_P(a)] \right) \right| \\ &\leq d(a, P) + \sum_{i=1}^l |\alpha_i| (d(a_i, P) + d(a, P)). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.4. *Let $U, V \in G(N, m)$ with $\dim U = \dim V = m < N$ and $\dim(U \cap V) = m - 1$. For $u_1, u_2 \in U \setminus V$, we have*

$$\frac{|u_1 - \pi_V(u_1)|}{|u_1 - \pi_{U \cap V}(u_1)|} = \frac{|u_2 - \pi_V(u_2)|}{|u_2 - \pi_{U \cap V}(u_2)|}.$$

Proof. We choose an orthonormal basis of $U \cap V = \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_{m-1})$ and extend this to orthonormal bases of U and of V :

$$\begin{aligned} U &= \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_{m-1}, o_U), \\ V &= \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_{m-1}, o_V). \end{aligned}$$

For $u_1, u_2 \in U \setminus V$, we find $\alpha_i, \alpha_{u_1} \beta_i, \beta_{u_2} \in \mathbb{R}$, $i = 1, \dots, m - 1$, with

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \alpha_i o_i + \alpha_{u_1} o_U, \\ u_2 &= \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \beta_i o_i + \beta_{u_2} o_U. \end{aligned}$$

With $\pi_V(o_i) = o_i$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, m-1\}$, we obtain

$$\pi_V(u_1) = \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \alpha_i o_i + \alpha_{u_1} \pi_V(o_U)$$

and consequently

$$u_1 - \pi_V(u_1) = \alpha_{u_1} (o_U - \pi_V(o_U)).$$

Furthermore, we deduce

$$u_1 - \pi_{U \cap V}(u_1) = \alpha_{u_1} o_U - \underbrace{\pi_{U \cap V}(\alpha_{u_1} o_U)}_{=0} = \alpha_{u_1} o_U.$$

For u_2 we get corresponding equations and so we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|u_1 - \pi_V(u_1)|}{|u_1 - \pi_{U \cap V}(u_1)|} &= \frac{|\alpha_{u_1} (o_U - \pi_V(o_U))|}{|\alpha_{u_1} o_U|} \\ &= |o_U - \pi_V(o_U)| \\ &= \frac{|u_2 - \pi_V(u_2)|}{|u_2 - \pi_{U \cap V}(u_2)|}. \end{aligned}$$

□

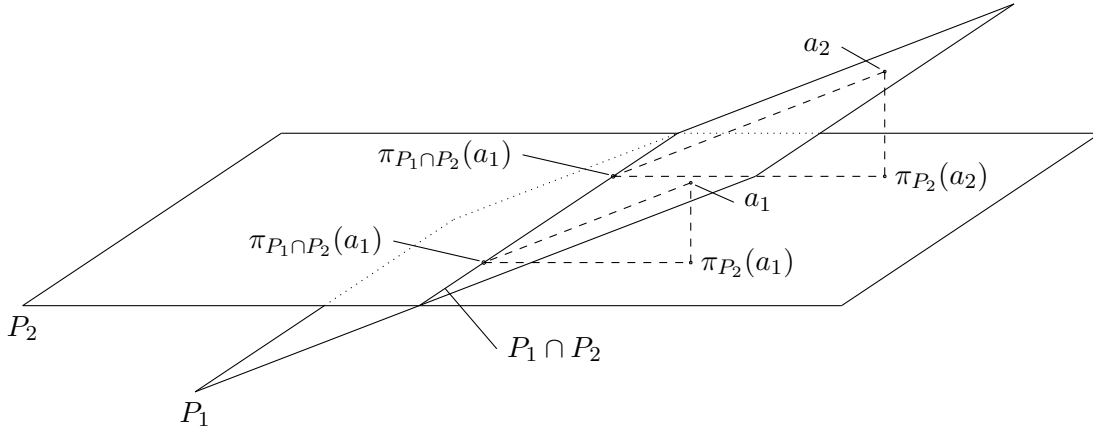


Figure 2.1: Illustration of Corollary 2.5: $\frac{|a_1 - \pi_{P_2}(a_1)|}{|a_1 - \pi_{P_1 \cap P_2}(a_1)|} = \frac{|a_2 - \pi_{P_2}(a_2)|}{|a_2 - \pi_{P_1 \cap P_2}(a_2)|}$

Corollary 2.5. *Let $P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$ with $\dim P_1 = \dim P_2 = m < N$ and $\dim(P_1 \cap P_2) = m - 1$. For $a_1, a_2 \in P_1 \setminus P_2$, we have*

$$\frac{|a_1 - \pi_{P_2}(a_1)|}{|a_1 - \pi_{P_1 \cap P_2}(a_1)|} = \frac{|a_2 - \pi_{P_2}(a_2)|}{|a_2 - \pi_{P_1 \cap P_2}(a_2)|}.$$

Proof. Choose some $x \in P_1 \cap P_2$, set $U := P_1 - x$, $V := P_2 - x$, $u_1 := a_1 - x$, $u_2 := a_2 - x$ and use Lemma 2.4 as well as

$$|a_i - \pi_{P_2}(a_i)| = |a_i - x - (\pi_{P_2}(a_i) - x)| = |a_i - x - \pi_{P_2-x}(a_i - x)| = |u_i - \pi_V(u_i)|$$

and

$$|a_i - \pi_{P_1 \cap P_2}(a_i)| = |a_i - x - \pi_{(P_1-x) \cap (P_2-x)}(a_i - x)| = |u_i - \pi_{U \cap V}(u_i)|$$

where we have used Lemma 2.1 and $i \in \{1, 2\}$. \square

Lemma 2.6. *Let A, B be affine subspaces of \mathbb{R}^N with $A \subset B$ and let $a \in \mathbb{R}^N$. We have*

$$\pi_A(\pi_B(a)) = \pi_A(a) = \pi_B(\pi_A(a)).$$

Proof. Due to $A \subset B$, the second equality is obvious, so we focus on the first one. Let $x \in A \subset B$. We deduce that $A - x$, $B - x$ are linear subspaces of \mathbb{R}^N . Let (o_1, \dots, o_l) be an orthonormal basis of $A - x$, $(o_1, \dots, o_l, o_{l+1}, \dots, o_m)$ be an orthonormal basis of $B - x$ and (o_1, \dots, o_N) be an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^N . There exist some $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$ with

$$a - x = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i o_i.$$

So we get

$$\pi_{A-x}(\pi_{B-x}(a - x)) = \pi_{A-x} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i o_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i o_i = \pi_{A-x}(a - x).$$

We conclude with Lemma 2.1

$$\pi_A(\pi_B(a)) - x = \pi_{A-x}(\pi_{B-x}(a - x)) = \pi_{A-x}(a - x) = \pi_A(a) - x.$$

\square

2.3 Simplices

Definition 2.7. Let $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^N$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$. We define $\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m) = \Delta(\{x_0, \dots, x_m\})$ as the convex hull of the set $\{x_0, \dots, x_m\}$ and call it *simplex* or *m-simplex* when $m = \dim_{\mathcal{H}}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m))$, the Hausdorff dimension of $\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m)$.

Notation. If the vertices of $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m)$ are in some set $G \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, i.e., $x_0, \dots, x_m \in G$, we write $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m) \in G$.

With $\text{aff}(E)$ we denote the smallest affine subspace of \mathbb{R}^N that contains the set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$. If $E = \{x_0\}$, we set $\text{aff}(E) = \{x_0\}$.

Definition 2.8. Let $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m) \in \mathbb{R}^N$. For $i, j \in \{0, 1, \dots, m\}$ we set

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{fc}_i T &= \mathbf{fc}_{x_i} T = \Delta(\{x_0, \dots, x_m\} \setminus \{x_i\}), \\ \mathbf{fc}_{i,j} T &= \mathbf{fc}_{x_i, x_j} T = \Delta(\{x_0, \dots, x_m\} \setminus \{x_i, x_j\}), \\ \mathbf{h}_i T &= \mathbf{h}_{x_i} T = d(x_i, \text{aff}(\{x_0, \dots, x_m\} \setminus \{x_i\})). \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.9. Let $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m)$ be an m -simplex in \mathbb{R}^N . If $\mathfrak{h}_i T \geq \sigma$ for all $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$, we call T an (m, σ) -simplex.

Remark 2.10. Let $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m)$ an (m, σ) -simplex. For all $i \in \{0, \dots, m\}$, we have

$$d(x_i, \text{aff}(A_i)) \geq \mathfrak{h}_i T \geq \sigma$$

for every $\emptyset \neq A_i \subset \{x_0, \dots, x_m\} \setminus \{x_i\}$.

Definition 2.11. Let $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m)$ be an m -simplex in \mathbb{R}^N . By $\mathcal{H}^m(T)$ we denote the volume of T and we define the *normalized volume*

$$\mathfrak{v}(T) := m! \mathcal{H}^m(T)$$

which is the volume of the parallelotope spanned by the simplex T (cf. [Ste66]). We also have a characterisation of $\mathfrak{v}(T)$ by the Gram determinant

$$\mathfrak{v}(T) = \sqrt{\text{Gram}(x_1 - x_0, \dots, x_m - x_0)},$$

where the Gram determinant of vectors $v_1, \dots, v_m \in \mathbb{R}^N$ is defined by

$$\text{Gram}(v_1, \dots, v_m) := \det((v_1, \dots, v_m)^T (v_1, \dots, v_m)).$$

Remark 2.12. Let $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m)$ be an m -simplex. The volume of the parallelotope, spanned by T , fulfils

$$\mathfrak{v}(T) = \mathfrak{h}_i T \mathfrak{v}(\text{fc}_i T)$$

which implies

$$\mathcal{H}^m(T) = \frac{1}{m} \mathfrak{h}_i T \mathcal{H}^{m-1}(\text{fc}_i T)$$

for the volume of a simplex.

Lemma 2.13. Let $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m)$ be an m -simplex. We have

$$\frac{\mathfrak{h}_i T}{\mathfrak{h}_i \text{fc}_j T} = \frac{\mathfrak{h}_j T}{\mathfrak{h}_j \text{fc}_i T}.$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathfrak{h}_i(T)}{\mathfrak{h}_i(\text{fc}_j T)} &= \frac{\mathfrak{v}(T)}{\mathfrak{h}_i(\text{fc}_j T) \mathfrak{v}(\text{fc}_i T)} \\ &= \frac{\mathfrak{h}_j(T) \mathfrak{v}(\text{fc}_j T)}{\mathfrak{h}_i(\text{fc}_j T) \mathfrak{h}_j(\text{fc}_i T) \mathfrak{v}(\text{fc}_{i,j} T)} \\ &= \frac{\mathfrak{h}_j(T) \mathfrak{v}(\text{fc}_j T)}{\mathfrak{h}_j(\text{fc}_i T) \mathfrak{v}(\text{fc}_j T)} \\ &= \frac{\mathfrak{h}_j(T)}{\mathfrak{h}_j(\text{fc}_i T)}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.14. *Let $0 < h < H$, $1 \leq m \leq N + 1$ and $y_0, x_i \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$. If $T_x = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_m)$ is an (m, H) -simplex and $d(y_0, x_0) \leq h$, then $T_y = \Delta(y_0, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ is an $(m, H - h)$ -simplex.*

Proof. We have

$$\mathfrak{h}_0 T_y \geq \mathfrak{h}_0 T_x - d(x_0, y_0) \geq H - h.$$

Now, we show that $\mathfrak{h}_1 T_y \geq H - h$.

If $m = 1$, we have $\mathfrak{h}_1 T_y = d(y_0, x_1) = \mathfrak{h}_0 T_y$. So we can assume that $m \geq 2$ for the rest of this proof. We set $z_0 := \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_1 T_y)}(x_0)$,

$$T_z := \Delta(z_0, x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

and start with some intermediate results:

I. Due to $\mathfrak{h}_0 T_y \geq H - h > 0$, T_y is an m -simplex.

II. We get

$$d(x_0, z_0) = d(x_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_1 T_y)) \leq d(x_0, y_0) \leq h.$$

III. Due to $z_0 \in \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_1 T_y)$, there exists some $r_i \in \mathbb{R}$, $i = 0, 3, \dots, m$ with

$$z_0 = x_2 + r_0(y_0 - x_2) + \sum_{j=3}^m r_j(x_j - x_2).$$

IV. We get with Lemma 2.2 and because of $\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_0 T_x)}(x_i) = x_i$ for $i = 2, \dots, m$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{h}_0 T_z &= d(z_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_0 T_x)) = |z_0 - \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_0 T_x)}(z_0)| \\ &= |r_0 y_0 - r_0 \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_0 T_x)}(y_0)| \\ &= r_0 d(y_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_0 T_x)) \\ &= r_0 \mathfrak{h}_0(T_y). \end{aligned}$$

By using $\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1} T_x)}(x_i) = x_i$ for $i = 2, \dots, m$, we get analogously

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1 T_z) &= d(z_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1} T_x)) = |z_0 - \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1} T_x)}(z_0)| \\ &= |r_0 y_0 - r_0 \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1} T_x)}(y_0)| \\ &= r_0 d(y_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1} T_x)) \\ &= r_0 \mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1 T_y). \end{aligned}$$

V. The plane $\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_1 T_y)$ is an affine subspace of $\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1} T_x)$, so with Lemma 2.6, we get

$\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1}T_x)}(z_0) = \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1}T_x)}(x_0)$ and hence we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_z) &= d(z_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1}T_x)) = d(\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_y)}(x_0), \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1}T_x)}(z_0)) \\
 &= d(\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_y)}(x_0), \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_y)}(\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1}T_x)}(z_0))) \\
 &\leq d(x_0, \underbrace{\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1}T_x)}(z_0)}_{=\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1}T_x)}(x_0)}) \\
 &= d(x_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,1}T_x)) \\
 &= \mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, we deduce with Lemma 2.13

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathfrak{h}_1T_y &= \frac{\mathfrak{h}_0T_y}{\mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_y)} \mathfrak{h}_1(\mathfrak{fc}_0T_y) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{IV}}{=} \frac{\mathfrak{h}_0T_z}{\mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_z)} \mathfrak{h}_1(\mathfrak{fc}_0T_x) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{V}}{\geq} \mathfrak{h}_0T_z \frac{\mathfrak{h}_1(\mathfrak{fc}_0T_x)}{\mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_x)} \\
 &\geq (\mathfrak{h}_0T_x - d(x_0, z_0)) \frac{\mathfrak{h}_1(\mathfrak{fc}_0T_x)}{\mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_x)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

1. Case: $\frac{\mathfrak{h}_1(\mathfrak{fc}_0T_x)}{\mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_x)} \geq 1$.

We obtain with II.

$$\mathfrak{h}_1T_y \geq H - h.$$

2. Case: $\frac{\mathfrak{h}_1(\mathfrak{fc}_0T_x)}{\mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_x)} < 1$.

With Lemma 2.13 and II. we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathfrak{h}_1T_y &\geq \mathfrak{h}_0T_x \frac{\mathfrak{h}_1(\mathfrak{fc}_0T_x)}{\mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_x)} - d(x_0, z_0) \frac{\mathfrak{h}_1(\mathfrak{fc}_0T_x)}{\mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{fc}_1T_x)} \\
 &> \mathfrak{h}_1T_x - d(x_0, z_0) \\
 &\geq H - h.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since, for $i = 2, \dots, m$, the points x_i fulfil the same requirements as x_1 , we are able to prove $\mathfrak{h}_iT_y \geq H - h$ for all $i = 1, \dots, m$ in the same way. So, T_y is an $(m, H - h)$ -simplex. \square

Lemma 2.15. *Let $C > 0$, $1 \leq m \leq N$ and let $G \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a finite set so that for all $(m + 1)$ -simplices $S = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{m+1}) \in G$, there exists some $i \in \{0, \dots, m + 1\}$ so that $\mathfrak{fc}_i(S)$ is no (m, C) -simplex.*

Then there exists some m -simplex $T_z = \Delta(z_0, \dots, z_m) \in G$ so that for all $a \in G$, there exists some $i \in \{0, \dots, m\}$ with $d(a, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_z))) < 2C$.

Proof. Since G is finite, we are able to choose $T_z = \Delta(z_0, \dots, z_m) \in G$ so that

$$\mathfrak{v}(T_z) = \max_{w_0, \dots, w_m \in G} \mathfrak{v}(\Delta(w_0, \dots, w_m)). \quad (2.1)$$

We can assume that T_z is an $(m, 2C)$ -simplex, otherwise there would exist some $i \in \{0, \dots, m\}$ with $\mathfrak{h}_i(T_z) < 2C$ and so for all $a \in G$ we would obtain

$$d(a, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_z))) \stackrel{(2.1)}{\leq} d(z_i, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_z))) = \mathfrak{h}_i(T_z) < 2C.$$

Now, choose an arbitrary $y_0 \in G$. Set $S := \Delta(y_0, z_0, \dots, z_m)$. From our assumption we know that one face of S is no (m, C) -simplex. Without loss of generality we assume that

$$T_y := \Delta(y_0, z_1, \dots, z_m)$$

is not an (m, C) -simplex (but an m -simplex). So there exists some $i \in \{0, \dots, m\}$ with

$$\mathfrak{h}_i(T_y) < C. \tag{2.2}$$

If $i = 0$, there is nothing to do. So let $i \neq 0$. We set $h := \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i T_y)}(z_i)$ and using Lemma 2.6, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(h, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,i} T_y)) &= d(h, \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,i} T_y)}(h)) \\ &= d(\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i T_y)}(z_i), \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,i} T_y)}[\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i T_y)}(z_i)]) \\ &= d(\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i T_y)}(z_i), \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i T_y)}[\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,i} T_y)}(z_i)]) \\ &\leq d(z_i, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,i} T_y)). \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

Now, we use Corollary 2.5, with $a_1 = y_0$, $a_2 = h \in P_1 := \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_y))$, $P_2 := \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_z))$, $P_1 \cap P_2 = \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_{0,i}(T_y))$ and obtain

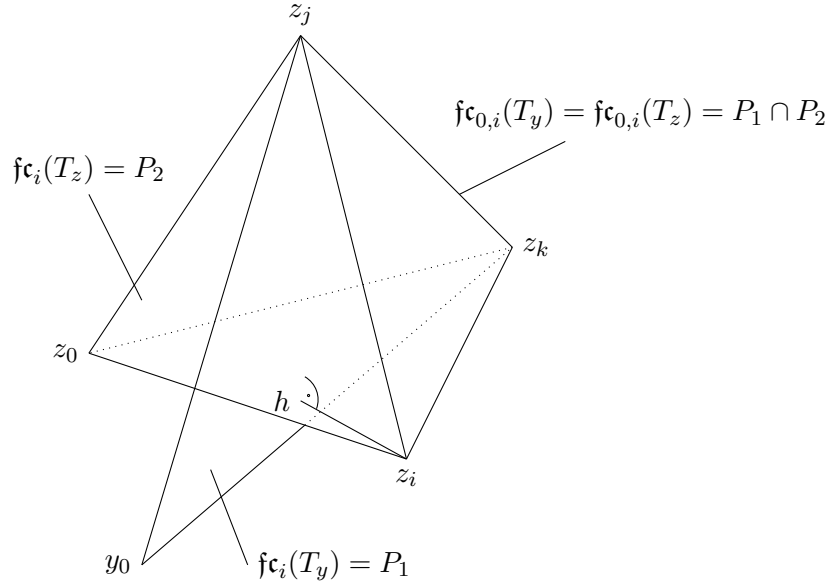


Figure 2.2: The setting for applying Corollary 2.5.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i T_y) &= d(y_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_{0,i}(T_y))) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Cor. 2.5}}{=} d(h, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_{0,i}(T_y))) \frac{d(y_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i(T_z)))}{d(h, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i(T_z)))} \\
 &\leq d(z_i, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_{0,i} T_y)) \frac{\overbrace{d(y_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i(T_z)))}^{(2.1) \leq d(z_i, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i(T_z)))}}{d(h, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i(T_z)))} \\
 &\stackrel{(2.3)}{\leq} \mathfrak{h}_i(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_0 T_y) \frac{d(z_i, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i(T_z)))}{d(z_i, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i(T_z))) - d(z_i, h)} \\
 &= \mathfrak{h}_i(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_0 T_y) \left(1 + \frac{d(z_i, h)}{\underbrace{d(z_i, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i(T_z)))}_{=\mathfrak{h}_i T_z \geq 2C} - \underbrace{d(z_i, h)}_{(2.2) \mathfrak{h}_i(T_y) < C}} \right) \\
 &< 2\mathfrak{h}_i(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_0 T_y).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, with Lemma 2.13, we have

$$d(y_0, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_0(T_z))) = \mathfrak{h}_0(T_y) = \mathfrak{h}_i(T_y) \frac{\mathfrak{h}_0(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_i T_y)}{\mathfrak{h}_i(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{c}_0 T_y)} \stackrel{(2.2)}{<} 2C.$$

□

Lemma 2.16. *Let $H > 0$, $1 \leq m \leq N$ and $D \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a bounded set. Assume that every simplex $S = \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_m) \in D$ is not an (m, H) -simplex. Then there exists some $l \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $l \leq m - 1$ and $x_0, \dots, x_l \in \overline{D}$ so that $\overline{D} \subset U_H(\text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_l)) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid d(x, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_l)) \leq H\}$.*

Proof. We assume $\#D \geq 2$, otherwise the statement is trivial. We set

$$0 \leq l := \max \left(\left\{ \tilde{l} \in \mathbb{N} \mid \exists (\tilde{l}, H)\text{-simplex in } D \right\} \cup \{0\} \right) \leq m - 1. \quad (2.4)$$

If $l = 0$, we have $\overline{D} \subset U_H(\text{aff}(x_0)) = B(x_0, H)$ for an arbitrary $x_0 \in D$.

Now suppose $l \geq 1$. Since D is bounded, we get

$$0 < K := \sup_{\tilde{x}_0, \dots, \tilde{x}_l \in D} \mathfrak{v}(\Delta(\tilde{x}_0, \dots, \tilde{x}_l)) < \infty. \quad (2.5)$$

Let $x_0^i, \dots, x_l^i \in D$ with $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \mathfrak{v}(\Delta(x_0^i, \dots, x_l^i)) = K$. Since D is bounded, we can choose some subsequence of x_j^i so that $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} x_j^i = x_j \in \overline{D}$ for all $j = 0, \dots, l$ and the limit fulfils $\mathfrak{v}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_l)) = K$, since the Gram determinant is a continuous function on $(\mathbb{R}^N)^l$ and $\sqrt{\text{Gram}(x_1 - x_0, \dots, x_l - x_0)} = \mathfrak{v}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_l))$ (cf. Definition 2.11).

Now we choose some arbitrary $x_{l+1} \in \overline{D}$ and some sequence $x_{l+1}^i \in D$ with $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} x_{l+1}^i = x_{l+1}$. From (2.4) we know that $\Delta(x_0^i, \dots, x_{l+1}^i)$ is not an $(l+1, H)$ -simplex for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. There exists some $i \in \mathbb{N}$ so that $|x_j^i - x_j| < \frac{\varepsilon}{l+2}$ for all $j \in \{0, \dots, l\}$. Due to Lemma 2.14, the simplex $\Delta(x_0, x_1^i, \dots, x_{l+1}^i)$ is not an $(l+1, H + \frac{\varepsilon}{l+2})$ -simplex. Repeating

this argument, implies that $T := \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{l+1})$ is not an $(l+1, H + \varepsilon)$ -simplex. Hence there exists some $\tilde{l} \in \{0, \dots, l+1\}$ so that $\mathfrak{h}_{\tilde{l}}(T) < H + \varepsilon$. We obtain with Remark 2.12

$$d(x_{l+1}, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_l)) = \mathfrak{h}_{l+1}(T) = \mathfrak{h}_{\tilde{l}}(T) \frac{\mathfrak{v}(\mathfrak{f}c_{\tilde{l}}(T))}{\mathfrak{v}(\mathfrak{f}c_{l+1}(T))} \stackrel{(2.5)}{\leq} \mathfrak{h}_{\tilde{l}}(T) \frac{K}{\bar{K}} < H + \varepsilon.$$

It follows that $\bar{D} \subset U_H(\text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_l))$ because $x_{l+1} \in \bar{D}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ were independently and arbitrarily chosen. \square

Lemma 2.17. *Let $1 \leq m \leq N-1$, B be a closed ball in \mathbb{R}^N and $F \subset B$ be a \mathcal{H}^m -measurable set with $\mathcal{H}^m(F) = \infty$. There exists a small constant $0 < \sigma = \sigma(F, B) \leq \frac{\text{diam} B}{2}$ and some $(m+1, (m+3)\sigma)$ -simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{m+1}) \in B$ with $\mathcal{H}^m(B(x_0, \sigma) \cap F) = \infty$ and $\mathcal{H}^m(B(x_i, \sigma) \cap F) > 0$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, m+1\}$.*

Proof. We set $\mu := \mathcal{H}^m \llcorner F$.

1. Claim: There exists some $x_0 \in B$ with $\mu(B(x_0, h)) = \infty$ for all $h > 0$.

Assume that there exists some $r > 0$ so that, for all $x \in B$, we have $\mu(B(x, r)) < \infty$. With a simple covering argument, we obtain $\mu(B) < \infty$ in contradiction to our requirements. So, for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and $r_i := \frac{1}{i}$, we get some $y_i \in B$ with $\mu(B(y_i, r_i)) = \infty$. Since B is compact, there exists some convergent subsequence (y_i) and some $x_0 \in B$ with $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} y_i = x_0$.

Let $h > 0$. For some large i we obtain $d(x_0, y_i) \leq \frac{h}{2}$ and $r_i \leq \frac{h}{2}$ so that $\mu(B(x_0, h)) \geq \mu(B(y_i, r_i)) = \infty$.

2. Claim: There exists some $c_1 > 0$ and some $x_1 \in B$ so that the simplex $T_1 := \Delta(x_0, x_1)$ fulfils $\mathfrak{h}_1(T_1) \geq c_1$ and $\mu(B(x_1, h)) > 0$ for all $h > 0$.

Assume that we have $\mu(B \setminus \mathring{B}(x_0, r)) = 0$ for all $r > 0$. We get $\mu(B) = 0$ because we are able to cover B with null sets. This is a contradiction, so there exists some $c_1 > 0$ with $\mu(B \setminus \mathring{B}(x_0, c_1)) > 0$. With Lemma A.6, there exists some $x_1 \in B \setminus \mathring{B}(x_0, c_1)$ with $\mu(B(x_1, h)) > 0$ for all $h > 0$. So the simplex T_1 fulfils $\mathfrak{h}_1(T_1) = d(x_0, x_1) \geq c_1$.

3. Claim: We assume that we already have $c_l > 0$ and a simplex $T_l = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_l) \in \mathbb{R}^N$ with $\mathfrak{h}_l(T_l) \geq c_l$ and $\mu(B(x_i, h)) > 0$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, l\}$ and $h > 0$ where $l \leq m$. Then there exists some $0 < c_{l+1} < \frac{c_l}{2}$ and some $x_{l+1} \in B$ so that $T_{l+1} := \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{l+1})$ fulfils $\mathfrak{h}_{l+1}(T_{l+1}) \geq c_{l+1}$ and $\mu(B(x_{l+1}, h)) > 0$ for all $h > 0$.

Assume that $\mu\left(B\left(x_0, \frac{c_l}{2}\right) \setminus \mathring{U}_c(\text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_l))\right) = 0$ for all $c > 0$. We set $D_i := B\left(x_0, \frac{c_l}{2}\right) \setminus \mathring{U}_{\frac{1}{i}}(\text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_l))$ and obtain a contradiction

$$\begin{aligned} \infty = \mu\left(B\left(x_0, \frac{c_l}{2}\right)\right) &\leq \underbrace{\mu\left(\text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_l) \cap B\left(x_0, \frac{c_l}{2}\right)\right)}_{\substack{= 0, & \text{if } l < m \\ \leq \omega_m \left(\frac{c_l}{2}\right)^m < \infty, & \text{if } l = m}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(D_i)}_{=0} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

So there exists some $0 < c_{l+1} < \frac{c_l}{2}$ with $\mu\left(\left(F \cap B\left(x_0, \frac{c_l}{2}\right)\right) \setminus \mathring{U}_{c_{l+1}}(\text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_l))\right) > 0$ and, with Lemma A.6, there exists some $x_{l+1} \in F \subset B$ so that $T_{l+1} := \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{l+1})$ fulfils $\mathfrak{h}_{l+1}(T_{l+1}) \geq c_{l+1}$ and $\mu(B(x_{l+1}, h)) > 0$ for all $h > 0$.

4. Claim: There exists some constant $c > 0$ so that $T := T_{m+1}$ is an $(m+1, c)$ -simplex. Assume that there exists some $i \in \{0, \dots, m+1\}$ so that $\mathfrak{h}_i(T) = 0$. This implies

$$0 = \mathfrak{h}_i(T)\mathfrak{v}(\mathfrak{f}c_i(T)) = \mathfrak{v}(T) = \mathfrak{h}_{m+1}(T_{m+1})\mathfrak{v}(T_m) = \prod_{i=1}^{m+1} \underbrace{\mathfrak{h}_i(T_i)}_{\geq c_i > 0} > 0.$$

This is a contradiction.

To conclude the proof set $\sigma := \frac{c}{m+3}$. □

2.4 Angles between affine subspaces

Definition 2.18. 1. For $G_1, G_2 \in G(N, m)$, we define

$$\sphericalangle(G_1, G_2) := \|\pi_{G_1} - \pi_{G_2}\|,$$

where the right hand side is the usual norm of the linear map $\pi_{G_1} - \pi_{G_2}$.

2. For $P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$, we define

$$\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) := \sphericalangle(P_1 - \pi_{P_1}(0), P_2 - \pi_{P_2}(0)).$$

Lemma 2.19. For $P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$ and $w \in \mathbb{R}^N$, we have

$$\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) = \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2 + w).$$

Proof. Using Lemma 2.1, we get

$$P_2 + w - \pi_{P_2+w}(0) = P_2 - \pi_{P_2}(-w) = P_2 - \pi_{P_2}(0)$$

and obtain

$$\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2 + w) = \|\pi_{P_1 - \pi_{P_1}(0)} - \pi_{P_2 + w - \pi_{P_2+w}(0)}\| = \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2). \quad \square$$

Lemma 2.20 (Triangle inequality). We have for $P_1, P_2, P_3 \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$

$$\sphericalangle(P_1, P_3) \leq \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) + \sphericalangle(P_2, P_3).$$

Proof. This statement follows directly from the triangle inequality for the norm of linear maps

$$\begin{aligned} \sphericalangle(P_1, P_3) &= \|\pi_{P_1 - \pi_{P_1}(0)} - \pi_{P_3 - \pi_{P_3}(0)}\| \\ &\leq \|\pi_{P_1 - \pi_{P_1}(0)} - \pi_{P_2 - \pi_{P_2}(0)}\| + \|\pi_{P_2 - \pi_{P_2}(0)} - \pi_{P_3 - \pi_{P_3}(0)}\| \\ &= \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) + \sphericalangle(P_2, P_3). \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Remark. The angle \sphericalangle is a metric on the Grassmannian $G(N, m)$ but not on $\mathcal{P}(N, m)$ because for $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$, there exists some $w \in \mathbb{R}^N$ so that $\sphericalangle(P, P - w) = 0$, but $P \neq P - w$.

Lemma 2.21. *Let $U \in G(N, m)$ and $v \in \mathbb{R}^N$ with $|v| = |\pi_U(v)|$. Then we have $v = \pi_U(v)$.*

Proof. We have

$$|\pi_U(v)|^2 = |v|^2 = |\pi_U(v) + \pi_U^\perp(v)|^2 = |\pi_U(v)|^2 + |\pi_U^\perp(v)|^2$$

and so $\pi_U^\perp(v) = 0$ which implies $v = \pi_U(v) + \pi_U^\perp(v) = \pi_U(v)$. \square

Lemma 2.22. *Let $P_1, P_2 \in G(N, m)$ and $v \in \mathbb{S}^{N-1}$ with $0 < \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) = |\pi_{P_1}(v) - \pi_{P_2}(v)|$. Then $v \in (P_1 \cap P_2)^\perp \cap \text{span}(P_1, P_2)$.*

Proof. If $v \in P_1 \cap P_2$, we get $\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) = 0$, so $v \notin P_1 \cap P_2$. We have with Lemma 2.6

$$\begin{aligned} \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) &= |\pi_{P_1}(v) - \pi_{P_2}(v)| \\ &= \left| \pi_{P_1}(\pi_{\text{span}(P_1, P_2)}(v)) - \pi_{P_2}(\pi_{\text{span}(P_1, P_2)}(v)) \right| \\ &= \underbrace{|\pi_{\text{span}(P_1, P_2)}(v)|}_{\leq 1} \left| \pi_{P_1} \left(\underbrace{\frac{\pi_{\text{span}(P_1, P_2)}(v)}{|\pi_{\text{span}(P_1, P_2)}(v)|}}_{=: w \in \text{span}(P_1, P_2)} \right) - \pi_{P_2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\text{span}(P_1, P_2)}(v)}{|\pi_{\text{span}(P_1, P_2)}(v)|} \right) \right| \\ &\leq |\pi_{P_1}(w) - \pi_{P_2}(w)| \\ &\leq \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $|\pi_{\text{span}(P_1, P_2)}(v)| = 1 = |v|$ and so, with Lemma 2.21, we conclude $v = \pi_{\text{span}(P_1, P_2)}(v) \in \text{span}(P_1, P_2)$.

We choose an orthonormal basis of $P_1 \cap P_2 = \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_l)$ where $l = \dim(P_1 \cap P_2)$ and extend this to orthonormal bases of P_1 and of P_2

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_l, o_{l+1}^1, \dots, o_m^1) \\ P_2 &= \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_l, o_{l+1}^2, \dots, o_m^2). \end{aligned}$$

We have $v \in \text{span}(P_1, P_2) = \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_l, o_{l+1}^1, \dots, o_m^1, o_{l+1}^2, \dots, o_m^2)$, so there exists some

$$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l, \alpha_{l+1}^1, \dots, \alpha_m^1, \alpha_{l+1}^2, \dots, \alpha_m^2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

with

$$v = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_i o_i}_{\in P_1 \cap P_2} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=l+1}^m (\alpha_i^1 o_i^1 + \alpha_i^2 o_i^2)}_{=: \bar{v} \in Q}$$

where $Q := (P_1 \cap P_2)^\perp \cap \text{span}(P_1, P_2)$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) &= |\pi_{P_1}(v) - \pi_{P_2}(v)| \\ &= |\pi_{P_1}(\bar{v}) - \pi_{P_2}(\bar{v})| \\ &= |\pi_{P_1}(\pi_Q(v)) - \pi_{P_2}(\pi_Q(v))| \\ &= \underbrace{|\pi_Q(v)|}_{\leq 1} \left| \pi_{P_1} \left(\underbrace{\frac{\pi_Q(v)}{|\pi_Q(v)|}}_{=: w \in Q} \right) - \pi_{P_2} \left(\frac{\pi_Q(v)}{|\pi_Q(v)|} \right) \right| \\ &\leq |\pi_{P_1}(w) - \pi_{P_2}(w)| \\ &\leq \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) \end{aligned}$$

and so $|\pi_Q(v)| = 1 = |v|$. We conclude with Lemma 2.21 $v = \pi_Q(v) \in Q$. \square

Lemma 2.23. *Let $P_1, P_2 \in G(N, m)$ with $\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) < 1$ and $x, y \in P_1$. We have*

$$d(x, y) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)} d(\pi_{P_2}(x), \pi_{P_2}(y))$$

and

$$d(\pi_{P_2}^\perp(x), \pi_{P_2}^\perp(y)) \leq \frac{\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)}{1 - \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)} d(\pi_{P_2}(x), \pi_{P_2}(y)).$$

Proof. With $z := \frac{x-y}{|x-y|} \in P_1$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} |\pi_{P_2}^\perp(x) - \pi_{P_2}^\perp(y)| &= |x - y| |\pi_{P_2}^\perp(z) + \pi_{P_2}(z) - \pi_{P_2}(z)| \\ &= |x - y| \underbrace{|\pi_{P_2}^\perp(z) - \pi_{P_2}(z)|}_{=\pi_{P_1}(z)} \\ &\leq |x - y| \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2), \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, y) &\leq d(\pi_{P_2}(x), \pi_{P_2}(y)) + d(\pi_{P_2}^\perp(x), \pi_{P_2}^\perp(y)) \\ &\leq d(\pi_{P_2}(x), \pi_{P_2}(y)) + d(x, y) \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) \end{aligned}$$

and finally

$$d(x, y) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)} d(\pi_{P_2}(x), \pi_{P_2}(y)).$$

The first and the last estimate together give

$$d(\pi_{P_2}^\perp(x), \pi_{P_2}^\perp(y)) \leq \frac{\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)}{1 - \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)} d(\pi_{P_2}(x), \pi_{P_2}(y)).$$

\square

Corollary 2.24. *Let $P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$ with $\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) < 1$ and $x, y \in P_1$. We have*

$$d(x, y) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)} d(\pi_{P_2}(x), \pi_{P_2}(y))$$

and

$$d(\pi_{P_2}^\perp(x), \pi_{P_2}^\perp(y)) \leq \frac{\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)}{1 - \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)} d(\pi_{P_2}(x), \pi_{P_2}(y)).$$

Proof. Choose $t_1 \in P_1, t_2 \in P_2$. We obtain $P_1 - t_1, P_2 - t_2 \in G(N, m)$. Using Lemma 2.23, Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.19, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, y) &= d(x - t_1, y - t_1) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1 - \sphericalangle(P_1 - t_1, P_2 - t_2)} d(\pi_{P_2 - t_2}(x - t_1), \pi_{P_2 - t_2}(y - t_1)) \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2)} d(\pi_{P_2}(x), \pi_{P_2}(y)) \end{aligned}$$

and, analogously, we get the second estimate. \square

Corollary 2.25. *Let $P_1 \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$, $P_2 \in G(N, m)$ and $\varphi(P_1, P_2) < 1$. There exists some affine map $a : P_2 \rightarrow P_2^\perp$ with $G(a) = P_1$, where $G(a)$ is the graph of the map a , and a is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant $\frac{\varphi(P_1, P_2)}{1 - \varphi(P_1, P_2)}$.*

Proof. According to Corollary 2.24, the projection $\pi_{P_2} : P_1 \rightarrow P_2$ is injective, so obviously the desired affine map exists, i.e., $a(y) = \pi_{P_2}^\perp(\pi_{P_2}^{-1}|_{P_1}(y))$. Now let $u, v \in P_2$. Using Corollary 2.24 again, we get $d(a(u), a(v)) = d(\pi_{P_2}^\perp(a(u) + u), \pi_{P_2}^\perp(a(v) + v)) \leq \frac{\varphi(P_1, P_2)}{1 - \varphi(P_1, P_2)}d(u, v)$. \square

Corollary 2.26. *Let $P_1, P_2 \in G(N, m)$ and o_1, \dots, o_m be an orthonormal basis of P_1 . If $d(o_i, P_2) \leq \tilde{\sigma} \leq \tilde{\sigma}_1 := 10^{-1}(10^m + 1)^{-1}$, then $\varphi(P_1, P_2) \leq 4m(10^m + 1)\tilde{\sigma}$.*

Proof. For $i = 1, \dots, m$, set $h_i := \pi_{P_2}(o_i)$ and use Lemma 2.3 from [SvdM13b]. \square

For $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^N$, we set $\langle x, y \rangle$ to be the usual scalar product in \mathbb{R}^N .

Lemma 2.27. *Let $C, \hat{C} \geq 1$, $t > 0$ and $S = \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_m)$ an $(m, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex with $S \subset B(x, \hat{C}t)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$. There exists $\gamma_{l,r} \in \mathbb{R}$ so that*

$$o_l := \sum_{r=1}^l \gamma_{l,r}(y_r - y_0)$$

is an orthonormal basis of $\text{span}(y_1 - y_0, \dots, y_m - y_0)$ and

$$|\gamma_{l,r}| \leq (2lC\hat{C})^l \frac{C}{t} \leq (2mC\hat{C})^m \frac{C}{t}$$

for all $1 \leq l \leq m$ and $1 \leq r \leq l$.

Proof. Since $S \subset B(x, \hat{C}t)$, we have for $i, j \in \{0, \dots, m\}$

$$d(y_i, y_j) \leq 2\hat{C}t. \tag{2.6}$$

Now we set

$$z_i := y_i - y_0$$

for all $i = 0, \dots, m$, and $R := \Delta(z_0, \dots, z_m) = S - y_0$. We obtain for $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ (S is an $(m, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex)

$$d(z_i, \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_{i-1})) \geq \mathfrak{h}_i(R) = \mathfrak{h}_i(S) \geq \frac{t}{C}. \tag{2.7}$$

Due to $\mathfrak{h}_i(R) \geq \frac{t}{C} > 0$, we have that (z_1, \dots, z_m) are linearly independent. So with the Gram-Schmidt process we are able to define some orthonormal basis of the m -dimensional linear subspace $\text{span}(z_1, \dots, z_m)$

$$o_1 := \frac{z_1}{|z_1|},$$

$$o_{l+1} := \frac{z_{l+1} - \sum_{i=1}^l \langle z_{l+1}, o_i \rangle o_i}{\left| z_{l+1} - \sum_{i=1}^l \langle z_{l+1}, o_i \rangle o_i \right|} = \frac{z_{l+1} - \sum_{i=1}^l \langle z_{l+1}, o_i \rangle o_i}{d(z_{l+1}, \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_l))}.$$

Now we prove by induction that there exists $\gamma_{l,r} \in \mathbb{R}$ with

$$o_l = \sum_{r=1}^l \gamma_{l,r} (y_r - y_0)$$

and

$$|\gamma_{l,r}| \leq (2lC\hat{C})^l \frac{C}{t}$$

for all $1 \leq l \leq m$ and $1 \leq r \leq l$. We have that $o_1 = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{|y_1 - y_0|}$, so set

$$\gamma_{1,1} := \frac{1}{|y_1 - y_0|} = \frac{1}{d(z_1, z_0)} \stackrel{(2.7)}{\leq} \frac{C}{t}.$$

Now let $1 \leq l \leq m$. We assume that, for all $i \in \{1, \dots, l\}$, $j \in \{1, \dots, i\}$, we have $\gamma_{i,j} \in \mathbb{R}$ with

$$o_i = \sum_{r=1}^i \gamma_{i,r} (y_r - y_0)$$

and

$$|\gamma_{i,j}| \leq (2lC\hat{C})^i \frac{C}{t}.$$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} o_{l+1} &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{d(z_{l+1}, \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_l))}}_{=: \gamma_{l+1, l+1}} \left((y_{l+1} - y_0) - \sum_{i=1}^l \langle (y_{l+1} - y_0), o_i \rangle o_i \right) \\ &= \gamma_{l+1, l+1} (y_{l+1} - y_0) + \sum_{i=1}^l \frac{\langle (y_{l+1} - y_0), o_i \rangle}{d(z_{l+1}, \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_l))} \sum_{r=1}^i \gamma_{i,r} (y_r - y_0) \\ &= \gamma_{l+1, l+1} (y_{l+1} - y_0) + \sum_{i=1}^l \sum_{r=1}^i \frac{\langle (y_{l+1} - y_0), o_i \rangle}{d(z_{l+1}, \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_l))} \gamma_{i,r} (y_r - y_0) \\ &= \gamma_{l+1, l+1} (y_{l+1} - y_0) + \underbrace{\sum_{r=1}^l \sum_{i=r}^l \frac{\langle (y_{l+1} - y_0), o_i \rangle}{d(z_{l+1}, \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_l))} \gamma_{i,r} (y_r - y_0)}_{=: \gamma_{l+1, r}} \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^{l+1} \gamma_{l+1, r} (y_r - y_0). \end{aligned}$$

If $r = l + 1$, we have

$$|\gamma_{l+1, r}| = \frac{1}{d(z_{l+1}, \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_l))} \stackrel{(2.7)}{\leq} \frac{C}{t}$$

and if $1 \leq r \leq l$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\gamma_{l+1,r}| &\leq \sum_{i=r}^l \frac{|\langle (y_{l+1} - y_0), o_i \rangle|}{d(z_{l+1}, \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_l))} |\gamma_{i,r}| \\
 &\leq \sum_{i=r}^l \frac{C|y_{l+1} - y_0|}{t} (2lC\hat{C})^r \frac{C}{t} \\
 &\stackrel{(2.6)}{\leq} (2lC\hat{C})^{l+1} \frac{C}{t} \\
 &< (2(l+1)C\hat{C})^{l+1} \frac{C}{t}.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.28. *Let $C, \hat{C} \geq 1$, $t > 0$, $0 < \sigma \leq \left(10(10^m + 1)mC(2mC\hat{C})^m\right)^{-1}$, $P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$ and $S = \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_m) \subset P_1$ an $(m, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex with $S \subset B(x, \hat{C}t)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $d(y_i, P_2) \leq t\sigma$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, m\}$. It follows that*

$$\mathfrak{A}(P_1, P_2) \leq 4m(10^m + 1) \left(mC(2mC\hat{C})^m\right) \sigma.$$

Proof. With Lemma 2.27, there exists some orthonormal basis (o_1, \dots, o_m) of $\text{span}(y_1 - y_0, \dots, y_m - y_0)$ and there exists $\gamma_{l,r} \in \mathbb{R}$ with

$$o_l = \sum_{r=1}^l \gamma_{l,r} (y_r - y_0)$$

and

$$|\gamma_{l,r}| \leq (2mC\hat{C})^m \frac{C}{t}$$

for all $1 \leq l \leq m$ and $1 \leq r \leq l$. We obtain for $1 \leq l \leq m$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(o_l, P_2 - y_0) &= \left| \sum_{r=1}^l \gamma_{l,r} (y_r - y_0) - \pi_{P_2 - y_0} \left(\sum_{r=1}^l \gamma_{l,r} (y_r - y_0) \right) \right| \\
 &\leq \sum_{r=1}^l |\gamma_{l,r}| d(y_r - y_0, P_2 - y_0) \\
 &\leq mC(2mC\hat{C})^m \sigma.
 \end{aligned}$$

Setting $\tilde{\sigma} = mC(2mC\hat{C})^m \sigma \leq \frac{1}{10(10^m + 1)}$ we get with Corollary 2.26

$$\mathfrak{A}(P_1, P_2) = \mathfrak{A}(P_1 - y_0, P_2 - y_0) \leq 4m(10^m + 1) \left(mC(2mC\hat{C})^m\right) \sigma.$$

□

Lemma 2.29. Let $\sigma > 0$, $t \geq 0$, $P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$ with $\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) \leq \sigma$ and assume that there exists $p_1 \in P_1$, $p_2 \in P_2$ with $d(p_1, p_2) \leq t\sigma$. Then we have for every $w \in P_1$

$$d(w, P_2) \leq \sigma(d(w, p_1) + t).$$

Proof. For $w \in P_1$, set $\tilde{w} := w - p_1 \in P_1 - p_1$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(w, P_2) &= d(\tilde{w}, P_2 - p_1) \\ &\leq d(\tilde{w}, P_2 - p_2) + d(P_2 - p_2, P_2 - p_1) \\ &\leq |\tilde{w}| \left| \underbrace{\frac{\tilde{w}}{|\tilde{w}|}}_{=\pi_{P_1 - p_1}\left(\frac{\tilde{w}}{|\tilde{w}|}\right)} - \pi_{P_2 - p_2}\left(\frac{\tilde{w}}{|\tilde{w}|}\right) \right| + d(p_1, p_2) \\ &\leq |w - p_1| \underbrace{\sphericalangle(P_1 - p_1, P_2 - p_2)}_{=\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) \leq \sigma} + t\sigma \\ &\leq \sigma(d(w, p_1) + t). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.30. For $P_1, P_2 \in G(N, m)$ with $\dim(P_1 \cap P_2) = m - 1$, we have that for every $v \in \mathbb{R}^N$

$$\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) = |\pi_{P_1}(v) - \pi_{P_2}(v)|$$

is equivalent to

$$v \in \mathbb{S}^{N-1} \cap (P_1 \cap P_2)^\perp \cap \text{span}(P_1, P_2).$$

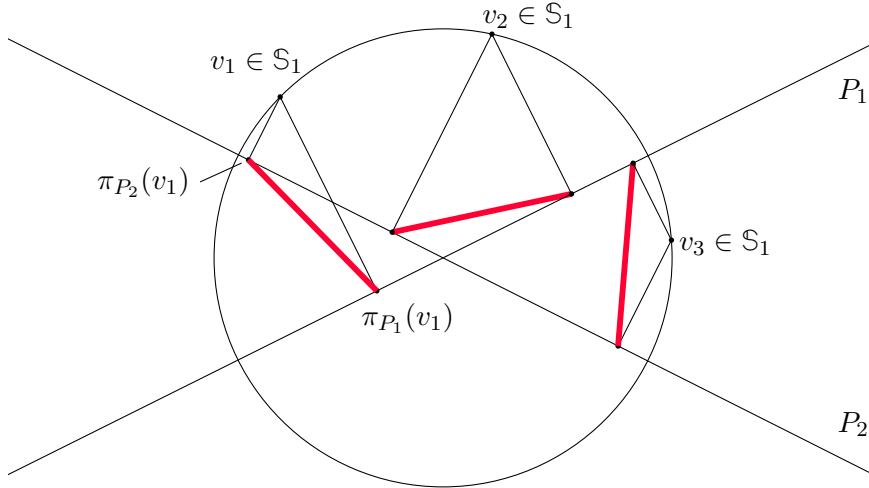


Figure 2.3: For every $v \in \mathbb{S}^1$, we get $\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) = |\pi_{P_1}(v) - \pi_{P_2}(v)|$. (All red segments have the same length.)

Proof. The first direction follows immediately from Lemma 2.22

Now let $v \in \mathbb{S}^{N-1} \cap (P_1 \cap P_2)^\perp \cap \text{span}(P_1, P_2)$. We choose an orthonormal basis of $P_1 \cap P_2 = \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_{m-1})$ and extend this to orthonormal bases of P_1 and P_2

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_{m-1}, X) \\ P_2 &= \text{span}(o_1, \dots, o_{m-1}, Y). \end{aligned}$$

The vector v fulfils $\langle v, o_i \rangle = 0$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, m-1\}$ because $v \in (P_1 \cap P_2)^\perp$ and there exists $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$ with $v = \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \alpha_i o_i + \alpha_m X + \alpha_{m+1} Y$. This implies $v = \alpha_m X + \alpha_{m+1} Y$. The unit vectors X and Y are linearly independent and we are able to define $\bar{Y} := \frac{X - \langle X, Y \rangle Y}{|X - \langle X, Y \rangle Y|} \neq 0$. So (Y, \bar{Y}) is an orthonormal basis of $\text{span}(X, Y)$ and because $|v| = 1$, we find $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ with $c^2 + d^2 = 1$ and $v = cY + d\bar{Y}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{P_1}(Y) &= \langle X, Y \rangle X, \\ \pi_{P_2}(X) &= \langle X, Y \rangle Y, \\ |X - \langle X, Y \rangle Y|^2 &= \langle X - \langle X, Y \rangle Y, X - \langle X, Y \rangle Y \rangle \\ &= \langle X, X \rangle - 2\langle X, \langle X, Y \rangle Y \rangle + \langle \langle X, Y \rangle Y, \langle X, Y \rangle Y \rangle \\ &= 1 - 2\langle X, Y \rangle^2 + \langle X, Y \rangle^2 \langle Y, Y \rangle \\ &= 1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2. \end{aligned}$$

Now, using linearity of the projection, we obtain

$$\pi_{P_1}(\bar{Y}) = \pi_{P_1} \left(\frac{X - \langle X, Y \rangle Y}{|X - \langle X, Y \rangle Y|} \right) = \frac{X - \langle X, Y \rangle \langle X, Y \rangle X}{\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2}} = X \sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2}.$$

and

$$\pi_{P_2}(\bar{Y}) = \pi_{P_2} \left(\frac{X - \langle X, Y \rangle Y}{|X - \langle X, Y \rangle Y|} \right) = \frac{\langle X, Y \rangle Y - \langle X, Y \rangle Y}{\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2}} = 0.$$

With this identities we get

$$\begin{aligned} &|\pi_{P_1}(v) - \pi_{P_2}(v)|^2 \\ &= \left| c\pi_{P_1}(Y) + d\pi_{P_1}(\bar{Y}) - \underbrace{(c\pi_{P_2}(Y))}_{=Y} + \underbrace{d\pi_{P_2}(\bar{Y})}_{=0} \right|^2 \\ &= \left| cX\langle X, Y \rangle + dX\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2} - cY \right|^2 \\ &= \langle cX\langle X, Y \rangle + dX\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2} - cY, cX\langle X, Y \rangle + dX\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2} - cY \rangle \\ &= \langle cX\langle X, Y \rangle, cX\langle X, Y \rangle \rangle + 2\langle cX\langle X, Y \rangle, dX\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2} \rangle - 2\langle cX\langle X, Y \rangle, cY \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle dX\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2}, dX\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2} \rangle + \langle cY, cY \rangle - 2\langle dX\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2}, cY \rangle \\ &= c^2\langle X, Y \rangle^2 + d^2(1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2) + c^2 \\ &\quad + 2cd\langle X, Y \rangle\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2} - 2c^2\langle X, Y \rangle^2 - 2cd\sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2}\langle X, Y \rangle \\ &= -c^2\langle X, Y \rangle^2 - d^2\langle X, Y \rangle^2 + c^2 + d^2 \\ &= -\langle X, Y \rangle^2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$|\pi_{P_1}(v) - \pi_{P_2}(v)| = \sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2}$$

is independent of $v \in \mathbb{S}^{N-1} \cap (P_1 \cap P_2)^\perp \cap \text{span}(P_1, P_2)$. The definition of the angle yields

$$\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) = \sup_{w \in \mathbb{S}^{N-1}} |\pi_{P_1}(w) - \pi_{P_2}(w)|$$

and so there exists some $\hat{w} \in \mathbb{S}^{N-1}$ with

$$\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) = |\pi_{P_1}(\hat{w}) - \pi_{P_2}(\hat{w})|.$$

Using the first direction, we get $\hat{w} \in \mathbb{S}^{N-1} \cap (P_1 \cap P_2)^\perp \cap \text{span}(P_1, P_2)$ and so we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) &= |\pi_{P_1}(\hat{w}) - \pi_{P_2}(\hat{w})| \\ &= \sqrt{1 - \langle X, Y \rangle^2} \\ &= |\pi_{P_1}(v) - \pi_{P_2}(v)|. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.31. *Under the conditions of Corollary 2.5, i.e., $P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{P}(N, m)$ with $\dim P_1 = \dim P_2 = m < N$, $\dim(P_1 \cap P_2) = m - 1$ and $a_1 \in P_1 \setminus P_2$, we have*

$$\frac{|a_1 - \pi_{P_2}(a_1)|}{|a_1 - \pi_{P_1 \cap P_2}(a_1)|} = \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2).$$

Proof. In the proof of Corollary 2.5, we find $U, V \in G(N, m)$ and $u_1 \in U \setminus V$ with

$$\frac{|a_1 - \pi_{P_2}(a_1)|}{|a_1 - \pi_{P_1 \cap P_2}(a_1)|} = \frac{|u_1 - \pi_V(u_1)|}{|u_1 - \pi_{U \cap V}(u_1)|}.$$

In the proof of Lemma 2.4, we find $o_U \in \mathbb{S}^{N-1} \cap (U \cap V)^\perp \cap \text{span}(U, V)$ with

$$\frac{|u_1 - \pi_V(u_1)|}{|u_1 - \pi_{U \cap V}(u_1)|} = |o_U - \pi_V(o_U)| = |\pi_U(o_U) - \pi_V(o_U)|.$$

Using Lemma 2.30, we obtain altogether

$$\frac{|a_1 - \pi_{P_2}(a_1)|}{|a_1 - \pi_{P_1 \cap P_2}(a_1)|} = |\pi_U(o_U) - \pi_V(o_U)| = \sphericalangle(U, V) = \sphericalangle(P_1, P_2).$$

□

3 Integral Menger curvature and rectifiability

3.1 Main result

Let $n, N \in \mathbb{N}$ with $1 \leq n < N$. We start with some definitions necessary for our main result.

Definition 3.1 (Proper integrand). Let $\mathcal{K} : (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $p > 1$. We say that \mathcal{K}^p is a *proper integrand* if it fulfils the following four conditions:

- \mathcal{K} is $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ -measurable, where $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ denotes the $n + 2$ -times product measure of \mathcal{H}^n .
- There exists some constants $c = c(n, \mathcal{K}, p) \geq 1$ and $l = l(n, \mathcal{K}, p) \geq 1$ so that, for all $t > 0$, $C \geq 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and all $(n, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplices $\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \subset B(x, Ct)$, we have

$$\left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_n))}{t} \right)^p \leq cC^l t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_n, w)$$

for all $w \in B(x, Ct)$.

- For all $t > 0$, we have

$$t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(tx_0, \dots, tx_{n+1}) = \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}).$$

- \mathcal{K} is invariant under every translation, i.e., for every $b \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0 + b, \dots, x_{n+1} + b) = \mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}).$$

Definition 3.2. (i) We name a Borel set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ *purely n -unrectifiable* if for every Lipschitz continuous function $\gamma : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$, we have

$$\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap \gamma(\mathbb{R}^n)) = 0.$$

(ii) We name a Borel set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ *n -rectifiable* if there exists some countable family of Lipschitz continuous functions $\gamma_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ so that

$$\mathcal{H}^n(E \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_i(\mathbb{R}^n)) = 0.$$

Definition 3.3 (integral Menger curvature). Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a Borel set. We define the *integral Menger curvature* of E with integrand \mathcal{K}^p by

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E) := \int_E \dots \int_E \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}).$$

Now we can state our main result.

Theorem 3.4. *Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a Borel set with $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(E) < \infty$, where \mathcal{K}^2 is some proper integrand. Then E is n -rectifiable.*

3.2 Examples of admissible integrands

In the following, we give some examples of integrands, which fulfil the conditions of a proper integrand, known from several papers working with integral Menger curvatures.

We start with the definition of some set $X_0 \subset (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2}$ where we collect all flat simplices. This means, we collect all $n+2$ -tuples of points in \mathbb{R}^N so that the elements of such a tuple are laying in some n -dimensional plane where this plane can change from tuple to tuple. It is plausible to give some integrand the value 0 on X_0 .

Definition 3.5. We define the set

$$X_0 := \{(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \mid \text{Gram}(x_1 - x_0, \dots, x_{n+1} - x_0) = 0\}$$

(the Gram determinant is defined in Definition 2.11) which is the set of all simplices with $n+2$ vertices in \mathbb{R}^N which span at most an n -dimensional affine subspace. The set X_0 is the fibre of 0 under a continuous function, so X_0 is a closed subset of $(\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2}$, which implies that X_0 is $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ -measurable (as a product of Borel measures $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ is a Borel measure as well, see Lemma A.11).

The following Lemma is helpful to prove that a given integrand fulfils the second condition of a proper integrand.

Lemma 3.6. *Let $t > 0$, $C \geq 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $w \in B(x, Ct)$ and let $S = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \subset B(x, Ct)$ be some $(n, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex. Setting $S_w = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n, w)$ and choosing $i, j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ with $j \neq i$ we have the following statements:*

- $\frac{t}{C} \leq d(x_i, x_j) \leq \text{diam}(S_w) \leq 2Ct$,
- $d(x_i, w) \leq 2Ct$,
- $\frac{t^n}{C^n n!} \leq \mathcal{H}^n(S) \leq \frac{(2C)^n}{n!} t^n$,
- $\mathcal{H}^n(S) \leq A(S_w) \leq [(n+1)2C^2 + 1]\mathcal{H}^n(S)$,
- $d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_n)) = n \frac{\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(S_w)}{\mathcal{H}^n(S)}$,

where $A(S_w)$ denotes the surface area of the simplex S_w .

Proof. Since S is an $(n, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex, we have

$$\frac{t}{C} \leq \mathfrak{h}_i(S) \leq d(x_i, x_j) \leq \text{diam}(S_w) = \max_{\substack{l, m \in \\ \{0, \dots, n\}}} \{d(x_l, x_m), d(x_l, w)\} \leq 2Ct \quad (3.1)$$

and because of $x_i, w \in B(x, Ct)$, we get

$$d(x_i, w) \leq 2Ct.$$

Now, with Remark 2.12, we conclude that $\mathcal{H}^n(S) = \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{l=0}^{n-1} d(x_l, \text{aff}(x_{l+1}, \dots, x_n))$ which implies with Remark 2.10

$$\frac{t^n}{C^n n!} \stackrel{(3.1)}{\leq} \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{l=0}^{n-1} \mathfrak{h}_l(S) \leq \mathcal{H}^n(S) \leq \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{l=0}^{n-1} d(x_l, x_n) \stackrel{(3.1)}{\leq} \frac{(2C)^n}{n!} t^n.$$

Using Remark 2.12, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{H}^n(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_i}(S_w)) &\stackrel{2.12}{=} \frac{1}{n} \underbrace{\mathfrak{h}_w(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_i}(S_w))}_{\leq d(w, x_j) \leq 2Ct} \mathcal{H}^{n-1}(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_i, w}(S_w)) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{n} 2C^2 \frac{t}{C} \mathcal{H}^{n-1}(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_i}(S)) \\
 &\stackrel{(3.1)}{\leq} \frac{1}{n} 2C^2 \mathfrak{h}_i(S) \mathcal{H}^{n-1}(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_i}(S)) \\
 &\stackrel{2.12}{=} 2C^2 \mathcal{H}^n(S),
 \end{aligned}$$

so that with $A(S_w) = \sum_{i=0}^n \mathcal{H}^n(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_i} S_w) + \mathcal{H}^n(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_w} S_w)$ and $\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_w}(S_w) = S$, we get

$$\mathcal{H}^n(S) \leq A(S_w) \leq [(n+1)2C^2 + 1]\mathcal{H}^n(S).$$

Finally, with Remark 2.12 and using that $S = \mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_w}(S_w)$, we deduce

$$d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_n)) = \mathfrak{h}_w(S_w) = \frac{\mathfrak{h}_w(S_w) \cdot \mathcal{H}^n(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{c}_w}(S_w))}{\mathcal{H}^n(S)} = \frac{n\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(S_w)}{\mathcal{H}^n(S)}.$$

□

Proper Integrands with exponent 2

Now we can state some examples of proper integrands. We mention that for our main statement we can only use those integrands which are proper for integrability exponent $p = 2$. We start with the one used in the introduction of this work.

Lemma 3.7. *Let $x_0, \dots, x_{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and set*

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) := \begin{cases} \frac{\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{\prod_{0 \leq i < j \leq n+1} d(x_i, x_j)} & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \setminus X_0, \\ 0 & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in X_0, \end{cases}$$

where X_0 is the set of flat $(n+1)$ -simplices, defined in Definition 3.5. Then \mathcal{K}^p is a proper integrand with $p = 2$.

Proof. The sets $(\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \setminus X_0$ and X_0 are $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ -measurable and the function \mathcal{K} is continuous on $(\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \setminus X_0$ as a composition of continuous functions, which implies that \mathcal{K} is an $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ -measurable function on $(\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2}$.

Now we focus on the second and third condition. Let $t > 0$, $C \geq 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \subset B(x, Ct)$ be an $(n, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex and $w \in B(x, Ct)$. Using Lemma 3.6 and $p = 2$, there exists some generic constant $\hat{C} = \hat{C}(n, C)$ so that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{t} \right)^p &\leq \hat{C} \left(\frac{\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n, w))}{t \cdot t^n} \right)^2 \\
 &\leq \hat{C} t^{n(n+1)} \left(\frac{\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n, w))}{t^{\frac{1}{2}(n+1)(n+2)}} \right)^2 \\
 &\leq \hat{C} t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}_n^2(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}).
 \end{aligned}$$

We get for some $t > 0$ and some simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})$ that

$$t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(tT) = t^{n(n+1)} \frac{t^{2(n+1)}}{t^{(n+1)(n+2)}} \mathcal{K}^2(T) = \mathcal{K}^p(T).$$

The fourth condition follows directly from the definition of \mathcal{K} . \square

The next integrand is used by Lerman and Whitehouse in [LW11, LW09].

Lemma 3.8. *Let $x_0, \dots, x_{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and set*

$$c_n^2(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) := \frac{1}{n+2} \cdot \frac{\text{Vol}_{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))^2}{\text{diam}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))^{n(n+1)}} \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \frac{1}{\prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^{n+1} |x_j - x_i|^2}$$

and

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) := \begin{cases} c_n(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \setminus X_0, \\ 0 & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in X_0, \end{cases}$$

where Vol_{n+1} is $(n+1)!$ times the volume of the simplex $\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})$, which is equal to the volume of the parallelotope spanned by this simplex, cf. Definition 2.11. Furthermore, X_0 is the set of flat $(n+1)$ -simplices defined in Definition 3.5. Then \mathcal{K}^p is a proper integrand with $p = 2$.

Proof. The same argumentation as in Lemma 3.7, implies that \mathcal{K} is an $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ -measurable function.

Let $t > 0$, $C \geq 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \subset B(x, Ct)$ be an $(n, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex and $w \in B(x, Ct)$. Using Lemma 3.6 and $p = 2$, there exists some generic constant $\hat{C} = \hat{C}(n, C)$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{t} \right)^p &\leq \hat{C} \left(\frac{\text{Vol}_{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n, w))}{t \cdot t^n} \right)^2 \\ &\leq \hat{C} t^{n(n+1)} \frac{\text{Vol}_{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n, w))^2}{t^{n(n+1)}} \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \frac{1}{t^{2(n+1)}} \\ &\leq \hat{C} t^{n(n+1)} c_n^2(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

We get for some $t > 0$ and some simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})$ that

$$t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(tT) = t^{n(n+1)} \left(\frac{t^{2(n+1)}}{t^{n(n+1)}} \frac{1}{t^{2(n+1)}} c_n^2(T) \right) = \mathcal{K}^p(T).$$

\square

The following integrand is mentioned among others in [LW09, section 6]. It can be regarded as an adaptation of the integrand from the following Lemma 3.11 used e.g. in [BK12, KSvdM13].

Lemma 3.9. *Let $x_0, \dots, x_{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and set*

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) := \begin{cases} \frac{\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{\text{diam } \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})^{\frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}}} & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \setminus X_0, \\ 0 & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in X_0, \end{cases}$$

where X_0 is the set of flat $(n+1)$ -simplices defined in Definition 3.5. Then \mathcal{K}^p is a proper integrand with $p = 2$.

Proof. The proof is completely analogue to the preceding ones. \square

Proper Integrands with exponents different from 2

Now we present some integrands for integral Menger curvature used in several papers, where the scaling behaviour implies that our main result can not be applied. Nevertheless, most of our partial results are valid for these integrands.

The first integrand we consider was introduced for $n = 2, N = 3$ in [SvdM11].

Lemma 3.10. *Let $x_0, \dots, x_{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and set*

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) := \begin{cases} \frac{V(T)}{A(T)(\text{diam } T)^2} & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \setminus X_0, \\ 0 & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in X_0, \end{cases}$$

where $V(T)$ is the volume of the simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})$, $A(T)$ is the surface area of T and X_0 is the set of flat $(n+1)$ -simplices defined in Definition 3.5. Then \mathcal{K}^p is a proper integrand with $p = n(n+1)$.

Proof. The same argumentation as in Lemma 3.7, implies that \mathcal{K} is an $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ -measurable function.

Let $t > 0$, $C \geq 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $S = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \subset B(x, Ct)$ be an $(n, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex and $w \in B(x, Ct)$. We set $S_w = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n, w)$ and using Lemma 3.6, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_n))}{t} &= t \frac{n \mathcal{H}^{n+1}(S_w)}{\mathcal{H}^n(S) \cdot t^2} \\ &= t[(n+1)2C^2 + 1](2C)^2 \frac{n \cdot \mathcal{H}^{n+1}(S_w)}{A(S_w) \cdot (\text{diam}(S_w))^2} \\ &< tn(n+2)8C^4 \mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_n, w). \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

Hence we get with $p = n(n+1)$

$$\left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_n))}{t} \right)^p \leq (n(n+2)8)^p C^{4p} t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_n, w).$$

For some $t > 0$ and some simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})$ we get, because of the scaling behaviour of the volume $V(T)$, the surface area $A(T)$ and the diameter $\text{diam}(T)$

$$t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(tT) = t^{n(n+1)} \left(\frac{t^{n+1} V(T)}{t^n A(T) t^2 \text{diam}(T)^2} \right)^{n(n+1)} = \mathcal{K}^p(T).$$

The fourth condition follows directly from the definition of \mathcal{K} . All in all, we have verified all four conditions of a proper integrand. \square

The next integrand is used, for example, in [BK12, KSvdM13].

Lemma 3.11. *Let $x_0, \dots, x_{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and set*

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) := \begin{cases} \frac{\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{\text{diam}(\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))^{n+2}} & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \setminus X_0, \\ 0 & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in X_0, \end{cases}$$

where X_0 is the set of flat $(n+1)$ -simplices defined in Definition 3.5. Then \mathcal{K}^p is a proper integrand with $p = n(n+1)$.

Proof. The same argumentation as in Lemma 3.7, implies that \mathcal{K} is an $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ -measurable function.

Let $t > 0$, $C \geq 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \subset B(x, Ct)$ be an $(n, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex and $w \in B(x, Ct)$. We set $S_w = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}, w)$ and using Lemma 3.6 and $p = n(n+1)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_n))}{t} \right)^p &= t^{n(n+1)} \left(\frac{n\mathcal{H}^{n+1}(S_w)}{\mathcal{H}^n(S) \cdot t^2} \right)^p \\ &\leq 2^{(n+2)p} C^{(2n+2)p} n! n t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_n, w) \end{aligned}$$

and with

$$t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(tT) = t^{n(n+1)} \left(\frac{t^{n+1} \mathcal{H}^{n+2}(T)}{t^{n+2} \text{diam}(T)^{n+2}} \right)^{n(n+1)} = \mathcal{K}^p(T)$$

the first three conditions of a proper integrand are fulfilled. The fourth follows directly from the definition of \mathcal{K} . \square

Finally, Léger suggested the following integrand in [Lég99] for a higher dimensional analogue of his theorem. Unfortunately, we can not affirm his suggestion. For $n = 1$ up to a factor of 2, this integrand gives the inverse of the circumcircle of the three points x_0, x_1, x_2 , hence the original integrand of Léger.

Lemma 3.12. *Let $x_0, \dots, x_{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and set*

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) := \begin{cases} \frac{d(x_{n+1}, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_n))}{d(x_{n+1}, x_0) \dots d(x_{n+1}, x_n)} & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \setminus X_0, \\ 0 & (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in X_0, \end{cases}$$

where X_0 is the set of flat $(n+1)$ -simplices defined in Definition 3.5. Then \mathcal{K}^p is a proper integrand with $p = (n+1)$.

Proof. The same argumentation as in Lemma 3.7, implies that \mathcal{K} is an $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ -measurable function.

Let $t > 0, C \geq 1, x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \subset B(x, Ct)$ be an $(n, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplex and $w \in B(x, Ct)$. Using Lemma 3.6 and $p = n + 1$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{t} \right)^p &= (2C)^{(n+1)p} t^{np} \left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{(2Ct)^{n+1}} \right)^p \\ &\leq (2C)^{(n+1)(n+1)} t^{n(n+1)} \left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}))}{d(w, x_0) \dots d(w, x_n)} \right)^p. \end{aligned}$$

Due to the scaling behaviour of the distance, we get for some $t > 0$ and some simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})$ that

$$t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(tT) = t^{n(n+1)} \left(\frac{t d(x_{n+1}, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_n))}{t^{n+1} d(x_{n+1}, x_0) \dots d(x_{n+1}, x_n)} \right)^{n+1} = \mathcal{K}^p(T).$$

□

4 Proof of the main result

At the end of this chapter (page 42), we will give a proof of our main result Theorem 3.4 under the assumption that the forthcoming Theorem 4.6 is correct. We start with a few lemmas helpful for this proof.

4.1 Reduction to a symmetric integrand

Lemma 4.1. *Let \mathcal{K}^p be some proper integrand (see Definition 3.1). There exists some proper integrand $\tilde{\mathcal{K}}^p$, which is symmetric in all components and fulfils $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E) = \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{\mathcal{K}}^p}(E)$ for all Borel sets E .*

Proof. We set

$$\tilde{\mathcal{K}}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) := \frac{1}{\#S_{n+2}} \sum_{\phi \in S_{n+2}} \mathcal{K}^p(\phi(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})),$$

where S_{n+2} is the symmetric group of all permutations of $n+2$ symbols. Obviously, $\tilde{\mathcal{K}}^p$ fulfils the first and the last condition of a proper integrand. Furthermore, we have

$$\mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_n, w) \leq \#S_{n+2} \tilde{\mathcal{K}}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}),$$

which implies that $\tilde{\mathcal{K}}^p$ fulfils the second condition as well.

With Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1], we obtain for some Borel set E

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{\mathcal{K}}^p}(E) &= \frac{1}{\#S_{n+2}} \sum_{\phi \in S_{n+2}} \int_E \dots \int_E \mathcal{K}^p(\phi(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1})) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\#S_{n+2}} \sum_{\phi \in S_{n+2}} \int_E \dots \int_E \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, z_{n+1}) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(z_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(z_{n+1}) \\ &= \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E). \end{aligned}$$

□

4.2 Reduction to finite, compact and more regular sets with small curvature

Lemma 4.2. *Let E be a Borel set with $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E) < \infty$, where \mathcal{K}^p is some proper integrand. Then we have $\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B) < \infty$ for every ball B .*

Proof. Let B be some ball and set $F := E \cap B$. We prove the contraposition so we assume that $\mathcal{H}^n(F) = \infty$. With Lemma 2.17, there exists some constant $C > 0$ and some $(n+1, (n+3)C)$ -simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in B$ with $\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_0, C) \cap F) = \infty$ and $\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_i, C) \cap F) > 0$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n+1\}$. With Lemma 2.14, we conclude that $S = \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_{n+1})$ is an $(n+1, C)$ -simplex for all $y_i \in B(x_i, C)$, $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$. For $t = C\sqrt{\frac{\text{diam} B}{2C} + 1}$ and $\bar{C} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{diam} B}{2C} + 1}$, we get $S \in B(x, t\bar{C})$, where x is the centre of the ball B , and S is an $(n+1, \frac{t}{\bar{C}})$ -simplex. Hence we are in the right setting for using the second condition of a proper integrand. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E) \\
&= \int_E \dots \int_E \mathcal{K}^p(y_0, \dots, y_{n+1}) d\mathcal{H}^n(y_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(y_{n+1}) \\
&\geq \int_{B(x_{n+1}, C) \cap F} \dots \int_{B(x_0, C) \cap F} \mathcal{K}^p(y_0, \dots, y_{n+1}) d\mathcal{H}^n(y_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(y_{n+1}) \\
&\geq C \int_{B(x_{n+1}, C) \cap F} \dots \int_{B(x_0, C) \cap F} \frac{1}{t^{n(n+1)}} \left(\frac{d(y_{n+1}, \text{aff}(y_0, \dots, y_n))}{t} \right)^p d\mathcal{H}^n(y_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(y_{n+1}) \\
&\geq C(t, n, p) \int_{B(x_{n+1}, C) \cap F} \dots \int_{B(x_0, C) \cap F} 1 d\mathcal{H}^n(y_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(y_{n+1}) \\
&\geq C(t, n, p) \underbrace{\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_{n+1}, C) \cap F)}_{>0} \dots \underbrace{\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_1, C) \cap F)}_{>0} \underbrace{\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_0, C) \cap F)}_{=\infty} \\
&= \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 4.3. *In this lemma, the integrand \mathcal{K} of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}$ only needs to be an $(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}$ -integrable function. Let $p > 0$, $n < N$ and $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a Borel set with $0 < \mathcal{H}^n(E) < \infty$ and $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E) < \infty$. For all $\eta > 0$, there exists some $E^* \subset E$ with*

- (i) E^* is compact,
- (ii) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E^*) \leq \eta (\text{diam } E^*)^n$,
- (iii) $\mathcal{H}^n(E^*) > \frac{(\text{diam } E^*)^n \omega_n}{2^{2n+2}}$,
- (iv) $\forall x \in E^*, \forall t > 0, \mathcal{H}^n(E^* \cap B(x, t)) \leq 2\omega_n t^n$,

where $\omega_n = \mathcal{H}^n(B(0, 1))$ is the n -dimensional volume of the n -dimensional unit ball.

Proof. Due to $0 < \mathcal{H}^n(E) < \infty$ and [EG92, 2.3, Thm. 2], there exists a \mathcal{H}^n -nullset M so that for all $x \in \tilde{E} := E \setminus M$ we have

$$\frac{1}{2^n} \leq \limsup_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B(x, t))}{\omega_n t^n} \leq 1. \tag{4.1}$$

For $m \in \mathbb{N}$, we define

$$\begin{aligned} E_m &:= \left\{ x \in E \mid \forall t \in \left(0, \frac{1}{m}\right), \mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B(x, t)) \leq 2\omega_n t^n \right\} \\ &= \left\{ x \in E \mid \sup_{t \in (0, \frac{1}{m})} \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B(x, t))}{t^n} \leq 2\omega_n \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

At first, we show that E_m is \mathcal{H}^n -measurable. We set $f_t(x) := \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B(x, t))}{t^n}$ and conclude using Claim 2 of the proof of [EG92, 1.6.1, Thm 1] that f_t is upper semicontinuous and thus Borel measurable. With [EG92, 1.1.2, Thm 6 (ii)], the function

$$\sup_{t \in (0, \frac{1}{m}) \cap \mathbb{Q}} f_t(x)$$

is also Borel measurable and so the set

$$\hat{E}_m := \left\{ x \in E \mid \sup_{t \in (0, \frac{1}{m}) \cap \mathbb{Q}} \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B(x, t))}{t^n} \leq 2\omega_n \right\}$$

is \mathcal{H}^n -measurable. There exists some sequence $(t_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$, $t_i \in (0, \frac{1}{m})$ with

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} f_{t_i}(x) = \sup_{t \in (0, \frac{1}{m})} f_t(x).$$

For every $\varepsilon > 0$ and t_i , there exists some $0 \leq s_i < \varepsilon$ with $t_i \leq t_i(1 + s_i) \in \mathbb{Q} \cap (0, \frac{1}{m})$, where $s_i := 0$ if $t_i \in \mathbb{Q}$. So we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{t \in (0, \frac{1}{m}) \cap \mathbb{Q}} f_t(x) &\leq \sup_{t \in (0, \frac{1}{m})} f_t(x) \\ &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} f_{t_i}(x) \\ &\leq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B(x, t_i(1 + s_i)))}{t_i^n} \\ &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (1 + s_i)^n f_{t_i(1 + s_i)}(x) \\ &\leq (1 + \varepsilon)^n \sup_{t \in (0, \frac{1}{m}) \cap \mathbb{Q}} f_t(x). \end{aligned}$$

Since ε was arbitrarily chosen, $E_m = \hat{E}_m$ is \mathcal{H}^n -measurable. We have

$$\tilde{E} \subset \bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} E_m \subset E, \quad (4.3)$$

because for $x \in \tilde{E}$ with (4.1) there exists some $m \in \mathbb{N}$ so that

$$\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B(x, t)) < 2\omega_n t^n \quad \forall 0 < t < \frac{1}{m}$$

and we get $x \in E_m$. The second inclusion follows from the definition of E_m .
By definition of E_m , we also get $E_m \subset E_{m+1} \subset E$ so that with [EG92, 1.1.1, Thm. 1]

$$\mathcal{H}^n \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k \right) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{H}^n(E_m).$$

We have

$$\mathcal{H}^n(E) = \mathcal{H}^n(\tilde{E} \cup M) = \mathcal{H}^n(\tilde{E}) \stackrel{(4.3)}{\leq} \mathcal{H}^n \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k \right) \stackrel{(4.3)}{\leq} \mathcal{H}^n(E)$$

such that

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{H}^n(E_m) = \mathcal{H}^n(E).$$

So there exists some $m \in \mathbb{N}$ with $\mathcal{H}^n(E_m) \geq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{H}^n(E)$.

Since $E_m \subset E$, we conclude $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E_m) \leq \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E) < \infty$.

Define for $\tau > 0$

$$\mathcal{I}(\tau) := \int_{A(\tau)} \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}), \quad (4.4)$$

where $A(\tau) := \left\{ (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in E_m^{n+2} \mid d(x_0, x_i) < \tau \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n+1\} \right\}$.

We obtain for $x_0 \in E_m$

$$\begin{aligned} A(\tau)_{x_0} &:= \left\{ (x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in E_m^{n+1} \mid (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in A(\tau) \right\} \\ &= \left\{ (x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in E_m^{n+1} \mid d(x_0, x_i) < \tau \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n+1\} \right\} \\ &= \bigtimes_{i=1}^{n+1} \{x \in E_m \mid d(x_0, x_i) < \tau\} \\ &= (B(x_0, \tau) \cap E_m)^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

and, with Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1] and for $0 < \tau < \frac{1}{m}$, we can estimate

$$\begin{aligned} &(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}(A(\tau)) \\ &= \int_{E_m} (\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+1}(A(\tau)_{x_0}) d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \\ &= \int_{E_m} \underbrace{(\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_0, \tau) \cap E_m))^{n+1}}_{\leq 2\omega_n \tau^n} d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \\ &\stackrel{(4.2)}{\leq} (2\omega_n \tau^n)^{n+1} \int_{E_m} 1 d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \\ &= (2\omega_n \tau^n)^{n+1} \mathcal{H}^n(E_m) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for } \tau \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

such that

$$(\mathcal{H}^n)^{n+2}(A(\tau)) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for } \tau \rightarrow 0. \quad (4.5)$$

With $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E_m) < \infty$ and [Alt06, Lem. A 1.17, ⟨2⟩], we conclude

$$\lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{I}(\tau) = 0,$$

and so we are able to pick some $0 < \tau_0 \leq \frac{1}{2m}$ with

$$\mathcal{I}(2\tau_0) \leq \frac{\eta \mathcal{H}^n(E_m)}{2\omega_n \cdot 2^{n+3}}. \quad (4.6)$$

We set

$$\mathcal{V} := \left\{ B(x, \tau) \mid x \in E_m, 0 < \tau < \tau_0, \mathcal{H}^n(E_m \cap B(x, \tau)) \geq \frac{\tau^n \omega_n}{2^{n+1}} \right\}.$$

Since

$$0 < \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{H}^n(E) \leq \mathcal{H}^n(E_m) \leq \mathcal{H}^n(E) < \infty,$$

we get (4.1) with E_m instead of E , [EG92, 2.3, Thm. 2]. This implies that for \mathcal{H}^n -almost every $x \in E_m$, there exists some sequence $(\tau_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $0 < \tau_k < \tau_0$ and $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \tau_k = 0$ so that $\frac{\tau_k^n \omega_n}{2^{n+1}} < \mathcal{H}^n(E_m \cap B(x, \tau_k))$ for all k large enough. We obtain

$$\inf \{ \tau \mid B(x, \tau) \in \mathcal{V} \} = 0 \text{ for } \mathcal{H}^n\text{-almost every } x \in E_m.$$

According to [Fal86, 1.3], \mathcal{V} is a Vitali class. $B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m$ is measurable, so for every countable, disjoint subfamily $B_i = B(x_i, \tau_i)$ of \mathcal{V} , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (\text{diam } B_i)^n &= \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (2\tau_i)^n \leq 2^n \frac{2^{n+1}}{\omega_n} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{H}^n(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m) \\ &= \frac{2^{2n+1}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n \left(\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m) \right) \leq \frac{2^{2n+1}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(E_m) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Vitali's Covering Theorem [Fal86, 1.3, Thm. 1.10], we get a countable subfamily of \mathcal{V} with disjoint balls $B_i = B(x_i, \tau_i)$ fulfilling

$$\mathcal{H}^n \left(E_m \setminus \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} B(x_i, \tau_i) \right) = 0.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}^n(E_m) &= \mathcal{H}^n \left[\left(E_m \setminus \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} B_i \right) \cup \left(E_m \cap \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} B_i \right) \right] \\ &\leq \mathcal{H}^n \left(E_m \setminus \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} B_i \right) + \mathcal{H}^n \left(E_m \cap \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} B_i \right) \\ &= 0 + \mathcal{H}^n \left(\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (E_m \cap B_i) \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{H}^n(E_m \cap B_i) \\ &\leq \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B(x_i, \tau_i)) \\ &\stackrel{(4.2)}{\leq} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} 2\omega_n \tau_i^n, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tau_i^n \geq \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(E_m)}{2\omega_n}. \quad (4.7)$$

Furthermore, with $(B_i \cap E_m)^{n+2} \subset A(2\tau_0) \cap B_i^{n+2}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(B_i \cap E_m) &= \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \int_{(B_i \cap E_m)^{n+2}} \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \int_{A(2\tau_0) \cap B_i^{n+2}} \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \int_{A(2\tau_0)} \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}) \\ &\stackrel{(4.4)}{=} \mathcal{I}(2\tau_0) \stackrel{(4.6)}{\leq} \frac{\eta \mathcal{H}^n(E_m)}{2\omega_n \cdot 2^{n+3}}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

We define

$$I_b := \left\{ i \in \mathbb{N} \mid \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m) \geq \frac{\eta \tau_i^n}{2^{n+3}} \right\}$$

and so

$$\sum_{i \in I_b} \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m) \geq \frac{\eta \sum_{i \in I_b} \tau_i^n}{2^{n+3}}.$$

Assume that $\sum_{i \in I_b} \tau_i^n > \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(E_m)}{4\omega_n}$. It follows

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m) &\stackrel{(4.8)}{\leq} \frac{\eta \mathcal{H}^n(E_m)}{4\omega_n \cdot 2^{n+3}} \\ &< \frac{\eta \sum_{i \in I_b} \tau_i^n}{2^{n+3}} \\ &\leq \sum_{i \in I_b} \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m) \\ &\leq \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m). \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction, so

$$\sum_{i \in I_b} \tau_i^2 \leq \frac{\mathcal{H}^n(E_m)}{4\omega_n}$$

and with (4.7), we have $I_b \neq \mathbb{N}$. Now we are able to choose some $i \in \mathbb{N} \setminus I_b$ and get:

- (a) $\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m) \geq \frac{\tau_i^n \omega_n}{2^{n+1}}$, see definition of \mathcal{V}
- (b) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m) < \eta \frac{\tau_i^n}{2^{n+3}}$, see definition of I_b

(c) For every ball $B(x, t)$ with $x \in B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m$ and $t > 0$, we obtain

$$\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m \cap B(x, t)) \leq 2\omega_n t^n.$$

Justification: Let $x \in B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m$ and $t > 0$.

1. Case: $t < \frac{1}{m}$.

Due to $x \in E_m$, we have $\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m \cap B(x, t)) \leq \mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B(x, t)) \stackrel{(4.2)}{\leq} 2\omega_n t^n$.

2. Case: $t \geq \frac{1}{m}$.

Due to $x_i \in E_m$ and $\tau_i < \tau_0 \leq \frac{1}{2m} < t$, we get

$$\mathcal{H}^n(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m \cap B(x, t)) \leq \mathcal{H}^n(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E) \stackrel{(4.2)}{\leq} 2\omega_n \tau_i^n \leq 2\omega_n t^n.$$

The Hausdorff measure is regular [Fal86, 1.2, Thm. 1.6], so with (a) we are able to pick some closed set $E^* \subset B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m$ with $\mathcal{H}^n(E^*) \geq \frac{\tau_i^n \omega_n}{2^{n+2}}$. Now we have

(i) E^* is compact

because $E^* \subset B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m$ is bounded and closed.

(iii) $\mathcal{H}^n(E^*) > \frac{(\text{diam } E^*)^n \omega_n}{2^{2n+2}}$

because $E^* \subset B(x_i, \tau_i)$ and so $\mathcal{H}^n(E^*) > \frac{\tau_i^n \omega_n}{2^{n+2}} \geq \frac{(\text{diam } E^*)^n}{2^{2n+2}}$.

(iv) $\forall x \in E^*, \forall t > 0$, we have $\mathcal{H}^n(E^* \cap B(x, t)) \leq 2\omega_n t^n$

because $\mathcal{H}^n(E^* \cap B(x, t)) \leq \mathcal{H}^n(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m \cap B(x, t)) \stackrel{(c)}{\leq} 2\omega_n t^n$.

(ii) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E^*) \leq \eta(\text{diam } E^*)^n$

because we have $E^* \subset B(\bar{x}, \text{diam } E^*)$ for some $\bar{x} \in E^*$ and so

$$\tau_i^n \leq \frac{2^{n+2}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(E^*) = \frac{2^{n+2}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(E^* \cap B(\bar{x}, \text{diam } E^*)) \stackrel{(iv)}{\leq} 2^{n+3} (\text{diam } E^*)^n.$$

Now we get $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(E^*) \leq \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(B(x_i, \tau_i) \cap E_m) \stackrel{(b)}{\leq} \eta \frac{\tau_i^n}{2^{n+3}} \leq \eta(\text{diam } E^*)^n$.

□

Next, we present the crucial theorem of this work. For this purpose, we first have to define the notion of a proper integrand and the integral Menger curvature for Borel measures.

Definition 4.4 (μ -proper integrand). Let $\mathcal{K} : (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $p \geq 2$. We say \mathcal{K}^p is a μ -proper integrand if it fulfils the following four conditions:

- \mathcal{K} is $(\mu)^{n+2}$ -measurable, where $(\mu)^{n+2}$ means the $(n+2)$ -times product measure of μ .
- There exists some constants $c = c(n, \mathcal{K}, p) \geq 1$ and $l = l(n, \mathcal{K}, p) \geq 1$ so that for all $t > 0$, $C \geq 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and all $(n, \frac{t}{C})$ -simplexes $\Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \subset B(x, Ct)$, we have

$$\left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(x_0, \dots, x_n))}{t} \right)^p \leq cC^l t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_n, w),$$

for all $w \in B(x, Ct)$.

- For all $t > 0$, we have

$$t^{n(n+1)}\mathcal{K}(tx_0, \dots, tx_{n+1}) = \mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}),$$

- \mathcal{K} is invariant under every translation, i.e., for every $b \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$\mathcal{K}(x_0 + b, \dots, x_{n+1} + b) = \mathcal{K}(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}).$$

Definition 4.5 (Integral Menger curvature for Borel measures). Let μ be a Borel measure. We define the *integral Menger curvature* of μ with integrand \mathcal{K}^p by

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu) := \int \dots \int \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mu(x_0) \dots d\mu(x_{n+1}).$$

Theorem 4.6. Let $\mathcal{K} : (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$. For every $C_0 \geq 10$, there exists some $\eta = \eta(N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0) > 0$ so that if μ is a Borel measure on \mathbb{R}^N with compact support F , \mathcal{K}^2 is a μ -proper integrand and if they fulfil

$$(\tilde{\text{A}}) \quad \mu(B(0, 2)) \geq 1, \quad \mu(\mathbb{R}^N \setminus B(0, 2)) = 0,$$

$$(\tilde{\text{B}}) \quad \mu(B) \leq C_0 (\text{diam } B)^n \text{ for every ball } B,$$

$$(\tilde{\text{C}}) \quad \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\mu) \leq \eta,$$

then there exists some Lipschitz graph Γ with

$$\mu(\Gamma) \geq \frac{99}{100}\mu(\mathbb{R}^N).$$

This statement is a direct consequence of Theorem 6.1 which is a slight modification of the current one. The main work will be the proof of Theorem 6.1, which is done in chapter 6 to 8.

Now we can prove our main Theorem 3.4 under the assumption that the previous theorem is correct. We will use the notation $sE := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid s^{-1}x \in E\}$ for $s > 0$ and some set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$. Distinguish this notation from $sB(x, t) = B(x, st)$, where the centre stays unaffected and only the radius is scaled.

Proof of Theorem 3.4. Let \mathcal{K}^2 be some proper integrand (see Definition 4.4) and $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ some Borel set with $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(E) < \infty$.

We start with a countable covering of \mathbb{R}^N with balls B_i so that $\mathbb{R}^N \subset \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} B_i$. We will show that for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$ the sets $E \cap B_i$ are n -rectifiable, which implicates that E is n -rectifiable.

Let $i \in \mathbb{N}$ with $\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B_i) > 0$. With Lemma 4.2, we conclude that $\mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B_i) < \infty$. Then, using Lemma A.1, we can decompose $E \cap B_i$ into two disjoint subsets

$$E \cap B_i = E_r^i \dot{\cup} E_u^i,$$

where E_r^i is n -rectifiable and E_u^i is purely n -unrectifiable.

Now we assume that $E \cap B_i$ is not n -rectifiable, so $\mathcal{H}^n(E_u^i) > 0$. The sets $E \cap B_i$ and E_r^i are Borel sets, so E_u^i is a Borel set, too and fulfils $0 < \mathcal{H}^n(E_u^i) \leq \mathcal{H}^n(E \cap B_i) < \infty$ and $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(E_u^i) \leq \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(E) < \infty$. Now, due to Lemma 4.3, for every $\eta > 0$, there exists some set $E^* \subset E_u^i$ with

- (i) E^* is compact,
- (ii) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(E^*) \leq \frac{\eta\omega_n^{n+2}}{2^{(2n+2)(n+2)}} (\text{diam } E^*)^n$,
- (iii) $\mathcal{H}^n(E^*) > \frac{(\text{diam } E^*)^n \omega_n}{2^{2n+2}}$,
- (iv) $\forall x \in E^*, \forall t > 0, \mathcal{H}^n(E^* \cap B(x, t)) \leq 2\omega_n t^n$.

We set $a := \frac{1}{\text{diam } E^*} > 0$ and choose some $b \in \mathbb{R}^N$ so that $aE^* + b \subset B(0, 2)$. Now we define the Borel measure $\mu := \frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n \llcorner (aE^* + b)$. E^* is compact and hence, μ has a compact support. According to [EG92, 2.1, Thm. 2], we have

$$\mathcal{H}^n(aA + b) = a^n \mathcal{H}^n(A). \quad (4.9)$$

Furthermore, we get

$$(\tilde{A}) \quad \mu(B(0, 2)) \geq 1, \quad \mu(\mathbb{R}^N \setminus B(0, 2)) = 0$$

because $aE^* + b \subset B(0, 2)$ and so

$$\mu(B(0, 2)) = \frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(aE^* + b) \stackrel{(4.9)}{=} \frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} a^n \mathcal{H}^n(E^*) \stackrel{(iii)}{>} \frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} a^n \frac{(\text{diam } E^*)^n \omega_n}{2^{2n+2}} = 1.$$

(\tilde{B}) Let B be some ball. We have $\mu(B) \leq 2^{2n+3}(\text{diam } B)^n$.

Proof:

1. Case: $B \cap (aE^* + b) = \emptyset$.

We have $\mu(B) = 0 \leq 2^{2n+3}(\text{diam } B)^n$.

2. Case: $B \cap (aE^* + b) \neq \emptyset$.

Choose $y \in B \cap (aE^* + b)$. We get $B \subset B(y, \text{diam } B) =: \hat{B}$ and so

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(B) &\leq \mu(\hat{B}) \\ &= \frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(\hat{B} \cap (aE^* + b)) \\ &\stackrel{(4.9)}{=} \frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} a^n \mathcal{H}^n\left(\frac{1}{a}(\hat{B} - b) \cap E^*\right) \\ &\stackrel{(iv)}{\leq} \frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} a^n 2\omega_n \left(\frac{\text{diam } \frac{1}{a}\hat{B}}{2}\right)^n \\ &= 2^{2n+3}(\text{diam } B)^n. \end{aligned}$$

(\tilde{C}) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\mu) \leq \eta$.

Proof. By using the third and fourth condition of a μ -proper integrand and $C(n) = \left(\frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n}\right)^{n+2}$, we obtain applying Lemma A.3 and Lemma A.2

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\mu) \\ &= \int \dots \int \mathcal{K}^2(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mu(x_0) \dots d\mu(x_{n+1}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_{aE^*+b} \dots \int_{aE^*+b} \mathcal{K}^2(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}) \\
&\stackrel{\text{A.3}}{=} C(n) \int_{aE^*+b} \dots \int_{aE^*+b} \mathcal{K}^2(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}) \\
&\stackrel{\text{A.2}}{=} C(n) a^{n(n+2)} \int_{E^*} \dots \int_{E^*} \mathcal{K}^2(ax_0 + b, \dots, ax_{n+1} + b) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}) \\
&= C(n) a^{n(n+2)} \int_{E^*} \dots \int_{E^*} \frac{1}{a^{n(n+1)}} \mathcal{K}^2(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \, d\mathcal{H}^n(x_0) \dots d\mathcal{H}^n(x_{n+1}) \\
&= C(n) a^n \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(E^*) \\
&\stackrel{\text{(ii)}}{\leq} C(n) a^n \frac{\eta}{C(n)} (\text{diam } E^*)^n \\
&= \eta.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Hence μ fulfils the requirements of Theorem 4.6 and, therefore, there exists some Lipschitz graph Γ with

$$\mu(\Gamma) \geq \frac{99}{100} \mu(\mathbb{R}^N).$$

The translated and scaled graph $\frac{1}{a}(\Gamma - b)$ is also a Lipschitz graph and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{H}^n(E_u^i \cap \frac{1}{a}(\Gamma - b)) &\geq \mathcal{H}^n(E^* \cap \frac{1}{a}(\Gamma - b)) \\
&\stackrel{(4.9)}{=} \frac{1}{a^n} \mathcal{H}^n((aE^* + b) \cap \Gamma) \\
&= \frac{\omega_n}{2^{2n+2} a^n} \left(\frac{2^{2n+2}}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n \llcorner (aE^* + b) \right) (\Gamma) \\
&= \frac{\omega_n}{2^{2n+2} a^n} \mu(\Gamma) \\
&\geq \frac{\omega_n}{2^{2n+2} a^n} \frac{99}{100} \mu(\mathbb{R}^N) \\
&\stackrel{(\tilde{A})}{\geq} \frac{\omega_n}{2^{2n+2} a^n} \frac{99}{100} \\
&> 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence there exists some Lipschitz continuous function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ with image $f(\mathbb{R}^n) = \frac{1}{a}(\Gamma - b)$ and $\mathcal{H}^n(E_u^i \cap f(\mathbb{R}^n)) > 0$. This is in contradiction to E_u^i being purely n -unrectifiable, so our assumption that $E \cap B_i$ is not n -rectifiable is invalid. This implies that $E \cap B_i$ and so E is n -rectifiable. □

5 β -numbers

In this chapter, let $C_0 \geq 10$ and μ a Borel measure on \mathbb{R}^N with compact support F that is upper Ahlfors regular, i.e.,

(B) for every ball B we have $\mu(B) \leq C_0(\text{diam } B)^n$.

If $B = B(x, r)$ is some ball in \mathbb{R}^N with centre x and radius r and $t \in (0, \infty)$, then we set $tB := B(x, tr)$. Distinguish this notation from the case $t\Upsilon = \{tz | z \in \Upsilon\}$ where $\Upsilon \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ is some arbitrary set. Furthermore, in this and the following chapters, we assume that every ball is closed. We need this to apply Vitali's and Besicovitch's covering theorems. By C , we denote a generic constant with a fixed value which may change from line to line.

5.1 Measure quotient

Definition 5.1 (Measure quotient). For a ball $B = B(x, t)$ with centre $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, radius $t > 0$ and a μ -measurable set $\Upsilon \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, we define the *measure quotient*

$$\delta(B \cap \Upsilon) = \delta_\mu(B \cap \Upsilon) := \frac{\mu(B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon)}{t^n}.$$

In most instances, we will use the special case

$$\delta(B) = \delta_\mu(B) := \frac{\mu(B(x, t))}{t^n}.$$

Moreover, we define for a fixed constant $k_0 \geq 1$

$$\tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B) = \tilde{\delta}_{k_0, \mu}(B) := \sup_{y \in B(x, k_0 t)} \delta_\mu(B(y, t)).$$

This measure quotient compares the amount of the support F contained in a ball with the size of this ball. The following lemma states that if we have a lower control on the measure quotient of some ball, then we can find a not too flat simplex contained in this ball, where at each vertex we have a small ball with a lower control on its quotient measure.

Lemma 5.2. *Let $0 < \lambda \leq 2^n$ and $N_0 = N_0(N)$ be the constant from Besicovitch's covering theorem A.12 depending only on the dimension N . There exist constants*

$$C_1 = C_1(N, n, C_0, \lambda) := \frac{4 \cdot 120^n n^{n+1} N_0 C_0}{\lambda} > 3$$

and

$$C_2 = C_2(N, n, C_0, \lambda) := \frac{2^{n+2} N_0 C_1^n}{\lambda} > 1$$

so that for a given ball $B(x, t)$ and some μ -measurable set Υ with $\delta(B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) \geq \lambda$, there exists some $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in F \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon$ so that for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$

- (i) $\mathfrak{fc}_i(T)$ is an $(n, 10n\frac{t}{C_1})$ -simplex,
 (ii) $\mu\left(B\left(x_i, \frac{t}{C_1}\right) \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon\right) \geq \frac{t^n}{C_2}$.

Proof. Let $B(x, t)$ be the ball with $\delta(B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) \geq \lambda$ and

$$\mathcal{F} := \left\{ B\left(y, \frac{t}{C_1}\right) \mid y \in F \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon \right\}.$$

With Besicovitch's covering theorem A.12 we get N_0 families $\mathcal{B}_m \subset \mathcal{F}$, $m = 1, \dots, N_0$ of disjoint balls, where N_0 depends only on the dimension n , so that

$$F \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon \subset \bigcup_{m=1}^{N_0} \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} B.$$

For every ball $B \in \mathcal{F}$, it holds that $B \subset B(x, 2t)$. Due to Lemma A.4, there are at most $(2C_1)^n$ balls in \mathcal{B}_m . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \leq \delta(B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) &= \frac{\mu(B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon)}{t^n} = \frac{\mu(F \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon)}{t^n} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{t^n} \mu\left(\bigcup_{m=1}^{N_0} \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} (B \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon)\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{t^n} \sum_{m=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \mu(B \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon). \end{aligned}$$

From this we get the existence of a family \mathcal{B}_m with

$$\sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \mu(B \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) \geq \frac{\lambda t^n}{N_0}. \quad (5.1)$$

We assume that for every $S = \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_{n+1}) \in F \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon$, there exists some $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$ so that either $\mathfrak{fc}_i(S)$ is no $(n, 10n\frac{t}{C_1})$ -simplex or $\mu(B(y_i, \frac{t}{C_1}) \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) < \frac{t^n}{C_2}$. We define

$$\mathcal{G} := \left\{ B \in \mathcal{B}_m \mid \mu(B \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) \geq \frac{t^n}{C_2} \right\}.$$

With Lemma 2.15 (where we set G as the set of centres of balls in \mathcal{G} and $C = 10n\frac{t}{C_1}$), we know that there exists some $T_z = \Delta(z_0, \dots, z_n)$ so that for every ball $B(y, \frac{t}{C_1}) \in \mathcal{G}$, there exists some $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ so that $d(y, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_z))) \leq 20n\frac{t}{C_1}$. We define for $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$

$$\begin{aligned} T_i &:= \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_z)) \cap B(\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_z))}(x), 2t), \\ \mathcal{S}_i &:= \left\{ y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid d(y, \text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_z))) \leq \frac{30nt}{C_1}, \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathfrak{fc}_i(T_z))}(y) \in T_i \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and we know

$$B \in \mathcal{G} \Rightarrow B \subset \mathcal{S}_i \text{ for some } i \in \{0, \dots, n\}. \quad (5.2)$$

With Lemma A.5 applied to T_i , $s = \frac{4}{C_1}t < 2t = r$ and $m = n - 1$, there exists a family \mathcal{E} of closed balls with

(i)* $\text{diam } B = \frac{8}{C_1}t$ for all $B \in \mathcal{E}$,

(ii)* $T_i \subset \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{E}} 5B$,

(iii)* $\#\mathcal{E} \leq \left(\frac{4t}{s}\right)^{n-1} = C_1^{n-1}$.

Let $y \in S_i$. We have $d(y, \text{aff}(\mathbf{f}_{c_i}(T_z))) \leq \frac{30n}{C_1}t$ and $\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathbf{f}_{c_i}(T_z))}(y) \in T_i$. So, because of (ii)*, there exists some $B = B(z, \frac{4}{C_1}t) \in \mathcal{E}$ with $\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathbf{f}_{c_i}(T))}(y) \in 5B$ and we have

$$d(y, z) \leq d(y, \pi_{\text{aff}(\mathbf{f}_{c_i}(T_z))}(y)) + d(\pi_{\text{aff}(\mathbf{f}_{c_i}(T_z))}(y), z) \leq \frac{30n}{C_1}t + 5\frac{4}{C_1}t < \frac{60n}{C_1}t.$$

This proves $S_i \subset \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{E}} 15nB$. We therefrom derive with (B) (see page 45)

$$\mu(S_i) \leq \sum_{B \in \mathcal{E}} \mu(15nB) \stackrel{(B)}{\leq} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{E}} C_0 (15n \text{diam } B)^n \stackrel{(i)*}{\leq} \#\mathcal{E} C_0 \frac{120^n n^n t^n}{C_1^n} \stackrel{(iii)*}{\leq} 120^n n^n C_0 \frac{t^n}{C_1}. \quad (5.3)$$

We define for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}_0 &:= \{B \in \mathcal{G} \mid B \subset S_0\}, \\ \mathcal{G}_i &:= \left\{ B \in \mathcal{G} \mid B \subset S_i \text{ and } B \notin \bigcup_{j=0}^{i-1} \mathcal{G}_j \right\} \end{aligned}$$

as a partition of \mathcal{G} , see (5.2). Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{G}} \mu(B \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) &= \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{B \in \mathcal{G}_i} \mu(B \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n \mu \left(\bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{G}_i} (B \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^n \mu(S_i) \\ &\stackrel{(5.3)}{\leq} n^{n+1} \cdot 120^n C_0 \frac{t^n}{C_1}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we have

$$\sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m \setminus \mathcal{G}} \mu(B \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) < \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m \setminus \mathcal{G}} \frac{t^n}{C_2} \stackrel{\#\mathcal{B}_m \leq (2C_1)^n}{\leq} (2C_1)^n \frac{t^n}{C_2}.$$

All in all, we get with (5.1) and the definition of C_1 and C_2

$$\lambda \leq N_0 \frac{1}{t^n} \left(2^n t^n \frac{C_1^n}{C_2} + 120^n n^{n+1} t^n C_0 \frac{1}{C_1} \right) = N_0 \left(2^n \frac{C_1^n}{C_2} + 120^n n^{n+1} C_0 \frac{1}{C_1} \right) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2},$$

thus in contradiction to $\lambda > 0$. This completes the proof of Lemma 5.2. \square

In most instances, we will use a weaker version of Lemma 5.2:

Corollary 5.3. *Let $0 < \lambda \leq 2^n$. There exist constants $C_1 = C_1(N, n, C_0, \lambda) > 3$ and $C_2 = C_2(N, n, C_0, \lambda) > 1$ so that for a given ball $B(x, t)$ and some μ -measurable set Υ with $\delta(B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon) \geq \lambda$, there exists some $(n, 10n\frac{t}{C_1})$ -simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \in F \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon$ so that for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$*

$$\mu \left(B \left(x_i, \frac{t}{C_1} \right) \cap B(x, t) \cap \Upsilon \right) \geq \frac{t^n}{C_2}.$$

5.2 β -numbers and integral Menger curvature

Definition 5.4 (β -numbers). Let $k > 1$ be some fixed constant, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $t > 0$, $p \geq 1$, $\mathcal{P}(N, n)$ the set of all n -dimensional planes in \mathbb{R}^N and $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$. We define

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{p;k}^P(x, t) &= \beta_{p;k;\mu}^P(x, t) := \left(\frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(x, kt)} \left(\frac{d(y, P)}{t} \right)^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \\ \beta_{p;k}(x, t) &= \beta_{p;k;\mu}(x, t) := \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)} \beta_{p;k}^P(x, t). \end{aligned}$$

The β -numbers measure how well the support of the measure μ can be approximated by some plane. A small β -number of some ball implies either a good approximation of the support by some plane or a low measure quotient δ (cf. Definition 5.1). Hence, since we are interested in good approximations by planes, we will use the β -numbers mainly for balls where we have some lower control on the measure quotient.

Definition 5.5 (Local version of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}$). For $\kappa > 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $t > 0$, $p > 0$, we define

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; \kappa}(x, t) := \int \cdots \int_{\mathcal{O}_\kappa(x, t)} \mathcal{K}^p(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) d\mu(x_0) \cdots d\mu(x_{n+1}),$$

where \mathcal{K}^p is a μ -proper integrand (cf. Definition 4.4 on page 41) and

$$\mathcal{O}_\kappa(x, t) := \left\{ (x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in (B(x, \kappa t))^{n+2} \mid d(a, b) \geq \frac{t}{\kappa}, \forall a, b \in \{x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}\}, a \neq b \right\}.$$

Theorem 5.6. *Let \mathcal{K}^p be a symmetric μ -proper integrand and let $0 < \lambda < 2^n$, $k > 2$, $k_0 \geq 1$. There exist constants $k_1 = k_1(N, n, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) > 1$ and $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \geq 1$ such that if $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $t > 0$ with $\delta(B(x, t)) \geq \lambda$ for every $y \in B(x, k_0 t)$, we have*

$$\beta_{p;k}(y, t)^p \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n} \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1+k_0}(y, t)}{t^n}.$$

Proof. With Lemma 5.2 for $\Upsilon = \mathbb{R}^N$, there exists some $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in F \cap B(x, t)$ so that for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$

- (i) $\text{fc}_i(T)$ is an $(n, 10n\frac{t}{C_1})$ -simplex,

$$(ii) \quad \mu \left(B \left(x_i, \frac{t}{C_1} \right) \cap B(x, t) \right) \geq \frac{t^n}{C_2},$$

where C_1, C_2 are the constants from Lemma 5.2 depending on the present constant $\lambda > 0$, the constant C_0 determined in (B) on page 45, as well as N and n . We set $B_i := B \left(x_i, \frac{t}{C_1} \right)$ and $k_1 := \max(C_1, (2 + k + k_0)) > 1$.

Claim 1: Let $z_i \in B_i$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$, $w \in B(x, (k+k_0)t) \setminus \bigcup_{l \neq j}^{n+1} 2B_l$ or $w \in 2B_j$ for some fixed $j \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$. We have

$$(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t),$$

where $(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}, w)$ denotes the $(n+2)$ -tuple $(z_0, \dots, z_{j-1}, z_{j+1}, \dots, z_{n+1}, w)$.

Proof of Claim 1. We have for $w \in 2B_j$ and $l \in \{0, \dots, n+1\} \setminus \{j\}$ using (i) that $d(w, x_l) \geq d(x_j, x_l) - d(x_j, w) \geq (10n-2)\frac{t}{C_1} > 2\frac{t}{C_1}$. So we obtain $2B_j \subset B(x, (k+k_0)t) \setminus \bigcup_{l \neq j}^{n+1} 2B_l$. Now

let $w \in B(x, (k+k_0)t) \setminus \bigcup_{l \neq j}^{n+1} 2B_l$. Since $z_i \in B_i \subset B(x, (k+k_0)t)$ and $w \in B(x, (k+k_0)t)$, we

have $(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) \in B(x, k_1 t)^{n+2}$. Furthermore, we have $\frac{t}{k_1} \leq 10n\frac{t}{C_1} \stackrel{(i)}{\leq} d(z_i, z_j)$ and because $w \notin \bigcup_{l \neq j}^{n+1} 2B_l$, we obtain $\frac{t}{k_1} \leq \frac{t}{C_1} \leq d(z_i, w)$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\} \setminus \{j\}$.

Hence we get

$$(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t).$$

End of Proof of Claim 1.

Claim 2: Let $z_i \in B_i = B(x_i, \frac{t}{C_1})$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$. Then we have

$$\mathfrak{f}_{c_i}(\Delta(z_0, \dots, z_{n+1})) \text{ is an } \left(n, (9n-1)\frac{t}{C_1} \right)\text{-simplex for all } i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}.$$

Proof of Claim 2. Due to (i), $d(x_i, z_i) \leq \frac{t}{C_1}$ and Lemma 2.14 applied on $\mathfrak{f}_{c_i}(T)$, the simplex $\mathfrak{f}_{c_i}(\Delta(z_0, \dots, z_{n+1}))$ is an $(n, (9n-1)\frac{t}{C_1})$ -simplex for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$.

End of Proof of Claim 2.

Claim 3: Let $z_i \in B_i = B(x_i, \frac{t}{C_1})$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$, $w \in B(x, (k+k_0)t)$. There exists some constant $\tilde{C} = \tilde{C}(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda)$ so that for all $j \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$, we have

$$\left(\frac{d(w, \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}))}{t} \right)^p \leq \tilde{C} t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}, w).$$

Proof of Claim 3. \mathcal{K}^p is a μ -proper integrand. Hence with Claim 2, we get the desired estimate. *End of Proof of Claim 3.*

Claim 4: There exist some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda)$ and $z_i \in F \cap B_i \cap B(x, t)$, $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$, so that for all $l \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$, we have

$$\int \mathbb{1}_{\{(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_l, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t)\}} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_l, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) d\mu(w) \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(n+1)n}} \quad (5.4)$$

and with $P_{n+1} := \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_n)$

$$\left(\frac{d(z_{n+1}, P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}. \quad (5.5)$$

Proof of Claim 4. For $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ with $\#E = m + 1$, $E = \{e_0, \dots, e_m\}$, $0 \leq m \leq n$, we set

$$\mathcal{R}(E) := \int_{F^{n-m+1}} \mathbb{1}_{\{(e_0, \dots, e_m, w_{m+1}, \dots, w_{n+1}) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t)\}} \mathcal{K}^p(e_0, \dots, e_m, w_{m+1}, \dots, w_{n+1}) d\mu(w_{m+1}) \dots d\mu(w_{n+1}).$$

The integrand \mathcal{K} is symmetric, hence the value $\mathcal{R}(E)$ is well-defined because it does not depend on the numbering of the elements of E . In the following part, we use the convention that $\{0, \dots, -1\} = \emptyset$ and $\{z_0, \dots, z_{-1}\} = \emptyset$.

At first, we show by an inductive construction that, for all $m \in \mathbb{N}$ with $0 \leq m \leq n + 1$, there holds:

For all $j \in \{0, \dots, m\}$ and $i \in \{j, \dots, n + 1\}$, there exist constants $C^{(j)} > 1$, sets $Z_i^j \subset F \cap B_i \cap B(x, t)$ and, for all $l \in \{0, \dots, m - 1\}$, there exist $z_l \in Z_l^j$ with

$$\mu(Z_i^j) > \frac{t^n}{2^{j+1}C_2}, \quad (5.6)$$

and, for all $u \in \{0, \dots, m\}$, for all $E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_{u-1}\}$ and $z \in Z_r^u$, where $r \in \{u, \dots, n + 1\}$, we have

$$\mathcal{R}(E \cup \{z\}) \leq C^{(u)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E+1)n}}. \quad (5.7)$$

We start with $m = 0$ and $j = 0$ and choose the constant $C^{(0)} := 2C_2$, set $\Upsilon_i := F \cap B_i \cap B(x, t)$ and define for every $i \in \{0, \dots, n + 1\}$

$$Z_i^0 := \left\{ z \in \Upsilon_i \mid \mathcal{R}(\{z\}) \leq C^{(0)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n} \right\}. \quad (5.8)$$

We prove $\mu(Z_i^0) > \frac{t^n}{2C_2}$. Due to $Z_i^0 \subset \Upsilon_i$, we have

$$\mu(\Upsilon_i) = \mu(Z_i^0 \cup [\Upsilon_i \setminus Z_i^0]) \leq \mu(Z_i^0) + \mu(\Upsilon_i \setminus Z_i^0)$$

and so

$$\mu(Z_i^0) \geq \mu(\Upsilon_i) - \mu(\Upsilon_i \setminus Z_i^0).$$

Furthermore,

$$\mu(\Upsilon_i) = \mu(B_i \cap B(x, t)) \stackrel{(ii)}{\geq} \frac{t^n}{C_2},$$

and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\Upsilon_i \setminus Z_i^0) &= \left(C^{(0)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n} \right)^{-1} \int_{\Upsilon_i \setminus Z_i^0} C^{(0)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n} d\mu(z) \\ &\stackrel{(5.8)}{<} \left(C^{(0)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n} \right)^{-1} \underbrace{\int \mathcal{R}(\{z\}) d\mu(z)}_{=\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)} \\ &= \frac{t^n}{C^{(0)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we get for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$

$$\mu(Z_i^0) \geq \mu(\Upsilon_i) - \mu(\Upsilon_i \setminus Z_i^0) > \frac{t^n}{C_2} - \frac{t^n}{C^{(0)}} = \frac{t^n}{2C_2}.$$

Let $u = 0$, $E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_{-1}\} = \emptyset$ and $z \in Z_r^0$, where $r \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$. We have

$$\mathcal{R}(E \cup \{z\}) \stackrel{(5.8)}{\leq} C^{(0)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}.$$

Now let $m \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ and we assume that for all $j \in \{0, \dots, m\}$ and $i \in \{j, \dots, n+1\}$, there exist constants $C^{(j)} > 1$, sets $Z_i^j \subset F \cap B_i \cap B(x, t)$ and for all $l \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ there exist $z_l \in Z_l^l$ with

$$\mu(Z_i^j) > \frac{t^n}{2^{j+1}C_2}, \quad (5.9)$$

and for all $u \in \{0, \dots, m\}$, for all $E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_{u-1}\}$ and $z \in Z_r^u$ where $r \in \{u, \dots, n+1\}$, we have

$$\mathcal{R}(E \cup \{z\}) \leq C^{(u)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E+1)n}}. \quad (5.10)$$

Next we start with the inductive step. From the induction hypothesis, we already have the constants $C^{(j)}$ and the sets Z_i^j for $j \in \{0, \dots, m\}$ and $i \in \{j, \dots, n+1\}$ as well as $z_l \in Z_l^l$ for $l \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$. Since $\mu(Z_m^m) > 0$, we can choose $z_m \in Z_m^m$. We define

$$C^{(m+1)} := 2^m C^{(m)} 2^{m+2} C_2 > C^{(m)}$$

and, for $i \in \{m+1, \dots, n+1\}$, we define

$$Z_i^{m+1} := \bigcap_{\substack{E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_m\} \\ z_m \in E}} \underbrace{\left\{ z \in Z_i^m \mid \mathcal{R}(E \cup \{z\}) \leq C^{(m+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E+1)n}} \right\}}_{=: D_{i,E}^m}. \quad (5.11)$$

At first, we prove $\mu(Z_i^{m+1}) \geq \frac{t^n}{2^{m+2}C_2}$ for all $i \in \{m+1, \dots, n+1\}$. Let $E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_m\}$ with $z_m \in E$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(Z_i^m \setminus D_{i,E}^m) &= \left(C^{(m+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E+1)n}} \right)^{-1} \int_{Z_i^m \setminus D_{i,E}^m} C^{(m+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E+1)n}} d\mu(z) \\ &\stackrel{(5.11)}{<} \left(C^{(m+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E+1)n}} \right)^{-1} \underbrace{\int \mathcal{R}(E \cup \{z\}) d\mu(z)}_{=:\mathcal{R}((E \setminus \{z_m\}) \cup \{z_m\})} \\ &\stackrel{(5.10)}{\leq} \left(C^{(m+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E+1)n}} \right)^{-1} C^{(m)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E)n}} \\ &= \frac{C^{(m)}}{C^{(m+1)}} t^n \end{aligned} \quad (5.12)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu(Z_i^m \setminus Z_i^{m+1}) &= \mu\left(Z_i^m \setminus \left(\bigcap_{\substack{E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_m\} \\ z_m \in E}} D_{i,E}^m\right)\right) \\
 &= \mu\left(\bigcup_{\substack{E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_m\} \\ z_m \in E}} (Z_i^m \setminus D_{i,E}^m)\right) \\
 &\leq \sum_{\substack{E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_m\} \\ z_m \in E}} \mu(Z_i^m \setminus D_{i,E}^m) \\
 &\stackrel{(5.12)}{<} \sum_{\substack{E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_m\} \\ z_m \in E}} \frac{C^{(m)}}{C^{(m+1)}} t^n \\
 &= \frac{2^m C^{(m)}}{C^{(m+1)}} t^n \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^{m+2} C_2} t^n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we get

$$\mu(Z_i^{m+1}) \geq \mu(Z_i^m) - \mu(Z_i^m \setminus Z_i^{m+1}) \stackrel{(5.9)}{>} \frac{t^n}{2^{m+1} C_2} - \frac{t^n}{2^{m+2} C_2} = \frac{t^n}{2^{m+2} C_2}.$$

Now let $u \in \{0, \dots, m+1\}$ and $E \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_{u-1}\}$ and $z \in Z_r^u$ where $r \in \{u, \dots, n+1\}$. We have to show that

$$\mathcal{R}(E \cup \{z\}) \leq C^{(u)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E+1)n}}.$$

Due to the induction hypothesis and $z \in Z_r^{m+1} \subset Z_r^v$ for all $v \in \{0, \dots, m+1\}$, we only have to consider the case $u = m+1$ and $z_m \in E$. Then the inequality follows from (5.11).

End of induction.

Now we construct z_{n+1} .

We set $P_{n+1} := \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_n)$, $\hat{C}^{(n+1)} := \tilde{C} C^{(n)} 2^{n+3} C_2$, where \tilde{C} is the constant from Claim 3, and define

$$\hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1} := \left\{ z \in Z_{n+1}^{n+1} \mid \left(\frac{d(z, P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p \leq \hat{C}^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n} \right\}. \quad (5.13)$$

Next we show $\mu(\hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1}) \geq \frac{t^n}{2^{n+3} C_2} > 0$. Let $u \in Z_{n+1}^{n+1} \setminus \hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1} \subset B_{n+1} \subset B(x, (k+k_0)t)$. With Claim 3 applied on $w = u$ and $j = n+1$, we get

$$\left(\frac{d(u, P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p \leq \tilde{C} t^{n(n+1)} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, z_n, u). \quad (5.14)$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mu\left(Z_{n+1}^{n+1} \setminus \hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1}\right) \\
 &= \left(\hat{C}^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}\right)^{-1} \int_{Z_{n+1}^{n+1} \setminus \hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1}} \hat{C}^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n} d\mu(u) \\
 (5.13) \quad & \leq \left(\hat{C}^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}\right)^{-1} \int_{Z_{n+1}^{n+1} \setminus \hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1}} \left(\frac{d(u, P_{n+1})}{t}\right)^p d\mu(u) \\
 (5.14) \quad & \leq \left(\hat{C}^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}\right)^{-1} \tilde{C} t^{n(n+1)} \int_{Z_{n+1}^{n+1} \setminus \hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1}} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, z_n, u) d\mu(u) \\
 \text{Claim 1} \quad & \leq \left(\hat{C}^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}\right)^{-1} \tilde{C} t^{n(n+1)} \underbrace{\int \mathbb{1}_{\{(z_0, \dots, z_n, u) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t)\}} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, z_n, u) d\mu(u)}_{=\mathcal{R}(\{z_0, \dots, z_{n-1}\} \cup \{z_n\})} \\
 (5.7) \quad & \leq \left(\hat{C}^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}\right)^{-1} \tilde{C} t^{n(n+1)} C^{(n)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{n(n+1)}} \\
 &= \frac{t^n}{2^{n+3} C_2}
 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\mu(\hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1}) \geq \mu(Z_{n+1}^{n+1}) - \mu(Z_{n+1}^{n+1} \setminus \hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1}) \stackrel{(5.6)}{\geq} \frac{t^n}{2^{n+2} C_2} - \frac{t^n}{2^{n+3} C_2} = \frac{t^n}{2^{n+3} C_2} > 0,$$

and we are able to choose $z_{n+1} \in \hat{Z}_{n+1}^{n+1} \subset Z_{n+1}^{n+1}$ with

$$\left(\frac{d(z_{n+1}, P_{n+1})}{t}\right)^p \stackrel{(5.13)}{\leq} \hat{C}^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}.$$

Let $l \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$ and $E = \{z_0, \dots, z_{n+1}\} \setminus \{z_l\}$. Next we show $\mathcal{R}(E) \leq C^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(n+1)n}}$.

1. Case: $l = n+1$.

We have

$$\mathcal{R}(E) = \mathcal{R}(\{z_0, \dots, z_{n-1}\} \cup \{z_n\}) \stackrel{(5.7)}{\leq} C^{(n)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(n+1)n}} \leq C^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(n+1)n}}.$$

2. Case: $l \neq n+1$.

We set $E' := E \setminus \{z_{n+1}\} \subset \{z_0, \dots, z_n\}$ and deduce using $z_{n+1} \in Z_{n+1}^{n+1}$

$$\mathcal{R}(E) = \mathcal{R}(E' \cup \{z_{n+1}\}) \stackrel{(5.7)}{\leq} C^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(\#E'+1)n}} = C^{(n+1)} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(n+1)n}}.$$

All in all, we get for all $l \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$ and some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda)$

$$\int \mathbb{1}_{\{(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_l, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t)\}} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_l, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) d\mu(w) = \mathcal{R}(E) \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{(n+1)n}}.$$

End of Proof of Claim 4.

With Claim 4, there exist some $z_i \in F \cap B_i \cap B(x, t)$, $i \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$ fulfilling (5.4) and (5.5). Let $w \in (F \cap B(x, (k+k_0)t)) \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^n 2B_j$. With Claim 3 and $P_{n+1} = \text{aff}(z_0, \dots, z_n)$, we obtain

$$\left(\frac{d(w, P_{n+1})}{t}\right)^p \leq \tilde{C}t^{n(n+1)}\mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, z_n, w). \quad (5.15)$$

Hence we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{B(x, (k+k_0)t) \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^n 2B_j} \left(\frac{d(w, P_{n+1})}{t}\right)^p d\mu(w) \\ & \stackrel{(5.15)}{<} \tilde{C}t^{n(n+1)} \int_{B(x, (k+k_0)t) \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^n 2B_j} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, z_n, w) d\mu(w) \\ & \stackrel{\text{Claim 1}}{\leq} \tilde{C}t^{n(n+1)} \int \mathbb{1}_{\{(z_0, \dots, z_n, w) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t)\}} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, z_n, w) d\mu(w) \\ & \stackrel{(5.4)}{\leq} \tilde{C}t^{n(n+1)} C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{n(n+1)}} \\ & = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t). \end{aligned} \quad (5.16)$$

Now we prove this estimate on the ball $2B_j$, where $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$. We define the plain $P_j := \text{aff}(\{z_0, \dots, z_{n+1}\} \setminus \{z_j\})$, choose $w \in 2B_j \subset B(x, (k+k_0)t)$ and get with Claim 3

$$\left(\frac{d(w, P_j)}{t}\right)^p \leq \tilde{C}t^{n(n+1)}\mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}, w)$$

and analogous to (5.16), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{2B_j} \left(\frac{d(w, P_j)}{t}\right)^p d\mu(w) \\ & < \tilde{C}t^{n(n+1)} \int_{2B_j} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) d\mu(w) \\ & \stackrel{\text{Claim 1}}{\leq} \tilde{C}t^{n(n+1)} \int \mathbb{1}_{\{(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t)\}} \mathcal{K}^p(z_0, \dots, \hat{z}_j, \dots, z_{n+1}, w) d\mu(w) \\ & \stackrel{(5.4)}{\leq} \tilde{C}t^{n(n+1)} C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^{n(n+1)}} \\ & = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t). \end{aligned} \quad (5.17)$$

Now we have an estimate on the ball $2B_j$ but with plane P_j instead of P_{n+1} . It might be that $z_{n+1} \in P_{n+1}$. In this case, we have $P_{n+1} = P_j$ for all $j \in \{0, \dots, n+1\}$ and we can conclude

$$\int_{2B_j} \left(\frac{d(w, P_{n+1})}{t}\right)^p d\mu(w) = \int_{2B_j} \left(\frac{d(w, P_j)}{t}\right)^p d\mu(w) \stackrel{(5.17)}{\leq} C \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t).$$

From now on, we assume that $z_{n+1} \notin P_{n+1}$. We set $w' := \pi_{P_j}(w)$, $w'' := \pi_{P_{n+1}}(w')$ and deduce

$$\begin{aligned} d(w, P_{n+1})^p &\leq d(w, w'')^p \\ &\leq 2^{p-1} \left(d(w, w')^p + d(w', w'')^p \right) \\ &= 2^{p-1} \left(d(w, P_j)^p + d(w', P_{n+1})^p \right). \end{aligned} \quad (5.18)$$

If $d(w', P_{n+1}) > 0$, i.e., $w' \notin P_{n+1}$, we gain with Corollary 2.5 ($P_1 = P_j$, $P_2 = P_{n+1}$, $a_1 = w'$, $a_2 = z_{n+1}$) where $P_{j,n+1} := P_j \cap P_{n+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d(w', P_{n+1})}{d(w', P_{j,n+1})} &= \frac{d(z_{n+1}, P_{n+1})}{d(z_{n+1}, P_{j,n+1})} \\ \Leftrightarrow d(w', P_{n+1}) &= d(z_{n+1}, P_{n+1}) \frac{d(w', P_{j,n+1})}{d(z_{n+1}, P_{j,n+1})}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.19)$$

With $l \in \{0, \dots, n\}$, $l \neq j$ and Lemma 2.6 ($\pi_{P_{j,n+1}}(\pi_{P_j}(w)) = \pi_{P_{j,n+1}}(w)$), we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(w', P_{j,n+1}) &= d(w', \pi_{P_{j,n+1}}(w')) \\ &= d(\pi_{P_j}(w), \pi_{P_j}(\pi_{P_{j,n+1}}(\pi_{P_j}(w)))) \\ &\leq d(w, \pi_{P_{j,n+1}}(\pi_{P_j}(w))) \\ &\stackrel{L.2.6}{=} d(w, P_{j,n+1}) \\ &\leq d(w, z_l) \\ &\leq d(w, x) + d(x, x_l) + d(x_l, z_l) \\ &\leq (k + k_0)t + t + \frac{t}{C_1} \leq k_1 t \end{aligned}$$

(k_1 is defined on page 49). Claim 2 yields that $\text{fc}_j(\Delta(z_0, \dots, z_{n+1}))$ is an $(n, (9n - 1)\frac{t}{C_1})$ -simplex and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d(w', P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p &\stackrel{(5.19)}{=} \left(\frac{d(z_{n+1}, P_{n+1})}{t} \frac{d(w', P_{j,n+1})}{d(z_{n+1}, P_{j,n+1})} \right)^p \\ &\leq \left(\frac{d(z_{n+1}, P_{n+1})}{t} \frac{k_1 t C_1}{(9n - 1)t} \right)^p \\ &\stackrel{(5.5)}{\leq} C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.20)$$

If $d(w', P_{n+1}) = 0$, this inequality is trivially true.

Finally, we obtain with $\mu(2B_j) \stackrel{(B)}{\leq} C_0 (\text{diam}(2B_j))^n \leq C_0 \left(\frac{4t}{C_1} \right)^n$ ((B) from page 45)

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{2B_j} \left(\frac{d(w, P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p d\mu(w) \\ &\stackrel{(5.18)}{\leq} 2^{p-1} \int_{2B_j} \left(\frac{d(w, P_j)}{t} \right)^p d\mu(w) + 2^{p-1} \int_{2B_j} \left(\frac{d(w', P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p d\mu(w) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \stackrel{(5.17)(5.20)}{\leq} 2^{p-1} C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t) \\
 & \quad + 2^{p-1} C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n} \mu(2B_j) \\
 & \leq C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t).
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{B(x, (k+k_0)t)} \left(\frac{d(w, P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p d\mu(w) &= \int_{B(x, (k+k_0)t) \setminus (\bigcup_{j=0}^n 2B_j)} \left(\frac{d(w, P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p d\mu(w) \\
 & \quad + \sum_{j=0}^n \int_{2B_j} \left(\frac{d(w, P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p d\mu(w) \\
 & \leq C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t).
 \end{aligned}$$

Given that $B(y, kt) \subset B(x, (k+k_0)t)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_{p; k}(y, t)^p &= \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(y, kt)} \left(\frac{d(w, P)}{t} \right)^p d\mu(w) \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(y, kt)} \left(\frac{d(w, P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p d\mu(w) \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(x, (k+k_0)t)} \left(\frac{d(w, P_{n+1})}{t} \right)^p d\mu(w) \\
 & \leq C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

To obtain the main result of this theorem, the only thing left to show is $\mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t) \subset \mathcal{O}_{k_1+k_0}(y, t)$: Let $(z_0, \dots, z_{n+1}) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1}(x, t)$. It follows that $z_0, \dots, z_{n+1} \in B(x, k_1 t) \subset B(y, (k_0 + k_1)t)$ and $d(z_i, z_j) \geq \frac{t}{k_1} \geq \frac{t}{k_1+k_0}$ with $i \neq j$ and $i, j = 0, \dots, n$. Thus $(z_0, \dots, z_{n+1}) \in \mathcal{O}_{k_1+k_0}(y, t)$. Finally, we get with $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda)$

$$\beta_{p; k}(y, t)^p \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1}(x, t)}{t^n} \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1+k_0}(y, t)}{t^n}.$$

□

Theorem 5.7. *Let $0 < \lambda < 2^n$, $k > 2$, $k_0 \geq 1$ and \mathcal{K}^p be some μ -proper symmetric integrand (see Definition 4.4). There exists a constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda)$ such that*

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \beta_{p; k}(x, t)^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B(x, t)) \geq \lambda\}} \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \leq C \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu).$$

Proof. At first, we prove some intermediate results.

- I. Let $x \in F$, $t > 0$ and $\tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B(x, t)) \geq \lambda$. There exist some constants $k_1 = k_1(N, n, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda)$ and $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda)$ so that with $k_2 := k_1 + k_0$, we obtain

$$\beta_{p; k}(x, t)^p \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1+k_0}(x, t)}{t^n} = C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_2}(x, t)}{t^n}.$$

Proof. We have

$$\tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B(x, t)) = \sup_{z \in B(x, k_0 t)} \frac{\mu(B(z, t))}{t^n} \geq \lambda,$$

and hence there exists some $z \in B(x, k_0 t)$ with $\delta(B(z, t)) = \frac{\mu(B(z, t))}{t^n} \geq \frac{\lambda}{2}$. With Theorem 5.6, there exists some constants $k_1 > 1$ and $C \geq 1$ so that for all $y \in B(z, k_0 t)$

$$\beta_{p; k}(y, t)^p \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1 + k_0}(y, t)}{t^n}.$$

In particular, we have

$$\beta_{p; k}(x, t)^p \leq C \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_1 + k_0}(x, t)}{t^n}$$

because $x \in B(z, k_0 t)$. □

II. Let $u_0, \dots, u_{n+1} \in F$ and

$$(x, t) \in \mathcal{D}_\kappa(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1}) := \{(y, s) \in F \times (0, \infty) \mid (u_0, \dots, u_{n+1}) \in \mathcal{O}_\kappa(y, s)\}.$$

We have $(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1}) \in \mathcal{O}_\kappa(x, t)$ and so $\frac{d(u_0, u_1)}{2\kappa} \leq t \leq \kappa d(u_0, u_1)$ as well as $x \in B(u_0, \kappa t)$.

III. Let $u_0, \dots, u_{n+1} \in F$. Then the set $\mathcal{D}_\kappa(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})$ is closed in $F \times \mathbb{R}$ since with $B(y, s)$ we always denote a closed ball.

IV. Let $x \in F$ and set

$$\Upsilon_x := \{(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1}, t) \in F^{n+2} \times (0, \infty) \mid (u_0, \dots, u_{n+1}) \in \mathcal{O}_\kappa(x, t)\}.$$

Then the set $\Upsilon_x \cup \{(x, \dots, x, 0)\}$ is closed in $(\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \times \mathbb{R}$ and so the set Υ_x is closed in $(\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \times (0, \infty)$. This implies that Υ_x is $(\times_{i=0}^{n+1} \mu) \times \frac{dt}{t}$ -measurable because, as a product of Borel measures, this is a Borel measure as well (cf. Lemma A.11).

V. Let $u_0, \dots, u_{n+1} \in F$. The function $t \mapsto \frac{1}{t^n}$ is $\frac{dt}{t}$ -measurable on $(0, \infty)$ and so, due to Lemma A.10, the function $(x, t) \mapsto \frac{1}{t^n}$ is $(\mu \times \frac{dt}{t})$ -measurable on $\mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty)$. Moreover, we have that $\mathcal{D}_\kappa(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})$ is closed (see III), which implies that $(x, t) \mapsto \chi_{\mathcal{D}_\kappa(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}(x, t)$ is $(\mu \times \frac{dt}{t})$ -measurable on $\mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty)$. Hence we conclude that $(x, t) \mapsto \chi_{\mathcal{D}_\kappa(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}(x, t) \frac{1}{t^n}$ is $(\mu \times \frac{dt}{t})$ -measurable, which we need in the following to

apply Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1]. With condition (B) from page 45 we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_F \int_0^\infty \chi_{\mathcal{D}_{k_2}(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}(x, t) \frac{1}{t^n} \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \int_F \chi_{\mathcal{D}_{k_2}(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}(x, t) \frac{1}{t^n} d\mu(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{II}}{\leq} \int_{\frac{d(u_0, u_1)}{2k_2}}^{k_2 d(u_0, u_1)} \frac{1}{t^n} \underbrace{\int_{B(u_0, k_2 t)} 1 d\mu(x)}_{=\mu(B(u_0, k_2 t))} \frac{dt}{t} \\
 &\stackrel{\text{(B)}}{\leq} (2k_2)^n C_0 \int_{\frac{d(u_0, u_1)}{2k_2}}^{k_2 d(u_0, u_1)} \frac{dt}{t} \\
 &= (2k_2)^n (\ln(2k_2^2))^{\frac{p}{2}} C_0.
 \end{aligned}$$

With a similar argumentation as in V using IV and $\chi_{\mathcal{D}_{k_2}(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}(x, t) = \chi_{\Upsilon_x}(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1}, t)$, we obtain for some fixed $x \in F$ that the map

$$(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1}, t) \mapsto \chi_{\mathcal{D}_{k_2}(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}(x, t) \frac{\mathcal{K}^p(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}{t^n}$$

is $\left(\left(\times_{i=0}^{n+1} \mu\right) \times \frac{dt}{t}\right)$ -measurable. Now we deduce with $k_2 = k_1 + k_0$ and Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1]

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_F \int_0^\infty \beta_{p;k}(x, t)^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\delta_{k_0}(B(x,t)) \geq \lambda\}} \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{I}}{\leq} C \int_F \int_0^\infty \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p; k_2}(x, t)}{t^n} \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\
 &= C \int_F \int_0^\infty \int \dots \int_{\mathcal{O}_{k_2}(x,t)} \frac{\mathcal{K}^p(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}{t^n} d\mu(u_0) \dots d\mu(u_{n+1}) \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\
 &= C \int_F \int_0^\infty \int \dots \int_{F^{n+2}} \chi_{\mathcal{D}_{k_2}(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}(x, t) \frac{\mathcal{K}^p(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}{t^n} \\
 &\quad d\mu(u_0) \dots d\mu(u_{n+1}) \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\
 &= C \int \dots \int_{F^{n+2}} \mathcal{K}^p(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1}) \int_F \int_0^\infty \chi_{\mathcal{D}_{k_2}(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1})}(x, t) \frac{1}{t^n} \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\
 &\quad d\mu(u_0) \dots d\mu(u_{n+1}) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{V}}{\leq} (2k_2)^n (\ln(2k_2^2))^{\frac{p}{2}} C C_0 \int \dots \int_{F^{n+2}} \mathcal{K}^p(u_0, \dots, u_{n+1}) d\mu(u_0) \dots d\mu(u_{n+1}) \\
 &= C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda) \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Corollary 5.8. *Let $0 < \lambda < 2^n$, $k > 2$, $k_0 \geq 1$ and \mathcal{K}^p be some symmetric μ -proper integrand (see Definition 4.4). There exists a constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k, k_0, \lambda)$ such that*

$$\int \int_0^\infty \beta_{1;k}(x, t)^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\delta_{k_0}(B(x,t)) \geq \lambda\}} \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \leq C \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu).$$

Proof. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $t \in (0, \infty)$. With Hölder's inequality and (B) (see page 45), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_{1;k}(x, t) &= \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)} \beta_{1;k}^P(x, t) \\
 &= \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(x, kt)} \frac{d(y, P)}{t} d\mu(y) \\
 &\leq \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)} \frac{1}{t^n} \left(\int_{B(x, kt)} \left(\frac{d(y, P)}{t} \right)^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{B(x, kt)} 1^{\frac{p}{p-1}} d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \\
 &= \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)} \left(\frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(x, kt)} \left(\frac{d(y, P)}{t} \right)^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\frac{\mu(B(x, kt))}{t^n} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \\
 &\stackrel{(B)}{\leq} \beta_{p;k}(x, t) (C_0(2k)^n)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \\
 &= C(n, p, C_0, k) \beta_{p;k}(x, t).
 \end{aligned}$$

Together with the previous theorem, the assertion holds. \square

5.3 β -numbers, approximating planes and angles

The following lemma states, that if two balls are close to each other and if each part of the support of μ contained in those balls is well approximated by some plane, then these planes have a small angle.

Lemma 5.9. *Let $x, y \in F$, $c \geq 1$, $\xi \geq 1$ and $t_x, t_y > 0$ with $c^{-1}t_y \leq t_x \leq ct_y$. Furthermore, let $k \geq 4c$ and $0 < \lambda < 2^n$ with $\delta(B(x, t_x)) \geq \lambda$, $\delta(B(y, t_y)) \geq \lambda$ and $d(x, y) \leq \frac{k}{2c}t_x$. Then there exists some constants $C_3 = C_3(N, n, C_0, \lambda, \xi, c) > 1$ and $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_0(N, n, C_0, \lambda, \xi, c) > 0$ so that for all $\varepsilon < \varepsilon_0$ and all planes $P_1, P_2 \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ with*

$$\beta_{1;k}^{P_1}(x, t_x) \leq \xi\varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_{1;k}^{P_2}(y, t_y) \leq \xi\varepsilon$$

we get:

- (i) For all $w \in P_1$, we have $d(w, P_2) \leq C_3\varepsilon(t_x + d(w, x))$ and, for all $w \in P_2$, we have $d(w, P_1) \leq C_3\varepsilon(t_x + d(w, x))$,
- (ii) $\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) \leq C_3\varepsilon$.

Proof. Due to $\delta(B(x, t_x)) \geq \lambda$ and Corollary 5.3, there exist some constants $C_1 > 3$ and C_2 depending on N, n, C_0, λ , and some simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \in F \cap B(x, t_x)$ so that

- (i) T is an $(n, 10n\frac{t_x}{C_1})$ -simplex,
- (ii) $\mu\left(B\left(x_i, \frac{t_x}{C_1}\right) \cap B(x, t_x)\right) \geq \frac{t_x^n}{C_2}$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$.

For $B_i := B\left(x_i, \frac{t_x}{C_1}\right)$ and $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$, we have

$$\mu(B_i) \geq \mu(B_i \cap B(x, t_x)) \geq \frac{t_x^n}{C_2} \geq \frac{t_y^n}{c^n C_2}. \quad (5.21)$$

With (ii), we get $B_i \cap B(x, t_x) \neq \emptyset$ so that with $k \geq 4c \geq 4$

$$B_i \subset B\left(x, t_x + 2\frac{t_x}{C_1}\right) \subset B(x, kt_x) \quad (5.22)$$

and

$$B_i \subset B\left(y, t_x + 2\frac{t_x}{C_1} + \frac{k}{2c}t_x\right) \subset B\left(y, c\left(2 + \frac{k}{2c}\right)t_y\right) \subset B(y, kt_y). \quad (5.23)$$

Now we see for $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\mu(B_i)} \int_{B_i} d(z, P_1) + d(z, P_2) d\mu(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{\mu(B_i)} \int_{B_i} d(z, P_1) d\mu(z) + \frac{1}{\mu(B_i)} \int_{B_i} d(z, P_2) d\mu(z) \\ &\stackrel{(5.21)}{\leq} \stackrel{(5.22)(5.23)}{\leq} C_2 t_x \frac{1}{t_x^n} \int_{B(x, kt_x)} \frac{d(z, P_1)}{t_x} d\mu(z) \\ &\quad + c^n C_2 t_y \frac{1}{t_y^n} \int_{B(y, kt_y)} \frac{d(z, P_2)}{t_y} d\mu(z) \\ &= C_2 t_x \beta_{1;k}^{P_1}(x, t_x) + c^n C_2 t_y \beta_{1;k}^{P_2}(y, t_y) \\ &\leq (1 + c^{n+1}) C_2 \xi t_x \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

With Chebyshev's inequality, there exists $z_i \in B_i$ so that

$$d(z_i, P_j) \leq d(z_i, P_1) + d(z_i, P_2) \leq (1 + c^{n+1}) C_2 \xi t_x \varepsilon \quad (5.24)$$

for $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ and $j = 1, 2$. We set $y_i := \pi_{P_1}(z_i)$ and with

$$\varepsilon < \varepsilon_0 := \frac{1}{(1 + c^{n+1}) C_2 \xi} \min \left\{ \frac{1}{C_1}, \left(10(10^n + 1) \frac{C_1}{6} \left(2\frac{C_1}{3} \right)^n \right)^{-1} \right\}$$

we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} d(y_i, x_i) &\leq d(y_i, z_i) + d(z_i, x_i) \\ &\leq d(z_i, P_1) + \frac{t_x}{C_1} \\ &\leq (1 + c^{n+1}) C_2 \xi t_x \varepsilon + \frac{t_x}{C_1} \leq 2\frac{t_x}{C_1}, \end{aligned}$$

so, with Lemma 2.14, $S := \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_n)$ is an $(n, 6n\frac{t_x}{C_1})$ -simplex and $S \subset B(x, \frac{2t_x}{C_1} + t_x) \subset B(x, 2t_x)$. Furthermore, we have

$$d(y_i, P_2) \leq \underbrace{d(y_i, z_i)}_{d(z_i, P_1)} + d(z_i, P_2) \stackrel{(5.24)}{\leq} (1 + c^{n+1}) C_2 \xi t_x \varepsilon.$$

Now, with Lemma 2.28 ($C = \frac{C_1}{6n}$, $\hat{C} = 2$, $t = t_x$, $\sigma = (1 + c^{n+1}) C_2 \xi \varepsilon$, $m = n$) we obtain

$$\sphericalangle(P_1, P_2) \leq 4n(10^n + 1) \frac{C_1}{6} \left(2 \frac{C_1}{3}\right)^n (1 + c^{n+1}) C_2 \xi \varepsilon = C(N, n, C_0, \lambda, \xi, c) \varepsilon.$$

Moreover, we have

$$d(y_0, \pi_{P_2}(z_0)) \leq d(z_0, P_1) + d(z_0, P_2) \stackrel{(5.24)}{\leq} (1 + c^{n+1}) C_2 \xi t_x \varepsilon,$$

so finally, with Lemma 2.29 ($\sigma = C\varepsilon$, $t = t_x$, $p_1 = y_0$, $p_2 = \pi_{P_2}(z_0)$), we get for $w \in P_1$

$$\begin{aligned} d(w, P_2) &\leq C(d(w, y_0) + t_x) \varepsilon \\ &\leq C(d(w, x) + t_x) \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

and for $w \in P_2$

$$\begin{aligned} d(w, P_1) &\leq C(d(w, \pi_{P_2}(z_0)) + t_x) \\ &\leq C(d(w, x) + t_x) \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

where $C = C(N, n, C_0, \lambda, \xi, c)$. □

The next lemma describes the distance from a plane to a ball if the plain approximates the support of μ contained in the ball.

Lemma 5.10. *Let $\sigma > 0$, $x \in F$, $t > 0$ and $\lambda > 0$ with $\delta(B(x, t)) \geq \lambda$. If $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ with $\beta_{1;k}^P(x, t) \leq \sigma$, we have:*

- (i) *There exists some $y \in B(x, t) \cap F$ so that $d(y, P) \leq \frac{t}{\lambda} \sigma$.*
- (ii) *If additionally $\sigma \leq \lambda$, we have $B(x, 2t) \cap P \neq \emptyset$.*

Proof. With the requirements, we get $\mu(B(x, t)) \geq t^n \lambda$, and so

$$\frac{1}{\mu(B(x, t))} \int_{B(x, t)} d(z, P) d\mu(z) \leq \frac{t}{\lambda} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(x, kt)} \frac{d(z, P)}{t} d\mu(z) = \frac{t}{\lambda} \beta_{1;k}^P(x, t) \leq \frac{t}{\lambda} \sigma.$$

With Chebyshev's inequality, we get some $y \in B(x, t) \cap F$ with $d(y, P) \leq \frac{t}{\lambda} \sigma$. If $\sigma \leq \lambda$, it follows that $B(x, 2t) \cap P \neq \emptyset$. □

6 Construction of the Lipschitz graph

Our aim is to prove Theorem 4.6. We have to cover a major part of the support of the measure μ by some Lipschitz graph Γ . To get Γ , we construct some Lipschitz function where the graph of this function gives Γ . The Lipschitz function will be defined on some n -dimensional plane P_0 which approximates the support of the measure μ in the sense of β -numbers. The existence of such a plane P_0 is assumed in the following theorem, which is quite similar to Theorem 4.6.

Theorem 6.1. *Let $\mathcal{K} : (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $p = 2$. There exists some $k > 2$ such that for every $C_0 \geq 10$, there exists some $\eta = \eta(N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0, k) \in (0, 2^{-(n+1)}]$ so that if μ is a Borel measure on \mathbb{R}^N with compact support F such that \mathcal{K}^2 is a symmetric μ -proper integrand (cf. Definition 4.4) and μ fulfils*

- (A) $\mu(B(0, 5)) \geq 1$, $\mu(\mathbb{R}^N \setminus B(0, 5)) = 0$,
- (B) $\mu(B) \leq C_0 (\text{diam } B)^n$ for every ball B ,
- (C) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\mu) \leq \eta$,
- (D) $\beta_{1;k;\mu}^{P_0}(0, 5) \leq \eta$ for some plane $P_0 \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ with $0 \in P_0$,

then there exists some Lipschitz function $A : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ so that the graph $G(A) \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ fulfils

$$\mu(G(A)) \geq \frac{99}{100} \mu(\mathbb{R}^N).$$

$P_0^\perp := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid x \cdot v = 0 \text{ for all } v \in P_0\}$ denotes the orthogonal complement of P_0 .

At first, we see that, under the assumption that this theorem is correct, we can prove Theorem 4.6. The remaining proof of Theorem 6.1 is then given by the rest of this chapter 6 together with the following chapters 7 and 8.

Proof of Theorem 4.6. Let \mathcal{K}^2 be some μ -proper integrand and let $C_0 > 0$. Using Lemma 4.1, we can assume that \mathcal{K} is symmetric. Furthermore, let $k > 2$ and $0 < \eta \leq 2^{-(n+1)}$ be the constants given by Theorem 6.1.

Now let $\tilde{\mu}$ be a measure that fulfils the requirements of Theorem 4.6, that means $\tilde{\mu}$ is a Borel measure with a compact support \tilde{F} and

- (\tilde{A}) $\tilde{\mu}(B(0, 2)) \geq 1$, $\tilde{\mu}(\mathbb{R}^N \setminus B(0, 2)) = 0$,
- (\tilde{B}) $\tilde{\mu}(B) \leq C_0 (\text{diam } B)^n$ for every ball B ,
- (\tilde{C}) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\tilde{\mu}) \leq \frac{\eta^2}{C}$,

where $\hat{C} = \hat{C}(N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0, k) \geq 1$ is independent of $\tilde{\mu}$ and given by the following estimate (6.1). We have $\tilde{F} \subset B(0, 2)$, as $\mathbb{R}^N \setminus B(0, 2)$ is a $\tilde{\mu}$ -null set. We have

$$\delta_{\tilde{\mu}}(B(0, 2)) = \frac{\tilde{\mu}(B(0, 2))}{2^n} \stackrel{(\tilde{A})}{\geq} \frac{1}{2^n}.$$

So the requirements of Theorem 5.6 with $x = y = 0$, $t = 2$, $\lambda = \frac{1}{2^n}$ and $k_0 = 1$ are fulfilled and using Hölder's inequality (see the proof of Corollary 5.8, page 59), we obtain

$$\beta_{1;k;\tilde{\mu}}(0, 2)^2 \leq C(n, C_0, k)\beta_{2;k;\tilde{\mu}}(0, 2)^2 \leq \hat{C} \frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2;k_1;\tilde{\mu}}(0, 2)}{2^n} < \hat{C} \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\tilde{\mu}) \stackrel{(\tilde{C})}{\leq} \eta^2. \quad (6.1)$$

So there exists some n -dimensional plane $\tilde{P}_0 \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ with $\beta_{1;k;\tilde{\mu}}^{\tilde{P}_0}(0, 2) \leq \eta$. Using Lemma 5.10 (i) with $\sigma = \eta$, $x = 0$, $t = 2$, $\lambda = \frac{1}{2^n}$ and $P = \tilde{P}_0$, there exists some $y \in B(0, 2) \cap \tilde{F}$ such that $|\pi_{\tilde{P}_0}(0)| = d(0, \tilde{P}_0) \leq d(0, y) + d(y, \tilde{P}_0) \leq 2 + 2^{n+1}\eta \leq 3$. Now we define a measure μ by $\mu(\cdot) := \tilde{\mu}(\cdot + \pi_{\tilde{P}_0}(0))$. This is also a Borel measure with compact support $F := \tilde{F} - \pi_{\tilde{P}_0}(0) \subset B(0, 5)$ and

$$(A) \quad \mu(B(0, 5)) \geq 1, \quad \mu(\mathbb{R}^N \setminus B(0, 5)) = 0,$$

$$(B) \quad \mu(B) \leq C_0(\text{diam } B)^n \text{ for every ball } B,$$

$$(C) \quad \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\mu) = \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^2}(\tilde{\mu}) \stackrel{\tilde{C}}{\leq} \frac{\eta^2}{\hat{C}} \leq \eta,$$

$$(D) \quad \beta_{1;k;\mu}^{P_0}(0, 5) = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{n+1} \beta_{1;k;\tilde{\mu}}^{\tilde{P}_0}(0, 2) < \eta, \text{ where } P_0 := \tilde{P}_0 - \pi_{\tilde{P}_0}(0) \text{ and } 0 \in P_0.$$

Hence we can apply Theorem 6.1 and obtain some Lipschitz function $A : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ so that the graph $G(A)$ fulfils $\mu(G(A)) \geq \frac{99}{100}\mu(\mathbb{R}^N)$. We set $\Gamma := G(A) + \pi_{\tilde{P}_0}(0)$ and get

$$\tilde{\mu}(\Gamma) = \mu(G(A)) \geq \frac{99}{100}\mu(\mathbb{R}^N) = \frac{99}{100}\tilde{\mu}(\mathbb{R}^N).$$

□

6.1 Partition of the support of the measure μ

Now we start with the proof of Theorem 6.1. Let $\mathcal{K} : (\mathbb{R}^N)^{n+2} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and let $C_0 \geq 10$ be some fixed constant. There is one step in the proof which only works for integrability exponent $p = 2$. ($p = 2$ is used in Lemma 8.11 so that the results of Theorem 7.3 and Theorem 7.17 fit together.) Since most of the proof can be given with less constraints to p , we start with $p \in (1, \infty)$ and restrict to $p = 2$ only if needed. Furthermore, let $k > 2$, $0 < \eta \leq 2^{-(n+1)}$, $P_0 \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ with $0 \in P_0$ and μ be a Borel measure on \mathbb{R}^N with compact support F such that \mathcal{K}^p is a symmetric μ -proper integrand (cf. Definition 4.4) and

$$(A) \quad \mu(B(0, 5)) \geq 1, \quad \mu(\mathbb{R}^N \setminus B(0, 5)) = 0,$$

$$(B) \quad \mu(B) \leq C_0(\text{diam } B)^n \text{ for every ball } B,$$

$$(C) \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu) \leq \eta,$$

$$(D) \beta_{1;k;\mu}^{P_0}(0, 5) \leq \eta.$$

In this chapter, we will prove that if k is large and η is small enough, we can construct some function $A : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ which covers some part of the support F of μ . For this purpose, we will give a partition of the support of μ in four parts, $\text{supp}(\mu) = \mathcal{Z} \dot{\cup} F_1 \dot{\cup} F_2 \dot{\cup} F_3$, and construct the function A so that the graph of A covers \mathcal{Z} , i.e., $\mathcal{Z} \subset G(A)$.

The following chapters 7 and 8 will give a proof of

$$\mu(F_1 \cup F_2 \cup F_3) \leq \frac{1}{100} \stackrel{(A)}{\leq} \frac{1}{100} \mu(\mathbb{R}^N),$$

hence we will obtain

$$\mu(G(A)) \geq \mu(\mathcal{Z}) \geq \frac{99}{100} \mu(\mathbb{R}^N),$$

which is the statement of the proof of Theorem 6.1.

From now on, we will only work with the fixed measure μ , so we can simplify the expressions by setting $\beta_{1;k} := \beta_{1;k;\mu}$ and $\delta(\cdot) := \delta_\mu(\cdot)$. Furthermore, we fix the constant

$$\delta := \min \left\{ \frac{10^{-10}}{600^n N_0}, \frac{2}{50^n} \right\}, \quad (6.2)$$

where $N_0 = N_0(N)$ is the constant from Besicovitch's Covering Theorem A.12.

Definition 6.2. Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. We define the set

$$S_{total}^{\varepsilon, \alpha} := \left\{ (x, t) \in F \times (0, 50) \left| \begin{array}{l} (i) \quad \delta(B(x, t)) \geq \frac{1}{2} \delta \\ (ii) \quad \beta_{1;k}(x, t) < 2\varepsilon \\ (iii) \quad \exists P_{(x,t)} \in \mathcal{P}(N, n) \text{ s.t. } \begin{cases} \beta_{1;k}^{P_{(x,t)}}(x, t) \leq 2\varepsilon \\ \text{and} \\ \mathcal{A}(P_{(x,t)}, P_0) \leq \alpha \end{cases} \end{array} \right. \right\}.$$

Having in mind that the definition of $S_{total}^{\varepsilon, \alpha}$ depends on the choice of ε and α , we will normally skip these and write S_{total} instead. In the same manner, we will handle the following definitions of H, h and S . For $x \in F$ we define

$$H(x) := \left\{ t \in (0, 50) \mid \exists y \in F, \exists \tau \text{ with } \frac{t}{4} \leq \tau \leq \frac{t}{3}, d(x, y) < \frac{\tau}{3} \text{ and } (y, \tau) \notin S_{total} \right\}$$

and

$$h(x) := \sup(H(x) \cup \{0\})$$

and set

$$S := \{(x, t) \in S_{total} \mid t \geq h(x)\}.$$

Lemma 6.3. Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, we have

$$(i) F \times [10, 50) \subset S_{total},$$

- (ii) $H(x) \subset (0, 40)$ for all $x \in F$,
- (iii) $h(x) \leq 40$ for all $x \in F$,
- (iv) $F \times [40, 50) \subset \{(x, t) \in F \times (0, 50) | t \geq h(x)\} = S$,
- (v) If $(x, t) \in S$ and $t \leq t' < 50$, we have $(x, t') \in S$.
- (vi) For every $(x, t) \in S_{total}$, there exists some plane $P_{(x,t)}$ with $\beta_{1;k}^{P_{(x,t)}}(x, t) \leq 2\varepsilon$ and $\angle(P_{(x,t)}, P_0) \leq \alpha$.

Proof. (i) Let $x \in F \stackrel{(A)}{\subset} B(0, 5)$ and $10 \leq t < 50$, which implies $F \subset B(0, 5) \subset B(x, t)$. We obtain

$$\delta(B(x, t)) = \frac{\mu(B(x, t))}{t^n} \stackrel{(A)}{>} \frac{1}{50^n} \stackrel{(6.2)}{=} \frac{\delta}{2},$$

$$\beta_{1;k}(x, t) \leq \beta_{1;k}^{P_0}(x, t) = \left(\frac{5}{t}\right)^{n+1} \beta_{1;k}^{P_0}(0, 5) \stackrel{(D)}{<} \eta \leq 2\varepsilon.$$

Set $P_{(x,10)} := P_0$ and we get $(x, t) \in S_{total}$, which implies that $F \times [10, 50) \subset S_{total}$.

- (ii) Let $x \in F$ and $t \in [40, 50)$. For arbitrary $y \in F$ and $\tau \in [\frac{t}{4}, \frac{t}{3}]$, we get $\tau \geq 10$ and using (i), we obtain $(y, \tau) \in S_{total}$, which implies that $H(x) \subset (0, 40)$.
- (iii) The statement follows directly from (ii).
- (iv) The inclusion follows directly from (iii). For the equality it is enough to prove that the central set is contained in S . Let $x \in F$ and $t \in (0, 50)$ with $h(x) \leq t < 50$. Assume that $(x, t) \notin S$. Due to $h(x) \leq t$, we obtain $(x, t) \notin S_{total}$, which implies with (i) that $t < 10$. Hence we have $3t \in (0, 50)$ and

$$x \in F, \quad \frac{3t}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{3t}{3}, \quad d(x, x) < \frac{t}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad (x, t) \notin S_{total},$$

which implies that $3t \in H(x)$. We get $h(x) \geq 3t > t$. This is in contradiction to $t \geq h(x)$, so we obtain $(x, t) \in S$.

- (v) Let $(x, t) \in S$ and $t \leq t' < 50$.
We have $x \in F$ and $h(x) \leq t \leq t' < 50$ so with (iv) we conclude that $(x, t') \in S$.
- (vi) The existence of such a plane is guaranteed by the definition of S_{total} . □

Remember that the function h depends on the set S_{total} , which depends on the choice of ε and α . Hence the sets defined in the following definition depend on α and ε as well.

Definition 6.4 (Partition of F). Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. We define

$$\mathcal{Z} := \{x \in F \mid h(x) = 0\},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_1 &:= \left\{ x \in F \setminus \mathcal{Z} \left| \begin{array}{l} \exists y \in F, \exists \tau \in \left[\frac{h(x)}{5}, \frac{h(x)}{2} \right], \text{ with } d(x, y) \leq \frac{\tau}{2} \\ \text{and} \\ \delta(B(y, \tau)) \leq \delta \end{array} \right. \right\}, \\
 F_2 &:= \left\{ x \in F \setminus (\mathcal{Z} \cup F_1) \left| \begin{array}{l} \exists y \in F, \exists \tau \in \left[\frac{h(x)}{5}, \frac{h(x)}{2} \right], \text{ with } d(x, y) \leq \frac{\tau}{2} \\ \text{and} \\ \beta_{1;k}(y, \tau) \geq \varepsilon \end{array} \right. \right\}, \\
 F_3 &:= \left\{ x \in F \setminus (\mathcal{Z} \cup F_1 \cup F_2) \left| \begin{array}{l} \exists y \in F, \exists \tau \in \left[\frac{h(x)}{5}, \frac{h(x)}{2} \right], \text{ with } d(x, y) \leq \frac{\tau}{2} \\ \text{and for all planes } P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n) \text{ with} \\ \beta_{1;k}^P(y, \tau) \leq \varepsilon \text{ we have } \angle(P, P_0) \geq \frac{3}{4}\alpha \end{array} \right. \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

In this chapter, we prove that \mathcal{Z} is rectifiable by constructing a function A such that the graph of A will cover \mathcal{Z} . This is done by inverting the orthogonal projection $\pi|_{\mathcal{Z}} : \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow P_0$. After that, to complete the proof, it remains to show that \mathcal{Z} constitutes the major part of F . Right now, we can prove that $\mu(F_2) \leq 10^{-6}$ (cf. section 8.3, F_2 is small) where the control of the other sets need some more preparations.

Lemma 6.5. *Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. Definition 6.4 gives a partition of F , that means*

$$F = \mathcal{Z} \dot{\cup} F_1 \dot{\cup} F_2 \dot{\cup} F_3.$$

Proof. From the definition we see that the sets are disjoint. We show

$$F \setminus \mathcal{Z} \subset F_1 \cup F_2 \cup F_3.$$

Let $x \in F \setminus \mathcal{Z}$, so we have $h(x) > 0$. There exist some sequences $(y_l)_{l \in \mathbb{N}} \in F^{\mathbb{N}}$, $(t_l)_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $(\tau_l)_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ so that for all $l \in \mathbb{N}$, we have $0 < t_l \leq h(x)$, $t_l \rightarrow h(x)$, $\frac{t_l}{4} \leq \tau_l \leq \frac{t_l}{3}$, $d(x, y_l) < \frac{\tau_l}{3}$ and $(y_l, \tau_l) \notin S_{total}$. Due to $\tau_l \leq \frac{t_l}{3} \leq \frac{h(x)}{3} \leq \frac{50}{3}$, we have for every $l \in \mathbb{N}$ either

- (a) $\delta(B(y_l, \tau_l)) = \frac{\mu(B(y_l, \tau_l))}{\tau_l^n} < \frac{1}{2}\delta$ or
- (b) $\delta(B(y_l, \tau_l)) \geq \frac{1}{2}\delta$ and $\beta_{1;k}(y_l, \tau_l) \geq 2\varepsilon$ or
- (c) $\delta(B(y_l, \tau_l)) \geq \frac{1}{2}\delta$ and $\beta_{1;k}(y_l, \tau_l) < 2\varepsilon$, and for every plane $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ with $\beta_{1;k}^P(y_l, \tau_l) \leq 2\varepsilon$, we have $\angle(P, P_0) > \alpha$.

Choose l so large that $\frac{4h(x)}{5} \leq t_l$. We obtain

$$\frac{h(x)}{5} \leq \frac{t_l}{4} \leq \tau_l \leq \frac{t_l}{3} \leq \frac{h(x)}{2}.$$

Furthermore, we have $y_l \in F$ and $d(x, y_l) \leq \frac{\tau_l}{3} < \frac{\tau_l}{2}$. Since (y_l, τ_l) fulfils either case (a) or case (b) or case (c), it follows $x \in F_1 \cup F_2 \cup F_3$. \square

The following lemma is for later use (cf. Lemma 8.10 and Lemma 8.11).

Lemma 6.6. *Let $\alpha > 0$. There exists some constant $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha)$ so that if $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ and $k \geq 400$, there holds for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \bar{\varepsilon})$:*

If $x \in F_3$ and $h(x) \leq t \leq \min\{100h(x), 49\}$, we get $\angle(P_{(x,t)}, P_0) > \frac{1}{2}\alpha$, where $P_{(x,t)}$ is the plane granted since $(x, t) \in S_{total}$ (cf. Lemma 6.3 (vi)).

Proof. Let $\alpha > 0$ and $k \geq 400$. We set $\bar{\varepsilon} := \min\{\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon'_0, \alpha(4C_3 + 4C'_3)^{-1}\}$, where $\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon'_0, C_3$ and C'_3 depend only on N, n and C_0 will be chosen during this proof. Furthermore, let $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$. Due to $x \in F_3$, there exists some $y \in F$ and $\tau \in [\frac{h(x)}{5}, \frac{h(x)}{2}]$ with $d(x, y) \leq \frac{\tau}{2}$ so that for all planes $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ with $\beta_{1;k}^P(y, \tau) \leq \varepsilon$, we have $\angle(P, P_0) \geq \frac{3}{4}\alpha$. Furthermore, with Lemma 6.3 (iv), we deduce $(x, h(x)) \in S \subset S_{total}$ and so $\beta_{1;k}^{P_{(x,h(x))}}(x, h(x)) \leq 2\varepsilon$. For $z \in B(y, \tau)$, we get

$$d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z) \leq \frac{\tau}{2} + \tau < 2\tau \leq 2\frac{h(x)}{2} = h(x),$$

which implies $B(y, \tau) \subset B(x, h(x))$. Using this inclusion and $\tau \geq \frac{h(x)}{5}$, we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{1;k}^{P_{(x,h(x))}}(y, \tau) &\leq \left(\frac{h(x)}{\tau}\right)^{n+1} \frac{1}{h(x)^n} \int_{B(x, kh(x))} \frac{d(y, P_{(x,h(x))})}{h(x)} d\mu(y) \\ &\leq 5^{n+1} \beta_{1;k}^{P_{(x,h(x))}}(x, h(x)) \\ &\leq 5^{n+1} 2\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Since $x \in F_3$, we have $x \notin (\mathcal{Z} \cup F_1 \cup F_2)$ and so $\beta_{1;k}(y, \tau) < \varepsilon$. Hence there exists some plane $P' \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ with $\beta_{1;k}^{P'}(y, \tau) < \varepsilon$ and by definition of F_3 we get

$$\angle(P', P_0) \geq \frac{3}{4}\alpha.$$

Moreover, with $x \notin F_1$, we have $\delta(B(y, \tau)) > \delta$ and with Lemma 5.9 (ii) ($x = y, t_x = t_y = \tau, \lambda = \delta = \delta(N, n), \xi = 2 \cdot 5^{n+1}, c = 1$), there exist some constants $C_3 = C_3(N, n, C_0) > 1$ and $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_0(N, n, C_0) > 0$ so that

$$\angle(P', P_{(x,h(x))}) \leq C_3\varepsilon.$$

We assumed $h(x) \leq t \leq \min\{100h(x), 49\}$ so, with Lemma 6.3 (iv), we get $(x, t) \in S$. Hence

$$\beta_{1;k}^{P_{(x,t)}}(x, h(x)) \leq \left(\frac{t}{h(x)}\right)^{n+1} \beta_{1;k}^{P_{(x,t)}}(x, t) \leq 2 \cdot 100^{n+1}\varepsilon.$$

and again, with Lemma 5.9 (ii) ($x = y, t_x = h(x), t_y = t, \lambda = \frac{\delta}{2}, \xi = 2 \cdot 100^{n+1}, c = 100$), there exist some constants $C'_3 = C'_3(N, n, C_0) > 1$ and $\varepsilon'_0 = \varepsilon'_0(N, n, C_0) > 0$ so that

$$\angle(P_{(x,h(x))}, P_{(x,t)}) \leq C'_3\varepsilon.$$

Finally, we obtain with Lemma 2.20 (triangle inequality for $\angle(\cdot, \cdot)$) and using $\varepsilon < \frac{\alpha}{4(C_3 + C'_3)}$

$$\angle(P_{(x,t)}, P_0) \geq \angle(P', P_0) - \angle(P', P_{(x,h(x))}) - \angle(P_{(x,h(x))}, P_{(x,t)}) \geq \frac{3}{4}\alpha - (C_3 + C'_3)\varepsilon > \frac{1}{2}\alpha.$$

□

6.2 The distance to a well approximable ball

We recall that the set S depends on the choice of α and ε . Hence the functions d and D defined in the next definition depend on α and ε as well. We introduce $\pi := \pi_{P_0} : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow P_0$, the orthogonal projection on P_0 .

Definition 6.7 (The functions d and D). Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, we get with Lemma 6.3 (iv) that $S \neq \emptyset$. We define $d : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with

$$d(x) := \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(X, x) + t)$$

and $D : P_0 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with

$$D(y) := \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} d(x).$$

Let us call a ball $B(X, t)$ with $(X, t) \in S$ a good ball. Then the function d measures the distance from the given point x to the nearest good ball, using the furthest point in the ball. This implies that a ball $B(x, d(x))$ always contains some good ball. The function D does something similar. Consider the projection of all good balls to the plane P_0 . Then D measures the distance to the nearest projected good ball in the same sense as above (cf. next lemma).

Lemma 6.8. *Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, we have for $y \in P_0$ that*

$$D(y) = \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(\pi(X), y) + t).$$

Proof. We get

$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} d(x) &= \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(X, x) + t) \\ &\geq \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(\pi(X), \pi(x)) + t) \\ &= \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(\pi(X), y) + t). \end{aligned}$$

Assume

$$\inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} d(x) > \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(\pi(X), y) + t).$$

Let $(X_l, t_l) \in S$ be some sequence with

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} (d(\pi(X_l), y) + t_l) = \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(\pi(X), y) + t).$$

Now there exists some $l \in \mathbb{N}$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} d(x) &> d(\pi(X_l), y) + t_l \\ &= d(\pi(X_l) + X_l - \pi(X_l), y + X_l - \pi(X_l)) + t_l \\ &= d(X_l, \underbrace{y + X_l - \pi(X_l)}_{\in \pi^{-1}(y)}) + t_l \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\geq \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} d(X_l, x) + t_l \\
&\geq \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(X, x) + t) \\
&= \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} d(x).
\end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction. \square

Lemma 6.9. *The functions d and D are Lipschitz functions with Lipschitz constant 1.*

Proof. Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^N$. We get with the triangle inequality $d(x) \leq d(y) + d(x, y)$ and $d(y) \leq d(x) + d(x, y)$. This implies $|d(x) - d(y)| \leq d(x, y)$. Using the previous lemma, we can use the same argument for the function D . \square

Lemma 6.10. *We have $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid d(x) < 1\} \subset B(0, 6)$ and $d(x) \leq 60$ for all $x \in B(0, 5)$.*

Proof. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ with $\inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(X, x) + t) = d(x) < 1$. Hence there exists some $X \in F \subset B(0, 5)$ with $d(0, x) \leq d(0, X) + d(X, x) < 6$.

Now let $x \in B(0, 5)$. We have $d(x) = \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(X, x) + t) \leq 10 + 50 = 60$. \square

Lemma 6.11. *Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, we have $d(x) \leq h(x)$ for all $x \in F$ and*

$$\mathcal{Z} = \{x \in F \mid d(x) = 0\}, \quad \pi(\mathcal{Z}) = \{y \in P_0 \mid D(y) = 0\}.$$

Furthermore, both sets \mathcal{Z} and $\pi(\mathcal{Z})$ are closed. We recall that π denotes the orthogonal projection on the plane P_0 .

Proof. Let $x \in F$. With Lemma 6.3 (iv), we have $(x, h(x)) \in S$ and hence

$$d(x) = \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(X, x) + t) \stackrel{(x, h(x)) \in S}{\leq} d(x, x) + h(x) = h(x).$$

It follows

$$h(x) = 0 \Rightarrow d(x) = 0$$

and consequently $\mathcal{Z} \subset \{x \in F \mid d(x) = 0\}$. Now we show

$$h(x) > 0 \Rightarrow d(x) > 0$$

and, all in all, $\mathcal{Z} = \{x \in F \mid d(x) = 0\}$.

Let $x \in F$ with $h(x) > 0$. There exist some sequences $(t_l)_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$, $(\tau_l)_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $(y_l)_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $t_l \rightarrow h(x)$, $\frac{t_l}{4} \leq \tau_l \leq \frac{t_l}{3}$, $d(x, y_l) < \frac{\tau_l}{3}$ and $(y_l, \tau_l) \notin S_{total}$ for all $l \in \mathbb{N}$. There exists some $M \in \mathbb{N}$ so that, for all $l \in \mathbb{N}$ with $l \geq M$, we obtain $\frac{h(x)}{5} < \tau_l$. Furthermore, there exists some sequence $(X_i, s_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in S^{\mathbb{N}}$ with $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} d(X_i, x) + s_i = d(x)$.

1. Case: There exists some subsequence with $d(X_{i_j}, x) \rightarrow 0$.

Choose another subsequence so that $d(X_{i_{j_l}}, x) < \frac{\tau_l}{3} - d(x, y_l)$ for all $l \geq M$. Now we obtain for all $l \geq M$ that $d(X_{i_{j_l}}, y_l) \leq d(X_{i_{j_l}}, x) + d(x, y_l) < \frac{\tau_l}{3}$ and, according to the definition of h , we deduce $h(X_{i_{j_l}}) \geq t_l$. Now we get with $(X_{i_{j_l}}, s_{i_{j_l}}) \in S$,

$$d(X_{i_{j_l}}, x) + s_{i_{j_l}} \geq s_{i_{j_l}} \geq h(X_{i_{j_l}}) \geq t_l \geq 3\tau_l > 3\frac{h(x)}{5} > 0.$$

So we have $d(x) > 0$.

2. Case: There exists some $c > 0$ so that, for all $l \in \mathbb{N}$, we have $d(X_l, x) \geq c > 0$.

We conclude

$$d(x) = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} d(X_l, x) + s_l \geq \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} d(X_l, x) \geq c > 0.$$

Now we prove the second equality. At first, let $y \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$. There exists some $x_0 \in \mathcal{Z}$ with $\pi(x_0) = y$ and with the recently shown identity we obtain $d(x_0) = 0$. Now we get $0 \leq D(y) = \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} d(x) \leq d(x_0) = 0$.

Now let $y \in P_0$ with $0 = D(y) = \inf_{x \in \pi^{-1}(y)} d(x)$. Hence there exists some sequence $x_i \in \pi^{-1}(y)$ with $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} d(x_i) = 0$. According to Lemma 6.10, we get

$$\pi^{-1}(y) \cap \{x \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid d(x) < 1\} \subset \pi^{-1}(y) \cap B(0, 6)$$

and $\pi^{-1}(y) \cap B(0, 6)$ is compact. So there exists some accumulation point $a \in \pi^{-1}(y) \cap B(0, 6)$ of (x_i) and some subsequence (x_{i_j}) with $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{i_j} = a$. Since d is continuous, we have $d(a) = 0$, which is equivalent to $a \in \mathcal{Z}$. Thus $y \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$.

According to Lemma 6.9, d and D are continuous and hence these sets are closed. \square

Lemma 6.12. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exists some $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0)$ so that if $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ and $k \geq 4$ for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \bar{\varepsilon})$, there holds:*

For all $x, y \in F$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, y) &\leq 6(d(x) + d(y)) + 2d(\pi(x), \pi(y)), \\ d(\pi^\perp(x), \pi^\perp(y)) &\leq 6(d(x) + d(y)) + 2\alpha d(\pi(x), \pi(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{4}$ and $k \geq 4$. During this proof, there occur several smallness conditions on ε . The minimum of those will give us the constant $\bar{\varepsilon}$. Let $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$.

At first, we assume that $d(x) + d(y) \geq 1$. This implies for $x, y \in F \subset B(0, 5)$ that

$$d(\pi^\perp(x), \pi^\perp(y)) \leq d(x, y) \leq 10 \leq 10(d(x) + d(y)) + 2\alpha d(\pi(x), \pi(y)).$$

So for the rest of this proof, we assume that $d(x) + d(y) < 1$.

We choose some arbitrary $r_x \in (d(x), d(x) + 1) \subset (0, 2)$. There exists some $(X, t) \in S$ with $d(x) \leq d(X, x) + t < r_x$. According to Lemma 6.3 (v) and because of $t < r_x < 50$, it follows that $(X, r_x) \in S$. Analogously, for all $r_y \in (d(y), d(y) + 1)$, we can choose some $(Y, r_y) \in S$ with $d(Y, y) < r_y$ and $(Y, r_y) \in S$.

1. Case: $d(X, Y) \leq 2(r_x + r_y)$.

We deduce

$$d(\pi^\perp(x), \pi^\perp(y)) \leq d(x, y) \leq d(x, X) + d(X, Y) + d(Y, y) \leq 3r_x + 3r_y.$$

2. Case: $d(X, Y) > 2(r_x + r_y)$.

We define $B_1 := B(X, \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y))$ and $B_2 := B(Y, \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y))$. Using $x, y \in F \subset B(0, 5)$, we have

$$d(X, Y) \leq d(X, x) + d(x, y) + d(y, Y) \leq r_x + 10 + r_y \leq d(x) + 1 + 10 + d(y) + 1 < 13$$

With Lemma 6.3 (iv) and $r_x \leq \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y) < 50$, $r_y \leq \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y) < 50$, we obtain $(X, \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y))$, $(Y, \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y)) \in S$. Let P_1 and P_2 be the associated planes to B_1 and B_2 (see Lemma 6.3 (vi)). Since $S \subset S_{total}$, we get by definition of S_{total} and $k \geq 4$ that the requirements of Lemma 5.9 are fulfilled ($x = X$, $y = Y$, $c = 1$, $\xi = 2$, $t_x = t_y = \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y)$, $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}\delta$). Hence there exist some constants $C_3 = C_3(N, n, C_0) > 1$ and $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_0(N, n, C_0) > 0$ so that if $\varepsilon < \varepsilon_0$ for $w \in P_1$, we obtain

$$d(w, P_2) \leq C_3(N, n, C_0, \delta)\varepsilon \left(\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y) + d(w, X) \right). \quad (6.3)$$

Let $B'_1 := B(X, \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_x)$ and $B'_2 := B(Y, \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_y)$. We have $(X, \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_x)$, $(Y, \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_y) \in S$ because $(X, r_x) \in S$, $(Y, r_y) \in S$ and if $\varepsilon < 1$, we have $\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_x < 7 + 2 < 50$. Now we conclude using $S \subset S_{total}$

$$\frac{1}{\mu(B'_1)} \leq \frac{2}{\delta} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_x \right)^n} \leq \frac{2}{\delta\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y) \right)^n}. \quad (6.4)$$

Since $k \geq 4$, $r_x < \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y)$ and $\varepsilon < 1$, we have

$$B'_1 = B(X, \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_x) \subset B(X, k\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y)), \quad (6.5)$$

and because $(X, \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y)) \in S \subset S_{total}$, we obtain

$$\beta_{1;k}^{P_1}(X, \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y)) \leq 2\varepsilon. \quad (6.6)$$

It follows

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\mu(B'_1)} \int_{B'_1} \frac{d(X', P_1)}{d(X, Y)} d\mu(X') &\stackrel{(6.4)}{\leq} \frac{2}{\delta\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y) \right)^n} \int_{B'_1} \frac{d(X', P_1)}{d(X, Y)} d\mu(X') \\ &\stackrel{(6.5)}{\leq} \frac{1}{\delta\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y) \right)^n} \int_{B(X, k\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y))} \frac{d(X', P_1)}{\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y)} d\mu(X') \\ &= \frac{1}{\delta\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}} \beta_{1;k}^{P_1}(X, \frac{1}{2}d(X, Y)) \stackrel{(6.6)}{\leq} \frac{2}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

and analogously

$$\frac{1}{\mu(B'_2)} \int_{B'_2} \frac{d(Y', P_2)}{d(X, Y)} d\mu(Y') \leq \frac{2}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

With Chebyshev's inequality, we deduce that there exists some $X' \in B'_1$ and some $Y' \in B'_2$ so that $d(X', P_1) \leq \frac{2}{5}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}d(X, Y)$ and $d(Y', P_2) \leq \frac{2}{5}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}d(X, Y)$.

Now let $X'_1 := \pi_{P_1}(X')$ be the orthogonal projection of X' on P_1 , $Y'_2 := \pi_{P_2}(Y')$ the orthogonal projection of Y' on P_2 , and $X'_{12} := \pi_{P_2}(X'_1)$ the orthogonal projection of X'_1 on

P_2 . If ε is small enough, we have with $\varrho \in \{\pi, \pi^\perp\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(\varrho(X), \varrho(X')) &\leq d(X, X') \leq \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_x, \\
 d(\varrho(Y), \varrho(Y')) &\leq d(Y, Y') \leq \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_y, \\
 d(\varrho(X'), \varrho(X'_1)) &\leq d(X', X'_1) = d(X', P_1) \leq \frac{2}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}d(X, Y), \\
 d(\varrho(Y'), \varrho(Y'_2)) &\leq d(Y', Y'_2) = d(Y', P_2) \leq \frac{2}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}d(X, Y),
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.7}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(\varrho(X'_1), \varrho(X'_{12})) &\leq d(X'_1, X'_{12}) = d(X'_1, P_2) \\
 &\stackrel{(6.3)}{\leq} C_3\varepsilon \left(\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y) + d(X'_1, X) \right) \\
 &\leq C_3\varepsilon \left(\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y) + d(X'_1, X') + d(X', X) \right) \\
 &\leq C_3\varepsilon \left(\frac{1}{2}d(X, Y) + \frac{2}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}d(X, Y) + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_x \right) \\
 &< 2C_3\varepsilon d(X, Y).
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.8}$$

According to Lemma 6.3 (vi), we have $\sphericalangle(P_2, P_0) \leq \alpha$ and we get with Corollary 2.24 ($X'_{12}, Y'_2 \in P_2$) using $\alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$

$$d(X'_{12}, Y'_2) \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha}d(\pi(X'_{12}), \pi(Y'_2)) \leq 2d(\pi(X'_{12}), \pi(Y'_2)), \tag{6.9}$$

$$d(\pi^\perp(X'_{12}), \pi^\perp(Y'_2)) \leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}d(\pi(X'_{12}), \pi(Y'_2)) \leq \frac{4}{3}\alpha d(\pi(X'_{12}), \pi(Y'_2)). \tag{6.10}$$

Inserting the intermediate points $X', X'_1, X'_{12}, Y'_2, Y'$ using triangle inequality twice and using inequalities (6.7), (6.8) and (6.9), there exists some constant C so that

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(X, Y) &\leq C\frac{1}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + r_x + r_y + 2d(\pi(X'_{12}), \pi(Y'_2)) \\
 &\leq C\frac{1}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + 3(r_x + r_y) + 2d(\pi(X), \pi(Y))
 \end{aligned}$$

and hence if ε fulfils $C\frac{1}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}} \leq \frac{1}{2}$, we get

$$d(X, Y) \leq 6(r_x + r_y) + 4d(\pi(X), \pi(Y)). \tag{6.11}$$

As for $d(X, Y)$, we estimate $d(\pi^\perp(X), \pi^\perp(Y))$ by repeated use of the triangle inequality and (6.10). With (6.11), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned}
 &d(\pi^\perp(X), \pi^\perp(Y)) \\
 &\leq C\frac{1}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}d(X, Y) + 3(r_x + r_y) + \frac{4}{3}\alpha d(\pi(X), \pi(Y)) \\
 &\stackrel{(6.11)}{\leq} C\frac{1}{\delta}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2n}}[6(r_x + r_y) + 4d(\pi(X), \pi(Y))] + 3(r_x + r_y) + \frac{4}{3}\alpha d(\pi(X), \pi(Y)) \\
 &\leq 4(r_x + r_y) + 2\alpha d(\pi(X), \pi(Y)).
 \end{aligned}$$

We get using $d(\pi^\perp(x), \pi^\perp(X)) \leq d(x, X) \leq r_x$ and $d(\pi^\perp(Y), \pi^\perp(y)) \leq d(Y, y) \leq r_y$

$$\begin{aligned} d(\pi^\perp(x), \pi^\perp(y)) &\leq d(x, X) + d(\pi^\perp(X), \pi^\perp(Y)) + d(Y, y) \\ &\leq 5(r_x + r_y) + 2\alpha d(\pi(X), \pi(Y)) \\ &\leq 5(r_x + r_y) + 2\alpha[d(X, x) + d(\pi(x), \pi(y)) + d(y, Y)] \\ &\leq 6(r_x + r_y) + 2\alpha d(\pi(x), \pi(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, in both cases, we obtain

$$d(\pi^\perp(x), \pi^\perp(y)) \leq 6(r_x + r_y) + 2\alpha d(\pi(x), \pi(y)).$$

Since r_x and r_y were arbitrarily chosen with $d(x) < r_x$ and $d(y) < r_y$, we finally get

$$d(\pi^\perp(x), \pi^\perp(y)) \leq 6(d(x) + d(y)) + 2\alpha d(\pi(x), \pi(y)).$$

From this, we deduce

$$d(x, y) \leq d(\pi(x), \pi(y)) + d(\pi^\perp(x), \pi^\perp(y)) \leq 6(d(x) + d(y)) + (1 + 2\alpha)d(\pi(x), \pi(y)).$$

□

6.3 A Whitney-type decomposition of $P_0 \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z})$

In this part, we show that $P_0 \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ can be decomposed as a union of disjoint cubes R_i , where the diameter of R_i is proportional to $D(x)$ for all $x \in R_i$. This result is a variant of the Whitney decomposition for open sets in \mathbb{R}^n , cf. [Gra08, Appendix J].

Definition 6.13 (Dyadic primitive cells).

1. We define the set of dyadic primitive cells in \mathbb{R}^n

$$\tilde{\mathcal{D}} := \{Q_{l,(d_1,\dots,d_n)} \mid d_i \in \mathbb{Z}, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, l \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

where

$$Q_{l,(d_1,\dots,d_n)} := \left\{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \frac{d_i}{2^l} \leq x_i < \frac{d_i + 1}{2^l}, i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \right\}.$$

2. The plane P_0 is an n -dimensional linear subspace of \mathbb{R}^N and therefore, isomorph to \mathbb{R}^n . Now we set \mathcal{D} to be the set of all dyadic primitive cells on P_0 in the same manner as $\tilde{\mathcal{D}}$ on \mathbb{R}^n .
3. Let $r \in (0, \infty)$ and Q be some cube in \mathbb{R}^N . By rQ , we denote the cube with the same centre and orientation as Q but r -times the diameter.

We mention that the function D depends on the choice of α and ε because D depends on the set $S \subset S_{total}^{\varepsilon, \alpha}$. Hence the family of cubes given by the following lemma depends on the choice of α and ε as well.

Lemma 6.14. *Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, then there exists a countable family of cubes $\{R_i\}_{i \in I} \subset \mathcal{D}$ such that*

- (i) $10 \operatorname{diam} R_i \leq D(x) \leq 50 \operatorname{diam} R_i$ for all $x \in 10R_i$,
- (ii) $P_0 \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z}) = \bigcup_{i \in I} R_i = \bigcup_{i \in I} 2R_i$ and cubes R_i have disjoint interior,
- (iii) for every $i, j \in I$ with $10R_i \cap 10R_j \neq \emptyset$, we have $\frac{1}{5} \operatorname{diam} R_j \leq \operatorname{diam} R_i \leq 5 \operatorname{diam} R_j$,
- (iv) for every $i \in I$, there are at most 180^n cells R_j with $10R_i \cap 10R_j \neq \emptyset$.

Proof. For $z \in P_0$, $D(z) > 0$, we define $Q_z \in \mathcal{D}$ as the largest dyadic primitive cell that contains z and fulfils

$$\operatorname{diam} Q_z \leq \frac{1}{20} \inf_{u \in Q_z} D(u). \quad (6.12)$$

At first, we show that for such a given z the cell Q_z exists and is unique. The function D is continuous and $D(z) > 0$. Hence if we choose a small enough dyadic primitive cell Q that contains z , we get $\operatorname{diam} Q \leq \frac{1}{20} \inf_{u \in Q} D(u)$. Due to the dyadic structure, there can only be one largest dyadic primitive cell that contains z and fulfils (6.12).

We choose the smallest countable family of cubes $\{R_i\}_{i \in I}$ where $R_i \in \mathcal{D}$ such that $\{R_i | i \in I\} = \{Q_z \in \mathcal{D} | z \in P_0, D(z) > 0\}$. This implies that $R_i = R_j$ is equivalent to $i = j$.

- (i) Let $x \in 10R_i$ and $u \in R_i$. We get

$$20 \operatorname{diam} R_i \leq \inf_{v \in R_i} D(v) \leq D(u) \leq D(x) + d(x, u) < D(x) + 10 \operatorname{diam} R_i,$$

and hence $10 \operatorname{diam} R_i \leq D(x)$.

Let $J_i \in \mathcal{D}$ be the smallest cell in \mathcal{D} with $R_i \subsetneq J_i$ and choose $u \in J_i$ so that $D(u) < 20 \operatorname{diam} J_i = 40 \operatorname{diam} R_i$. This is possible because otherwise R_i is not maximal relating to $\operatorname{diam} R_i \leq \frac{1}{20} \inf_{v \in R_i} D(v)$. We obtain

$$D(x) \leq D(u) + d(u, x) < D(u) + 10 \operatorname{diam} R_i \leq 50 \operatorname{diam} R_i.$$

(ii) If the interior of some cells R_i and R_j were not disjoint, because of the dyadic structure, one cell would be contained in the other. But then one of those would not be the maximal cell fulfilling (6.12). Hence the R_i 's have disjoint interior.

Now we prove $P_0 \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z}) = \bigcup_{i \in I} R_i = \bigcup_{i \in I} 2R_i$. For all $x \in 2R_i$, we have with (i) $0 < 10 \operatorname{diam} R_i \leq D(x)$ which implies with Lemma 6.11 $x \notin \pi(\mathcal{Z})$. Hence we get $P_0 \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z}) \supset \bigcup_{i \in I} 2R_i$. Now let $x \in P_0 \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z})$. With Lemma 6.11, we get $D(x) > 0$. So there exists the cube $Q_x \in \mathcal{D}$ with $x \in Q_x$ and hence $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} R_i$.

- (iii) Let $10R_i \cap 10R_j \neq \emptyset$. Then there exists some $x \in 10R_i \cap 10R_j$ and, with (i), we get

$$\frac{10}{50} \operatorname{diam} R_j \leq \frac{1}{50} D(x) \leq \operatorname{diam} R_i \leq \frac{1}{10} D(x) \leq \frac{50}{10} \operatorname{diam} R_j.$$

- (iv) Let $i \in I$ and R_j with $10R_i \cap 10R_j \neq \emptyset$. We conclude

$$d(R_i, R_j) = \inf_{x \in R_i, y \in R_j} d(x, y) < 5 \operatorname{diam} R_i + 5 \operatorname{diam} R_j \leq 30 \operatorname{diam} R_i$$

and so $R_j \subset (1 + 30 + 5)R_i$. Furthermore, we have $\text{diam } R_j \geq \frac{1}{5} \text{diam } R_i$. Since the cells R_j are disjoint, there exist at most

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}^n(36R_i)}{\mathcal{H}^n(R_j)} \leq \left(\frac{36 \text{diam } R_i}{\frac{1}{5} \text{diam } R_i} \right)^n = (180)^n$$

cells R_j with $10R_i \cap 10R_j \neq \emptyset$. □

Now we set $U_{12} := B(0, 12) \cap P_0$ and $I_{12} := \{i \in I \mid R_i \cap U_{12} \neq \emptyset\}$.

Lemma 6.15. *Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, we have that for every $i \in I_{12}$, there exists some ball $B_i = B(X_i, t_i)$ with $(X_i, t_i) \in S$ and*

- (i) $\text{diam } R_i \leq \text{diam } B_i \leq 200 \text{diam } R_i$,
- (ii) $d(\pi(B_i), R_i) \leq 100 \text{diam } R_i$.

Proof. Let $i \in I_{12}$. For $x \in R_i$, there exists some $(X, t) \in S$ so that we get with Lemma 6.8, Lemma 6.11 and Lemma 6.14 (i), (ii)

$$d(\pi(X), x) + t \leq 2D(x) \leq 100 \text{diam } R_i. \quad (6.13)$$

Choose $B_i := B(X_i, t_i) := B(X, r)$ with $r = \max\{t, \frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}\}$. For any $z \in F \subset B(0, 5)$, we have $(z, 40) \in S$ (Lemma 6.3 (iv)) and there exists some $y \in R_i \cap B(0, 12)$ which implies using Lemma 6.14 (i) that $10 \text{diam } R_i \leq D(y) \leq d(\pi(z), y) + 40 \leq 5 + 12 + 40 = 57$. Hence in both cases $t \leq r < 50$. With Lemma 6.3 (v), we have $(X, r) \in S$ and we obtain

$$\text{diam } R_i \leq 2r = \text{diam } B_i = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2t \\ \text{diam } R_i \end{array} \stackrel{(6.13)}{\leq} 200 \text{diam } R_i \right\} \leq 200 \text{diam } R_i$$

and

$$d(\pi(B_i), R_i) \leq d(\pi(X), x) \stackrel{(6.13)}{\leq} 100 \text{diam } R_i.$$

□

6.4 Construction of the function A

We recall that $\pi := \pi_{P_0} : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow P_0$ is the orthogonal projection on P_0 and introduce $\pi^\perp := \pi_{P_0^\perp} : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow P_0^\perp$, the orthogonal projection on P_0^\perp , where $P_0^\perp := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid x \cdot v = 0 \text{ for all } v \in P_0\}$ is the orthogonal complement of P_0 . To define the function A , we want to invert the projection $\pi|_{\mathcal{Z}}$ on \mathcal{Z} .

Lemma 6.16. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exists some $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0)$ so that if $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ and $k \geq 4$ for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \bar{\varepsilon})$, the orthogonal projection $\pi|_{\mathcal{Z}} : \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow P_0$ is injective.*

Proof. Let $x, y \in \mathcal{Z}$ with $\pi(x) = \pi(y)$, which is equivalent to $d(\pi(x), \pi(y)) = 0$. With Lemma 6.11, we obtain $d(x) = 0 = d(y)$ and so, with Lemma 6.12, we conclude $d(x, y) = 0$. So we get $x = y$ and hence π is injective on \mathcal{Z} . □

Since $\pi|_{\mathcal{Z}} : \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow P_0$ is injective, we are able to define the desired Lipschitz function A on $\pi(\mathcal{Z})$ by

$$A(a) := \pi^\perp (\pi|_{\mathcal{Z}}^{-1}(a))$$

where $a \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$.

Lemma 6.17. *Under the conditions of the previous lemma, the map $A : \pi(\mathcal{Z}) \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ is 2α -Lipschitz.*

Proof. The projection π is injective on \mathcal{Z} (Lemma 6.16), so for $a, b \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ with $a \neq b$, there exist distinct $X, Y \in \mathcal{Z}$ with $\pi(X) = a$ and $\pi(Y) = b$. We have $A(a) = A(\pi(X)) = \pi^\perp(X)$, $A(b) = \pi^\perp(Y)$ and, since $X, Y \in \mathcal{Z}$, we conclude with Lemma 6.11 that $d(X) = d(Y) = 0$. So, with Lemma 6.12, we get

$$d(A(a), A(b)) = d(\pi^\perp(X), \pi^\perp(Y)) \leq 0 + 2\alpha d(\pi(X), \pi(Y)) = 2\alpha d(a, b).$$

□

Now we have a Lipschitz function A defined on $\pi(\mathcal{Z})$. By using Kirszbraun's theorem [Fed69, Thm 2.10.43], we would obtain a Lipschitz extension of A defined on P_0 with the same Lipschitz constant 2α , where the graph of the extension covers \mathcal{Z} . But until now, we do not know that \mathcal{Z} is a major part of F . We cannot even be sure that \mathcal{Z} is not a null set. So we do not use Kirszbraun's theorem here, but we will extend A by an explicit construction. This will help us to show that the other parts of F , in particular F_1, F_2, F_3 , are quite small.

Definition 6.18. Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, for all $i \in I_{12}$, we set $P_i := P_{(X_i, t_i)}$, where $P_{(X_i, t_i)}$ is the n -dimensional plane, which is, in the sense of Lemma 6.3 (vi), associated to the ball $B(X_i, t_i) = B_i$ given by Lemma 6.15.

Lemma 6.19. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, then for all $i \in I_{12}$, there exists some affine map $A_i : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ with graph $G(A_i) = P_i$ and A_i is 2α -Lipschitz.*

Proof. We know $\sphericalangle(P_i, P_0) \leq \alpha \leq \frac{1}{2}$ (cf. definition of S_{total}) and, with Corollary 2.25, there exists some affine map $A_i : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ with graph $G(A_i) = P_i$. Using Corollary 2.24, we get for all $x, y \in P_0$

$$\begin{aligned} |A_i(x) - A_i(y)| &= d(\pi^\perp(A_i(x) + x), \pi^\perp(A_i(y) + y)) \\ &\leq \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha} d(\pi(A_i(x) + x), \pi(A_i(y) + y)) \leq 2\alpha|x - y|. \end{aligned}$$

□

In the following, we use differentiable functions defined on subsets of P_0 . For the definition of the derivative see section A.2 on page 156.

Lemma 6.20. *Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, then there exists some partition of unity $\phi_i \in C^\infty(U_{12}, \mathbb{R})$, $i \in I_{12}$, and some constant $C = C(n)$ with*

- $0 \leq \phi_i \leq 1$ on U_{12} and $\phi_i \equiv 0$ on the exterior of $3R_i$,

- $\sum_{i \in I_0} \phi_i(a) = 1$ for all $a \in U_{12}$,
- $|\partial^\omega \phi_i(a)| \leq \frac{C(n)}{(\text{diam } R_i)^{|\omega|}}$ where ω is some multi-index with $1 \leq |\omega| \leq 2$.

Proof. For every $i \in I_{12}$, we choose some function $\tilde{\phi}_i \in C^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})$ with $0 \leq \tilde{\phi}_i \leq 1$, $\tilde{\phi}_i \equiv 1$ on $2R_i$, $\tilde{\phi}_i \equiv 0$ on the exterior of $3R_i$, $|\partial^\omega \tilde{\phi}_i| \leq \frac{C}{\text{diam } R_i}$ for all multi-indices ω with $|\omega| = 1$ and $|\partial^\kappa \tilde{\phi}_i| \leq \frac{C}{(\text{diam } R_i)^2}$ for all multi-indices κ with $|\kappa| = 2$. Now on $V := \bigcup_{i \in I_{12}} 2R_i$, we can define the partition of unity

$$\phi_i(a) := \frac{\tilde{\phi}_i(a)}{\sum_{j \in I_{12}} \tilde{\phi}_j(a)}.$$

For all $a \in V$, there exists some $i \in I_{12}$ with $a \in 2R_i$ and hence $\sum_{j \in I_{12}} \tilde{\phi}_j(a) \geq 1$. Moreover, due to Lemma 6.14 (iv), there are only finitely many $j \in I_{12}$ such that $\tilde{\phi}_j(a) \neq 0$. Hence ϕ_i is well defined and fulfils the first and the second condition. With Lemma 6.14 (iv), $a \in V$ and $|\omega| = 1$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial^\omega \phi_i(a)| &\leq \frac{|(\partial^\omega \tilde{\phi}_i(a)) \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \tilde{\phi}_j(a) - \tilde{\phi}_i(a) \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \partial^\omega \tilde{\phi}_j(a)|}{|\sum_{j \in I_{12}} \tilde{\phi}_j(a)|^2} \\ &\leq |\partial^\omega \tilde{\phi}_i(a)| + |\tilde{\phi}_i(a) \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \partial^\omega \tilde{\phi}_j(a)| \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\text{diam } R_i} + \left| \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \partial^\omega \tilde{\phi}_j(a) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\text{diam } R_i} + (180)^n \frac{C}{\text{diam } R_i} \\ &\leq \frac{C(n)}{\text{diam } R_i}, \end{aligned}$$

and accordingly for $|\omega| = 2$

$$|\partial^\omega \phi_i(a)| \leq \frac{C(n)}{(\text{diam } R_i)^2}.$$

□

Definition 6.21 (Definition of A on U_{12}). Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$ and $k \geq 4$, we extend the function $A : \pi(\mathcal{Z}) \rightarrow P_0^\perp \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, $a \mapsto \pi^\perp(\pi|_{\mathcal{Z}}^{-1}(a))$ (see page 77) to the whole set U_{12} by setting for $a \in U_{12}$

$$A(a) := \begin{cases} \pi^\perp(\pi|_{\mathcal{Z}}^{-1}(a)) & , a \in \pi(\mathcal{Z}) \\ \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_i(a) & , a \in U_{12} \cap \bigcup_{i \in I_{12}} 2R_i. \end{cases}$$

With $\mathcal{Z} \subset F \subset B(0, 5)$, we get $\pi(\mathcal{Z}) \subset U_{12}$ and, with Lemma 6.14 (ii), we obtain $\bigcup_{i \in I_{12}} 2R_i \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z}) = \emptyset$, hence we have defined A on the whole set $U_{12} = (U_{12} \cap \bigcup_{i \in I_{12}} 2R_i) \dot{\cup} \pi(\mathcal{Z})$.

6.5 A is Lipschitz continuous

In this section, we show that A is Lipschitz continuous. We start with some useful estimates.

Lemma 6.22. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exists some $\bar{k} \geq 4$ and some $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0)$ so that if $k \geq \bar{k}$ and $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \bar{\varepsilon})$, there exist some constants $C > 1$ and $\bar{C} = \bar{C}(N, n, C_0) > 1$ so that for all $i, j \in I_{12}$ with $i \neq j$ and $10R_i \cap 10R_j \neq \emptyset$, we get*

- (i) $d(B_i, B_j) \leq C \text{diam } R_j$,
- (ii) $d(A_i(q), A_j(q)) \leq \bar{C}\varepsilon \text{diam } R_j$ for all $q \in 100R_j$,
- (iii) the Lipschitz constant of the map $(A_i - A_j) : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ fulfils $\text{Lip}_{A_i - A_j} \leq \bar{C}\varepsilon$,
- (iv) $d(A(u), A_j(u)) \leq \bar{C}\varepsilon \text{diam } R_j$ for all $u \in 2R_j \cap U_{12}$.

Proof. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. We set $\bar{\varepsilon} = \min \{ \frac{\delta}{2}, \bar{\varepsilon}', \varepsilon_0 \}$, where $\delta = \delta(N, n)$ is defined on page 65, $\bar{\varepsilon}'$ is the upper bound for ε given by Lemma 6.12 and ε_0 is the constant from Lemma 5.9. Let $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ and choose ε such that $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$.

(i) Let $B_i = B(X_i, t_i)$ and $B_j = B(X_j, t_j)$. With Lemma 6.14 and Lemma 6.15, we get

$$d(\pi(X_i), \pi(X_j)) \leq d(\pi(X_i), R_i) + d(R_i, R_j) + d(\pi(X_j), R_j) + C \text{diam } R_i \leq C \text{diam } R_j,$$

and for $l \in \{i, j\}$, we have $(X_l, t_l) \in S$ and hence

$$d(X_l) \leq d(X_l, X_l) + t_l = \frac{1}{2} \text{diam } B_l \leq 100 \text{diam } R_l \leq 500 \text{diam } R_j.$$

Now, with Lemma 6.12, there exists some constant $C > 1$ with

$$d(B_i, B_j) \leq d(X_i, X_j) \leq C \text{diam } R_j.$$

(ii) At first, we show for $q \in 100R_j$ that $d(A_i(q) + q, X_i) \leq C \text{diam } R_j$. Since $(X_i, t_i) \in S \subset S_{total}$ and $\varepsilon \leq \frac{\delta}{4}$, the requirements of Lemma 5.10 (ii) are fulfilled for $\sigma = 2\varepsilon$, $x = X_i$, $t = t_i$, $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}\delta$, $P = P_i$ and we get $B(X_i, 2t_i) \cap P_i \neq \emptyset$. Thus there exists some $a \in P_0$ with $A_i(a) + a \in B(X_i, 2t_i) \cap P_i$ and $a \in \pi(2B_i)$. Let $b \in R_i$. Since A_i is 2α -Lipschitz and $\alpha < \frac{1}{2}$, we obtain using Lemma 6.14 and 6.15

$$\begin{aligned} d(A_i(q) + q, X_i) &\leq d(A_i(q) + q, A_i(a) + a) + d(A_i(a) + a, X_i) \\ &\leq |A_i(q) - A_i(a)| + d(q, a) + \text{diam } B_i \\ &\leq 2d(q, a) + \text{diam } B_i \\ &\leq 2[d(q, b) + d(b, a)] + \text{diam } B_i \leq C \text{diam } R_j. \end{aligned} \tag{6.14}$$

With Lemma 6.14 and 6.15, there exists some constant $C > 2$ so that $\frac{1}{C}t_j \leq t_i \leq Ct_j$. Moreover, we have $(X_i, t_i), (X_j, t_j) \in S \subset S_{total}$ (Lemma 6.15) and hence $\beta_{1;k}^{P_i}(X_i, t_i) \leq 2\varepsilon$ and $\beta_{1;k}^{P_j}(X_j, t_j) \leq 2\varepsilon$ as well as $\delta(B(X_i, t_i)) \geq \frac{\delta}{2}$ and $\delta(B(X_j, t_j)) \geq \frac{\delta}{2}$. We have already seen in the proof of (i) that $d(X_i, X_j) \leq Ct_j$. So, with $k \geq \bar{k} := 2C^2 \geq 4C$, the requirements of Lemma 5.9 (i) are fulfilled for $x = X_j$, $y = X_i$, $c = C$, $\xi = 2$, $t_x = t_j$, $t_y = t_i$, $\lambda = \frac{\delta}{2}$, and hence

there exists some $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ and some constant $C_3 = C_3(N, n, C_0) > 1$ so that, for $\varepsilon < \bar{\varepsilon} \leq \varepsilon_0$, we get

$$d(A_i(q) + q, P_j) \leq C_3\varepsilon (t_j + d(A_i(q) + q, X_j)). \quad (6.15)$$

Furthermore, there exists some $o \in P_0$ so that $A_j(o) + o = \pi_{P_j}(A_i(q) + q)$. Now, with Lemma 6.14, Lemma 6.15 and using that A_i is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant $2\alpha < 1$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(A_i(q), A_j(q)) &= d(A_i(q) + q, A_j(q) + q) \\ &\leq d(A_i(q) + q, P_j) + d(A_j(o) + o, A_j(q) + q) \\ &< d(A_i(q) + q, P_j) + 2d(o, q) \\ &\leq d(A_i(q) + q, P_j) + 2d(A_i(q) + q, A_j(o) + o) \\ &\stackrel{(6.15)}{\leq} 3C_3\varepsilon (\text{diam } B_j + d(A_i(q) + q, X_i) + d(X_i, X_j)) \\ &\stackrel{(6.14)}{\leq} C(N, n, C_0)\varepsilon \text{diam } R_j. \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Without loss of generality, we assume $\text{diam } R_i \leq \text{diam } R_j$. We have $B(y, 2 \text{diam } R_i) \cap P_0 \subset 20R_i \cap 20R_j$ for some $y \in 10R_i \cap 10R_j \neq \emptyset$. We choose $a, b \in B(y, 2 \text{diam } R_i) \cap P_0$ with $d(a, b) \geq \text{diam } R_i$. Now, with (ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned} |(A_i - A_j)(a) - (A_i - A_j)(b)| &\leq |A_i(a) - A_j(a)| + |A_i(b) - A_j(b)| \\ &\leq C\varepsilon \text{diam } R_i \leq C(N, n, C_0)\varepsilon d(a, b). \end{aligned}$$

Since A_i and A_j are affine maps, the map $A_i - A_j$ is also affine. The estimates above hold for all $a, b \in B(y, 2 \text{diam } R_i) \cap P_0$ with $d(a, b) \geq \text{diam } R_i$, which implies that the affine map $A_i - A_j$ is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant $C(N, n, C_0)\varepsilon$.

(iv) Let $u \in 2R_j \cap U_{12}$. Using $\sum_{l \in I_{12}} \phi_l(u) = 1$ and Lemma 6.14 (iv), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(A(u), A_j(u)) &= \left| \sum_{l \in I_{12}} \phi_l(u) A_l(u) - \sum_{l \in I_{12}} \phi_l(u) A_j(u) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{l \in I_{12}} \phi_l(u) |A_l(u) - A_j(u)| \stackrel{(ii)}{\leq} \bar{C}(N, n, C_0)\varepsilon \text{diam } R_j. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 6.23. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exists some $\bar{k} \geq 4$ and some $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha) < \alpha$ so that if $k \geq \bar{k}$ and $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \bar{\varepsilon})$, the function A is Lipschitz continuous on $2R_j \cap U_{12}$ for all $j \in I_{12}$ with Lipschitz constant 3α .*

Proof. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. We set $\bar{\varepsilon} := \min \left\{ \bar{\varepsilon}', \frac{\alpha}{C} \right\}$, where $\bar{\varepsilon}'$ is the upper bound for ε given by Lemma 6.22 and $\bar{C}(N, n, C_0)$ is some constant presented at the end of this proof. Let $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ and choose $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$.

Let $a, b \in 2R_j \cap U_{12}$. We obtain using $\sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) = 1 = \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(b)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |A(a) - A(b)| &= \left| \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_i(a) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(b) A_i(b) \right| \\
 &= \left| \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_i(a) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_i(b) + \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_i(b) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_j(b) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_j(b) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(b) A_j(b) + \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(b) A_j(b) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(b) A_i(b) \right| \\
 &\leq \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) |A_i(a) - A_i(b)| \\
 &\quad + \left| \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_i(b) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_j(b) + \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(b) A_j(b) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(b) A_i(b) \right| \\
 &\quad + \underbrace{\left| \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) A_j(b) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(b) A_j(b) \right|}_{=0} \\
 &\leq \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(a) |A_i(a) - A_i(b)| + \sum_{i \in I_{12}} |\phi_i(a) - \phi_i(b)| |A_i(b) - A_j(b)|.
 \end{aligned}$$

If $\phi_i(a) - \phi_i(b) \neq 0$, we get $3R_i \cap 2R_j \neq \emptyset$ and so we can apply Lemma 6.14 (iii), (iv) and Lemma 6.22 (ii). Furthermore, we know from Lemma 6.19 that A_i is 2α -Lipschitz and we deduce with Lemma 6.20 that ϕ_i is $\frac{C}{\text{diam } R_i}$ -Lipschitz. Since $\varepsilon < \bar{\varepsilon} \leq \frac{\alpha}{C}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 |A(a) - A(b)| &\leq 2\alpha|a - b| + (180)^n \frac{5C}{\text{diam } R_j} |a - b| \bar{C} \varepsilon \text{diam } R_j \\
 &= 2\alpha|a - b| + \tilde{C}(N, n, C_0) \varepsilon |a - b| \leq 3\alpha|a - b|.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 6.24. *Under the conditions of the previous lemma for $a, b \in U_{12} \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ with $[a, b] \subset U_{12} \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z})$, we have that $d(A(a), A(b)) \leq 3\alpha d(a, b)$.*

Proof. With Lemma 6.14 (ii) it follows that $[a, b] \subset \bigcup_{j \in I_{12}} R_j$. Hence, for all $v \in [a, b]$, there exists some $j \in I_{12}$ with $v \in R_j$ and, with Lemma 6.14 (i), we get $D(v) \geq 10 \text{diam } R_j > 0$. Assume that the set $\tilde{I}_{12} := \{i \in I_{12} | R_i \cap [a, b] \neq \emptyset\}$ is infinite. The cubes R_i have disjoint interior, so there exists some sequence $(R_{i_l})_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$, $i_l \in \tilde{I}_{12}$ with $\text{diam } R_{i_l} \rightarrow 0$. Hence there exists some sequence $(v_l)_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $v_l \in R_{i_l} \cap [a, b]$ and, with Lemma 6.14 (i), we obtain $D(v_l) \leq 50 \text{diam } R_{i_l} \rightarrow 0$. Since $[a, b]$ is compact, $(v_l)_{l \in \mathbb{N}}$ has an accumulation point $\bar{v} \in [a, b]$ and, since D is continuous (Lemma 6.9), we deduce $D(\bar{v}) = 0$, which is according to Lemma 6.11 equivalent to $\bar{v} \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$. This is in contradiction to $[a, b] \subset P_0 \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ and so the set \tilde{I}_{12} has to be finite.

With Lemma 6.23 and $[a, b] \subset \bigcup_{i \in \tilde{I}_{12}} R_i$, we get $d(A(a), A(b)) \leq 3\alpha d(a, b)$. □

Now we show that A is Lipschitz continuous on U_{12} with some large Lipschitz constant. After that, using the continuity of A , we are able to prove that A is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant 3α .

Lemma 6.25. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exists some $\bar{k} \geq 4$ and some $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha) < \alpha$ so that if $k \geq \bar{k}$ and $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \bar{\varepsilon})$, A is Lipschitz continuous on U_{12} .*

Proof. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$, $k \geq \bar{k} \geq 4$, where \bar{k} is the constant from Lemma 6.23, and let $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha) \leq \frac{\delta}{4}$ be so small that we can apply Lemma 6.12, 6.17, 6.22 and Lemma 6.24. Furthermore, let $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$.

Let $a, b \in U_{12}$. We prove $d(A(a), A(b)) \leq Cd(a, b)$.

1. Case: $a, b \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$.

This is already proven in Lemma 6.17.

2. Case: We have $a, b \notin \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ and $[a, b] \subset \bigcup_{j \in I_{12}} 2R_j$.

This is already proven in Lemma 6.24.

3. Case: We have $a \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ and there exists some $j \in I_{12}$ with $b \in 2R_j$.

According to Lemma 6.11, we have $D(a) = 0$. Since $b \in 2R_j$, we obtain with Lemma 6.14 and because D is 1-Lipschitz (Lemma 6.9)

$$\text{diam } R_j \leq D(b) = D(b) - D(a) \leq d(a, b). \quad (6.16)$$

We estimate $d(A(a), A(b)) \leq d(A(a) + a, A(b) + b) \leq d(A(a) + a, X_j) + d(X_j, A(b) + b)$ where X_j is the centre of the ball $B_j = B(X_j, t_j)$ (see Lemma 6.15).

At first, we consider $d(A(a) + a, X_j)$. By definition of A on $\pi(\mathcal{Z})$, we get $A(a) + a \in \mathcal{Z}$ because $a \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$. We already know that the function $d \equiv 0$ on \mathcal{Z} (see Lemma 6.11). Hence

$$d(A(a) + a) = 0.$$

Moreover, with Lemma 6.15 (i) and $(X_j, t_j) \in S$, we deduce

$$d(X_j) = \inf_{(Y, s) \in S} (d(Y, X_j) + s) \leq t_j = \frac{\text{diam } B_j}{2} \leq 100 \text{diam } R_j \stackrel{(6.16)}{\leq} 100d(a, b),$$

and again by Lemma 6.15 (i), (ii)

$$d(\pi(A(a) + a), \pi(X_j)) \leq d(a, b) + d(b, \pi(X_j)) \leq d(a, b) + C \text{diam } R_j \stackrel{(6.16)}{\leq} Cd(a, b).$$

With Lemma 6.12, we obtain

$$d(A(a) + a, X_j) \leq 6(d(A(a) + a) + d(X_j)) + 2d(\pi(A(a) + a), \pi(X_j)) \leq Cd(a, b).$$

Now we consider $d(X_j, A(b) + b)$. We have $(X_j, t_j) \in S \subset S_{total}$ and hence, with Lemma 5.10 (ii) ($\sigma = 2\varepsilon$, $x = X_j$, $t = t_j$, $\lambda = \frac{\delta}{2}$, $P = P_j$) using $\varepsilon < \bar{\varepsilon} \leq \frac{\delta}{4}$, there exists some $y \in B(X_j, 2t_j) \cap P_j$, where P_j is the associated plane to B_j (see Remark 6.3 (iii)). We conclude

$$d(X_j, A(b) + b) \leq d(X_j, y) + d(y, A_j(b) + b) + d(A_j(b) + b, A(b) + b).$$

With Lemma 6.22 (iv) and $\varepsilon \leq \bar{\varepsilon} < 1$, there exists some $C = C(N, n, C_0)$ so that

$$d(A_j(b) + b, A(b) + b) = d(A(b), A_j(b)) \leq C\varepsilon \text{diam } R_j \leq Cd(a, b),$$

so that, with $y \in 2B_j \cap P_j$ and $\varphi(P_j, P_0) \leq \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$, we deduce with Lemma 2.23 and Lemma 6.15 (i), (ii)

$$\begin{aligned} d(X_j, A(b) + b) &\leq d(X_j, y) + \overbrace{d(y, A_j(b) + b)}^{\leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha} d(\pi(y), b)} + d(A_j(b) + b, A(b) + b) \\ &\leq \text{diam } B_j + 2d(\pi(y), b) + Cd(a, b) \\ &\stackrel{(6.16)}{\leq} Cd(a, b). \end{aligned}$$

4. Case: We have $a, b \notin \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ and there exists some $d \in [a, b] \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})$.

We get using case 3

$$d(A(a), A(b)) \leq d(A(a), A(d)) + d(A(d), A(b)) \leq Cd(a, d) + Cd(d, b) = Cd(a, b).$$

□

Lemma 6.26. *Under the conditions of Lemma 6.25 for some $a \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$, $i \in I_{12}$ and $b \in 2R_j$, we get*

$$d(A(a), A(b)) \leq 3\alpha d(a, b).$$

Proof. We set $c := \inf_{x \in [a, b] \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})} d(x, b)$. Since $\pi(\mathcal{Z})$ is closed (see Lemma 6.11), there exists some $v \in [a, b] \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ with $d(v, b) = c$. Furthermore, there exists some sequence $(v_l)_l \subset [v, b]$ with $v_l \rightarrow v$ where $l \rightarrow \infty$. With Lemma 6.14, we deduce $([v, b] \setminus \{v\}) \subset \bigcup_{j \in I_{12}} 2R_j$. For every $l \in \mathbb{N}$ we obtain with Lemma 6.24

$$\begin{aligned} d(A(v), A(b)) &\leq d(A(v), A(v_l)) + d(A(v_l), A(b)) \\ &\leq d(A(v), A(v_l)) + 3\alpha d(v_l, b) \\ &\leq d(A(v), A(v_l)) + 3\alpha d(v, b). \end{aligned}$$

and, since A is continuous (Lemma 6.25) we conclude with $l \rightarrow \infty$

$$d(A(v), A(b)) \leq 3\alpha d(v, b).$$

We already know that A is 2α -Lipschitz on $\pi(\mathcal{Z})$ so we get since $v \in [a, b]$

$$\begin{aligned} d(A(a), A(b)) &\leq d(A(a), A(v)) + d(A(v), A(b)) \\ &\leq 2\alpha d(a, v) + 3\alpha d(v, b) \\ &\leq 3\alpha d(a, b). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 6.27. *Under the conditions of Lemma 6.25 for $a, b \in \bigcup_{j \in I_{12}} 2R_j \cap U_{12}$, we have*

$$d(A(a), A(b)) \leq 3\alpha d(a, b).$$

Proof. Let $a \in 2R_i$ and $b \in 2R_j$. If $i = j$, the statement is already proven in Lemma 6.23. So we assume $i \neq j$.

1. Case: There exists some $v \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ with $v \in [a, b]$.

We obtain with Lemma 6.26

$$\begin{aligned} d(A(a), A(b)) &\leq d(A(a), A(v)) + d(A(v), A(b)) \\ &\leq 3\alpha d(a, v) + 3\alpha d(v, b) \\ &= 3\alpha d(a, b). \end{aligned}$$

2. Case: We have $[a, b] \subset U_{12} \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z})$.

This is already proven in Lemma 6.24. \square

Lemma 6.28. *Under the conditions of Lemma 6.25, the function A is Lipschitz continuous on U_{12} with Lipschitz constant 3α .*

Proof. With Lemma 6.17 we already know that A is 2α -Lipschitz on $\pi(\mathcal{Z})$. Hence the previous lemmas imply that A is Lipschitz continuous on $U_{12} = (U_{12} \cap \bigcup_{j \in I_{12}} 2R_j) \dot{\cup} \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ with Lipschitz constant 3α . \square

The following estimate is for later use.

Lemma 6.29. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exists some $\bar{k} \geq 4$ and some $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0)$ so that if $k \geq \bar{k}$ and $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \bar{\varepsilon})$, there exists some constant $C = C(N, n, C_0)$ so that for all $j \in I_{12}$ and for all multi-indices κ with $|\kappa| = 2$ and $a \in 2R_j$*

$$|\partial^\kappa A(a)| \leq \frac{C\varepsilon}{\text{diam } R_j}.$$

Proof. Choose \bar{k} and $\bar{\varepsilon}$ as in Lemma 6.22. Let κ be some multi-index with $|\kappa| = 2$. For $i \in I_{12}$, the function A_i is an affine map, so $\partial^\kappa A_i = 0$ and hence for some suitable $l_1, l_2 \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ we have

$$\partial^\kappa A = \partial^\kappa \left(\sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i A_i \right) = \sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\partial^\kappa \phi_i) A_i + \sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\partial_{l_1} \phi_i \partial_{l_2} A_i + \partial_{l_2} \phi_i \partial_{l_1} A_i). \quad (6.17)$$

Let $j \in I_{12}$ and $a \in 2R_j$. Since $\phi_i \equiv 0$ on the exterior of $3R_i$ where $i \in I_{12}$, with Lemma 6.14, there exist at most 180^n cells R_i so that $\partial^\kappa \phi_i(a) \neq 0$ or $\partial^\omega \phi_i(a) \neq 0$, where ω is a multi-index with $|\omega| = 1$. So only finite sums occur in the following estimates. We have $\sum_{i \in I_{12}} \partial^\omega \phi_i = \partial^\omega \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i = \partial^\omega 1 = 0$ so that, for $a \in 2R_j$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &|\partial^\kappa A(a)| \\ &\stackrel{(6.17)}{\leq} \left| \sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\partial^\kappa \phi_i(a)) A_i(a) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\partial^\kappa \phi_i(a)) A_j(a) \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\partial_{l_1} \phi_i(a) \partial_{l_2} A_i(a) + \partial_{l_2} \phi_i(a) \partial_{l_1} A_i(a)) - \sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\partial_{l_1} \phi_i(a) \partial_{l_2} A_j(a) + \partial_{l_2} \phi_i(a) \partial_{l_1} A_j(a)) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{i \in I_{12}} |\partial^\kappa \phi_i(a)| |A_i(a) - A_j(a)| \\ &\quad + \sum_{i \in I_{12}} |\partial_{l_1} \phi_i(a)| |\partial_{l_2} (A_i(a) - A_j(a))| + \sum_{i \in I_{12}} |\partial_{l_2} \phi_i(a)| |\partial_{l_1} (A_i(a) - A_j(a))|. \end{aligned}$$

To estimate these sums, we only have to consider the case when a is in the support of ϕ_i for some $i \in I_{12}$. This implies $3R_i \cap 2R_j \neq \emptyset$ and so we can apply Lemma 6.22. For $a \in 3R_i \cap 2R_j$, we have the following estimates (see Lemma 6.22 and 6.20)

$$\begin{aligned} |A_i(a) - A_j(a)| &\leq C(N, n, C_0)\varepsilon \operatorname{diam} R_j, \\ |\partial^\omega(A_i(a) - A_j(a))| &\leq C(N, n, C_0)\varepsilon, \\ |\partial^\omega \phi_i(a)| &\leq \frac{C(n)}{\operatorname{diam} R_i}, \\ |\partial^\kappa \phi_i(a)| &\leq \frac{C(n)}{(\operatorname{diam} R_i)^2}, \end{aligned}$$

and hence, with Lemma 6.14 (iii), (iv), we obtain

$$|\partial^\kappa A(a)| \leq 180^n \frac{C(n)}{(\operatorname{diam} R_j)^2} C\varepsilon \operatorname{diam} R_j + 2 \cdot 180^n \frac{C(n)}{\operatorname{diam} R_j} C\varepsilon \leq \frac{C\varepsilon}{\operatorname{diam} R_j}.$$

□

7 γ -functions

In this chapter, we introduce the γ -function of some function $g : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$. This function measures how well g can be approximated in some ball by some affine function. The main results of this chapter are Theorem 7.3 on page 90 and Theorem 7.17 on page 103. We will use these statements in section 8.4 to prove that $\mu(F_3)$ is small.

Definition 7.1. Let $U \subset P_0$, $q \in U$ and $t > 0$ so that $B(q, t) \cap P_0 \subset U$. Furthermore, let $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}(P_0, P_0^\perp)$ be the set of all affine functions $a : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$, $\mathcal{P}(N, n)$ the set of all n -dimensional affine planes in \mathbb{R}^N and let $g : U \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ be some function. We define

$$\gamma_g(q, t) := \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(g(u), a(u))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u)$$

and

$$\tilde{\gamma}_g(q, t) := \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(u + g(u), P)}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u).$$

Lemma 7.2. Let $U \subset P_0$, $q \in U$ and $t > 0$ so that $B(q, t) \cap P_0 \subset U$. Furthermore, let $g : U \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ be a Lipschitz continuous function with Lipschitz constant

$\text{Lip}_g \leq \left[60n(10^n + 1)2^n \left(n \frac{4\omega_{n-1}}{\omega_n} \right)^{n+1} \right]^{-1}$, where ω_n denotes the n -dimensional volume of the n -dimensional unit ball. Then we have

$$\tilde{\gamma}_g(q, t) \leq \gamma_g(q, t) \leq 3\tilde{\gamma}_g(q, t).$$

Proof. Let g be a Lipschitz continuous function with an appropriate Lipschitz constant. For every $a \in \mathcal{A}$ the graph $G(a)$ of a is in $\mathcal{P}(N, n)$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\gamma}_g(q, t) &= \inf_{P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(u + g(u), P)}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\leq \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(u + g(u), G(a))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\leq \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(u + g(u), u + a(u))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &= \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(g(u), a(u))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &= \gamma_g(q, t), \end{aligned}$$

which is the first inequality. Now we treat the second one. We deduce

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma_g(q, t) &= \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(g(u), a(u))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \underbrace{d(g(u), g(q))}_{\leq \text{Lip}_g d(u, q) \leq \text{Lip}_g t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} \text{Lip}_g t \underbrace{\mathcal{H}^n(B(q, t) \cap P_0)}_{=\omega_n t^n} \\
 &\leq \text{Lip}_g \omega_n.
 \end{aligned}$$

The first inequality implies

$$\tilde{\gamma}_g(q, t) \leq \gamma_g(q, t) \leq \text{Lip}_g \omega_n.$$

Let $0 < \xi < \text{Lip}_g \omega_n$ and choose some $P \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ so that

$$\frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(u + g(u), P)}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \leq \tilde{\gamma}_g(q, t) + \xi \leq 2 \text{Lip}_g \omega_n. \quad (7.1)$$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mathcal{H}^n\left(\underbrace{\{v \in B(q, t) \cap P_0 \mid d(v + g(v), P) \leq 4 \text{Lip}_g t\}}_{=: D_1}\right) \\
 &\geq \mathcal{H}^n(B(q, t) \cap P_0) - \mathcal{H}^n\left(\underbrace{\{v \in B(q, t) \cap P_0 \mid d(v + g(v), P) > 4 \text{Lip}_g t\}}_{=: D_2}\right) \\
 &= \omega_n t^n - \frac{1}{4 \text{Lip}_g t} \int_{D_2} 4 \text{Lip}_g t d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\
 &> \omega_n t^n - \frac{1}{4 \text{Lip}_g t} \int_{D_2} d(u + g(u), P) d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\
 &\geq \omega_n t^n - \frac{1}{4 \text{Lip}_g} \underbrace{\int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(u + g(u), P)}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u)}_{\stackrel{(7.1)}{\leq} t^n 2 \text{Lip}_g \omega_n} \\
 &\geq \frac{\omega_n}{2} t^n. \quad (7.2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Assume that every simplex $\Delta(u_0, \dots, u_n) \in D_1$ is not an (n, H) -simplex, where $H = \frac{\omega_n}{4\omega_{n-1}}t$. With Lemma 2.16 ($m = n$, $D = D_1$), there exists some plane $\hat{P} \in \mathcal{P}(N, n - 1)$ with

$$D_1 \subset U_H(\hat{P}) \cap B(q, t) \cap P_0.$$

We get

$$\mathcal{H}^n(D_1) \leq \mathcal{H}^n(U_H(\hat{P}) \cap B(q, t) \cap P_0) \leq 2H\omega_{n-1}t^{n-1} = \frac{\omega_n}{2}t^n.$$

This is in contradiction to (7.2), so there exists some (n, H) -simplex $\Delta(u_0, \dots, u_n) \in D_1$. We set $\hat{P}_0 := P_0 + g(u_0)$, $y_i := u_i + g(u_0) \in \hat{P}_0$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ and $S := \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_n) \subset \hat{P}_0 \cap B(q + g(u_0), t)$. We recall that P is the plane satisfying (7.1). We obtain for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$

$$d(y_i, P) \leq d(u_i + g(u_0), u_i + g(u_i)) + d(u_i + g(u_i), P) \leq \text{Lip}_g d(u_0, u_i) + 4 \text{Lip}_g t \leq 6 \text{Lip}_g t.$$

With Lemma 2.28, $C = \frac{4\omega_{n-1}}{\omega_n} > 1^1$, $\hat{C} = 1$, $m = n$, $\sigma = 6 \text{Lip}_g$, $P_1 = \hat{P}_0$, $P_2 = P$ and $x = q + g(u_0)$, we get

$$\sphericalangle(P_0, P) = \sphericalangle(\hat{P}_0, P) \leq 4n(10^n + 1)2^n \left(n \frac{4\omega_{n-1}}{\omega_n} \right)^{n+1} 6 \text{Lip}_g < \frac{1}{2},$$

and, with Corollary 2.25, there exists some affine map $\bar{a} : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ with graph $G(\bar{a}) = P$. Now we obtain with Corollary 2.24 ($P_1 = P$, $P_2 = P_0$), $u, v \in P_0$ and $\sphericalangle(P_0, P) < \frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} d(\underbrace{v + \bar{a}(v)}_{\in P}, \underbrace{u + \bar{a}(u)}_{\in P}) &\leq 2d(\pi_{P_0}(v + \bar{a}(v)), \pi_{P_0}(u + \bar{a}(u))) \\ &= 2d(\pi_{P_0}(v + \bar{a}(v)), \pi_{P_0}(u + g(u))). \end{aligned} \quad (7.3)$$

That yields for $u \in B(q, t) \cap P_0$ and some suitable $v \in P_0$

$$\begin{aligned} d(g(u), \bar{a}(u)) &= d(u + g(u), u + \bar{a}(u)) \\ &\leq d(u + g(u), P) + d(\underbrace{\pi_P(u + g(u))}_{=: v + \bar{a}(v)}, u + \bar{a}(u)) \\ &\stackrel{(7.3)}{\leq} d(u + g(u), P) + 2d(\pi_{P_0}(\underbrace{v + \bar{a}(v)}_{=: \pi_P(u + g(u))}), \pi_{P_0}(u + g(u))) \\ &\leq d(u + g(u), P) + 2 \underbrace{d(\pi_P(u + g(u)), u + g(u))}_{=: d(u + g(u), P)} \\ &= 3d(u + g(u), P). \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_g(q, t) &= \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(g(u), a(u))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(g(u), \bar{a}(u))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\leq 3 \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(u + g(u), P)}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\stackrel{(7.1)}{\leq} 3(\tilde{\gamma}_g(q, t) + \xi), \end{aligned}$$

and $0 < \xi < \alpha\omega_n$ was arbitrarily chosen. \square

¹As the volume of the unit sphere is strictly monotonously decreasing when the dimension $n \geq 5$ increases, we get $\frac{\omega_{n-1}}{\omega_n} > 1$ for all $n \geq 6$. With the factor 4 we have that $4 \frac{\omega_{n-1}}{\omega_n} > 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

7.1 γ -functions and affine approximation of Lipschitz functions

In this section, we use the notation $U_l := B(0, l) \cap P_0$ for $l \in \{6, 8, 10\}$.

Theorem 7.3. *Let $1 < p < \infty$ and let $g : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ be a Lipschitz continuous function with Lipschitz constant Lip_g and compact support. For all $\theta > 0$, there exists some set $H_\theta \subset U_6$ and some constants $C = C(n, p)$ and $\hat{C} = \hat{C}(n, N)$ with*

$$\mathcal{H}^n(U_6 \setminus H_\theta) \leq \frac{C}{\theta^{p(n+1)} \text{Lip}_g^p} \int_{U_{10}} \left(\int_0^2 \gamma_g(x, t)^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(x)$$

so that, for all $y \in P_0$, there exists some affine map $a_y : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ so that if $r \leq \theta$ and $B(y, r) \cap H_\theta \neq \emptyset$, we have

$$\|g - a_y\|_{L^\infty(B(y, r) \cap P_0, P_0^\perp)} \leq \hat{C} r \theta \text{Lip}_g,$$

where $\|\cdot\|_{L^\infty(E)}$ denotes the essential supremum on $E \subset P_0$ with respect to the \mathcal{H}^n -measure.

To prove this theorem, we need the following lemma. If ν is some map, we use the notation $\nu_t(x) := \frac{1}{t^n} \nu\left(\frac{x}{t}\right)$.

Lemma 7.4. *There exists some radial function $\nu \in C_0^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})$ with*

1. $\text{supp}(\nu) \subset B(0, 1) \cap P_0$ and $\widehat{\nu}(0) = 0$,
2. there exists some constant $c > 0$ so that for all $x \in P_0 \setminus \{0\}$ and $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, we have

$$\int_0^\infty |\widehat{\nu}(tx)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < \int_0^\infty |(\widehat{\partial_i \nu})_t(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \leq c < \infty, \quad (7.4)$$

3. for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, the function $\partial_i \nu$ has mean value zero and, for all $a \in \mathcal{A}(P_0, P_0^\perp)$ (affine functions), we have

$$\int_{P_0} a \nu \, d\mathcal{H}^n = 0, \quad (7.5)$$

4. for all $w \in P_0$ and $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, we have

$$\partial_i \nu(-w) = -\partial_i \nu(w), \quad (7.6)$$

5. $\widehat{\nu}$ is radial.

Proof. Let

$$\nu_1 : P_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

be some non harmonic ($\Delta \nu_1 \neq 0$), radial C^∞ function with support in $B(0, 1) \cap P_0$. We set $\nu_2 := \Delta \nu_1 \in C^\infty(P_0) \cap C_0^\infty(B(0, 1) \cap P_0)$ and $0 < c_1 := \int_0^\infty |\widehat{\nu_2}(te)|^2 \frac{dt}{t}$, where e is some normed vector in P_0 . With Lemma A.22, we get ν_2 is radial as well. Using Lemma A.20, we obtain

$$|\widehat{\nu_2}(te)| = \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \widehat{\partial_j \partial_j \nu_1}(te) \right| = (2\pi)^2 |\widehat{\nu_1}(te)| \sum_{j=1}^n \phi^{-1}(te)_j^2 = 4\pi^2 t^2 |\widehat{\nu_1}(te)|$$

and hence

$$0 < c_1 = \int_0^\infty |\widehat{\nu}_2(te)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} = 16\pi^4 \int_0^\infty t^3 |\widehat{\nu}_1(te)|^2 dt < \infty$$

because ν_1 is in the Schwarz space and therefore $\widehat{\nu}_1$ as well [Gra08, 2.2.15, 2.2.11 (11)]. The previous equality also implies $\widehat{\nu}_2(0) = 0$. Now we set

$$\nu := \sqrt{\frac{1}{c_1}} \nu_2,$$

which is a radial $C_0^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})$ function that fulfils 1. With [Gra08, 2.2.12], we get $\widehat{\nu}$ is radial, so it fulfils 5. We have for all $x \in P_0 \setminus \{0\}$ (use substitution with $t = r \frac{1}{|x|}$ and the fact that $\widehat{\nu}$ is radial)

$$\int_0^\infty |\widehat{\nu}(tx)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} = \int_0^\infty |\widehat{\nu}(re)|^2 \frac{dr}{r} = 1.$$

In a similar way, we deduce for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ with Lemma A.20 (using $|(\phi^{-1}(tx))^\kappa| \leq |\phi^{-1}(tx)| = |tx|$ where κ is some multi-index with $|\kappa| = 1$)

$$\int_0^\infty |(\widehat{\partial_i \nu})_t(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \leq 4\pi^2 \int_0^\infty |tx|^2 |\widehat{\nu}(tx)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} = 4\pi^2 \int_0^\infty r \left| \widehat{\nu}\left(r \frac{x}{|x|}\right) \right|^2 dr < \infty,$$

where we use that the Fourier transform of a Schwartz function is a Schwartz function as well [Gra08, 2.2.15]. The left hand side of the previous inequality can not be zero, because this would implicate that $\partial_i \nu(x) = 0$ for all $x \in P_0$, which is in contradiction to $0 \neq \nu \in C_0^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})$. Hence ν fulfils 2.

Now we get for all $a \in \mathcal{A}(P_0, P_0^\perp)$ (see Lemma A.17, partial integration)

$$\int_{P_0} a \nu \, d\mathcal{H}^n = \int_{P_0} a \sqrt{\frac{1}{c_1}} \Delta \nu_1 \, d\mathcal{H}^n = \int_{P_0} \underbrace{\Delta a}_{=0} \sqrt{\frac{1}{c_1}} \nu_1 \, d\mathcal{H}^n = 0,$$

and the same argument implies that $\partial_i \nu$ has mean value zero. At last, we show that ν fulfils (7.6). For $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, there exists some $\tilde{e} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ so that we get with Definition A.13, using that ν is radial,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_i \nu(-w) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\nu \circ \phi)(\phi^{-1}(-w) + h\tilde{e}) - \nu(-w)}{h} \\ &= - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\nu \circ \phi)(\phi^{-1}(w) + (-h)\tilde{e}) - \nu(w)}{-h} = -\partial_i \nu(w). \end{aligned}$$

□

For some function $f : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ and $x \in P_0$, we define the convolution of ν_t and f by

$$(\nu_t * f)(x) := \int_{P_0} \nu_t(x - y) f(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y).$$

Lemma 7.5 (Calderón's identity). *Let ν be the function given by Lemma 7.4 and let $u \in P_0 \setminus \{0\}$ and $f \in L^2(P_0, P_0^\perp)$ or let $f \in \mathcal{S}'(P_0)$ be a tempered distribution and $u \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$ (Schwartz space) with $u(0) = 0$. Then we have*

$$f(u) = \int_0^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * f)(u) \frac{dt}{t}. \quad (7.7)$$

Remark. Léger calls this identity “Calderón’s formula” [Lég99, p. 862, 5. Calderón’s formula and the size of F_3]. Grafakos presents a similar version called “Calderón reproducing formula” [Gra08, p.371, Exercise 5.2.2].

Proof. At first, let $f \in L^2(P_0, P_0^\perp)$ and $u \in P_0 \setminus \{0\}$. We have with Lemma A.20 $\widehat{(\nu_t)}(u) = \widehat{\nu}(tu)$ and, with Fubini’s theorem, Lemma A.19 and [Gra08, 2.2.4 The Fourier Transform on $L^1 + L^2$], we obtain with (7.4)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\int_0^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * f)(u) \frac{dt}{t} \right)^\wedge &= \int_0^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * f)^\wedge(u) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_0^\infty \widehat{(\nu_t)}(u) \widehat{(\nu_t)}(u) \widehat{f}(u) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \widehat{f}(u) \underbrace{\int_0^\infty |\widehat{\nu}(tu)|^2 \frac{dt}{t}}_{=1} \\ &= \widehat{f}(u). \end{aligned}$$

The Fourier inversion holds on $L^2(P_0, P_0^\perp)$ [Gra08, 2.2.4 The Fourier Transform on $L^1 + L^2$], which gives the statement.

Now let f be a tempered distribution and $u \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$ with $u(0) = 0$. Using Lemma 7.4 1. and 2., we deduce for all $x \in P_0$ that

$$u(x) = u(x) \int_0^\infty \widehat{(\nu_t)}(x) \widehat{(\nu_t)}(x) \frac{dt}{t}$$

and hence we get with [Gra08, Prop. 2.3.22] and [Yos80, Chapter V, Section 5, Cor. 2]

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\int_0^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * f)(u) \frac{dt}{t} \right)^\wedge &= \int_0^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * f)(\widehat{u}) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_0^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * f)^\wedge(u) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_0^\infty \left(\widehat{(\nu_t)} \widehat{(\nu_t)} \widehat{f} \right)(u) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_0^\infty \widehat{f} \left(\widehat{(\nu_t)} \widehat{(\nu_t)} u \right) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \widehat{f} \left(u \int_0^\infty \widehat{(\nu_t)} \widehat{(\nu_t)} \frac{dt}{t} \right) \\ &= \widehat{f}(u). \end{aligned}$$

□

Proof of Theorem 7.3. Let $g \in C_0^{0,1}(P_0, P_0^\perp)$ and let ν be the function given by Lemma 7.4. We apply the previous lemma on $g \in L^2(P_0, P_0^\perp)$ and get for $u \in P_0 \setminus \{0\}$

$$g(u) = \int_0^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * g)(u) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

We define

$$\begin{aligned} g_1(u) &:= \int_2^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * g)(u) \frac{dt}{t} + \int_0^2 (\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{P_0 \setminus U_{10}} \cdot (\nu_t * g)))(u) \frac{dt}{t}, \\ g_2(u) &:= \int_0^2 (\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}} \cdot (\nu_t * g)))(u) \frac{dt}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

The convolution fulfils the distributive property [Gra08, Prop 1.2.9, (2)], so we get $g = g_1 + g_2$. We recall the notation $U_l = B(0, l) \cap P_0$ for $l \in \{6, 8, 10\}$ and continue the proof of Theorem 7.3 with several lemmas.

Lemma 7.6.

1. $g_1 \in C^\infty(U_8)$ and there exists some constant $C = C(\nu)$ so that for all multi-indices κ with $|\kappa| \leq 2$

$$\|\partial^\kappa g_1\|_{L^\infty(U_8, P_0^\perp)} \leq C \text{Lip}_g.$$

2. g_2 is Lipschitz continuous on U_8 with Lipschitz constant $C(\nu) \text{Lip}_g$.

Proof. We set for $x \in P_0$

$$\begin{aligned} g_{11}(x) &:= \int_2^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * g)(x) \frac{dt}{t}, \\ g_{12}(x) &:= \int_0^2 (\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{P_0 \setminus U_{10}} \cdot (\nu_t * g)))(x) \frac{dt}{t} \end{aligned}$$

so that $g_1 = g_{11} + g_{12}$ and we set

$$\varphi(x) := \int_2^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t)(x) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

At first, we prove some intermediate results:

- I. $g_{12}(x) = 0$ for all $x \in U_8$

Proof. The integrand of g_{12} is

$$(\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{P_0 \setminus U_{10}} \cdot (\nu_t * g)))(x) = \int_{P_0} \nu_t(x-y) (\mathbb{1}_{P_0 \setminus U_{10}} \cdot (\nu_t * g))(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y),$$

where $x \in U_8$ and $0 < t \leq 2$. By definition of ν_t and $t \leq 2$, we obtain

$$\text{supp}(\nu_t) \subset \text{supp}(\nu_2) \subset B(0, 2) \cap P_0$$

and hence, because $x \in U_8$,

$$\text{supp}(\nu_t(x - \cdot)) \subset B(x, 2) \cap P_0 \subset U_{10}.$$

Furthermore, we get

$$\text{supp}(\mathbb{1}_{P_0 \setminus U_{10}} \cdot (\nu_t * g)) \subset P_0 \setminus U_{10}.$$

Now we conclude for all $y \in P_0$ using $\nu \in C_0^\infty(B(0, 1))$

$$\nu_t(x - y)(\mathbb{1}_{P_0 \setminus U_{10}} \cdot (\nu_t * g))(y) = 0,$$

and so for all $0 < t \leq 2$, $x \in U_8$

$$(\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{P_0 \setminus U_{10}} \cdot (\nu_t * g)))(x) = 0,$$

which gives the statement. \square

- II. For every multi-index κ , there exists some constant $C = C(n, \nu, \kappa)$ such that $|\partial^\kappa \varphi| \leq C$, where $\partial^\kappa \varphi(y) := \int_2^\infty \partial^\kappa (\nu_t * \nu_t)(y) \frac{dt}{t}$.

Proof. We have $\text{supp}(\nu(\frac{\cdot}{t})) \subset B(0, t)$ and hence, for all $y \in B(0, 4) \cap P_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} |(\nu_t * \nu_t)(y)| &= \left| \int_{P_0} \frac{1}{t^{2n}} \nu\left(\frac{y-x}{t}\right) \nu\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{t^{2n}} \int_{P_0 \cap B(0, t)} \|\nu\|_{L^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})}^2 d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\ &= \|\nu\|_{L^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})}^2 \frac{\omega_n}{t^n}, \end{aligned}$$

and analogously, using $\partial^\kappa(\nu_t(y)) = \partial^\kappa(t^{-n}\nu(\frac{y}{t})) = \frac{1}{t^{|\kappa|}}(\partial^\kappa \nu)_t(y)$, we get

$$|\partial^\kappa(\nu_t * \nu_t)(y)| = \frac{1}{t^{|\kappa|}} |(\partial^\kappa \nu)_t * \nu_t(y)| \leq \|\nu\|_{L^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})} \|\partial^\kappa \nu\|_{L^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})} \frac{\omega_n}{t^{n+|\kappa|}}.$$

This implies for all $y \in P_0$

$$|\partial^\kappa \varphi(y)| \leq \int_2^\infty |\partial^\kappa(\nu_t * \nu_t)(y)| \frac{dt}{t} \leq C(n, \nu, \kappa).$$

\square

- III. For every multi-index κ , the function $\partial^\kappa \varphi$ has bounded support in $B(0, 4) \cap P_0$.

Proof. Let $0 < t \leq 2$. We have

$$\text{supp}(\nu_t) \subset \text{supp}(\nu_2) \subset B(0, 2)$$

and hence

$$\text{supp}(\nu_t * \nu_t) \subset B(0, 4),$$

which implies

$$(\nu_t * \nu_t)(x) = 0$$

for all $x \in P_0 \setminus B(0, 4)$. It follows that

$$\int_0^2 (\nu_t * \nu_t)(x) \frac{dt}{t} = 0$$

for all $x \in P_0 \setminus B(0, 4)$. Now we consider φ as a tempered distribution. The convolution with δ_0 , the Dirac mass at the origin [Gra08, Example 2.3.5, 1.], is an identity (cf. [Gra08, Example 2.3.14]), hence we get with Calderón's identity (Lemma 7.5) for all $\eta \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$ with $\eta(0) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\eta) &= \varphi(\eta) - \delta_0(\eta) = \left(\int_2^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t) \frac{dt}{t} \right) (\eta) - \left(\int_0^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * \delta_0) \frac{dt}{t} \right) (\eta) \\ &= \left(\int_2^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t) \frac{dt}{t} \right) (\eta) - \left(\int_0^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t) \frac{dt}{t} \right) (\eta) \\ &= - \left(\int_0^2 (\nu_t * \nu_t) \frac{dt}{t} \right) (\eta). \end{aligned}$$

Since this holds for arbitrary $\eta \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$ with $\text{supp}(\eta) \subset P_0 \setminus B(0, 4)$, we conclude that for such η we have

$$\int_{P_0} \varphi(x) \eta(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) = - \int_{P_0} \int_0^2 (\nu_t * \nu_t)(x) \frac{dt}{t} \eta(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) = 0$$

and hence

$$\text{supp}(\varphi) \subset B(0, 4) \cap P_0.$$

For the same kind of η , we get using Fubini's theorem and partial integration

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{P_0} \partial^\kappa \varphi(x) \eta(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) &= \int_2^\infty \int_{P_0} \partial^\kappa (\nu_t * \nu_t)(x) \eta(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= (-1)^{|\kappa|} \int_2^\infty \int_{P_0} (\nu_t * \nu_t)(x) \partial^\kappa \eta(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= (-1)^{|\kappa|} \int_{P_0} \varphi(x) \partial^\kappa \eta(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

since $\partial^\kappa \eta \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$ with $\text{supp}(\partial^\kappa \eta) \subset P_0 \setminus B(0, 4)$. □

IV. $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(P_0)$

Proof. With II. and III. we conclude for every multi-index κ that $\partial^\kappa \varphi \in L^1(P_0, \mathbb{R})$. With Fubini's theorem and partial integration, we see that $\partial^\kappa \varphi$ is the weak derivative of φ hence we have $\varphi \in W^{l,1}(P_0)$ for every $l \in \mathbb{N}$. The Sobolev imbedding theorem [AF03, Thm 4.12] gives us $\varphi \in C^\infty(P_0)$ and, with II., we obtain $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(P_0)$. □

Now we have for all $x \in U_8$ with Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1]

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{11}(x) &= \int_2^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t * g)(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&= \int_2^\infty \int_{P_0} (\nu_t * \nu_t)(x-y) g(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&= \int_{P_0} \int_2^\infty (\nu_t * \nu_t)(x-y) \frac{dt}{t} g(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \\
&= \int_{P_0} \varphi(x-y) g(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \\
&= (\varphi * g)(x).
\end{aligned}$$

We know, that $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(P_0)$ and $g \in C_0^{0,1}(P_0, P_0^\perp)$. Hence we have $g_{11} \in C_0^\infty(P_0)$, $g \in W^{1,\infty}(P_0)$ and for $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_i g_{11} &= \varphi * \partial_i g, \\
\partial_i \partial_j g_{11} &= \partial_i \varphi * \partial_j g.
\end{aligned}$$

With the Minkowski inequality [Gra08, Thm. 1.2.10] and III., we obtain for $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\partial_i g_{11}\|_{L^\infty(U_8, \mathbb{R})} &\stackrel{I.}{=} \|\partial_i g_{11}\|_{L^\infty(U_8, \mathbb{R})} \leq \|\partial_i g\|_{L^\infty(U_8, \mathbb{R})} \|\varphi\|_{L^1(P_0)} \leq C(\nu) \text{Lip}_g, \\
\|\partial_i \partial_j g_{11}\|_{L^\infty(U_8, \mathbb{R})} &\stackrel{I.}{=} \|\partial_i \partial_j g_{11}\|_{L^\infty(U_8, \mathbb{R})} \leq \|\partial_i g\|_{L^\infty(U_8, \mathbb{R})} \|\partial_j \varphi\|_{L^1(P_0)} \leq C(\nu) \text{Lip}_g.
\end{aligned}$$

Now it is easy to see that g_2 is $C \text{Lip}_g$ -Lipschitz on U_8 because we have $g_2 = g - g_1$ and g as well as g_1 are $C \text{Lip}_g$ -Lipschitz on U_8 . \square

Remark 7.7. Under the assumption that

$$\int_{U_{10}} \left(\int_0^2 \gamma_g(x, t)^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(x) < \infty,$$

the next lemmas will prove that $g_2 \in W_0^{1,p}(P_0, P_0^\perp)$. We show for this purpose in Lemma 7.10 that

$$\partial_i g_2(x) := \int_0^2 \partial_i (\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}}(\nu_t * g)))(x) \frac{dt}{t}$$

is in $L^p(P_0, P_0^\perp)$. In fact $\partial_i g_2$ is the weak derivative of g_2 because for all $\varrho \in C_0^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})$ we get with Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1] and partial integration for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{P_0} \partial_i g_2(x) \varrho(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) &= \int_{P_0} \int_0^2 \partial_i (\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}}(\nu_t * g)))(x) \frac{dt}{t} \varrho(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\
&= \int_0^2 \int_{P_0} \partial_i (\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}}(\nu_t * g)))(x) \varrho(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&= - \int_0^2 \int_{P_0} (\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}}(\nu_t * g)))(x) \partial_i \varrho(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&= - \int_{P_0} g_2(x) \partial_i \varrho(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 7.8. *We have for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(g_2) &\subset B(0, 12) \cap P_0, \\ \text{supp}(\partial_i g_2) &\subset B(0, 12) \cap P_0. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. If $0 < t < 2$ and $x \in P_0$, we have $\text{supp}(\nu_t(x - \cdot)) \subset B(x, 2) \cap P_0$ and $\text{supp}(\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}}(\nu_t * g)) \subset B(0, 10) \cap P_0$. This implies $\text{supp}(\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}}(\nu_t * g))) \subset B(0, 12) \cap P_0$ and hence we obtain $\text{supp}(g_2) \subset B(0, 12)$ and $\text{supp}(\partial_i g_2) \subset B(0, 12) \cap P_0$. \square

Lemma 7.9. *Let $x \in U_{10}$ and $0 < t < 2$. We have*

$$\left| \frac{(\nu_t * g)(x)}{t} \right| \leq \|\nu\|_{L^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})} \gamma_g(x, t).$$

Proof. If $a : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ is an affine function, we get

$$(\nu_t * a)(x) = \int_{P_0} \frac{1}{t^n} \nu \left(\frac{x - y}{t} \right) a(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y) = (-1)^n \int_{P_0} \nu(z) \underbrace{a(x - tz)}_{\text{affine}} d\mathcal{H}^n(z) \stackrel{(7.5)}{=} 0$$

and hence, with Lemma 7.4 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{(\nu_t * g)(x)}{t} \right| &= \left| \frac{(\nu_t * g)(x) - (\nu_t * a)(x)}{t} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{(\nu_t * (g - a))(x)}{t} \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{P_0} \frac{1}{t} \nu_t(x - y) (g(y) - a(y)) d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{P_0} \left| \frac{\nu \left(\frac{x - y}{t} \right) (g(y) - a(y))}{t} \right| d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \\ &\leq \|\nu\|_{L^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{P_0 \cap B(x, t)} \left| \frac{g(y) - a(y)}{t} \right| d\mathcal{H}^n(y). \end{aligned}$$

Since a was an arbitrary affine function, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{(\nu_t * g)(x)}{t} \right| &\leq \|\nu\|_{L^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})} \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}(P_0, P_0^\perp)} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(x, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(g(z), a(z))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(z) \\ &= \|\nu\|_{L^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})} \gamma_g(x, t). \end{aligned}$$

\square

We have $p \in (1, \infty)$ and, for the proof of Theorem 7.3, we can assume that

$$\int_{U_{10}} \left(\int_0^2 \gamma_g(x, t)^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(x) < \infty.$$

Lemma 7.10. *We have $g_2 \in W_0^{1,p}(P_0, P_0^\perp)$ and there exists some constant $C = C(n, p, \nu)$, so that for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$*

$$\|\partial_i g_2\|_{L^p(P_0, P_0^\perp)}^p \leq C \int_{U_{10}} \left(\int_0^2 \gamma_g(x, t)^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(x),$$

where $\partial_i g_2(x) = \int_0^2 \partial_i(\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}}(\nu_t * g)))(x) \frac{dt}{t}$.

Proof. We recall that $\partial_i g_2$ is the weak derivative of g_2 (cf. Remark 7.7). Due to [AF03, Cor 6.31, An Equivalent Norm for $W_0^{m,p}(\Omega)$] and Lemma 7.8, we only have to consider $\|\partial_i g_2\|_{L^p(P_0)}$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ to get $g_2 \in W_0^{1,p}(P_0, P_0^\perp)$.

For $x \in P_0$, we have $\partial_i \nu_t(x) = \partial_i t^{-n} \nu\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) = t^{-1}(\partial_i \nu)_t(x)$ and hence

$$\partial_i g_2(x) = \int_0^2 \partial_i(\nu_t * (\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}}(\nu_t * g)))(x) \frac{dt}{t} = \int_0^2 \left((\partial_i \nu)_t * \left(\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}} \left(\frac{\nu_t * g}{t} \right) \right) \right) (x) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

We want to show that the L^p norm of $\partial_i g_2$ is bounded. Via duality, we obtain (cf. [AF03, The Normed Dual of $L^p(\Omega)$])

$$\|\partial_i g_2\|_{L^p(P_0)} = \sup_{\|f\|_{L^{p'}(P_0)}=1} \left| \int_{P_0} f(x) \partial_i g_2(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \right|$$

where $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$. So, let $f \in L^{p'}(P_0)$ with $\|f\|_{L^{p'}(P_0)} = 1$. We get with property (7.6) from Lemma 7.4, Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1] and Hölder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{P_0} f(x) \partial_i g_2(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{P_0} f(x) \int_0^2 \int_{P_0} (\partial_i \nu)_t(x-y) \left(\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}} \left(\frac{\nu_t * g}{t} \right) \right) (y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \right| \\ &\stackrel{(7.6)}{=} \left| \int_{P_0} \int_0^2 \int_{P_0} -(\partial_i \nu)_t(y-x) f(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \left(\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}} \left(\frac{\nu_t * g}{t} \right) \right) (y) \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \right| \\ &\leq \int_{P_0} \int_0^2 |((\partial_i \nu)_t * f)(y)| \left| \left(\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}} \left(\frac{\nu_t * g}{t} \right) \right) (y) \right| \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \\ &\leq \int_{P_0} \left(\int_0^2 |((\partial_i \nu)_t * f)(y)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_0^2 \left| \left(\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}} \left(\frac{\nu_t * g}{t} \right) \right) (y) \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \\ &\leq \left\| \left(\int_0^\infty |(\partial_i \nu)_t * f|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\|_{L^{p'}(P_0)} \\ &\quad \left(\int_{P_0} \left(\int_0^2 \left| \left(\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}} \left(\frac{\nu_t * g}{t} \right) \right) (y) \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned} \tag{7.8}$$

There exists some constant $C = C(n, \nu)$ with $|\partial_i \nu(x)| + |\nabla \partial_i \nu(x)| \leq C(1 + |x|)^{-n-1}$ because ν is a Schwartz function. Together with Lemma 7.4, all the requirements of Lemma A.23 with

$\phi = \partial_i \nu$ and $q = p'$ are fulfilled, which implies, since $\|f\|_{L^p(P_0)} = 1$, that the first factor in (7.8) is some constant $C(n, p, \nu)$ independent of f . All in all, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial_i g_2\|_{L^p(P_0)} &= \sup_{\|f\|_{L^{p'}(P_0)}=1} \left| \int_{P_0} f(x) \partial_i g_2(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \right| \\ &\stackrel{(7.8)}{\leq} C(n, p, \nu) \left(\int_{P_0} \left(\int_0^2 \left| \left(\mathbb{1}_{U_{10}} \left(\frac{\nu_t * g}{t} \right) \right) (y) \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we deduce with Lemma 7.9

$$\int_{P_0} \|\partial_i g_2\|^p(x) d(x) \leq C(N, p, \nu) \int_{P_0 \cap U_{10}} \left(\int_0^2 \gamma_g(x, t)^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(x).$$

□

Definition 7.11. Let B be a ball with centre in P_0 and $f : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ be some map. We define the average of f on B

$$\text{Avg}_B(f) := \frac{1}{(\text{diam } B)^n} \int_{B \cap P_0} f d\mathcal{H}^n,$$

some maximal function

$$N(f)(x) := \sup_{\substack{t \in (0, \infty), y \in P_0 \\ \text{with } d(y, x) \leq t}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2t} \text{Avg}_{B(y, t)} \left(|f - \text{Avg}_{B(y, t)}(f)| \right) \right\}$$

where $x \in P_0$, and the oscillation of f on B

$$\text{osc}_B(f) := \sup_{x \in B \cap P_0} |f(x) - \text{Avg}_B(f)|.$$

Lemma 7.12. *There exists some constant $C = C(n)$ so that*

$$\|N(g_2)\|_{L^p(P_0, \mathbb{R})} \leq C \frac{p 3^{\frac{n}{p}}}{p-1} \|Dg_2\|_{L^p(P_0, P_0^\perp)}.$$

Proof. With the Poincaré inequality [EG92, 4.5.2, Thm. 2, first part of the proof], there exists some constant $C(n)$ so that $(g_2 \in W_0^{1,p}(P_0, P_0^\perp))$, see Lemma 7.9

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Avg}_B(|g_2 - \text{Avg}_B(g_2)|) &= \frac{1}{(\text{diam } B)^n} \int_{B \cap P_0} |g_2(x) - \text{Avg}_B(g_2)| d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\ &\leq C(n) \text{diam } B \frac{1}{(\text{diam } B)^n} \int_{B \cap P_0} |Dg_2(y)| d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \\ &= C(n) \text{diam } B \text{Avg}_B(|Dg_2|), \end{aligned}$$

(if f is a Matrix, we denote by $|f|$ a matrix norm) and hence we get for $x \in P_0$

$$\begin{aligned} N(g_2)(x) &= \sup_{\substack{t \in (0, \infty), y \in P_0 \\ \text{with } d(y, x) \leq t}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2t} \text{Avg}_{B(y, t)} \left(|g_2 - \text{Avg}_{B(y, t)}(g_2)| \right) \right\} \\ &\leq C(n) \sup_{\substack{t \in (0, \infty), y \in P_0 \\ \text{with } d(y, x) \leq t}} \text{Avg}_{B(y, t)} (|Dg_2|) \\ &= C(n)M(Dg_2)(x), \end{aligned}$$

where $M(Dg_2)$ is the uncentred Hardy-Littlewood maximal function. Finally, we obtain with [Gra08, Thm. 2.1.6]

$$\|N(g_2)\|_{L^p(P_0, \mathbb{R})} \leq C(n) \|M(Dg_2)\|_{L^p(P_0, \mathbb{R})} \leq C(n) \frac{p 3^{\frac{n}{p}}}{p-1} \|Dg_2\|_{L^p(P_0, P_0^\perp)}.$$

□

Definition 7.13. Let $\theta > 0$. We define

$$H_\theta := \{x \in U_6 \mid N(g_2)(x) \leq \theta^{n+1} \text{Lip}_g\}.$$

Lemma 7.14. Let $\theta > 0$. There exists some constant $C = C(n, p, \nu)$ so that

$$\mathcal{H}^n(U_6 \setminus H_\theta) \leq \frac{C}{\theta^{p(n+1)} \text{Lip}_g^p} \int_{U_{10}} \left(\int_0^2 \gamma_g(x, t)^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(x).$$

Proof. With Lemma 7.12, Lemma 7.10 and $\|Dg_2\|_{L^p(P_0, P_0^\perp)}^p \leq n^{p-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\partial_i g_2\|_{L^p(P_0, P_0^\perp)}^p$, there exists some constant $C = C(n, p, \nu)$ with

$$\|N(g_2)\|_{L^p(P_0, \mathbb{R})}^p \leq \frac{3^n}{n} \left(\frac{Cnp}{p-1} \right)^p \sum_{i=1}^n \|\partial_i g_2\|_{L^p(P_0, P_0^\perp)}^p \leq C \int_{U_{10}} \left(\int_0^2 \gamma_g(x, t)^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(x).$$

Hence we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}^n(U_6 \setminus H_\theta) &= \frac{1}{\theta^{p(n+1)} \text{Lip}_g^p} \int_{U_6 \setminus H_\theta} \theta^{p(n+1)} \text{Lip}_g^p d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \\ &< \frac{1}{\theta^{p(n+1)} \text{Lip}_g^p} \int_{U_6 \setminus H_\theta} N(g_2)^p(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\theta^{p(n+1)} \text{Lip}_g^p} \int_{U_{10}} \left(\int_0^2 \gamma_g(x, t)^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\mathcal{H}^n(x). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 7.15. Let B be a ball with centre in P_0 . If $(B \cap P_0) \subset U_8$, then there exists some constant $C = C(N, n, \nu)$ with

$$\text{osc}_B(g_2) \leq C \text{diam } B \left(\frac{1}{\text{diam } B} \text{Avg}_B \left(|g_2 - \text{Avg}_B(g_2)| \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \text{Lip}_g^{\frac{n}{n+1}}.$$

Proof. Let $(B \cap P_0) \subset U_8$ and $\lambda := \text{osc}_B(g_2)$. The function g_2 is Lipschitz continuous on U_8 with $\text{Lip}_{g_2} = C(\nu) \text{Lip}_g$ (see Lemma 7.6 on page 93) and $B \cap P_0$ is closed. Hence there exists some $y \in B \cap P_0$ with $\lambda = |g_2(y) - \text{Avg}_B g_2|$ and we get for $x \in B$ with $d(x, y) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2\text{Lip}_{g_2}}$

$$|g_2(x) - \text{Avg}_B(g_2)| \geq |g_2(y) - \text{Avg}_B(g_2)| - |g_2(x) - g_2(y)| \geq \lambda - \text{Lip}_{g_2} d(x, y) \geq \frac{\lambda}{2}.$$

Furthermore, using that g_2 is continuous on U_8 for all $l \in \{1, \dots, N\}$, there exists some $z_l \in B \cap P_0$, with $g_2^l(z_l) = \text{Avg}_B(g_2^l)$ (where $g_2^l(z_l) \in \mathbb{R}$ means the l -th component of $g_2(z_l) \in \mathbb{R}^N$), and so

$$\lambda^2 = |g_2(y) - \text{Avg}_B(g_2)|^2 = \sum_{l=1}^N \underbrace{\left(g_2^l(y) - \text{Avg}_B(g_2^l) \right)^2}_{\leq \text{Lip}_{g_2} d(y, z_l)} \leq N (\text{Lip}_{g_2} \text{diam } B)^2,$$

which implies $\frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{N} \text{Lip}_{g_2}} \leq \text{diam } B$. Since $y \in B$, there exists some ball $\hat{B} \subset B \cap P_0$ with

$$\text{diam } \hat{B} = \min \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\text{Lip}_{g_2}}, \frac{\text{diam } B}{2} \right) \geq \frac{\lambda}{2\sqrt{N} \text{Lip}_{g_2}}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B \cap P_0} |g_2(x) - \text{Avg}_B(g_2)| d\mathcal{H}^n(x) &\geq \int_{\hat{B} \cap P_0} |g_2(x) - \text{Avg}_B(g_2)| d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\ &\geq \omega_n \left(\frac{\lambda}{4\sqrt{N} \text{Lip}_{g_2}} \right)^n \frac{\lambda}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies with $\text{Lip}_{g_2} = C(\nu) \text{Lip}_g$

$$\lambda^{n+1} \leq C(N, n, \nu) \text{Lip}_g^n (\text{diam } B)^{n+1} \frac{\text{Avg}_B(|g_2 - \text{Avg}_B g_2|)}{\text{diam } B}.$$

□

Lemma 7.16. *Let $y \in P_0$. There exists some constant $C = C(N, n, \nu)$ and some affine map $a_y : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ so that if $r \leq \theta$ and $B(y, r) \cap H_\theta \neq \emptyset$, we have*

$$\|g - a_y\|_{L^\infty(B(y, r) \cap P_0, P_0^\perp)} \leq Cr\theta \text{Lip}_g.$$

Proof. Let $y \in P_0$. If $\theta \geq 1$, we can choose $a_y(y') := g(y)$ as a constant and get the desired result directly from the Lipschitz condition. Now let $0 < \theta < 1$. We set $a_y(y') := g(y) + Dg_1(y)\phi^{-1}(y' - y)$. For some arbitrary $y' \in B(y, r) \cap P_0$, we obtain (the explanations I - V

are stated below the calculation)

$$\begin{aligned}
& |g(y') - [g(y) + Dg_1(y)\phi^{-1}(y' - y)]| \\
& \stackrel{\text{I}}{=} |g_1(y') + g_2(y') - [g_1(y) + g_2(y) + Dg_1(y)\phi^{-1}(y' - y)]| \\
& \leq |g_2(y') - g_2(y)| + |g_1(y') - [g_1(y) + Dg_1(y)\phi^{-1}(y' - y)]| \\
& \stackrel{\text{II}}{\leq} |g_2(y') - \text{Avg}_{B(y,r)}(g_2)| + |\text{Avg}_{B(y,r)}(g_2) - g_2(y)| + \sum_{|\kappa|=2} \|\partial^\kappa g_1\|_{L^\infty(U_8)} |y' - y|^2 \\
& \stackrel{\text{III}}{\leq} 2 \text{osc}_{B(y,r)} g_2 + C(n, \nu) \text{Lip}_g r^2 \\
& \stackrel{\text{IV}}{\leq} C(N, n, \nu) \text{diam } B(y, r) \left(\frac{1}{\text{diam } B(y, r)} \text{Avg}_{B(y,r)}(|g_2 - \text{Avg}_{B(y,r)}(g_2)|) \right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \text{Lip}_g^{\frac{n}{n+1}} + C(n, \nu) \text{Lip}_g r^2 \\
& \leq C(N, n, \nu) r (N(g_2)(y))^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \text{Lip}_g^{\frac{n}{n+1}} + C(n, \nu) \text{Lip}_g r^2 \\
& \stackrel{\text{V}}{\leq} C(N, n, \nu) r \theta \text{Lip}_g.
\end{aligned}$$

I. We have $g = g_1 + g_2$.

II. Let $y' \in B(y, r) \cap P_0$. We have $d(y', U_6) \leq d(y', H_\theta) \leq d(y', y) + d(y, H_\theta) \leq 2r \leq 2\theta \leq 2$. So we get $y', y \in U_8$. With Lemma 7.6, we have $g_1 \in C^\infty(U_8)$ and so we obtain with Taylor's theorem (see Lemma A.15)

$$\begin{aligned}
& g_1(y') \\
& = g_1(y) + Dg_1(y)\phi^{-1}(y' - y) + \int_0^1 2(1-t) \sum_{|\kappa|=2} \frac{1}{\kappa!} \partial^\kappa g_1(y + t(y' - y)) [\phi^{-1}(y' - y)]^\kappa dt.
\end{aligned}$$

III. See Definition 7.11 and Lemma 7.6.

IV. Since $r \leq \theta < 1$, $B(y, r) \cap H_\theta \neq \emptyset$ and $H_\theta \subset U_6$, we obtain $B(y, r) \cap P_0 \subset U_8$ and we can apply Lemma 7.15.

V. See definition of H_θ and consider $r \leq \theta$.

□

Lemma 7.14 and Lemma 7.16 complete the proof of Theorem 7.3.

□

7.2 The γ -function of A and integral Menger curvature

In this section, we prove the following Theorem 7.17. It states that we get a similar control on the γ -functions applied to our function A as we get in Corollary 5.8 on the β -numbers.

For $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$, $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$ and $k \geq 4$, we defined A on U_{12} (cf. Definition 6.21 on page 78). Since in this section we only apply the γ -functions to A , we set $\gamma(q, t) := \gamma_A(q, t)$ and $\tilde{\gamma}(q, t) := \tilde{\gamma}_A(q, t)$.

Theorem 7.17. *There exists some $\tilde{k} \geq 4$ and some $\tilde{\alpha} = \tilde{\alpha}(n) > 0$ so that, for all α with $0 < \alpha \leq \tilde{\alpha}$, there exists some $\tilde{\varepsilon} = \tilde{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha)$ so that, if $k \geq \tilde{k}$ and $\eta \leq \tilde{\varepsilon}^p$, we have for all $\varepsilon \in [\eta^{\frac{1}{p}}, \tilde{\varepsilon}]$ that there exists some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k)$ so that*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{U_{10}} \int_0^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) &\leq C\varepsilon^p + C\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu) \\ &\leq C\varepsilon^p, \end{aligned}$$

where $U_{10} = B(0, 10) \cap P_0$.

Proof. Let $\tilde{k} \geq 4$ be the maximum of all thresholds for k given in chapter 6 and let $\tilde{\alpha} = \tilde{\alpha}(n) \leq \frac{1}{4}$ be the upper bound for the Lipschitz constant given by Lemma 7.2. We set $\tilde{k} := \max\{\tilde{k}, \tilde{C} + 1, \hat{C}\}$ where the constants \tilde{C} and \hat{C} are fixed constants which will be set during this section². Let $0 \leq \alpha \leq \tilde{\alpha}$. Let $\tilde{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon(N, n, C_0, \alpha) \leq \alpha$ be the minimum of all thresholds for ε given in chapter 6. We set $\tilde{\varepsilon} := \min\{\tilde{\varepsilon}, (2C' C_1)^{-1}\} < 1$ ³ and assume that $k \geq \tilde{k}$ and $\eta \leq \tilde{\varepsilon}^p$. Now let $\varepsilon > 0$ with $\eta \leq \varepsilon^p \leq \tilde{\varepsilon}^p$. For the rest of this section, we fix the parameters $k, \eta, \alpha, \varepsilon$ and mention that they meet all requirements of the lemmas in Chapter 6.

With Lemma 6.14, we obtain

$$U_{10} \subset \bigcup_{i \in I} (R_i \cap U_{10}) \cup \pi(Z) = \bigcup_{i \in I_{12}} (R_i \cap U_{10}) \cup \pi(Z),$$

where $I_{12} = \{i \in I \mid R_i \cap U_{12} \neq \emptyset\}$ (see page 76) and so we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{U_{10}} \int_0^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) &\leq \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \int_{R_i \cap U_{10}} \int_0^{\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}} \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \int_{R_i \cap U_{10}} \int_{\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\ &\quad + \int_{\pi(Z) \cap U_{10}} \int_0^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q). \end{aligned} \tag{7.9}$$

We continue the proof of Theorem 7.17 with several lemmas. At first, we prove

Lemma 7.18. *There exists some constant $C = C(N, n, p, C_0)$ so that*

$$\sum_{i \in I_{12}} \int_{R_i \cap U_{10}} \int_0^{\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}} \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \leq C\varepsilon^p.$$

Proof. Let $i \in I_{12}$, $q \in R_i$, $0 < t < \frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}$ and $u \in B(q, t) \cap P_0 \subset 2R_i$. The function A is in $C^\infty(2R_i, P_0^\perp)$ (see definition of A on page 78). This implies with Lemma A.15 (Taylor's

² \tilde{C} is given in Lemma 7.20, \hat{C} is given in Lemma 7.24 V

³ C', C_1 are given in Lemma 7.23

theorem)

$$A(u) = A(q) + \sum_{l=1}^n \partial_l A(q) [\phi^{-1}(u - q)]_l + 2 \int_0^1 (1-r) \left\{ \sum_{|\kappa|=2} \frac{1}{\kappa!} \partial^\kappa A(q + r(u - q)) (\phi^{-1}(u - q))^\kappa \right\} dr. \quad (7.10)$$

Let $q_0 \in B(q, t) \cap P_0 \subset 2R_i$. With Lemma 6.29, there exists some constant $C = C(N, n, C_0)$ so that, for all $|\kappa| = 2$, we have

$$|\partial^\kappa A(q_0)| \leq \frac{C\varepsilon}{\text{diam } R_i}. \quad (7.11)$$

With

$$|(\phi^{-1}(u - q))^\kappa| = \prod_{i=1}^n |\phi^{-1}(u - q)_i|^{\kappa_i} \leq \prod_{i=1}^n \underbrace{|\phi^{-1}(u - q)|^{\kappa_i}}_{=|u-q|^{\kappa_i} \leq t^{\kappa_i}} \leq t^{|\kappa|} = t^2,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \gamma(q, t) \\ &= \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(A(u), a(u))}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\leq \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} \mathcal{H}^n(B(q, t) \cap P_0) \sup_{u \in B(q, t) \cap P_0} d(A(u), a(u)) \\ &= \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} \omega_n t^n \sup_{u \in B(q, t) \cap P_0} d(A(u), a(u)) \\ &\stackrel{(7.10)}{\leq} \frac{\omega_n}{t} \inf_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \sup_{u \in B(q, t) \cap P_0} \left(\underbrace{\left| A(q) + \sum_{l=1}^n \partial_l A(q) [\phi^{-1}(u - q)]_l - a(u) \right|}_{\in \mathcal{A}(P_0, P_0^\perp)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left| 2 \int_0^1 (1-r) \left\{ \sum_{|\kappa|=2} \frac{1}{\kappa!} \partial^\kappa A(q + r(u - q)) (\phi^{-1}(u - q))^\kappa \right\} dr \right| \right) \\ &= 2 \frac{\omega_n}{t} \sup_{u \in B(q, t) \cap P_0} \left| \int_0^1 (1-r) \left\{ \sum_{|\kappa|=2} \frac{1}{\kappa!} \partial^\kappa A(q + r(u - q)) (\phi^{-1}(u - q))^\kappa \right\} dr \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\omega_n}{t} \sup_{q_0 \in B(q, t) \cap P_0} \sum_{|\kappa|=2} |\partial^\kappa A(q_0)| \sup_{u \in B(q, t) \cap P_0} |(\phi^{-1}(u - q))^\kappa| \\ &\stackrel{(7.11)}{\leq} \frac{\omega_n}{t} \frac{C\varepsilon}{\text{diam } R_i} t^2 \left(n + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \right) \\ &= t \frac{C\varepsilon}{\text{diam } R_i} \omega_n \frac{n(n+1)}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, with Lemma 6.14, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \int_{R_i \cap U_{10}} \int_0^{\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}} \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\
 & \leq C\varepsilon^p \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^p} \int_{R_i \cap U_{10}} 1 d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \int_0^{\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}} t^p \frac{dt}{t} \\
 & \leq C\varepsilon^p \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^p} \mathcal{H}^n(R_i) \frac{1}{p} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2} \right)^p \\
 & \leq C\varepsilon^p \mathcal{H}^n(U_{12}) = C(N, n, p, C_0)\varepsilon^p.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Now we consider

$$\sum_{i \in I_{12}} \int_{R_i \cap U_{10}} \int_{\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q)$$

and

$$\int_{\pi(\mathcal{Z}) \cap U_{10}} \int_0^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q).$$

If $q_1 \in R_i$, we get with Lemma 6.14 that $\frac{D(q_1)}{100} \leq \frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}$ and, if $q_2 \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$, we obtain with Lemma 6.11 $D(q_2) = 0$. Hence we conclude using Lemma 6.14

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \int_{R_i \cap U_{10}} \int_{\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) + \int_{\pi(\mathcal{Z}) \cap U_{10}} \int_0^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\
 & \leq \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \int_{R_i \cap U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) + \int_{\pi(\mathcal{Z}) \cap U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\
 & \leq \int_{U_{10} \setminus \pi(\mathcal{Z})} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) + \int_{\pi(\mathcal{Z}) \cap U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\
 & = \int_{U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q). \tag{7.12}
 \end{aligned}$$

In the following, we prove some estimate for $\gamma(q, t)$ where $q \in U_{10}$ and $\frac{D(q)}{100} < t < 2$. To get this estimate, we need the next lemma.

Lemma 7.19. *For all $q \in U_{10}$ and for all t with $\frac{D(q)}{100} < t < 2$, there exists some $\tilde{X} = \tilde{X}(q) \in F$ and some $T = T(t) > 0$ with*

$$(\tilde{X}, T) \in S, \quad d(\pi(\tilde{X}), q) \leq T \quad \text{and} \quad 20t \leq T \leq 200t. \tag{7.13}$$

Proof. We have $D(q) = \inf_{(X, s) \in S} (d(\pi(X), q) + s)$, and hence there exists some $(\tilde{X}, \tilde{s}) \in S$ with $d(\pi(\tilde{X}), q) + \tilde{s} \leq D(q) + 100t \leq 200t$. We set $T := \min\{40, 200t\}$ which fulfils $20t \leq T \leq 200t$ as $t < 2$. Using Lemma 6.3 (iv), (v) and $200t \geq \tilde{s}$, we obtain $(\tilde{X}, T) \in S$.

With $d(\pi(\tilde{X}), q) \leq d(\pi(\tilde{X}), 0) + d(0, q) \leq 5 + 10$ we get $d(\pi(\tilde{X}), q) \leq T$. □

Now let q, t, \tilde{X} and T as in Lemma 7.19. Furthermore, let $X \in B(\tilde{X}, 200t) \cap F$. We choose some n -dimensional plane named $P^{(q,t,X)}$ with

$$\beta_{1;k}^{P^{(q,t,X)}}(X, t) \leq 2\beta_{1;k}(X, t) \quad (7.14)$$

and define

$$\mathcal{I}(q, t) := \{i \in I_{12} \mid R_i \cap B(q, t) \neq \emptyset\}.$$

With Lemma 6.14, we have $(B(q, t) \cap P_0) \subset U_{12} \subset \pi(\mathcal{Z}) \cup \bigcup_{i \in I_{12}} R_i$ which implies

$$(B(q, t) \cap P_0) \subset \left((B(q, t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})) \cup \bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} B(q, t) \cap R_i \right),$$

and, together with Lemma 7.2, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(q, t) &\leq 3 \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap P_0} \frac{d(u + A(u), P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\leq 3 \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})} \underbrace{\frac{d(u + A(u), P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u)}_{=: K_0} \\ &\quad + 3 \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} \underbrace{\frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap R_i} \frac{d(u + A(u), P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u)}_{=: K_i} \\ &= K_0 + 3 \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} K_i. \end{aligned} \quad (7.15)$$

At first, we consider K_0 .

Lemma 7.20. *There exists some constant $\tilde{C} > 1$ so that*

$$\int_{B(q,t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})} d(u + A(u), P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \leq \int_{B(X, \tilde{C}t) \cap \mathcal{Z}} d(x, P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mathcal{H}^n(x).$$

Proof. Let $g : \pi(\mathcal{Z}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}, u \mapsto u + A(u)$. This function is bijective, continuous (A is 2α -Lipschitz on $\pi(\mathcal{Z})$) and $g^{-1} = \pi|_{\mathcal{Z}}$ is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant 1. With $f(x) = d(x, P^{(q,t,X)})$ and $s = n$, we apply [Sch12, Lem. A.1] and get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B(q,t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})} d(u + A(u), P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mathcal{H}^n(u) &= \int_{B(q,t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})} f(g(u)) d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\leq (\text{Lip}_{g^{-1}})^n \int_{g(B(q,t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z}))} f(x) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\ &= \int_{g(B(q,t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z}))} d(x, P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mathcal{H}^n(x). \end{aligned}$$

Now it remains to show that there exists some constant C so that

$$g(B(q, t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})) \subset B(X, Ct) \cap \mathcal{Z}.$$

Let $x \in g(B(q, t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z}))$. This implies $x \in \mathcal{Z}$ and so, using Lemma 6.11, we get $d(x) = 0$. With (7.13), we conclude

$$d(\tilde{X}) = \inf_{(Y, s) \in S} (d(Y, \tilde{X}) + s) \leq d(\tilde{X}, \tilde{X}) + T \leq 200t,$$

and we obtain with (7.13)

$$d(\pi(x), \pi(\tilde{X})) \leq d(\pi(x), q) + d(q, \pi(\tilde{X})) \leq t + 200t = 201t.$$

So, with Lemma 6.12, we have

$$d(x, \tilde{X}) \leq 6(d(x) + d(\tilde{X})) + 2d(\pi(x), \pi(\tilde{X})) \leq 1602t.$$

We deduce with $\tilde{C} = 1802$

$$d(x, X) \leq d(x, \tilde{X}) + d(\tilde{X}, X) \leq 1602t + 200t = \tilde{C}t$$

and so $g(B(q, t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})) \subset B(X, \tilde{C}t) \cap \mathcal{Z}$. □

Lemma 7.21. *There exists some constant $C = C(N, n, C_0) > 1$ so that*

$$\int_{B(X, \tilde{C}t) \cap \mathcal{Z}} d(x, P^{(q, t, X)}) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \leq C \int_{B(X, (\tilde{C}+1)t)} d(x, P^{(q, t, X)}) d\mu(x).$$

Proof. At first, we prove for an arbitrary ball B with centre in \mathcal{Z}

$$\mathcal{H}^n(\mathcal{Z} \cap B) \leq C(N, n, C_0)\mu(B). \quad (7.16)$$

With [EG92, Dfn. 2.1], we get $\mathcal{H}^n(\mathcal{Z} \cap B) = \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{H}_\tau^n(\mathcal{Z} \cap B)$. Let $0 < \tau_0 < \min\{\frac{\text{diam } B}{2}, 50\}$. We define

$$\mathcal{F} := \left\{ B(x, s) \mid x \in \mathcal{Z} \cap B, s \leq \tau_0 \right\}.$$

With Besicovitch's covering theorem A.12, there exist $N_0 = N_0(N)$ countable families $\mathcal{F}_j \subset \mathcal{F}$, $j = 1, \dots, N_0$, of disjoint balls with

$$\mathcal{Z} \cap B \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^{N_0} \bigcup_{\tilde{B} \in \mathcal{F}_j} \tilde{B}.$$

For every ball $\tilde{B} = B(x, s) \in \mathcal{F}_j$, we have $x \in \mathcal{Z}$ and hence, using the definition of \mathcal{Z} (see page 66), we deduce $h(x) = 0$. With $h(x) = 0 < s < 50$ and Lemma 6.3 (iv), we get $(x, s) \in S \subset S_{total}$ and so

$$\left(\frac{\text{diam } \tilde{B}}{2} \right)^n \leq 2 \frac{\mu(\tilde{B})}{\delta}.$$

The centre of B is also in \mathcal{Z} and hence, analogously, we conclude

$$\left(\frac{\text{diam } B}{2} \right)^n \leq 2 \frac{\mu(B)}{\delta}.$$

With (B) from page 64, we get

$$\mu(2B) \stackrel{(B)}{\leq} C_0(\text{diam } 2B)^n = 4^n C_0 \left(\frac{\text{diam } B}{2} \right)^n \leq 4^n C_0 \frac{2}{\delta} \mu(B). \quad (7.17)$$

Since $x \in B$ and $s \leq \tau_0 < \frac{\text{diam } B}{2}$, we obtain

$$\tilde{B} = B(x, s) \subset 2B.$$

Now, by definition of $\mathcal{H}_{\tau_0}^n$ [EG92, Dfn. 2.1] and because $\delta = \delta(N, n)$ (see (6.2) on page 65), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{\tau_0}^n(\mathcal{Z} \cap B) &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \sum_{\tilde{B} \in \mathcal{F}_j} \omega_n \left(\frac{\text{diam } \tilde{B}}{2} \right)^n \\ &\leq 2 \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \sum_{\tilde{B} \in \mathcal{F}_j} \omega_n \frac{\mu(\tilde{B})}{\delta} \\ &\leq 2 \frac{\omega_n}{\delta} \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \mu(2B) \\ &\stackrel{(7.17)}{\leq} C(N, n, C_0) \mu(B). \end{aligned}$$

So, with $\tau_0 \rightarrow 0$, the inequality (7.16) is proven.

Let \tilde{C} be the constant from Lemma 7.20. For an arbitrary $0 < \sigma \leq t$, we define

$$\mathcal{G}_\sigma := \left\{ B(x, s) \mid x \in \mathcal{Z} \cap B(X, \tilde{C}t), s \leq \sigma \right\}.$$

With Besicovitch's covering theorem A.12, there exist N_0 families $\mathcal{G}_{\sigma, j} \subset \mathcal{G}_\sigma$ of disjoint balls, where $j = 1, \dots, N_0$, with

$$\mathcal{Z} \cap B(X, \tilde{C}t) \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^{N_0} \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{G}_{\sigma, j}} (B \cap \mathcal{Z})$$

and where N_0 depends only on N . We denote by p_B the centre of the ball B and conclude

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\mathcal{Z} \cap B(X, \tilde{C}t)} d(x, P^{(q, t, X)}) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{G}_{\sigma, j}} \int_{\mathcal{Z} \cap B} d(x, p_B) + d(p_B, P^{(q, t, X)}) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{G}_{\sigma, j}} \int_{\mathcal{Z} \cap B} \sigma + d(p_B, P^{(q, t, X)}) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{G}_{\sigma, j}} \left(\sigma + d(p_B, P^{(q, t, X)}) \right) \mathcal{H}^n(\mathcal{Z} \cap B) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \stackrel{(7.16)}{\leq} \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{G}_{\sigma,j}} \left(\sigma + d(p_B, P^{(q,t,X)}) \right) C(N, n) \mu(B) \\
 & = C(N, n, C_0) \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{G}_{\sigma,j}} \int_B \left(\sigma + d(p_B, P^{(q,t,X)}) \right) d\mu(x) \\
 & \leq C(N, n, C_0) \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{G}_{\sigma,j}} \int_B \left(\sigma + d(p_B, x) + d(x, P^{(q,t,X)}) \right) d\mu(x) \\
 & \leq C(N, n, C_0) \sum_{j=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{G}_{\sigma,j}} \int_B \left(2\sigma + d(x, P^{(q,t,X)}) \right) d\mu(x) \\
 & \leq C(N, n, C_0) \left(\mu(B(X, (\tilde{C} + 1)t)) 2\sigma + \int_{B(X, (\tilde{C}+1)t)} d(x, P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mu(x) \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

With $\sigma \rightarrow 0$, the assertion holds. \square

With Lemma 7.20 and Lemma 7.21, we get for K_0 using that $k \geq \tilde{k} \geq \tilde{C} + 1$, where \tilde{k} is defined on page 103

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_0 & = 3 \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap \pi(\mathcal{Z})} \frac{d(u + A(u), P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\
 & \leq \frac{3}{t^{n+1}} \int_{B(X, \tilde{C}t) \cap \mathcal{Z}} d(x, P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mathcal{H}^n(x) \\
 & \leq C(N, n, C_0) \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} \int_{B(X, (\tilde{C}+1)t)} d(x, P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mu(x) \\
 & \leq C(N, n, C_0) \beta_{1;k}^{P^{(q,t,X)}}(X, t) \\
 & \stackrel{(7.14)}{\leq} C(N, n, C_0) \beta_{1;k}(X, t).
 \end{aligned} \tag{7.18}$$

To estimate K_i , we need the following lemma.

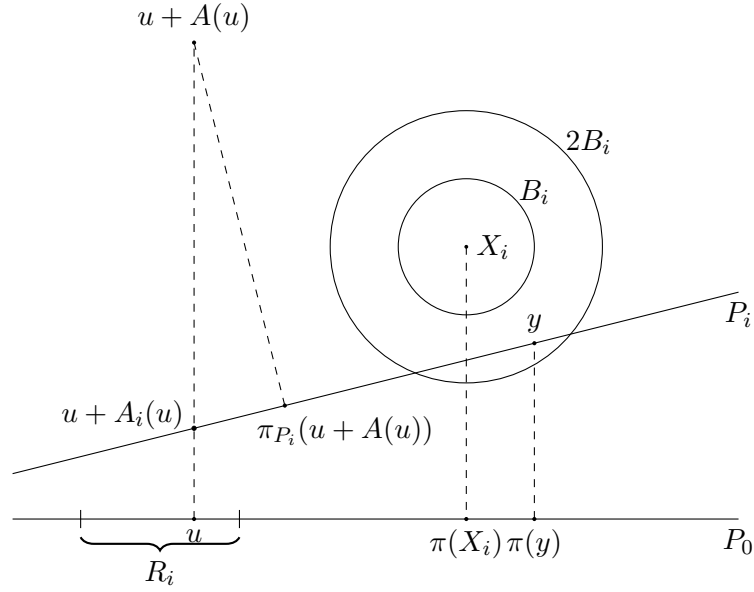
Lemma 7.22. *There exists some constant $C_4 = C_4(N, n, C_0) > 1$ so that, for all $i \in I_{12}$ and $u \in R_i$, we have*

$$d(\pi_{P_i}(u + A(u)), B_i) \leq C_4 \text{diam } R_i.$$

We recall that P_i is the n -dimensional plane, which is, in the sense of Lemma 6.3 (vi), associated to the ball $B(X_i, t_i) = B_i$ given by Lemma 6.15 (cf. Definition 6.18).

Proof. For every $i \in I_{12} \subset I$, we have with Lemma 6.15 that $B_i = B(X_i, t_i)$ and $(X_i, t_i) \in S \subset S_{total}$. Hence we can use Lemma 5.10 (ii) ($\sigma = 2\varepsilon$, $x = X_i$, $t = t_i$, $\lambda = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$, $P = P_i$) to get some $y \in 2B_i \cap P_i$, where $P_i = P_{(X_i, t_i)}$. We obtain with Corollary 2.24 ($P_1 = P_j$, $P_2 = P_0$), $\alpha \leq \tilde{\alpha} < \frac{1}{2}$ ($\tilde{\alpha}$ is defined on page 103) and Lemma 6.15

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(u + A_i(u), y) & \leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} d(u, \pi(y)) < 2[d(u, \pi(X_i)) + \underbrace{d(\pi(X_i), \pi(y))}_{\leq d(X_i, y) \leq \text{diam } B_i \leq 200 \text{diam } R_i}] \leq C \text{diam } R_i.
 \end{aligned}$$


 Figure 7.1: $d(\pi_{P_i}(u + A(u)), B_i) \leq C \text{diam } R_i$

Moreover, with Lemma 6.22 (iv) and $\varepsilon \leq \tilde{\varepsilon} \leq 1$ ($\tilde{\varepsilon}$ is defined on page 103), we get

$$d(\pi_{P_i}(u + A(u)), \underbrace{u + A_i(u)}_{=\pi_{P_i}(u + A_i(u))}) \leq d(u + A(u), u + A_i(u)) = d(A(u), A_i(u)) \leq C \text{diam } R_i$$

for some $C = C(N, n, C_0)$. Using these estimates, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} d(\pi_{P_i}(u + A(u)), B_i) &\leq d(\pi_{P_i}(u + A(u)), u + A_i(u)) + d(u + A_i(u), y) + d(y, B_i) \\ &\leq C \text{diam } R_i. \end{aligned}$$

□

Now, with Lemma 7.22 and K_i from (7.15), we obtain for $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t) \subset I_{12}$

$$\begin{aligned} K_i &= \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap R_i} \frac{d(u + A(u), P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap R_i} \frac{d(u + A(u), P_i) + d(\pi_{P_i}(u + A(u)), P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap R_i} \frac{d(u + A(u), P_i)}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{t^n} \sup \left\{ \frac{d(\pi_{P_i}(v + A(v)), P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} \mid v \in B(q, t) \cap R_i \right\} \mathcal{H}^n(B(q, t) \cap R_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\text{L. 7.22}}{\leq} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap R_i} \frac{d(u + A(u), P_i)}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ & \quad + \omega_n \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^n \sup \left\{ \frac{d(w, P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} \mid w \in P_i, d(w, B_i) \leq C_4 \text{diam } R_i \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (7.19)$$

Since P_i is the graph of A_i , we get for any $u \in B(q,t) \cap R_i$ with Lemma 6.22 (iv) that there exists some $\bar{C} = \bar{C}(N, n, C_0)$ with

$$d(u + A(u), P_i) \leq d(u + A(u), u + A_i(u)) = d(A(u), A_i(u)) \leq \bar{C}\varepsilon \text{diam } R_i,$$

and so, using Lemma A.7,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q,t) \cap R_i} \frac{d(u + A(u), P_i)}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) & \leq \bar{C}\varepsilon \frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t^{n+1}} \int_{R_i} 1 d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \\ & = C(N, n, C_0)\varepsilon(\sqrt{n})^{-n} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1}. \end{aligned} \quad (7.20)$$

Lemma 7.23. *There exists some constant $C = C(N, n, C_0)$ so that for all $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup \left\{ \frac{d(w, P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} \mid w \in P_i, d(w, B_i) \leq C_4 \text{diam } R_i \right\} \\ & \leq C\varepsilon \frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} + C \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z) \right)^3. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$. Due to the construction of $B_i = B(X_i, t_i)$ (see Lemma 6.15), we have $(X_i, t_i) \in S \subset S_{total}$ and so $\delta(X_i, t_i) \geq \frac{\delta}{2}$. With Corollary 5.3 ($\lambda = \frac{\delta}{2}$, $B(x, t) = B(X_i, t_i)$, $\Upsilon = \mathbb{R}^N$), there exist constants $C_1 = C_1(N, n, C_0) > 3$, $C_2 = C_2(N, n, C_0) > 1$ and some $(n, 10n \frac{t_i}{C_1})$ -simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \in F \cap B_i$ with

$$\mu \left(B \left(x_\kappa, \frac{t_i}{C_1} \right) \cap B_i \right) \geq \frac{t_i^n}{C_2} \quad (7.21)$$

for all $\kappa = 0, \dots, n$ and, because $C_1 > 3$ and $k \geq \tilde{k} \geq 2$ (\tilde{k} is defined on page 103), we have

$$B \left(x_\kappa, \frac{t_i}{C_1} \right) \subset 2B_i \subset kB_i = B(X_i, kt_i). \quad (7.22)$$

We set $C' := 400C_2$, $\tilde{B}_\kappa := B \left(x_\kappa, \frac{t_i}{C_1} \right)$ and define for all $\kappa = 0, \dots, n$

$$Z_\kappa := \left\{ z \in \tilde{B}_\kappa \cap F \mid d(z, P_i) \leq C' \varepsilon \text{diam } R_i \right\}. \quad (7.23)$$

We have $(X_i, t_i) \in S_{total}$ and hence $\beta_{1,k}^{P_i}(X_i, t_i) \leq 2\varepsilon$. Using this and Lemma 6.15 (i), we

obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu(\tilde{B}_\kappa \setminus Z_\kappa) &= \frac{1}{C' \varepsilon \operatorname{diam} R_i} \int_{\tilde{B}_\kappa \setminus Z_\kappa} C' \varepsilon \operatorname{diam} R_i d\mu(z) \\
 &< \frac{1}{C' \varepsilon \operatorname{diam} R_i} \int_{\tilde{B}_\kappa \setminus Z_\kappa} d(z, P_i) d\mu(z) \\
 &\stackrel{(7.22)}{\leq} \frac{1}{C' \varepsilon \operatorname{diam} R_i} \int_{B(X_i, kt_i)} d(z, P_i) d\mu(z) \\
 &= \frac{t_i^{n+1}}{C' \varepsilon \operatorname{diam} R_i} \frac{1}{t_i^n} \int_{kB_i} \frac{d(z, P_i)}{t_i} d\mu(z) \\
 &= \frac{t_i^{n+1}}{C' \varepsilon \operatorname{diam} R_i} \beta_{1;k}^{P_i}(X_i, t_i) \\
 &\leq \frac{t_i^{n+1}}{C' \varepsilon t_i} 100 2\varepsilon = \frac{t_i^n}{2C_2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 6.15 (i) again, we get

$$\mu(Z_\kappa) \geq \mu(\tilde{B}_\kappa) - \mu(\tilde{B}_\kappa \setminus Z_\kappa) \stackrel{(7.21)}{\geq} \frac{t_i^n}{C_2} - \frac{t_i^n}{2C_2} = \frac{t_i^n}{2C_2} \geq \frac{\operatorname{diam} R_i^n}{2^{n+1}C_2} > 0. \quad (7.24)$$

For all $\kappa \in \{0, \dots, n\}$, let $z_\kappa \in Z_\kappa \subset \tilde{B}_\kappa$ and set $y_\kappa := \pi_{P_i}(z_\kappa)$. Since $\varepsilon \leq \tilde{\varepsilon} \leq \frac{1}{2C' C_1}$ ($\tilde{\varepsilon}$ was chosen on page 103), we deduce

$$d(y_\kappa, x_\kappa) \leq d(y_\kappa, z_\kappa) + d(z_\kappa, x_\kappa) \leq d(z_\kappa, P_i) + \frac{t_i}{C_1} \stackrel{(7.23)}{\leq} C' \varepsilon \operatorname{diam} R_i + \frac{t_i}{C_1} \leq 2 \frac{t_i}{C_1}.$$

Due to Lemma 2.14, the simplex $S = \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_n)$ is an $(n, 6n \frac{t_i}{C_1})$ -simplex and, using the triangle inequality, we obtain $S \subset 2B_i$. Now, with Lemma 2.27, ($C = \frac{C_1}{6n}$, $\hat{C} = 2$, $t = t_i$, $m = n$, $x = X_i$) there exists some orthonormal basis (o_1, \dots, o_n) of $\operatorname{span}(y_1 - y_0, \dots, y_n - y_0) = P_i - y_0$ and there exists $\gamma_{l,r} \in \mathbb{R}$ with

$$o_l = \sum_{r=1}^l \gamma_{l,r} (y_r - y_0)$$

and

$$|\gamma_{l,r}| \leq \left(2n \frac{C_1}{6n} 2 \right)^n \frac{C_1}{6nt_i} = \left(\frac{2C_1}{3} \right)^n \frac{C_1}{6nt_i}$$

for all $1 \leq l \leq n$ and $1 \leq r \leq l$.

Now let $w \in P_i$ with $d(w, B_i) \leq C_4 \operatorname{diam} R_i$. We obtain

$$w - y_0 = \sum_{\kappa=1}^n \langle w - y_0, o_\kappa \rangle o_\kappa = \sum_{\kappa=1}^n \langle w - y_0, o_\kappa \rangle \sum_{r=1}^{\kappa} \gamma_{\kappa,r} (y_r - y_0) \quad (7.25)$$

and so, with Lemma 2.3 ($b = w$, $P = P^{(q,t,X)}$) and $|w - y_0| = d(w, y_0) \leq d(w, B_i) + \text{diam } B_i + d(B_i, y_0) \leq Ct_i$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & d(w, P^{(q,t,X)}) \\
 \stackrel{(7.25)}{\leq} & d(y_0, P^{(q,t,X)}) + \sum_{\kappa=1}^n \underbrace{|\langle w - y_0, o_\kappa \rangle|}_{\leq |w - y_0|} \sum_{r=1}^{\kappa} |\gamma_{\kappa,r}| \left(d(y_r, P^{(q,t,X)}) + d(y_0, P^{(q,t,X)}) \right) \\
 \leq & d(y_0, P^{(q,t,X)}) + \sum_{\kappa=1}^n Ct_i \sum_{r=0}^n \left(\frac{2C_1}{3} \right)^n \frac{C_1}{6nt_i} \left(d(y_r, P^{(q,t,X)}) + d(y_0, P^{(q,t,X)}) \right) \\
 \leq & nCC_1^{n+1} \sum_{r=0}^n d(y_r, P^{(q,t,X)}) \\
 \leq & nCC_1^{n+1} \sum_{r=1}^n \left(d(y_r, z_r) + d(z_r, P^{(q,t,X)}) \right) \\
 \leq & nCC_1^{n+1} \sum_{r=0}^n d(z_r, P_i) + nCC_1^{n+1} \sum_{r=0}^n d(z_r, P^{(q,t,X)}) \\
 \stackrel{(7.23)}{\leq} & n^2CC_1^{n+1}C' \varepsilon \text{diam } R_i + nCC_1^{n+1} \sum_{r=0}^n d(z_r, P^{(q,t,X)}). \tag{7.26}
 \end{aligned}$$

The previous results are valid for arbitrary $z_\kappa \in Z_\kappa$, hence we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & d(w, P^{(q,t,X)}) - n^2CC_1^{n+1}C' \varepsilon \text{diam } R_i \\
 = & \left(\frac{1}{\prod_{r=0}^n \mu(Z_r)} \int_{Z_0} \dots \int_{Z_n} \left(d(w, P^{(q,t,X)}) - n^2CC_1^{n+1}C' \varepsilon \text{diam } R_i \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z_n) \dots d\mu(z_0) \right)^3 \\
 \stackrel{(7.26)}{\leq} & \left(\frac{1}{\prod_{r=0}^n \mu(Z_r)} \int_{Z_0} \dots \int_{Z_n} \left(nCC_1^{n+1} \sum_{r=0}^n d(z_r, P^{(q,t,X)}) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z_n) \dots d\mu(z_0) \right)^3 \\
 \leq & nCC_1^{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{\prod_{r=1}^n \mu(Z_r)} \int_{Z_0} \dots \int_{Z_n} \sum_{r=0}^n d(z_r, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z_n) \dots d\mu(z_0) \right)^3 \\
 = & nCC_1^{n+1} \left(\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{\mu(Z_r)} \int_{Z_r} d(z_r, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z_r) \right)^3 \\
 \stackrel{(7.24)}{\leq} & nCC_1^{n+1} \left(\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{2^{n+1}C_2}{\text{diam } R_i^n} \int_{Z_r} d(z_r, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z_r) \right)^3 \\
 = & nCC_1^{n+1} \left(\frac{2^{n+1}C_2}{\text{diam } R_i^n} \int_{\bigcup_{r=0}^n Z_r} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z) \right)^3 \\
 \stackrel{(7.22)}{\leq} & nCC_1^{n+1} \left(\frac{2^{n+1}C_2}{\text{diam } R_i^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z) \right)^3,
 \end{aligned}$$

where we used that the sets Z_r are disjoint. This implies

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d(w, P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} &\leq n^2 C C_1^{n+1} C' \varepsilon \frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \\ &\quad + n C C_1^{n+1} \frac{(2^{n+1} C_2)^3}{t} \left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z) \right)^3. \end{aligned}$$

Since $w \in P_i$ was arbitrarily chosen with $d(w, B_i) \leq C_4 \text{diam } R_i$, we get the statement with $C = C(N, n, C_0) := n C C_1^{n+1} \cdot \max \left\{ n C', (2^{n+1} C_2)^3 \right\}$. \square

Lemma 7.24. *There exists some constant $C = C(n, C_0)$ so that*

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^n \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z) \right)^3 \leq C \beta_{1;k}(X, t).$$

Proof. Let $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$ ($\mathcal{I}(q, t)$ is defined on page 106) and $x \in 2B_i$. We define

$$\begin{aligned} J(i) &:= \{j \in \mathcal{I}(q, t) \mid \text{diam } B_j \leq \text{diam } B_i, 2B_i \cap 2B_j \neq \emptyset\}, \\ \Xi_i(x) &:= \sum_{j \in J(i)} \chi_{2B_j}(x). \end{aligned}$$

At first, we prove some intermediate results:

I. There exists some constant $C = C(n, C_0)$ so that, for all $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$, we have

$$\int_{2B_i} \Xi_i(x) d\mu(x) \leq C (\text{diam } R_i)^n.$$

This implies that $\Xi_i(x) < \infty$ for μ -almost all $x \in 2B_i$.

Proof. Let $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$. At first, we prove that there exists some constant $C = C(n) > 1$ so that

$$\sum_{j \in J(i)} (\text{diam } R_j)^n \leq C (\text{diam } R_i)^n.$$

Let $j \in J(i)$. With Lemma 6.15 (i) applied to j and the definition of $J(i)$, we deduce

$$\text{diam } R_j \leq \text{diam } B_j \leq \text{diam } B_i \leq 200 \text{diam } R_i.$$

Using Lemma 6.15 (i), (ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(R_i, R_j) &\leq d(R_i, \pi(B_i)) + \text{diam } B_i + \underbrace{d(\pi(B_i), \pi(B_j))}_{< d(2B_i, 2B_j) + \text{diam } B_i + \text{diam } B_j} + \text{diam } B_j + d(\pi(B_j), R_j) \\ &\leq C \text{diam } R_i. \end{aligned}$$

This implies for some large enough constant $C > 1$ that $R_j \subset CR_i$. Since the cubes \mathring{R}_j are disjoint (see Lemma 6.14 (ii)), we get with Lemma A.7

$$\sum_{j \in J(i)} (\text{diam } R_j)^n = \sum_{j \in J(i)} (\sqrt{n})^n \mathcal{H}^n(R_j) \leq (\sqrt{n})^n \mathcal{H}^n(CR_i) = C(n)(\text{diam } R_i)^n.$$

In the following, we apply Fatou's Lemma [EG92, 1.3, Thm.1] to interchange the integration with the summation. With (B) from page 64 and Lemma 6.15 (i), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{2B_i} \Xi_i(x) d\mu(x) &= \int_{2B_i} \sum_{j \in J(i)} \chi_{2B_j}(x) d\mu(x) \\ &\leq \sum_{j \in J(i)} \int_{2B_i} \chi_{2B_j}(x) d\mu(x) \\ &\leq \sum_{j \in J(i)} \mu(2B_j) \\ &\stackrel{\text{(B)}}{\leq} 2^n C_0 \sum_{j \in J(i)} (\text{diam } B_j)^n \\ &\leq C(n, C_0) \sum_{j \in J(i)} (\text{diam } R_j)^n \\ &\leq C(n, C_0)(\text{diam } R_i)^n. \end{aligned}$$

□

II. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$. There exists some $C = C(n) > 1$ with

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t) \\ \Xi_i(x) = m}} \chi_{2B_i}(x) \leq C.$$

Proof. Let $l, o \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$ with $x \in 2B_l \cap 2B_o$ and

$$\Xi_l(x) = m = \Xi_o(x).$$

Without loss of generality, we have $\text{diam } B_l \leq \text{diam } B_o$.

Assume that $\text{diam } B_l < \text{diam } B_o$. We define

$$J(l, x) := \{\iota \in J(l) \mid x \in 2B_\iota\}.$$

Let $j \in J(l, x)$. By definition of $J(l)$, we get $\text{diam } B_j \leq \text{diam } B_l < \text{diam } B_o$ and $x \in 2B_j$. Since $x \in 2B_o$, it follows $2B_o \cap 2B_j \neq \emptyset$ and, because $\text{diam } B_j < \text{diam } B_o$, we get $j \in J(o, x)$. Furthermore, we have $o \in J(o, x)$, but $o \notin J(l, x)$ because by our assumption we have $\text{diam } B_l < \text{diam } B_o$. So we get

$$J(l, x) \subsetneq J(o, x).$$

Now we obtain a contradiction

$$m = \Xi_l(x) = \sum_{j \in J(l)} \chi_{2B_j}(x) = \sum_{j \in J(l,x)} \chi_{2B_j}(x) < \sum_{j \in J(o,x)} \chi_{2B_j}(x) = \Xi_o(x) = m.$$

Hence there exists some $\lambda = \lambda(x, m) \in (0, \infty)$ so that, for $l \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$ with $x \in 2B_l$ and $\Xi_l(x) = m$, we have

$$\text{diam } B_l = \lambda,$$

and, we obtain with Lemma 6.15 (i), (ii)

$$\lambda \leq 200 \text{ diam } R_l \leq 200\lambda \quad \text{and} \quad d(R_l, \pi(B_l)) \leq 100\lambda.$$

Using

$$d(R_l, \pi(x)) \leq d(R_l, \pi(B_l)) + 2 \text{ diam } B_l \leq 102\lambda,$$

we get $R_l \subset B(\pi(x), 103\lambda) \cap P_0$. With Lemma A.7, we have

$$\mathcal{H}^n(R_l) = (\sqrt{n})^{-n} (\text{diam } R_l)^n \geq (\sqrt{n})^{-n} \left(\frac{1}{200}\lambda\right)^n$$

and, according to Lemma 6.14 (ii) the cubes R_l have disjoint interior which implies that there are at most

$$\frac{\mathcal{H}^n(B(\pi(x), 103\lambda) \cap P_0)}{(\sqrt{n})^{-n} \left(\frac{1}{200}\lambda\right)^n} = \frac{\omega_n (103\lambda)^n}{(\sqrt{n})^{-n} \left(\frac{1}{200}\lambda\right)^n} = C(n)$$

indices $l \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$ with $\Xi_l(x) = m$ and $x \in 2B_l$. Hence we deduce

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t) \\ \Xi_i(x)=m}} \chi_{2B_i}(x) \leq C(n).$$

□

III. We have $i \in J(i)$ and so $\Xi_i(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in 2B_i$. Hence, with $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, the term

$$\chi_{2B_i}(x) \Xi_i(x)^{-2} := \begin{cases} \Xi_i(x)^{-2} & \text{if } x \in 2B_i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is well-defined. Now there exists some constant $C(n)$ so that, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} \chi_{2B_i}(x) \Xi_i(x)^{-2} &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t) \\ \Xi_i(x)=m}} \chi_{2B_i}(x) \Xi_i(x)^{-2} \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{\substack{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t) \\ \Xi_i(x)=m}} \chi_{2B_i}(x) \stackrel{\text{II}}{\leq} C(n). \end{aligned}$$

IV. Let $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$. Since $i \in J(i)$, we have $\Xi_i(x) \neq 0$ for $x \in 2B_i$. We obtain with Hölder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} \Xi_i(z)^{-\frac{2}{3}} \Xi_i(z)^{\frac{2}{3}} d\mu(z) \right)^3 \\
 & \leq \left(\left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} \left(d(z, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} \Xi_i(z)^{-\frac{2}{3}} \right)^3 d\mu(z) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)^3 \\
 & \quad \left(\left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} \left(\Xi_i(z)^{\frac{2}{3}} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} d\mu(z) \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \right)^3 \\
 & = \frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)}) \Xi_i(z)^{-2} d\mu(z) \left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} \Xi_i(z) d\mu(z) \right)^2 \\
 & \stackrel{1}{\leq} C(n, C_0) \frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)}) \Xi_i(z)^{-2} d\mu(z).
 \end{aligned}$$

V. We have

$$\frac{1}{t^{n+1}} \int_{\bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} 2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mu(z) \leq 2\beta_{1;k}(X, t),$$

where $X \in B(\tilde{X}(q), 200t)$ (cf. page 106).

Proof. At first, we prove that there exists some constant $\hat{C} > 1$ so that for $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$

$$2B_i \subset B(X, \hat{C}t).$$

Let $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$. By definition of $\mathcal{I}(q, t)$ (see page 106), we obtain $R_i \cap B(q, t) \neq \emptyset$. Let $\tilde{u} \in R_i \cap B(q, t)$. Since $\frac{D(q)}{100} < t$ (see page 106), we get, using the triangle inequality, $D(\tilde{u}) \leq D(q) + d(q, \tilde{u}) < 101t$. It follows with Lemma 6.14 (i) that

$$\text{diam } R_i \leq \frac{1}{10} D(\tilde{u}) < 11t. \tag{7.27}$$

With Lemma 6.15 (ii) and (7.13) from page 105, we get $(X \in B(\tilde{X}, 200t))$, see page 106)

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(\pi(B_i), \pi(X)) & \leq d(\pi(B_i), \tilde{u}) + d(\tilde{u}, q) + d(q, \pi(\tilde{X})) + d(\pi(\tilde{X}), \pi(X)) \\
 & \stackrel{(7.13)}{\leq} d(\pi(B_i), R_i) + \text{diam } R_i + t + 200t + d(\tilde{X}, X) \stackrel{(7.27)}{\leq} Ct. \tag{7.28}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now let $x \in 2B_i = B(X_i, 2t_i)$. Since $(X_i, t_i) \in S$, we get, using Lemma 6.15 (i),

$$d(x) = \inf_{(Y,s) \in S} (d(Y, x) + s) \leq d(X_i, x) + t_i < 2 \text{diam } B_i \leq 400 \text{diam } R_i \stackrel{(7.27)}{<} 4400t,$$

and, because $X \in B(\tilde{X}, 200t) \cap F$, we deduce

$$d(X) = \inf_{(Y,s) \in S} (d(Y, X) + s) \stackrel{(7.13)}{\leq} d(\tilde{X}, X) + T \stackrel{(7.13)}{\leq} 400t.$$

With Lemma 6.15 (i) and estimates (7.27) and (7.28), we obtain

$$d(\pi(x), \pi(X)) \leq d(\pi(x), \pi(B_i)) + \text{diam } B_i + d(\pi(B_i), \pi(X)) \leq Ct.$$

Now there exists some constant $\hat{C} > 1$ so that, we get with Lemma 6.12

$$d(x, X) \leq 6(d(x) + d(X)) + 2d(\pi(x), \pi(X)) \leq \hat{C}t.$$

All in all we have proven that, for all $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$, we have

$$2B_i \subset B(X, \hat{C}t).$$

Since $k \geq \tilde{k} \geq \hat{C}$ (see page 103), we get with condition (7.14) from page 106

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} \int_{\bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} 2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mu(z) &\leq \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(X,kt)} \frac{d(z, P^{(q,t,X)})}{t} d\mu(z) \\ &= \beta_{1;k}^{P^{(q,t,X)}}(X, t) \stackrel{(7.14)}{\leq} 2\beta_{1;k}(X, t). \end{aligned}$$

□

Now with the monotone convergence theorem [EG92, 1.3, Thm. 2] (used in the following to interchange the summation and the integration), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^n \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z) \right)^3 \\ &\stackrel{\text{IV}}{\leq} C(n, C_0) \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^n \frac{1}{t} \frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)}) \Xi_i(z)^{-2} d\mu(z) \\ &= \frac{C(n, C_0)}{t^{n+1}} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)}) \Xi_i(z)^{-2} d\mu(z) \\ &\stackrel{\text{III}}{=} \frac{C(n, C_0)}{t^{n+1}} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} \int_{\bigcup_{l \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} 2B_l} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)}) \chi_{2B_i}(z) \Xi_i(z)^{-2} d\mu(z) \\ &= \frac{C(n, C_0)}{t^{n+1}} \int_{\bigcup_{l \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} 2B_l} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)}) \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} \chi_{2B_i}(z) \Xi_i(z)^{-2} d\mu(z) \\ &\stackrel{\text{III}}{\leq} \frac{C(n, C_0)}{t^{n+1}} \int_{\bigcup_{l \in \mathcal{I}(q,t)} 2B_l} d(z, P^{(q,t,X)}) d\mu(z) \\ &\stackrel{\text{V}}{\leq} C(n, C_0) \beta_{1;k}(X, t) \end{aligned}$$

and so Lemma 7.24 is proven. □

Now we can give some estimate for $\gamma(q, t)$, where $q \in U_{10}$ and $\frac{D(q)}{100} < t < 2$. Using the inequalities (7.15), (7.18), (7.19), (7.20), Lemma 7.23 and Lemma 7.24, we get using $T \leq 200t$

(cf. Lemma 7.19) for every $X \in B(\tilde{X}, T) \cap F \subset B(\tilde{X}, 200t) \cap F$ where $C = C(N, n, C_0)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma(q, t) &\stackrel{(7.15)}{\leq} K_0 + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} K_i \\
 &\stackrel{(7.18)}{\leq} C \beta_{1; k}(X, t) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} K_i \\
 &\stackrel{(7.19)}{\leq} C \beta_{1; k}(X, t) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left[\frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(q, t) \cap R_i} \frac{d(u + A(u), P_i)}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(u) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \omega_n \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^n \sup \left\{ \frac{d(w, P^{(q, t, X)})}{t} \mid w \in P_i, d(w, B_i) \leq C_4 \text{diam } R_i \right\} \right] \\
 &\stackrel{(7.20)}{\leq} C \beta_{1; k}(X, t) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left[C\varepsilon \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \omega_n \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^n \sup \left\{ \frac{d(w, P^{(q, t, X)})}{t} \mid w \in P_i, d(w, B_i) \leq C_4 \text{diam } R_i \right\} \right] \\
 &\stackrel{\text{L. 7.23}}{\leq} C \beta_{1; k}(X, t) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left[C\varepsilon \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \omega_n \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^n \left(C\varepsilon \frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} + C \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q, t, X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z) \right)^3 \right) \right] \\
 &= C \beta_{1; k}(X, t) + C\varepsilon \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \\
 &\quad + C \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^n \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{1}{(\text{diam } R_i)^n} \int_{2B_i} d(z, P^{(q, t, X)})^{\frac{1}{3}} d\mu(z) \right)^3 \\
 &\stackrel{\text{L. 7.24}}{\leq} C \beta_{1; k}(X, t) + C\varepsilon \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} + C \beta_{1; k}(X, t) \\
 &\leq C(N, n, C_0) \beta_{1; k}(X, t) + C(N, n, C_0) \varepsilon \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

With Lemma 7.19, we get $(\tilde{X}, T) \in S \subset S_{total}$ and $20t \leq T \leq 200t$. Using this, the definition of $\delta = \delta(n)$ on page 65 and (B) from page 64, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\gamma(q, t)^p \\
 &\leq \frac{2}{\delta} \frac{\mu(B(\tilde{X}, T))}{T^n} \gamma(q, t)^p \\
 &= \frac{2}{\delta T^n} \int_{B(\tilde{X}, T)} \gamma(q, t)^p d\mu(X)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \frac{2}{\delta(20t)^n} \int_{B(\tilde{X}, 200t)} \left[C\beta_{1;k}(X, t) + C\varepsilon \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \right]^p d\mu(X) \\
 &\stackrel{(B)}{\leq} \frac{C}{t^n} \int_{B(\tilde{X}, 200t)} 2^{p-1} \beta_{1;k}(X, t)^p d\mu(X) \\
 &\quad + 2^{p-1} \frac{2C_0(400t)^n}{\delta(20t)^n} \left(C\varepsilon \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \right)^p \\
 &\leq C \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(\tilde{X}, 200t)} \beta_{1;k}(X, t)^p d\mu(X) + C\varepsilon^p \left(\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \right)^p,
 \end{aligned}$$

where $C = C(N, n, p, C_0)$. We recall that for every $q \in U_{10}$ there exists some $\tilde{X} = \tilde{X}(q)$ (cf. Lemma 7.19) such that the previous inequality is valid. This implies

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_{U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\
 &\leq 2^{\frac{p}{2}-1} C \underbrace{\int_{U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(\tilde{X}(q), 200t)} \beta_{1;k}(X, t)^p d\mu(X) \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q)}_{=:a} \\
 &\quad + 2^{\frac{p}{2}-1} C \varepsilon^p \underbrace{\int_{U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \left(\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q)}_{=:b} \\
 &\leq C(N, n, p, C_0) a + C(N, n, p, C_0) \varepsilon^p b. \tag{7.29}
 \end{aligned}$$

To estimate a and b , we need the following lemma.

Lemma 7.25. *Let $q \in U_{10}$, $\frac{D(q)}{100} \leq t \leq 2$ and $X \in B(\tilde{X}(q), 200t) \cap F$, where $\tilde{X}(q)$ is given by Lemma 7.19 on page 105. Then*

$$d(\pi(X), q) \leq 400t \tag{7.30}$$

and there exists some $\tilde{\lambda} = \tilde{\lambda}(N, n, C_0) > 0$ so that, with $k_0 = 401$, we have

$$\tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B(X, t)) = \sup_{y \in B(X, k_0 t)} \frac{\mu(B(y, t))}{t^n} \geq \tilde{\lambda}, \tag{7.31}$$

where $\tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B(X, t))$ was defined on page 45. Furthermore, there holds for all $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$ that

$$d(q, R_i) \leq t, \quad \text{diam } R_i < 11t, \tag{7.32}$$

and there exists some constant $C = C(n)$ with

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \leq C, \tag{7.33}$$

$$\sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\text{diam } R_i)^n \leq C. \tag{7.34}$$

Proof. Let $q \in U_{10}$, $\frac{D(q)}{100} \leq t \leq 2$ and $X \in B(\tilde{X}(q), 200t) \cap F$. We have $d(X, \tilde{X}(q)) \leq 200t$ and, with (7.13), we get $d(\pi(\tilde{X}(q)), q) \leq 200t$. This implies

$$d(\pi(X), q) \leq d(\pi(X), \pi(\tilde{X}(q))) + d(\pi(\tilde{X}(q)), q) \leq d(X, \tilde{X}(q)) + 200t \leq 400t.$$

With (7.13), we obtain $(\tilde{X}(q), T) \in S \subset S_{total}$ and, by definition of S_{total} , we conclude $\frac{\mu(B(\tilde{X}(q), T))}{T^n} \geq \frac{\delta}{2}$. We have $B(\tilde{X}(q), T) \subset B(X, 400t)$ and hence

$$\delta(B(X, 400t)) = \frac{\mu(B(X, 400t))}{(400t)^n} \stackrel{(7.13)}{\geq} \frac{1}{20^n} \frac{\mu(B(\tilde{X}(q), T))}{T^n} \geq \frac{\delta}{2 \cdot 20^n}.$$

Applying Corollary 5.3 (ii) with $\lambda = \frac{\delta}{2 \cdot 20^n}$ on $B(X, 400t)$, we get constants $C_1 = C_1(N, n, C_0)$, $C_2 = C_2(N, n, C_0)$ and in particular one ball $B(x, s)$ with $s = \frac{400t}{C_1}$ and

$$\mu(B(x, s) \cap B(X, 400t)) \geq \frac{(400t)^n}{C_2}. \quad (7.35)$$

We have defined $\delta \leq \frac{2}{50^n}$ (cf. (6.2) on page 65), and Lemma 5.2 gives us $C_1 = \frac{4 \cdot 120^n n^{n+1} N_0 C_0}{2 \cdot 20^n} > 400$. That yields $s < t$. From (7.35), we get $B(x, s) \cap B(X, 400t) \neq \emptyset$ which implies $d(x, X) \leq 400t + s < 401t$ and

$$\sup_{y \in B(X, 401t)} \frac{\mu(B(y, t))}{t^n} \geq \frac{\mu(B(x, s))}{t^n} \stackrel{(7.35)}{\geq} \frac{1}{t^n} \frac{(400t)^n}{C_2} = \frac{400^n}{C_2} =: \tilde{\lambda}.$$

Let $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$. Due to the definition of $\mathcal{I}(q, t)$ (see page 106), we have

$$d(q, R_i) \leq t$$

and we can choose some $\tilde{u} \in R_i \cap B(q, t)$. With Lemma 6.14 (i), we obtain

$$\text{diam } R_i \leq \frac{1}{10} D(\tilde{u}) \leq \frac{1}{10} (D(q) + d(q, \tilde{u})) < 11t.$$

The intervals R_i have disjoint interior (see Lemma 6.14 (ii)) and, from $R_i \cap B(q, t) \neq \emptyset$ for all $i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)$, we get $R_i \subset B(q, 12t)$. With Lemma A.7, this implies

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} &\stackrel{(7.32)}{<} 11t \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} (\text{diam } R_i)^n \\ &= \frac{11}{t^n} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} (\sqrt{n})^n \mathcal{H}^n(R_i) \\ &= \frac{11}{t^n} (\sqrt{n})^n \mathcal{H}^n(B(q, 12t)) \\ &= \frac{11}{t^n} (\sqrt{n})^n (12t)^n \omega_n = 11 \cdot 12^n (\sqrt{n})^n \omega_n = C(n). \end{aligned}$$

Now let $i \in I_{12}$. We have $R_i \cap B(0, 12) \neq \emptyset$. If $(Y, r) \in S \subset S_{total}$, we get $Y \in F \subset B(0, 5)$ (cf. (A) on page 64) and hence we obtain $d(\pi(Y), 0) \leq 5$ as well as $r \leq 50$. With $\tilde{v} \in R_i \cap B(0, 12)$ and Lemma 6.14 (i), we get

$$\text{diam } R_i \leq \frac{1}{10} D(\tilde{v}) = \frac{1}{10} \inf_{(Y,r) \in S} (d(\pi(Y), \tilde{v}) + r) \leq \frac{1}{10} (5 + 12 + 50) < 7.$$

Hence, for all $i \in I_{12}$, we have $R_i \subset B(0, 19)$ and the cubes R_i have disjoint interior (cf. Lemma 6.14 (ii)). With Lemma A.7, we deduce

$$\sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\text{diam } R_i)^n = (\sqrt{n})^n \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \mathcal{H}^n(R_i) \leq (\sqrt{n})^n \mathcal{H}^n(B(0, 19)) = (19\sqrt{n})^n \omega_n = C(n).$$

□

To control the terms a and b we will use Fubini's Theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1], in the following abbreviated by (F). Now, using Lemma 7.25 and Corollary 5.8 ($\lambda = \tilde{\lambda}$, $k_0 = 401$), we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \int_{U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(\tilde{X}(q), 200t)} \beta_{1;k}(X, t)^p d\mu(X) \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\ &\leq \int_{U_{10}} \int_0^2 \frac{1}{t^n} \int_F \mathbb{1}_{\{d(\pi(X), q) \leq 400t, \tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B(X, t)) \geq \tilde{\lambda}\}} \beta_{1;k}(X, t)^p d\mu(X) \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\ &\stackrel{(F)}{=} \int_F \int_0^2 \frac{1}{t^n} \underbrace{\int_{U_{10}} \mathbb{1}_{\{d(\pi(X), q) \leq 400t\}} d\mathcal{H}^n(q)}_{=\mathcal{H}^n(B(\pi(X), 400t) \cap U_{10})} \mathbb{1}_{\{\tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B(X, t)) \geq \tilde{\lambda}\}} \beta_{1;k}(X, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(X) \\ &= \omega_n 400^n \int_F \int_0^2 \mathbb{1}_{\{\tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B(X, t)) \geq \tilde{\lambda}\}} \beta_{1;k}(X, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(X) \\ &\leq C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k) \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu). \end{aligned}$$

Now we consider the integral b . We get using Fatou's Lemma [EG92, 1.3, Thm.1] to interchange the summation with the integration

$$\begin{aligned} b &= \int_{U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \left(\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\ &\stackrel{(7.33)}{\leq} C \int_{U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}(q, t)} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\ &\stackrel{(7.32)}{\leq} C \int_{U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \mathbb{1}_{\{t > \frac{\text{diam } R_i}{11}, d(q, R_i) \leq t\}} \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{t} \right)^{n+1} \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\ &\stackrel{(F)}{\leq} C \sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\text{diam } R_i)^{n+1} \underbrace{\int_{\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{11}}^{\infty} \int_{U_{10}} \mathbb{1}_{\{d(q, R_i) \leq t\}} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \frac{dt}{t^{n+2}}}_{\leq \omega_n \left(\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{2} + t \right)^n \leq \omega_n (7t)^n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq C \sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\text{diam } R_i)^{n+1} \int_{\frac{\text{diam } R_i}{11}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{t^2} dt \\
 &= C \sum_{i \in I_{12}} (\text{diam } R_i)^n \\
 &\stackrel{(7.34)}{\leq} C(n, p) .
 \end{aligned}$$

All in all, we obtain with the decomposition (7.9), Lemma 7.18, (7.12) and with (C) from page 64

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{U_{10}} \int_0^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) &\leq C\varepsilon^p + \int_{U_{10}} \int_{\frac{D(q)}{100}}^2 \gamma(q, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mathcal{H}^n(q) \\
 &\stackrel{(7.29)}{\leq} C\varepsilon^p + Ca + C\varepsilon^p b \\
 &\leq C\varepsilon^p + C\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu) + C\varepsilon^p = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k)\varepsilon^p
 \end{aligned}$$

because $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu) \stackrel{(C)}{\leq} \eta < \varepsilon^p$ (see page 64 and page 103).

This completes the proof of Theorem 7.17. □

8 \mathcal{Z} Is not too Small

Our aim is to prove Theorem 6.1. In Definition 6.4, we defined a partition of the support F of our measure μ in four parts, namely \mathcal{Z} , F_1 , F_2 , F_3 . Then, in section 6.4, we constructed some function A , the graph Γ of which covers the set \mathcal{Z} . To get our main result, we need to know that we covered a major part of F . In this last part of the proof of Theorem 6.1, we show that the μ -measure of F_1 , F_2 , F_3 is quite small. In particular, we deduce $\mu(F_1 \cup F_2 \cup F_3) \leq \frac{1}{100}$. As stated at the beginning of section 6.1 on page 64, this completes the proof of Theorem 6.1.

8.1 Most of F is close to the graph of A

With

$$K := 2(104 \cdot 10 \cdot 6 + 214), \quad (8.1)$$

we define the set

$$G := \{x \in F \setminus \mathcal{Z} \mid \forall i \in I_{12} \text{ with } \pi(x) \in 3R_i, \text{ we have } x \notin KB_i\} \\ \cup \{x \in F \setminus \mathcal{Z} \mid \pi(x) \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})\}.$$

At first, we show that the μ -measure of G is small.

Lemma 8.1. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{280}$. There exist some $\tilde{\varepsilon} = \tilde{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha)$ so that, if $\eta < 2\tilde{\varepsilon}$ and $k \geq 4$, there exists some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0)$ so that, for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \tilde{\varepsilon})$, we have*

$$\mu(G) \leq C\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu) \stackrel{(C)}{\leq} C\eta,$$

where the condition (C) was given on page 64.

Proof. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{280}$ and $\tilde{\varepsilon} := \min\{\bar{\varepsilon}, \frac{\alpha}{C}\}$ where $\bar{\varepsilon}$ is given by Lemma 6.12 and $\bar{C} = \bar{C}(N, n, C_0)$ is a fixed constant defined in this proof on page 128. Furthermore let $\eta < 2\tilde{\varepsilon}$, $k \geq 4$ and $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\tilde{\varepsilon}$.

Let $x \in G$. If $x \in G \setminus \pi^{-1}(\pi(\mathcal{Z})) \subset F \subset B(0, 5)$, with Lemma 6.14 (ii), there exists some $i \in I_{12}$ with $\pi(x) \in R_i \subset 2R_i$. Let X_i be the centre of B_i (cf. Lemma 6.15). We set

$$X(x) := \begin{cases} X_i & \text{if } x \in G \setminus \pi^{-1}(\pi(\mathcal{Z})) \\ \pi(x) + A(\pi(x)) & \text{if } x \in G \cap \pi^{-1}(\pi(\mathcal{Z})). \end{cases}$$

Claim 1: For all $x \in G$ and $X = X(x)$ defined as above, we have

$$d(x, X) < 7d(x) \quad (8.2)$$

$$d(\pi(x), \pi(X)) \leq \frac{d(x)}{10} \quad (8.3)$$

$$\frac{d(x)}{2} \leq d(X, x) \quad (8.4)$$

$$\left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10} \right) \in S. \quad (8.5)$$

Proof of Claim 1.

1. Case: $x \in G \setminus \pi^{-1}(\pi(\mathcal{Z}))$.

Due to the definition of G and $\pi(x) \in 2R_i \subset 3R_i$, we have $x \notin KB_i$. It follows with Lemma 6.15 (i), (ii) and $q \in R_i$

$$\begin{aligned} d(\pi(x), \pi(X_i)) &\leq d(\pi(x), q) + d(q, \pi(X_i)) \\ &\leq 2 \operatorname{diam} R_i + d(R_i, \pi(B_i)) + \frac{\operatorname{diam} B_i}{2} + \operatorname{diam} R_i \\ &\leq 3 \operatorname{diam} R_i + 100 \operatorname{diam} R_i + \operatorname{diam} B_i \\ &\leq 104 \operatorname{diam} B_i. \end{aligned} \quad (8.6)$$

With Lemma 6.15, we know $\left(X_i, \frac{\operatorname{diam} B_i}{2} \right) \in S$ and hence we get

$$d(X_i) = \inf_{(Y,t) \in S} (d(Y, X_i) + t) \leq d(X_i, X_i) + \frac{\operatorname{diam} B_i}{2} < \operatorname{diam} B_i. \quad (8.7)$$

Since $x \notin KB_i$, we get with Lemma 6.12

$$K \cdot \frac{\operatorname{diam} B_i}{2} < d(x, X_i) \leq 6(d(x) + d(X_i)) + 2d(\pi(x), \pi(X_i)) < 6d(x) + 214 \operatorname{diam} B_i$$

which yields by definition of K (8.1)

$$104 \operatorname{diam} B_i < \frac{d(x)}{10}. \quad (8.8)$$

From the previous two estimates, we get $d(x, X_i) < 7d(x)$, i.e., (8.2) holds in this case. Furthermore, we have (8.3) since

$$d(\pi(x), \pi(X_i)) \stackrel{(8.6)}{\leq} 104 \operatorname{diam} B_i \stackrel{(8.8)}{<} \frac{d(x)}{10}.$$

We have $\left(X_i, \frac{\operatorname{diam} B_i}{2} \right) \in S$, so we get

$$d(x) \leq d(X_i, x) + \frac{\operatorname{diam} B_i}{2} \stackrel{(8.8)}{<} d(X_i, x) + \frac{d(x)}{2},$$

and hence (8.4) holds in this case. Due to Lemma 6.10, we have $\frac{\operatorname{diam} B_i}{2} \stackrel{(8.8)}{<} \frac{d(x)}{10} < \frac{60}{10} < 50$ so that with Lemma 6.3 (v) we deduce (8.5).

2. Case: $x \in G \cap \pi^{-1}(\pi(\mathcal{Z}))$.

We have $\pi(x) \in \pi(\mathcal{Z})$ and hence $X = \pi(x) + A(\pi(x)) \in \mathcal{Z}$ (cf. Definition 6.21). By definition of \mathcal{Z} and Lemma 6.3 (iv), we obtain $(X, \sigma) \in S$ for all $\sigma \in (0, 50)$ and hence

$$\frac{d(x)}{2} \leq d(x) = \inf_{(Y,s) \in S} (d(Y, x) + s) \leq d(X, x) + \sigma \xrightarrow{\sigma \rightarrow 0} d(X, x),$$

which establishes (8.4). Moreover, we have $d(\pi(X), \pi(x)) = d(\pi(x), \pi(x)) = 0$. Using Lemma 6.11, we obtain $d(X) = 0$ and hence we get with Lemma 6.12 $d(x, X) \leq 6(d(x) + d(X)) + 2(d(\pi(x), \pi(X))) = 6d(x)$. Furthermore, we have with Lemma 6.10 that $\frac{d(x)}{10} \leq 6 < 50$ so that by definition of \mathcal{Z} , we get $(X, \frac{d(x)}{10}) \in S$. *End of Proof of Claim 1.*

Let $P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}$ be the plane associated to $B(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})$ (cf. Lemma 6.3 (vi)). Since $S \subset S_{total}$, we obtain

$$\beta_{1;k}^{P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}} \left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10} \right) \leq 2\varepsilon, \quad (8.9)$$

$$\delta \left(B \left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10} \right) \right) \geq \frac{1}{2} \delta \quad (8.10)$$

and

$$\mathfrak{A}(P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}, P_0) \leq \alpha. \quad (8.11)$$

We define the set

$$\Upsilon := \left\{ u \in B \left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10} \right) \mid d(u, P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}) \leq \frac{8}{\delta} \frac{d(x)}{10} \varepsilon \right\}. \quad (8.12)$$

We get

$$\begin{aligned} \mu \left(B \left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10} \right) \setminus \Upsilon \right) &= \frac{1}{\frac{8}{\delta} \frac{d(x)}{10} \varepsilon} \int_{B(X, \frac{d(x)}{10}) \setminus \Upsilon} \frac{8}{\delta} \frac{d(x)}{10} \varepsilon d\mu(u) \\ &< \frac{1}{\frac{8}{\delta} \frac{d(x)}{10} \varepsilon} \int_{B(X, \frac{d(x)}{10}) \setminus \Upsilon} d(u, P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}) d\mu(u) \\ &\leq \frac{\delta}{8\varepsilon} \left(\frac{d(x)}{10} \right)^n \frac{1}{\left(\frac{d(x)}{10} \right)^n} \int_{B(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})} \frac{d(u, P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})})}{\frac{d(x)}{10}} d\mu(u) \\ &= \frac{\delta}{8\varepsilon} \left(\frac{d(x)}{10} \right)^n \beta_{1;k}^{P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}} \left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10} \right) \\ &\stackrel{(8.9)}{\leq} \frac{\delta}{8\varepsilon} \left(\frac{d(x)}{10} \right)^n 2\varepsilon \\ &\leq \frac{\delta}{4} \left(\frac{d(x)}{10} \right)^n \end{aligned}$$

and hence, because $\Upsilon \subset B\left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10}\right)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu\left(B\left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10}\right) \cap \Upsilon\right) = \mu(\Upsilon) &\geq \mu\left(B\left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10}\right)\right) - \mu\left(B\left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10}\right) \setminus \Upsilon\right) \\ &\stackrel{(8.10)}{\geq} \frac{\delta}{2} \left(\frac{d(x)}{10}\right)^n - \frac{\delta}{4} \left(\frac{d(x)}{10}\right)^n \\ &= \frac{\delta}{4} \left(\frac{d(x)}{10}\right)^n. \end{aligned}$$

With Corollary 5.3 ($\lambda = \frac{\delta}{4}$, $t = \frac{d(x)}{10}$), there exist constants $C_1 = C_1(N, n, C_0)$, $C_2 = C_2(N, n, C_0)$ and an $\left(n, 10n \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right)$ -simplex

$$T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \in F \cap B\left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10}\right) \cap \Upsilon$$

so that for all $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$

$$\mu\left(B\left(x_j, \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right) \cap B\left(X, \frac{d(x)}{10}\right) \cap \Upsilon\right) \geq \left(\frac{d(x)}{10}\right)^n \frac{1}{C_2}. \quad (8.13)$$

Let $y_j \in B\left(x_j, \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right) \cap \Upsilon$ for all $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$. By applying Lemma 2.14 $n+1$ times, we find that $\Delta(y_0, \dots, y_n)$ is an $\left(n, 8n \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right)$ -simplex.

Claim 2: For all $x \in G$, we have

$$d(x, \text{aff}(y_0, \dots, y_n)) \geq \frac{d(x)}{4}. \quad (8.14)$$

Proof of Claim 2. Let $P_y := \text{aff}(y_0, \dots, y_n)$ be the plane through y_0, \dots, y_n . Applying Lemma 2.28 ($C = \frac{C_1}{8n}$, $\hat{C} = 1$, $t = \frac{d(x)}{10}$, $\sigma = \frac{8}{\delta}\varepsilon$, $P_1 = P_y$, $P_2 = P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}$, $S = \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_n)$, $x = X$, $m = n$) yields

$$\sphericalangle(P_y, P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}) \leq \underbrace{4n(10^n + 1) \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{C_1}{4}\right)^{n+1} \frac{8}{\delta} \varepsilon}_{=: \bar{C}} \leq \alpha,$$

where we use that $\varepsilon \leq \tilde{\varepsilon} \leq \frac{\alpha}{\bar{C}}$. So, with (8.11) and Lemma 2.20, we obtain

$$\sphericalangle(P_y, P_0) \leq \sphericalangle(P_y, P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}) + \sphericalangle(P_{(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})}, P_0) \leq 2\alpha. \quad (8.15)$$

Let $\hat{P}_y \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$ be the n -dimensional plane parallel to P_y with $X \in \hat{P}_y$, and $\hat{P}_0 \in \mathcal{P}(N, n)$

be the plane parallel to P_0 with $X \in \hat{P}_0$. We have $\alpha \leq \frac{1}{280}$ and hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(\pi_{\hat{P}_y}(x), \pi_{\hat{P}_0}(x)) &= |\pi_{\hat{P}_y-X}(x-X) - \pi_{\hat{P}_0-X}(x-X)| \\
 &= |x-X| \left| \pi_{\hat{P}_y-X} \left(\frac{x-X}{|x-X|} \right) - \pi_{\hat{P}_0-X} \left(\frac{x-X}{|x-X|} \right) \right| \\
 &\leq d(x, X) \sphericalangle(\hat{P}_y - X, \hat{P}_0 - X) \\
 &\stackrel{(8.2)}{<} 7d(x) \sphericalangle(P_y, P_0) \\
 &\stackrel{(8.15)}{\leq} \frac{d(x)}{20},
 \end{aligned}$$

and using (8.3) we get

$$d(\pi_{\hat{P}_0}(x), X) = d(\pi_{\hat{P}_0}(x), \pi_{\hat{P}_0}(X)) = d(\pi(x), \pi(X)) \leq \frac{d(x)}{10},$$

which implies

$$d(\pi_{\hat{P}_y}(x), X) \leq d(\pi_{\hat{P}_y}(x), \pi_{\hat{P}_0}(x)) + d(\pi_{\hat{P}_0}(x), X) \leq \frac{d(x)}{20} + \frac{d(x)}{10}.$$

From this, we obtain using $y_0 \in \Upsilon \subset B(X, \frac{d(x)}{10})$ and $d(P_y, \hat{P}_y) = d(X, P_y) \leq d(X, y_0) \leq \frac{d(x)}{10}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d(x)}{2} &\stackrel{(8.4)}{\leq} d(x, X) \\
 &\leq d(x, \hat{P}_y) + d(\pi_{\hat{P}_y}(x), X) \\
 &\leq d(x, P_y) + d(P_y, \hat{P}_y) + \frac{3d(x)}{20} \\
 &\leq d(x, P_y) + \frac{d(x)}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

and gain $d(x, P_y) \geq \frac{d(x)}{4}$. *End of Proof of Claim 2.*

With (8.2) and

$$d(y_j, X) \leq d(y_j, x_j) + d(x_j, X) \leq \frac{d(x)}{10C_1} + \frac{d(x)}{10},$$

we obtain $y_0, \dots, y_n, x \in B(X, 7d(x)) \subset B(X, \frac{C_1 d(x)}{8n \cdot 10})$, where we used the explicit characterisation of C_1 given in Lemma 5.2. Hence we get with the second property of a μ -proper integrand (see Definition 4.4) the existence of some $\tilde{C} = \tilde{C}(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0) \geq 1$ with

$$\mathcal{K}^p(y_0, \dots, y_n, x) \geq \frac{1}{\left(\frac{d(x)}{10}\right)^{n(n+1)}} \tilde{C} \underbrace{\left(\frac{d(x, \text{aff}(y_0, \dots, y_n))}{\frac{d(x)}{10}}\right)^p}_{\stackrel{(8.14)}{\geq} \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^p > 1} > \tilde{C}^{-1} \left(\frac{10}{d(x)}\right)^{n(n+1)}.$$

This estimate holds for all $y_i \in B\left(x_i, \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right) \cap \Upsilon$. It follows

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int \dots \int \mathcal{K}^p(y_0, \dots, y_n, x) d\mu(y_0) \dots d\mu(y_n) \\
& \geq \int_{B\left(x_n, \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right) \cap \Upsilon} \dots \int_{B\left(x_0, \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right) \cap \Upsilon} \mathcal{K}^p(y_0, \dots, y_n, x) d\mu(y_0) \dots d\mu(y_n) \\
& \geq \tilde{C}^{-1} \left(\frac{10}{d(x)}\right)^{n(n+1)} \int_{B\left(x_n, \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right) \cap \Upsilon} \dots \int_{B\left(x_0, \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right) \cap \Upsilon} d\mu(y_0) \dots d\mu(y_n) \\
& = \tilde{C}^{-1} \left(\frac{10}{d(x)}\right)^{n(n+1)} \mu\left(B\left(x_0, \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right) \cap \Upsilon\right) \dots \mu\left(B\left(x_n, \frac{d(x)}{10C_1}\right) \cap \Upsilon\right) \\
& \stackrel{(8.13)}{\geq} \tilde{C}^{-1} \left(\frac{10}{d(x)}\right)^{n(n+1)} \left(\frac{d(x)}{10}\right)^{n(n+1)} \left(\frac{1}{C_2}\right)^{n+1} \\
& \geq \tilde{C}^{-1} C_2^{-(n+1)}. \tag{8.16}
\end{aligned}$$

We have proven the inequality (8.16) for all $x \in G$, so finally we deduce with (C) from page 64

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu(G) &= \tilde{C} C_2^{(n+1)} \int_G \tilde{C}^{-1} C_2^{-(n+1)} d\mu(x) \\
&\leq \tilde{C} C_2^{(n+1)} \int_G \int \dots \int \mathcal{K}^p(y_0, \dots, y_n, x) d\mu(y_0) \dots d\mu(y_n) d\mu(x) \\
&\leq C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0) \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu) \\
&\stackrel{(C)}{\leq} C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0) \eta.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 8.2. *Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. If $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon$, we have for all $x \in F \setminus G$ that*

$$(20K)^{-1}d(x) \leq D(\pi(x)) \leq d(x),$$

where K is the constant defined on page 125.

Proof. Let $x \in F \setminus G$.

We have $D(\pi(x)) = \inf_{y \in \pi^{-1}(\pi(x))} d(y) \leq d(x)$.

1. Case: $x \in \mathcal{Z}$.

With Lemma 6.11, we get $d(x) = 0$, so the statement is trivial.

2. Case: $x \notin \mathcal{Z}$.

Since $x \notin G \cup \mathcal{Z}$, by definition of G , there exists some $i \in I_{12}$ with $\pi(x) \in 3R_i$ and $x \in KB_i$.

We have $B_i = B(X_i, t_i)$ where $(X_i, t_i) \in S$ (see Lemma 6.15) and $K > 1$ (see (8.1) on page 125) so we obtain

$$d(x) = \inf_{(X,t) \in S} (d(X, x) + t) \stackrel{(X_i, t_i) \in S}{\leq} d(X_i, x) + t_i \leq K \frac{\text{diam } B_i}{2} + \frac{\text{diam } B_i}{2} < K \text{diam } B_i.$$

Now, with Lemma 6.14 (i) and 6.15, we deduce

$$D(\pi(x)) \geq 10 \operatorname{diam} R_i \geq \frac{10}{200} \operatorname{diam} B_i \geq \frac{1}{20K} d(x).$$

□

Lemma 8.3. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exists some $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0)$ and some $\tilde{k} \geq 4$ so that, if $\eta < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ and $k \geq \tilde{k}$, for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \bar{\varepsilon})$ we have that the following is true. There exists some constant $C = C(n)$ so that, for all $x \in F$ with $t \geq \frac{d(x)}{10}$, we have*

$$\int_{B(x,t) \setminus G} d(u, \pi(u) + A(\pi(u))) d\mu(u) \leq C\varepsilon t^{n+1}.$$

Proof. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. We choose some ε with $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\bar{\varepsilon}$ and some $k \geq \tilde{k} := \max\{\bar{k}, \tilde{C}\}$, where $\bar{\varepsilon}$ and \bar{k} are given by Lemma 6.22 and \tilde{C} is a fixed constant introduced in step VI of this proof.

Let $x \in F$ and $t \geq \frac{d(x)}{10}$. We define

$$I(x, t) := \left\{ i \in I_{12} \mid (3R_i \times P_0^\perp) \cap B(x, t) \cap (F \setminus G) \neq \emptyset \right\}$$

where $3R_i \times P_0^\perp := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid \pi(x) \in 3R_i\}$. At first, we prove some intermediate results:

I. If $u \in \mathcal{Z}$, the definition of A (see page 78) yields $d(u, \pi(u) + A(\pi(u))) = 0$.

II. Let $u \in (B(x, t) \cap F) \setminus (G \cup \mathcal{Z})$. We have (cf. Lemma 6.20 and Definition 6.21)

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, \pi(u) + A(\pi(u))) &= d(\pi(u) + \pi^\perp(u), \pi(u) + A(\pi(u))) \\ &= \left| \pi^\perp(u) - A(\pi(u)) \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{i \in I_{12}} \phi_i(\pi(u)) \pi^\perp(u) - \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_j(\pi(u)) A_j(\pi(u)) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_j(\pi(u)) \left| \pi^\perp(u) - A_j(\pi(u)) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

III. We have $(B(x, t) \cap F) \setminus (G \cup \mathcal{Z}) \subset \bigcup_{i \in I(x, t)} (3R_i \times P_0^\perp) \cap KB_i$.

Proof. Let $y \in (B(x, t) \cap F) \setminus (G \cup \mathcal{Z})$. Since $y \notin G \cup \mathcal{Z}$, by definition of G , there exists some $i \in I_{12}$ with $\pi(y) \in 3R_i$ and $y \in KB_i$. Hence we obtain $i \in I(x, t)$ and

$$y \in (3R_i \times P_0^\perp) \cap KB_i.$$

□

IV. Let $u \in 3R_i \times P_0^\perp$. We have $\pi(u) \in 3R_i$ and with Lemma 6.14 there exists at most $(180)^n$ cells R_j with $3R_i \cap 3R_j \neq \emptyset$. So $\sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_j(\pi(u))$ is a finite sum (ϕ_j is defined on page 78).

V. Let $i \in I(x, t)$ and $j \in I_{12}$. If $u \in (3R_i \times P_0^\perp) \cap KB_i$, then we have $\phi_j(\pi(u)) \leq \phi_{i,j}$, where

$$\phi_{i,j} := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } 3R_i \cap 3R_j \neq \emptyset \\ 0, & \text{if } 3R_i \cap 3R_j = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let $\phi_j(\pi(u)) \neq 0$. The definition of ϕ_j (see page 78) gives us $\pi(u) \in 3R_j$ and, because $\pi(u) \in 3R_i$, we deduce $3R_i \cap 3R_j \neq \emptyset$. Hence we obtain $\phi_j(\pi(u)) \leq 1 = \phi_{i,j}$. \square

VI. If $\phi_{i,j} \neq 0$, then we have $KB_i \subset kB_j$.

Proof. If $\phi_{i,j} \neq 0$, we can apply Lemma 6.14 (iii) and Lemma 6.22 (i). Hence, using Lemma 6.15 (i), the size of B_i as well as the distance of B_i to B_j are comparable to the size of B_j . Consequently, there exists some constant \tilde{C} so that $KB_i \subset \tilde{C}B_j \subset kB_j$. \square

VII. If $u \in kB_j$, we have $|\pi^\perp(u) - A_j(\pi(u))| < 2d(u, P_j)$. We recall that P_j is the graph of the affine map A_j (cf. Definition 6.18 and Lemma 6.19).

Proof. We set $\hat{P}_0 := P_0 + A_j(\pi(u))$ and $v := \pi(u) + A_j(\pi(u)) = \pi_{\hat{P}_0}(u)$. Using Lemma 2.1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} |\pi_{P_j}(u) - v| &= |\pi_{P_j}(u) - \pi_{\hat{P}_0}(u)| \\ &= |\pi_{P_j-v}(u-v) - \pi_{\hat{P}_0-v}(u-v)| \\ &= |u-v| \left| \pi_{P_j-v} \left(\frac{u-v}{|u-v|} \right) - \pi_{\hat{P}_0-v} \left(\frac{u-v}{|u-v|} \right) \right| \\ &\leq |u-v| \mathfrak{A}(P_j, P_0). \end{aligned}$$

All in all, we obtain with $\mathfrak{A}(P_j, P_0) \leq \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ (cf. Lemma 6.3 (vi) and Definition 6.18)

$$|u-v| \leq |u - \pi_{P_j}(u)| + |\pi_{P_j}(u) - v| < d(u, P_j) + \frac{1}{2}|u-v|$$

and hence

$$|\pi^\perp(u) - A_j(\pi(u))| = |u-v| < 2d(u, P_j).$$

\square

VIII. Let $B_j = B(X_j, t_j)$. Since $(X_j, t_j) \in S \subset S_{total}$, by definition of S_{total} , we obtain $\beta_{1;k}^{P_j}(X_j, t_j) \leq 2\varepsilon$.

IX. Let $i \in I(x, t)$ and $j \in I_{12}$. If $\phi_{i,j} \neq 0$, we conclude that $3R_i \cap 3R_j \neq \emptyset$. Hence, with Lemma 6.14 (iii) and Lemma 6.15 (i), we deduce $2t_j = \text{diam } B_j \leq 200 \text{diam } R_j \leq 1000 \text{diam } R_i$.

X. For $i \in I(x, t)$, we have with Lemma 6.14 (iv) that $\sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_{i,j} \leq (180)^n$.

XI. For $i \in I(x, t)$, there exists some $y \in B(x, t) \cap (F \setminus G)$ with $\pi(y) \in 3R_i$. We obtain with Lemma 6.14, Lemma 8.2 and our assumption $t \geq \frac{d(x)}{10}$ that

$$10 \operatorname{diam} R_i \leq D(\pi(y)) \leq d(y) \leq d(x) + d(x, y) \leq 11t.$$

XII. We have $\sum_{i \in I(x, t)} (\operatorname{diam} R_i)^n < \sqrt{n}^n \omega_n (7t)^n$.

Proof. Let $i \in I(x, t)$. With XI we obtain $\operatorname{diam} R_i < 2t$ and, because $(3R_i \times P_0^\perp) \cap B(x, t) \neq \emptyset$, we get $R_i \subset B(\pi(x), t + \operatorname{diam} 3R_i) \cap P_0 \subset B(\pi(x), 7t) \cap P_0$. Moreover, with Lemma 6.14 (ii), the primitive cells R_i have disjoint interior and hence we get with Lemma A.7 (we recall that ω_n denotes the volume of the n -dimensional unit sphere)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \in I(x, t)} (\operatorname{diam} R_i)^n &= \sum_{i \in I(x, t)} \sqrt{n}^n \mathcal{H}^n(R_i) \\ &= \sqrt{n}^n \mathcal{H}^n\left(\bigcup_{i \in I(x, t)} R_i\right) \\ &\leq \sqrt{n}^n \mathcal{H}^n(B(\pi(x), 7t) \cap P_0) \\ &= \sqrt{n}^n \omega_n (7t)^n. \end{aligned}$$

□

Using all those results, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{B(x, t) \setminus G} d(u, \pi(u) + A(\pi(u))) d\mu(u) \\ &\stackrel{\text{I}}{=} \int_{B(x, t) \setminus (G \cup \mathcal{Z})} d(u, \pi(u) + A(\pi(u))) d\mu(u) \\ &\stackrel{\text{II}}{\leq} \int_{B(x, t) \setminus (G \cup \mathcal{Z})} \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_j(\pi(u)) \left| \pi^\perp(u) - A_j(\pi(u)) \right| d\mu(u) \\ &\stackrel{\text{III}}{\leq} \sum_{i \in I(x, t)} \int_{(3R_i \times P_0^\perp) \cap KB_i} \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_j(\pi(u)) \left| \pi^\perp(u) - A_j(\pi(u)) \right| d\mu(u) \\ &\stackrel{\text{IV}}{=} \sum_{i \in I(x, t)} \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \int_{(3R_i \times P_0^\perp) \cap KB_i} \phi_j(\pi(u)) \left| \pi^\perp(u) - A_j(\pi(u)) \right| d\mu(u) \\ &\stackrel{\text{V}}{\leq} \sum_{i \in I(x, t)} \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_{i, j} \int_{KB_i} \left| \pi^\perp(u) - A_j(\pi(u)) \right| d\mu(u) \\ &\stackrel{\text{VI, VII}}{<} \sum_{i \in I(x, t)} \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_{i, j} \int_{kB_j} 2d(u, P_j) d\mu(u) \\ &= 2 \sum_{i \in I(x, t)} \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_{i, j} t_j^{n+1} \frac{1}{t_j^n} \int_{kB_j} \frac{d(u, P_j)}{t_j} d\mu(u) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2 \sum_{i \in I(x,t)} \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_{i,j} t_j^{n+1} \beta_{1;k}^{P_j}(X_j, t_j) \\
&\stackrel{\text{VIII}}{\leq} 2 \sum_{i \in I(x,t)} \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_{i,j} t_j^{n+1} 2\varepsilon \\
&\stackrel{\text{IX}}{\leq} C(n)\varepsilon \sum_{i \in I(x,t)} (\text{diam } R_i)^{n+1} \sum_{j \in I_{12}} \phi_{i,j} \\
&\stackrel{\text{X}}{\leq} C(n)\varepsilon \sum_{i \in I(x,t)} (\text{diam } R_i)^{n+1} (180)^n \\
&\stackrel{\text{XI}}{\leq} C(n)\varepsilon t \sum_{i \in I(x,t)} (\text{diam } R_i)^n \\
&\stackrel{\text{XII}}{\leq} C(n)\varepsilon t^{n+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Definition 8.4. We define

$$\tilde{F} := \left\{ x \in F \setminus G \mid d(x, \pi(x) + A(\pi(x))) \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} d(x) \right\}.$$

Theorem 8.5. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exists some $\hat{\varepsilon} = \hat{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0) \leq \frac{1}{4}$ and some $\tilde{k} \geq 4$ so that, if $\eta < 2\hat{\varepsilon}$ and $k \geq \tilde{k}$, there exists some constant $C_5 = C_5(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0)$ so that, for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \hat{\varepsilon})$, we have $\mu(F \setminus \tilde{F}) \leq C_5 \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$.

Proof. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. We choose some ε with $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\hat{\varepsilon} := \min\{2\tilde{\varepsilon}, 2\bar{\varepsilon}, \frac{1}{2}\}$ and some $k \geq \tilde{k}$ where $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ is given by Lemma 8.1 and $\bar{\varepsilon}$ and \tilde{k} are given by Lemma 8.3.

At first, we prove some intermediate results:

- I. We have $\mathcal{Z} \subset \tilde{F}$ because for $x \in \mathcal{Z}$ the definition of A on \mathcal{Z} (see Definition 78) implies that $d(x, \pi(x) + A(\pi(x))) = d(x, x) = 0$.
- II. If $x \in F \setminus (\tilde{F} \cup G)$, we conclude with I that $x \notin \mathcal{Z}$ and, with Lemma 6.11, we deduce $d(x) \neq 0$. So

$$\mathcal{G} = \left\{ B \left(x, \frac{d(x)}{10} \right) \mid x \in F \setminus (\tilde{F} \cup G) \right\}$$

is a set of nondegenerate balls. For $x \in F \subset B(0, 5)$, we have $d(x) \leq 60$ (see Lemma 6.10) so that we can apply the Besicovitch's covering theorem A.12 to \mathcal{G} and get $N_0 = N_0(N)$ families

$$\mathcal{B}_m \subset \mathcal{G} \quad m = 1, \dots, N_0$$

of disjoint balls with

$$F \setminus (\tilde{F} \cup G) \subset \bigcup_{m=1}^{N_0} \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} B.$$

III. Since d is 1-Lipschitz (Lemma 6.9), we obtain for all $u \in B\left(x, \frac{d(x)}{10}\right)$

$$d(x) - d(u) \leq |d(x) - d(u)| \leq d(x, u) \leq \frac{d(x)}{10}$$

and hence

$$\frac{1}{d(u)} \leq \frac{10}{9} \frac{1}{d(x)} < \frac{2}{d(x)}.$$

IV. Let $1 \leq m \leq N_0$ and let $B_x = B\left(x, \frac{d(x)}{10}\right)$ and $B_y = B\left(y, \frac{d(y)}{10}\right)$ be two balls in \mathcal{B}_m .

Then we either have

a) $\pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_x\right) \cap \pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_y\right) = \emptyset$
or

b) if $2d(x) \geq d(y)$, we have $B_y \subset 200B_x$ and $\text{diam } B_y > (40K)^{-1} \text{diam } B_x$,

where K is the constant from page 125.

Proof. Let $\pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_x\right) \cap \pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_y\right) \neq \emptyset$ and $2d(x) \geq d(y)$. We deduce with Lemma 6.12

$$d(x, y) \leq 6(d(x) + d(y)) + 2d(\pi(x), \pi(y)) < (18 + 1)d(x),$$

which implies

$$B_y \subset B\left(x, 19d(x) + \frac{d(y)}{10}\right) \subset B(x, 20d(x)) = 200B_x.$$

With Lemma 8.2, we get

$$\frac{d(x)}{20K} \leq D(\pi(x)) \leq D(\pi(y)) + d(\pi(x), \pi(y)) \leq d(y) + \frac{3d(x)}{40K \cdot 10} < d(y) + \frac{d(x)}{40K},$$

and hence

$$d(y) > \left(\frac{1}{20K} - \frac{1}{40K}\right) d(x) = (40K)^{-1} d(x).$$

All in all, we have proven that either case a) or case b) is true. \square

V. There exists some constant $C = C(n)$ so that, for all $1 \leq m \leq N_0$, we have

$$\sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} (\text{diam } B)^n \leq C.$$

Proof. Let $1 \leq m \leq N_0$. We recursively construct for every m some sequence of numbers, some sequence of balls and some sequence of sets. At first, we define the initial elements. Let $d_m^1 := \sup_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \text{diam } B$. We have $d_m^1 < \infty$ because, for all $x \in F \subset B(0, 5)$, we have with Lemma 6.10 that $d(x) \leq 60$. Now we choose $B_m^1 \in \mathcal{B}_m$ with $\text{diam } B_m^1 \geq \frac{d_m^1}{2}$ and define

$$\mathcal{B}_m^1 := \left\{ B \in \mathcal{B}_m \mid \pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_m^1\right) \cap \pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B\right) \neq \emptyset \right\}.$$

We continue this sequences recursively. We set

$$d_m^{i+1} = \sup_{B' \in \mathcal{B}_m \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^i \mathcal{B}_m^j} \text{diam } B',$$

choose

$$B_m^{i+1} \in \mathcal{B}_m \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^i \mathcal{B}_m^j$$

with $\text{diam } B_m^{i+1} \geq \frac{d_m^{i+1}}{2}$ and define

$$\mathcal{B}_m^{i+1} := \left\{ B \in \mathcal{B}_m \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^i \mathcal{B}_m^j \mid \pi \left(\frac{1}{40K} B_m^{i+1} \right) \cap \pi \left(\frac{1}{40K} B \right) \neq \emptyset \right\}.$$

If there exists some $l \in \mathbb{N}$ so that eventually $\mathcal{B}_m \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^l \mathcal{B}_m^j = \emptyset$, we set for all $i \geq l$ $\mathcal{B}_m^i := \emptyset$, and interrupt the sequences (d_m^i) and (B_m^i) . We have the following results:

- (i) For all $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $B_m^l = B \left(x_m^l, \frac{d(x_m^l)}{10} \right)$, we have with Lemma 6.10 and $x_m^l \in F \subset B(0, 5)$ that $\frac{d(x_m^l)}{10} \leq 6$. Hence we get $B_m^l \subset B(0, 11)$.
- (ii) For all $1 \leq m \leq N_0$, we have

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{B}_m^i = \mathcal{B}_m.$$

Proof. 1. Case: There exist only finitely many d_m^l .

This means that there exists some $l \in \mathbb{N}$ with $\mathcal{B}_m \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^l \mathcal{B}_m^j = \emptyset$, which implies $\mathcal{B}_m \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{B}_m^j$.

2. Case: There exist infinitely many d_m^l .

Since \mathcal{B}_m is a family of disjoint balls, the set $\{B_m^l \mid l \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is also a family of disjoint balls. Due to (i), all of those balls are contained in $B(0, 11)$. If there exists some $c > 0$ with $\text{diam } B_m^l > c$ for all $l \in \mathbb{N}$, there can not be infinitely many of such balls. Hence we deduce

$$\text{diam } B_m^l \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{if } l \rightarrow \infty. \tag{8.17}$$

Let $B \in \mathcal{B}_m$. We assume that

$$B \notin \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{B}_m^i.$$

We obtain for all $l \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\text{diam } B_m^l \geq \frac{d_m^l}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sup_{B' \in \mathcal{B}_m \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^{l-1} \mathcal{B}_m^j} \text{diam } B' \geq \frac{\text{diam } B}{2},$$

which is in contradiction to (8.17). So we get $B \in \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{B}_m^i$.

All in all, we have proven $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{B}_m^i \supset \mathcal{B}_m$.

The inverse inclusion follows by definition of \mathcal{B}_m^i . □

(iii) We have $\#\mathcal{B}_m^l \leq (200 \cdot 80K)^n$ for all $1 \leq m \leq N_0$ and for all $l \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. Let $1 \leq m \leq N_0$, $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $B_y = B\left(y, \frac{d(y)}{10}\right) \in \mathcal{B}_m^l$, $B_m^l = B\left(x_m^l, \frac{d(x_m^l)}{10}\right) \in \mathcal{B}_m^l$. We have $\pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_m^l\right) \cap \pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_y\right) \neq \emptyset$ and

$$2d(x_m^l) = 10 \operatorname{diam} B_m^l \geq 10 \frac{d_m^l}{2} \geq 10 \frac{\operatorname{diam} B_y}{2} = d(y).$$

Hence we obtain with IV

$$\begin{aligned} B_y &\subset 200B_m^l, \\ \operatorname{diam} B_y &> (40K)^{-1} \operatorname{diam} B_m^l. \end{aligned}$$

The balls in \mathcal{B}_m^l are disjoint, so, with Lemma A.4 ($s = \frac{\operatorname{diam} B_m^l}{80K}$, $r = 200 \frac{\operatorname{diam} B_m^l}{2}$), we deduce

$$\#\mathcal{B}_m^l \leq \left(\frac{r}{s}\right)^N \leq (200 \cdot 80K)^N.$$

□

(iv) We have

$$\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (\operatorname{diam} \pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_m^l\right))^n \leq 22^n.$$

Proof. Let $l_1 \neq l_2$. We have

$$\pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_m^{l_1}\right) \cap \pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_m^{l_2}\right) = \emptyset.$$

Furthermore, we get with (i) for all $l \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_m^l\right) \subset \pi(B(0, 11)),$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (\operatorname{diam} \pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_m^l\right))^n &= \frac{2^n}{\omega_n} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}^n\left(\pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_m^l\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{2^n}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n\left(\bigcup_{l=1}^{\infty} \pi\left(\frac{1}{40K}B_m^l\right)\right) \\ &\leq \frac{2^n}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(\pi(B(0, 11))) \\ &= 22^n. \end{aligned}$$

□

Now we are able to prove V:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} (\text{diam } B)^n &\stackrel{\text{(ii)}}{=} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m^l} (\text{diam } B)^n \\
 &\leq \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m^l} (d_m^l)^n \\
 &\stackrel{\text{(iii)}}{\leq} (200 \cdot 80K)^n 2^n \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (\text{diam } B_m^l)^n \\
 &= (200 \cdot 80K)^n 2^n (40K)^n \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (\text{diam } \pi(\frac{1}{40K} B_m^l))^n \\
 &\stackrel{\text{(iv)}}{\leq} C(n).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Finally, we can finish the proof of Theorem 8.5. Let p_B denote the centre of some ball B . Using the definition of \tilde{F} and Lemma 8.3, there exists some constant $C = C(n)$ so that we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \mu(F \setminus (\tilde{F} \cup G)) &= \int_{F \setminus (\tilde{F} \cup G)} \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} d\mu(u) \\
 &< \int_{F \setminus (\tilde{F} \cup G)} \frac{d(u, \pi(u) + A(\pi(u)))}{d(u)} d\mu(u) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{II}}{\leq} \sum_{m=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \int_{B \setminus (\tilde{F} \cup G)} \frac{d(u, \pi(u) + A(\pi(u)))}{d(u)} d\mu(u) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{III}}{<} \sum_{m=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \frac{2}{d(p_B)} \int_{B \setminus G} d(u, \pi(u) + A(\pi(u))) d\mu(u) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{L.8.3}}{\leq} \sum_{m=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \frac{2}{d(p_B)} C\varepsilon \left(\frac{\text{diam } B}{2} \right)^{n+1} \\
 &= C\varepsilon \sum_{m=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \frac{2}{d(p_B)} \frac{d(p_B)}{10} \left(\frac{\text{diam } B}{2} \right)^n \\
 &\stackrel{\text{V}}{\leq} C(N, n)\varepsilon.
 \end{aligned}$$

This leads to $\mu(F \setminus (\tilde{F} \cup G)) \leq C(N, n)\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$. With $\eta < 2\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and Lemma 8.1, we get $\mu(G) \leq C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0)\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$. All in all, we deduce

$$\mu(F \setminus \tilde{F}) \leq \mu(F \setminus (\tilde{F} \cup G)) + \mu(G) \leq C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0)\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

□

8.2 F_1 is small

Now we are able to estimate $\mu(F_1)$. We recall that η and k are fixed constants (cf. the first lines of section 6.1), and (cf. Definition 6.4)

$$F_1 = \left\{ x \in F \setminus \mathcal{Z} \mid \exists y \in F, \exists \tau \in \left[\frac{h(x)}{5}, \frac{h(x)}{2} \right], d(x, y) \leq \frac{\tau}{2} \text{ and } \delta(B(y, \tau)) \leq \delta \right\}$$

where this definition depends on the choice of $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$.

Theorem 8.6. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exist some $\varepsilon^* = \varepsilon^*(N, \tilde{n}, C_0)$ and some $\tilde{k} \geq 4$ so that, if $\eta < 2\varepsilon^*$ and $k \geq \tilde{k}$, for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \varepsilon^*)$, we have $\mu(F_1) < 10^{-6}$.*

Proof. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$ and let $\hat{\varepsilon}$, C_5 and \tilde{k} be the constants given by Theorem 8.5. We set $\varepsilon^* := \min \left\{ \hat{\varepsilon}, \frac{10^{-14}}{C_5^2} \right\}$ and choose some $k \geq \tilde{k}$ and some $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \varepsilon^*)$. At first, we prove some intermediate results:

I. Let

$$\mathcal{G} = \left\{ B \left(x, \frac{h(x)}{10} \right) \mid x \in F_1 \cap \tilde{F} \right\}.$$

This is a set of nondegenerate balls because $\mathcal{Z} \cap F_1 = \emptyset$ and, by definition of $h(\cdot)$ (see page 65), we get $h(x) \leq 50$ for all $x \in F$. With Besicovitch's covering theorem A.12, there exist $N_0 = N_0(N)$ families $\mathcal{B}_m \subset \mathcal{G}$, $m = 1, \dots, N_0$, containing countably many disjoint balls with

$$F_1 \cap \tilde{F} \subset \bigcup_{m=1}^{N_0} \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} B.$$

II. If $1 \leq m \leq N_0$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}_m$, we have $\mu(B) \leq 3^n \delta (\text{diam } B)^n$.

Proof. Let $x \in F_1 \cap \tilde{F}$ such that $B = B \left(x, \frac{h(x)}{10} \right)$. Due to the definition of F_1 , there exists some $y \in F$ and some $\tau \in \left[\frac{h(x)}{5}, \frac{h(x)}{2} \right]$ with $d(x, y) \leq \frac{\tau}{2}$ and $\delta(B(y, \tau)) \leq \delta$. For any $z \in B$, we get

$$d(z, y) \leq d(z, x) + d(x, y) \leq \frac{h(x)}{10} + \frac{\tau}{2} \leq \frac{\tau}{2} + \frac{\tau}{2} = \tau.$$

Hence we obtain $B \subset B(y, \tau)$ and conclude

$$\mu(B) \leq \mu(B(y, \tau)) \leq \delta \tau^n \leq \delta \left(\frac{h(x)}{2} \right)^n < 3^n \delta (\text{diam } B)^n.$$

□

III. For all $1 \leq m \leq N_0$, we have $\sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} (\text{diam } B)^n \leq 192^n$.

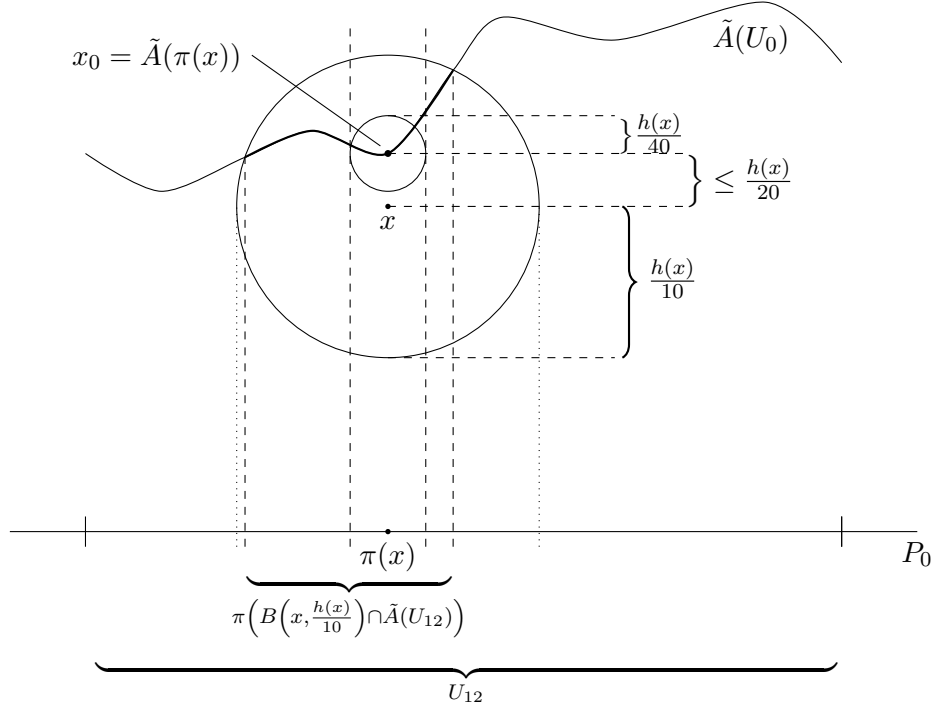


Figure 8.1: $\pi \left(B \left(x_0, \frac{h(x)}{40} \right) \right) \subset \pi \left(B \left(x, \frac{h(x)}{10} \right) \cap \tilde{A}(U_{12}) \right)$

Proof. We define the function

$$\tilde{A} : U_{12} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N, u \mapsto u + A(u),$$

where $U_{12} = B(0, 12) \cap P_0$. \tilde{A} is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant less than 2 because A is defined on U_{12} (see page 78), 3α -Lipschitz continuous (see Lemma 6.28) and $\alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. Let $B = B \left(x, \frac{h(x)}{10} \right) \in \mathcal{B}_m$. We have $F \subset B(0, 5)$ (see (A) on page 64) and so $\pi(F) \subset P_0 \cap B(0, 5)$ because π is the orthogonal projection on P_0 and $0 \in P_0$. With the definition of \tilde{F} and Lemma 6.11, we obtain for $x_0 := \tilde{A}(\pi(x))$

$$d(x, x_0) = d(x, \pi(x) + A(\pi(x))) \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} d(x) \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} h(x) < \frac{h(x)}{20}.$$

For some $z \in \pi \left(B \left(x_0, \frac{h(x)}{40} \right) \right) \subset U_{12}$, we get using $\pi(x) = \pi(x_0)$

$$d(\tilde{A}(z), x) \leq d(\tilde{A}(z), \tilde{A}(\pi(x_0))) + d(x_0, x) < 2d(z, \pi(x_0)) + \frac{h(x)}{20} \leq \frac{h(x)}{10},$$

which implies $\tilde{A}(\pi(B(x_0, \frac{h(x)}{40}))) \subset B \cap \tilde{A}(U_{12})$, and hence we gain $\pi \left(B \left(x_0, \frac{h(x)}{40} \right) \right) \subset \pi \left(B \cap \tilde{A}(U_{12}) \right)$. Now we have with [EG92, 2.4.1, Thm. 1]

$$\frac{\omega_n}{8^n} (\text{diam } B)^n = \omega_n \left(\frac{h(x)}{40} \right)^n = \mathcal{H}^n \left(\pi \left(B \left(x_0, \frac{h(x)}{40} \right) \right) \right) \leq \mathcal{H}^n(B \cap \tilde{A}(U_{12})). \quad (8.18)$$

Using [EG92, 2.4.1, Thm. 1] again, we obtain

$$\mathcal{H}^n(\tilde{A}(U_{12})) \leq (\text{Lip}_{\tilde{A}})^n \mathcal{H}^n(U_{12}) \leq 24^n \omega_n. \quad (8.19)$$

The balls in \mathcal{B}_m are disjoint, so we conclude

$$\sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} (\text{diam } B)^n \stackrel{(8.18)}{\leq} \frac{8^n}{\omega_n} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \mathcal{H}^n(B \cap \tilde{A}(U_{12})) \leq \frac{8^n}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(\tilde{A}(U_{12})) \stackrel{(8.19)}{\leq} 192^n.$$

□

Now we have

$$\mu(F_1 \cap \tilde{F}) \stackrel{\text{I}}{\leq} \sum_{m=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \mu(B) \stackrel{\text{II}}{\leq} 3^n \delta \sum_{m=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} (\text{diam } B)^n \stackrel{\text{III}}{\leq} \delta N_0 \cdot 576^n.$$

Since $\delta \leq \frac{10^{-10}}{600^n N_0}$ (see (6.2) on page 65) and $\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} < \frac{10^{-7}}{C_5}$, we deduce together with Theorem 8.5 that

$$\mu(F_1) \leq \mu(F_1 \cap \tilde{F}) + \mu(F \setminus \tilde{F}) < 10^{-6}.$$

□

8.3 F_2 is small

We recall that $0 < \eta \leq 2^{-(n+1)}$ and $k \geq 1$ are fixed constants (cf. the first lines of section 6.1) and that (cf. Definition 6.4)

$$F_2 = \left\{ x \in F \setminus (\mathcal{Z} \cup F_1) \left| \begin{array}{l} \exists y \in F, \exists \tau \in \left[\frac{h(x)}{5}, \frac{h(x)}{2} \right], \text{ with } d(x, y) \leq \frac{\tau}{2} \\ \text{and} \\ \beta_{1;k}(y, \tau) \geq \varepsilon \end{array} \right. \right\},$$

where this definition depends on the choice of $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$.

Theorem 8.7. *Let $\alpha, \varepsilon > 0$. There exists some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k)$ so that, if $\eta \leq \frac{\varepsilon^p}{C} 10^{-6}$, we have*

$$\mu(F_2) \leq 10^{-6}.$$

Proof. Let $x \in F_2$ and $t \in (h(x), 2h(x))$. It follows that $x \notin F_1 \cup \mathcal{Z}$ and hence, for all $y \in F$ and for all $\tau \in \left[\frac{h(x)}{5}, \frac{h(x)}{2} \right]$ with $d(x, y) \leq \frac{\tau}{2}$, we obtain $\delta(B(y, \tau)) > \delta$. So, in particular, we get $\delta\left(B\left(x, \frac{h(x)}{2}\right)\right) > \delta$ for $x = y$ and $\tau = \frac{h(x)}{2}$ and hence with $k_0 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\delta}_{k_0}(B(x, t)) &= \sup_{z \in B(x, k_0 t)} \delta(B(z, t)) \geq \delta(B(x, t)) = \frac{\mu(B(x, t))}{t^n} \\ &\geq \frac{\mu\left(B\left(x, \frac{h(x)}{2}\right)\right)}{\left(4 \frac{h(x)}{2}\right)^n} > \frac{\delta}{4^n}. \end{aligned} \quad (8.20)$$

Let (y, τ) as in the definition of F_2 . Then we have $d(x, y) + \tau < 2\tau \leq h(x) < t$ and hence $B(y, \tau) \subset B(x, t)$. We conclude

$$\beta_{1;k}(x, t) \geq \left(\frac{\tau}{t}\right)^{n+1} \beta_{1;k}(y, \tau) \geq \left(\frac{\frac{h(x)}{5}}{2h(x)}\right)^{n+1} \varepsilon = \frac{\varepsilon}{10^{n+1}}. \quad (8.21)$$

Now, with Corollary 5.8 ($\lambda = \frac{\delta}{4^n}$, $k_0 = 1$), there exists some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0, k)$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu) &\geq \frac{1}{C} \int_F \int_0^\infty \beta_{1;k}(x, t)^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\delta_{k_0}(B(x, t)) \geq \frac{\delta}{4^n}\}} \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{C} \int_{F_2} \int_{h(x)}^{2h(x)} \beta_{1;k}(x, t)^p \mathbb{1}_{\{\delta_{k_0}(B(x, t)) \geq \frac{\delta}{4^n}\}} \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\ &\stackrel{(8.20)}{=} \frac{1}{C} \int_{F_2} \int_{h(x)}^{2h(x)} \beta_{1;k}(x, t)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\ &\stackrel{(8.21)}{\geq} \frac{1}{C} \int_{F_2} \int_{h(x)}^{2h(x)} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{10^{n+1}}\right)^p \frac{dt}{t} d\mu(x) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{C} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{10^{n+1}}\right)^p \mu(F_2) \ln(2). \end{aligned}$$

Finally, with condition (C) from page 64 and using that $\eta \leq \frac{\ln(2)}{10^{p(n+1)}C} \varepsilon^p 10^{-6}$, we get

$$\mu(F_2) \leq \frac{C}{\ln(2)} \left(\frac{10^{n+1}}{\varepsilon}\right)^p \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{K}^p}(\mu) \leq \frac{10^{p(n+1)}C}{\ln(2)} \varepsilon^{-p} \eta \leq 10^{-6}.$$

□

8.4 F_3 is small

We set

$$\tilde{F} := \left\{ x \in \tilde{F} \mid \mu(\tilde{F} \cap B(x, t)) \geq \frac{99}{100} \mu(F \cap B(x, t)) \text{ for all } t \in (0, 2) \right\}.$$

We have defined \tilde{F} on page 134 in Definition 8.4. To review

$$\tilde{F} = \left\{ x \in F \setminus G \mid d(x, \pi(x) + A(\pi(x))) \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} d(x) \right\}.$$

Lemma 8.8. *Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$. There exists some $\hat{\varepsilon} = \hat{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0) \leq \frac{1}{4}$ and some $\tilde{k} \geq 4$ so that, if $\eta < 2\hat{\varepsilon}$ and $k \geq \tilde{k}$, there exists some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0)$ so that, for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \hat{\varepsilon})$, we have*

$$\mu(F \setminus \tilde{F}) \leq C\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Proof. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$ and choose $\hat{\varepsilon}, \tilde{k}$ to be the constants given by Theorem 8.5 and let $k \geq \tilde{k}$, $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\hat{\varepsilon}$. We have $\tilde{\tilde{F}} \subset \tilde{F} \subset F$ and hence

$$\mu(F \setminus \tilde{\tilde{F}}) \leq \mu(F \setminus \tilde{F}) + \mu(\tilde{F} \setminus \tilde{\tilde{F}}).$$

In Theorem 8.5, we have already proven that $\mu(F \setminus \tilde{F}) \leq C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0)\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$, so we only have to consider $\mu(\tilde{F} \setminus \tilde{\tilde{F}})$. For all $x \in \tilde{F} \setminus \tilde{\tilde{F}}$, there exists some $t_x \in (0, 2)$ with

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\tilde{F} \cap B(x, t_x)) &< \frac{99}{100} \mu(F \cap B(x, t_x)) \\ &\leq \frac{99}{100} \left(\mu((F \setminus \tilde{F}) \cap B(x, t_x)) + \mu(\tilde{F} \cap B(x, t_x)) \right) \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\mu(\tilde{F} \cap B(x, t_x)) \leq 99\mu((F \setminus \tilde{F}) \cap B(x, t_x)). \quad (8.22)$$

Moreover, we have

$$\tilde{F} \setminus \tilde{\tilde{F}} \subset \bigcup_{x \in \tilde{F} \setminus \tilde{\tilde{F}}} \tilde{F} \cap B(x, t_x),$$

so with Besicovitch's covering theorem A.12 there exist $N_0 = N_0(N)$ families \mathcal{B}_m , $m = 1, \dots, N_0$, of disjoint balls $B(x, t_x)$ so that

$$\tilde{F} \setminus \tilde{\tilde{F}} \subset \bigcup_{m=1}^{N_0} \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \tilde{F} \cap B.$$

Finally, with Theorem 8.5, there exists some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, p, C_0)$ so that

$$\mu(\tilde{F} \setminus \tilde{\tilde{F}}) \leq \sum_{m=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \mu(\tilde{F} \cap B) \stackrel{(8.22)}{\leq} 99 \sum_{m=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_m} \mu((F \setminus \tilde{F}) \cap B) \leq 99N_0 \mu(F \setminus \tilde{F}) \leq C\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

□

Lemma 8.9. *Let $\theta, \alpha > 0$. There exist some constant $C = C(N, n, C_0, \theta) > 1$ and some constant $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_0(N, n, C_0, \theta) > 0$ so that, if $\eta < 2\varepsilon_0$ and $k \geq 4$, we have for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \varepsilon_0)$ that the following is true. If $(x, t) \in S$ and $100t \geq \theta$, then we have $\sphericalangle(P_{(x,t)}, P_0) \leq C\varepsilon$.*

Proof. Let $\theta, \alpha > 0$, $k \geq 4$ and $\eta < 2\varepsilon < 2\varepsilon_0$ where the constant ε_0 is given by Lemma 5.9. Let $t \geq \frac{\theta}{100}$ and $(x, t) \in S$. We get with (A) and (D) (see page 64)

$$\beta_{1;k}^{P_0}(x, t) \leq \left(\frac{5}{t}\right)^{n+1} \beta_{1;k}^{P_0}(0, 5) \leq \left(\frac{500}{\theta}\right)^{n+1} 2\varepsilon.$$

Furthermore, we have with Lemma 6.3 (vi) that $\beta_{1;k}^{P_{(x,t)}}(x, t) \leq 2\varepsilon$ and with $(x, t) \in S \subset S_{total}$ we obtain $\delta(B(x, t)) \geq \frac{\delta}{2}$. Now, with Lemma 5.9 ($y = x$, $c = 1$, $\xi = 2\left(\frac{500}{\theta}\right)^{n+1}$, $t_x = t_y = t$, $\lambda = \frac{\delta}{2}$), there exists some constant $C_3 = C_3(N, n, C_0, \theta)$ so that $\sphericalangle(P_{(x,t)}, P_0) \leq C_3\varepsilon$. □

Lemma 8.10. *Let $\theta, \alpha > 0$. If $k \geq 400$, there exists some constant $\varepsilon^* = \varepsilon^*(N, n, C_0, \alpha, \theta)$ so that, if $\eta < 2\varepsilon^*$, we have for all $\varepsilon \in [\frac{\eta}{2}, \varepsilon^*)$ that for all $x \in F_3$ we have $h(x) < \frac{\theta}{100}$.*

Proof. Let $\theta, \alpha > 0$ and $k \geq 400$. We set $\varepsilon^* := \min\{\bar{\varepsilon}, \varepsilon_0, \frac{\alpha}{2C}\}$ where $\bar{\varepsilon}$ is given by Lemma 6.6 and ε_0 as well as C are given by Lemma 8.9. Let $\eta \leq 2\varepsilon < 2\varepsilon^*$ and $x \in F_3$. With Lemma 6.3 (iv), we have $(x, h(x)) \in S$ and, with Lemma 6.6, we get $\sphericalangle(P_{(x, h(x))}, P_0) > \frac{1}{2}\alpha$. Hence we obtain $h(x) < \frac{\theta}{100}$ with Lemma 8.9. \square

Lemma 8.11. *Let $p = 2$. There exists some $\hat{k} \geq 400$, some $\tilde{\alpha} = \tilde{\alpha}(n) > 0$ and some $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(N, n, C_0) \in (0, 1)$ so that for all $\alpha \in (0, \tilde{\alpha}]$ and $\theta \in (0, \hat{\theta}]$ there exists some $\hat{\varepsilon} = \hat{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha, \theta)$ so that, if $k \geq \hat{k}$ and $\eta < \hat{\varepsilon}^2$, we have for all $\varepsilon \in [\sqrt{\eta}, \hat{\varepsilon}]$ that there exists some set $H_\theta \subset U_6$ and some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0, k)$ with $\mathcal{H}^n(U_6 \setminus H_\theta) < C \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\theta^{n+1}\alpha}\right)^2$ and, for all $x \in F_3 \cap \tilde{F}$, we have $d(\pi(x), H_\theta) > h(x)$.*

Proof. Let \tilde{k} and $\tilde{\alpha}(n)$ be the thresholds given by Theorem 7.17 and let $\hat{C} = \hat{C}(N, n)$ be the constant given by Theorem 7.3. Moreover, let $C_1 = C_1(N, n, C_0)$ and $C_2 = C_2(N, n, C_0)$ be the constants given by Corollary 5.3 applied with $\lambda = \frac{\delta}{4}$, and $\delta = \delta(N, n)$ is the value fixed on page 65. We set $\hat{\theta} := \frac{1}{400} \left[18n(10^n + 1) \left(\frac{C_1}{4}\right)^{n+1} \hat{C}\right]^{-1}$ and choose $\theta \in (0, \hat{\theta}]$. Let $\alpha \in (0, \tilde{\alpha}]$, and let $\bar{\varepsilon}_1 = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha)$, $\bar{\varepsilon}_2 = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha)$, $\tilde{\varepsilon} = \tilde{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha)$, $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_0(N, n, C_0, \theta)$, $\varepsilon^* = \varepsilon^*(N, n, C_0, \alpha, \theta)$ be the thresholds given by Lemma 6.6, 6.25, Theorem 7.17, Lemma 8.9 and Lemma 8.10 respectively. Finally, let C be the constant from Lemma 8.9. We set

$$\hat{\varepsilon} := \min \left\{ \bar{\varepsilon}_1, \bar{\varepsilon}_2, \tilde{\varepsilon}, \varepsilon_0, \varepsilon^*, (\hat{C}\theta\alpha)^2, \frac{\alpha}{400} \left[4n(10^n + 1) \left(\frac{C_1}{4}\right)^{n+1} C_2\right]^{-1}, \frac{\alpha}{100C} \right\}$$

and assume that $k \geq \hat{k} := \max\{\tilde{k}, 400\}$ and $\eta \leq \hat{\varepsilon}^2$. Now let $\varepsilon > 0$ with $\eta \leq \varepsilon^2 < \hat{\varepsilon}^2$.

Until now, we defined the map A only on $U_{12} = B(0, 12) \cap P_0$ (see page 78). Furthermore, we have shown that A is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant 3α (see Lemma 6.28 on page 84). With Lemma A.8, an application of Kirszbraun's Theorem, there exists an extension \tilde{A} of A with

1. $\tilde{A} : P_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$,
2. \tilde{A} has compact support,
3. $\text{Lip}_{\tilde{A}} = \text{Lip}_A = 3\alpha$,
4. $A = \tilde{A}$ on U_{12} .

If one wants to omit Zorn's lemma, used for the proof of Lemma A.8, one can get the same result with a slightly larger Lipschitz constant (see the remark after Lemma A.8 for details). We denote this extension of A also by A .

Using Theorem 7.3 with $g = A$, $p = 2$ and Theorem 7.17, there exist some set $H_\theta \subset U_6$ and some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0, k)$ with

$$\mathcal{H}^n(U_6 \setminus H_\theta) \leq \frac{C(n)}{\theta^{2(n+1)} \text{Lip}_A^2} C\varepsilon^2.$$

Furthermore, we get for all $y \in P_0$ some affine map $a_y : P_0 \rightarrow P_0^\perp$ so that, if $r \leq \theta$ and $B(y, r) \cap H_\theta \neq \emptyset$, we have

$$\|A - a_y\|_{L^\infty(B(y, r) \cap P_0, P_0^\perp)} \leq \hat{C}r\theta \text{Lip}_A. \quad (8.23)$$

We recall that $\text{Lip}_A = 3\alpha$ (cf. Lemma 6.28). For $x \in F_3 \cap \tilde{F} \subset F_3 \cap \tilde{F}$, we have with the previous lemma that $h(x) < \frac{\theta}{100}$. Let $t \in [h(x), \frac{\theta}{100}]$. With Lemma 6.11, we get $d(x) \leq h(x) \leq t$ and so for all $x' \in B(x, 2t) \cap \tilde{F}$ we obtain by definition of \tilde{F}

$$d(x', \pi(x') + A(\pi(x'))) \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} d(x') \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} (d(x) + d(x, x')) \leq 3\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} t.$$

Let $P_{\pi(x)}$ denote the n -dimensional plane, which is the graph of the affine map $a_{\pi(x)}$. Now we assume, contrary to the statement of this lemma, that $d(\pi(x), H_\theta) \leq h(x)$, which implies $\pi(B(x, 2t)) \cap H_\theta \neq \emptyset$, and so, for all $x' \in B(x, 2t) \cap \tilde{F}$, we have with (8.23) ($r = 2t$, $y = \pi(x)$)

$$d(\pi(x') + A(\pi(x')), P_{\pi(x)}) \leq d(\pi(x') + A(\pi(x')), \pi(x') + a_{\pi(x)}(\pi(x'))) \stackrel{(8.23)}{\leq} 6\hat{C}\theta\alpha t.$$

We combine those estimates and obtain using $3\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq 3\hat{C}\theta\alpha$

$$d(x', P_{\pi(x)}) \leq d(x', \pi(x') + A(\pi(x'))) + d(\pi(x') + A(\pi(x')), P_{\pi(x)}) \leq 9\hat{C}\theta\alpha t. \quad (8.24)$$

Since $h(x) \leq t$, we get $(x, t) \in S \subset S_{total}$ with Lemma 6.3 (iv) so that we have $\delta(B(x, t)) \geq \frac{\delta}{2}$.

Using $x \in \tilde{F}$ implies

$$\delta(\tilde{F} \cap B(x, t)) = \frac{\mu(\tilde{F} \cap B(x, t))}{t^n} \geq \frac{99}{100} \delta(B(x, t)) > \frac{1}{4} \delta.$$

Now we apply Corollary 5.3 ($\Upsilon = \tilde{F}$, $\lambda = \frac{\delta}{4}$), and so there exist constants $C_1(N, n, C_0)$, $C_2(N, n, C_0)$ and an $(n, 10n\frac{t}{C_1})$ -simplex $T = \Delta(x_0, \dots, x_n) \in F \cap B(x, t) \cap \tilde{F}$ so that for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$

$$\underbrace{\mu\left(B\left(x_i, \frac{t}{C_1}\right) \cap B(x, t) \cap \tilde{F}\right)}_{=: \tilde{B}_i} \geq \frac{t^n}{C_2}.$$

With $(x, t) \in S \subset S_{total}$, we get for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\tilde{B}_i)} \int_{\tilde{B}_i} d(z, P_{(x,t)}) d\mu(z) \leq C_2 t \frac{1}{t^n} \int_{B(x, kt)} \frac{d(z, P_{(x,t)})}{t} d\mu(z) = C_2 t \beta_{1,k}^{P_{(x,t)}}(x, t) \leq 2C_2 t \varepsilon.$$

This implies for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ the existence of $y_i \in \tilde{B}_i$ with $d(y_i, P_{(x,t)}) \leq 2C_2 t \varepsilon$. With Lemma 2.14, we deduce that $S := \Delta(y_0, \dots, y_n) \subset B(x, t)$ is an $(n, 8n\frac{t}{C_1})$ -simplex. Next, we apply Lemma 2.28 ($m = n$, $C = \frac{C_1}{8n}$, $\hat{C} = 1$, $\sigma = 2C_2\varepsilon$) and get

$$\vartriangleleft(P_{(x,t)}, P_{y_0, \dots, y_n}) \leq 4n(10^n + 1) \left(n \frac{C_1}{8n} \left(2n \frac{C_1}{8n}\right)^n\right) 2C_2\varepsilon \leq \frac{\alpha}{400}. \quad (8.25)$$

We have $y_i \in \tilde{B}_i \subset B(x, 2t) \cap \tilde{F}$ and hence we get with (8.24) and Lemma 2.28 ($C = \frac{C_1}{8n}$, $\hat{C} = 1$, $\sigma = 9\hat{C}\theta\alpha$)

$$\mathfrak{A}(P_{y_0, \dots, y_n}, P_{\pi(x)}) \leq 4n(10^n + 1) \left(n \frac{C_1}{8n} \left(2n \frac{C_1}{8n} \right)^n \right) 9\hat{C}\theta\alpha \leq \frac{\alpha}{400}.$$

With (8.25), we conclude $\mathfrak{A}(P_{(x,t)}, P_{\pi(x)}) \leq \frac{\alpha}{400} + \frac{\alpha}{400} = \frac{\alpha}{200}$, which is true for all $x \in F_3 \cap \tilde{F}$ with $d(\pi(x), H_\theta) \leq h(x)$ and all $t \in [h(x), \frac{\theta}{100}]$. Now we use this result for $t = h(x)$ and for $t = \frac{\theta}{100}$ hence we obtain $\mathfrak{A}(P_{(x,h(x))}, P_{\pi(x)}) \leq \frac{\alpha}{200}$ and $\mathfrak{A}(P_{(x,\frac{\theta}{100})}, P_{\pi(x)}) \leq \frac{\alpha}{200}$. We conclude $\mathfrak{A}(P_{(x,h(x))}, P_{(x,\frac{\theta}{100})}) \leq \frac{\alpha}{100}$. Furthermore, we obtain from Lemma 8.9 that $\mathfrak{A}(P_{(x,\frac{\theta}{100})}, P_0) \leq \frac{\alpha}{100}$, which implies $\mathfrak{A}(P_{(x,h(x))}, P_0) \leq \frac{\alpha}{50}$. This is in contradiction to Lemma 6.6 hence our assumption that $d(\pi(x), H_\theta) \leq h(x)$ is invalid for all $x \in F_3 \cap \tilde{F}$. \square

Theorem 8.12. *Let $p = 2$. There exists some constants $\bar{k} \geq 4$, $0 < \bar{\alpha} = \bar{\alpha}(n) < \frac{1}{6}$ and $0 < \bar{\theta} = \bar{\theta}(N, n, C_0)$ so that, for all $\alpha \in (0, \bar{\alpha}]$ and all $\theta \in (0, \bar{\theta}]$, there exists some $0 < \bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha, \theta) < \frac{1}{8}$ so that, if $k \geq \bar{k}$ and $\eta < \bar{\varepsilon}^2$, we obtain for all $\varepsilon \in [\sqrt{\eta}, \bar{\varepsilon}]$*

$$\mu(F_3) \leq 10^{-6}.$$

Proof. Let \bar{k} be the maximum and $\bar{\alpha} < \frac{1}{6}$ be the minimum of all thresholds for k and α given by Lemma 6.28, 8.8, 8.10 and 8.11. Furthermore, we set $\bar{\theta} := \hat{\theta}$, where $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(N, n, C_0)$ is given by Lemma 8.11. Let $0 < \alpha \leq \bar{\alpha}$ and $0 < \theta \leq \bar{\theta}$. We define $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(N, n, C_0, \alpha, \theta)$ as the minimum of $\frac{1}{16}$, a small constant depending on $N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0, \alpha, \theta$ given by the last lines of this proof, and of all upper bounds for ε stated in Lemma 6.28, 8.8, 8.10 and 8.11. Let $k \geq \bar{k}$ and $\eta \leq \varepsilon^2 < \bar{\varepsilon}^2$. We have $\mu(F_3) \leq \mu(F_3 \cap \tilde{F}) + \mu(F_3 \setminus \tilde{F})$. With Lemma 8.8 ($p = 2$), there exists some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0)$ so that $\mu(F_3 \setminus \tilde{F}) \leq \mu(F \setminus \tilde{F}) \leq C\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$. Hence we only have to consider $\mu(F_3 \cap \tilde{F})$. We set

$$\mathcal{G} := \left\{ B(x, 2h(x)) \mid x \in F_3 \cap \tilde{F} \right\}.$$

This is a set of nondegenerate balls because $x \in F_3 \subset F \setminus \mathcal{Z}$. Furthermore, we have $h(x) \leq 50$ for all $x \in F$ (see Definition of h on page 65). With Besicovitch's covering theorem A.12 there exist N_0 families $\mathcal{B}_l \subset \mathcal{G}$, $l = 1, \dots, N_0$, of disjoint balls with

$$F_3 \cap \tilde{F} \subset \bigcup_{l=1}^{N_0} \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}_l} B \cap \tilde{F}.$$

Now we conclude with property (B) from page 64

$$\mu(F_3 \cap \tilde{F}) \leq \sum_{l=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_l} \mu(B \cap \tilde{F}) \stackrel{(B)}{\leq} C_0 \sum_{l=1}^{N_0} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_l} (\text{diam } B)^n.$$

Let $1 \leq l \leq N_0$ and let $B_1 = B(x_1, 2h(x_1))$, $B_2 = B(x_2, 2h(x_2)) \in \mathcal{B}_l$ with $B_1 \neq B_2$. Since the balls in \mathcal{B}_l are disjoint, we deduce $2h(x_1) + 2h(x_2) \leq d(x_1, x_2)$ and, because of the definition of \tilde{F} and Lemma 6.11, we get for $i = 1, 2$

$$d(x_i, \pi(x_i) + A(\pi(x_i))) \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} d(x_i) \leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} h(x_i).$$

Since $\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} < \frac{1}{4}$, $\alpha < \frac{1}{6}$ and A is 3α Lipschitz continuous, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{7}{4}(h(x_1) + h(x_2)) &< 2h(x_1) + 2h(x_2) - \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}h(x_1) - \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}h(x_2) \\ &\leq d(x_1, x_2) - d(x_1, \pi(x_1) + A(\pi(x_1))) - d(x_2, \pi(x_2) + A(\pi(x_2))) \\ &\leq d(\pi(x_1) + A(\pi(x_1)), \pi(x_2) + A(\pi(x_2))) \\ &\leq d(\pi(x_1), \pi(x_2)) + 3\alpha d(\pi(x_1), \pi(x_2)) \\ &< \frac{3}{2}d(\pi(x_1), \pi(x_2)). \end{aligned}$$

This implies $h(x_1) + h(x_2) < d(\pi(x_1), \pi(x_2))$. Thus $\pi(\frac{1}{2}B_1)$ and $\pi(\frac{1}{2}B_2)$ are disjoint. We have $x_i \in (\tilde{F} \cap F_3) \subset F \subset B(0, 5)$ for $i = 1, 2$. With Lemma 8.10, we conclude that $h(x_i) \leq \frac{\theta}{100} < \frac{1}{2}$. This implies $\pi(\frac{1}{2}B_i) \subset U_6$. Using Lemma 8.11, there exists some set $H_\theta \subset U_6$ and some constant $C = C(N, n, \mathcal{K}, C_0, k)$ with $\mathcal{H}^n(U_6 \setminus H_\theta) < C \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\theta^{n+1}\alpha}\right)^2$ so that $d(\pi(x), H_\theta) > h(x)$ for all $x \in F_3 \cap \tilde{F}$, in particular for $x = x_i$. We conclude that $\pi(\frac{1}{2}B_i) \cap H_\theta = \emptyset$, so that we can deduce

$$\sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_l} (\text{diam } B)^n = 4^n \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_l} \left(\frac{1}{2} \text{diam } \pi\left(\frac{1}{2}B\right)\right)^n = 4^n \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}_l} \frac{1}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n\left(\pi\left(\frac{1}{2}B\right)\right) \leq \frac{4^n}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(U_6 \setminus H_\theta).$$

Now we obtain

$$\mu(F_3 \cap \tilde{F}) \leq C_0 N_0 \frac{4^n}{\omega_n} \mathcal{H}^n(U_6 \setminus H_\theta) \leq C \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\theta^{n+1}\alpha}\right)^2.$$

and we have already shown that $\mu(F_3 \setminus \tilde{F}) \leq C\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}$. Using $\varepsilon < \bar{\varepsilon}$, we finally get $\mu(F_3) < 10^{-6}$. \square

Appendix

A.1 Measuretheoretical statements

Lemma A.1. *Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a \mathcal{H}^m -measurable set with $0 < \mathcal{H}^m(E) < \infty$, where $m \in \mathbb{N}$. Then E can be divided into two disjoint subsets*

$$E = E_u \dot{\cup} E_r,$$

where E_u is purely m -unrectifiable and E_r is m -rectifiable.

Proof. This statement is proven in [Fed69, Thm. 3.3.13]. The idea of the following alternative proof is from [Paj02, Chap. 1, 5.].

Define

$$M := \sup_{\substack{F \subset \mathbb{R}^n \\ F \text{ } m\text{-rectifiable}}} \mathcal{H}^m(E \cap F) \leq \mathcal{H}^m(E) < \infty.$$

There is a sequence F_j of m -rectifiable sets with $\mathcal{H}^m(E \cap F_j) > M - \frac{1}{j}$. Define

$$E_r := E \cap \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_j, \quad E_u := E \setminus E_r.$$

We have to check:

1. $E = E_u \dot{\cup} E_r$.
This holds by definition.
2. E_r is \mathcal{H}^m -measurable.
Since rectifiable sets are \mathcal{H}^m -measurable and E is \mathcal{H}^m -measurable, so is E_r .
3. E_r is m -rectifiable.

$$E_r = E \cap \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_j = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} (E \cap F_j)$$

Since F_j is rectifiable, there exists a countable family of Lipschitz functions $(\gamma_{j,i})_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ with

$$\mathcal{H}^m \left(F_j \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_{j,i}(\mathbb{R}^m) \right) = 0 \quad \forall j \in \mathbb{N}.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq \mathcal{H}^m \left(E_r \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_{j,i}(\mathbb{R}^m) \right) \\
&\leq \mathcal{H}^m \left(\bigcup_{l=1}^{\infty} F_l \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_{j,i}(\mathbb{R}^m) \right) \\
&\leq \mathcal{H}^m \left(\bigcup_{l=1}^{\infty} \left(F_l \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_{l,i}(\mathbb{R}^m) \right) \right) \\
&\leq \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}^m \left(F_l \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \gamma_{l,i}(\mathbb{R}^m) \right) \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

So E_r is rectifiable.

In addition this implies that the countable union of m -rectifiable sets is m -rectifiable.

4. E_u is purely m -unrectifiable.

It holds that $\mathcal{H}^m(E_r) = M$ because $\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_j$ is m -rectifiable and, for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$M \geq \mathcal{H}^m(E \cap \bigcup_{l=1}^{\infty} F_l) = \mathcal{H}^m(E_r) \geq \mathcal{H}^m(E \cap F_j) > M - \frac{1}{j}.$$

Now let $\gamma : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be an arbitrary Lipschitz function. Since $(\gamma(\mathbb{R}^m) \cup \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_j)$ is rectifiable and E_r is \mathcal{H}^m -measurable, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
M &\geq \mathcal{H}^m \left(E \cap \left(\gamma(\mathbb{R}^m) \cup \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_j \right) \right) \\
&= \mathcal{H}^m \left((E \cap \gamma(\mathbb{R}^m)) \cup \left(E \cap \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_j \right) \right) \\
&= \mathcal{H}^m \left(\left((E_u \dot{\cup} E_r) \cap \gamma(\mathbb{R}^m) \right) \cup E_r \right) \\
&= \mathcal{H}^m \left(\left((E_u \cap \gamma(\mathbb{R}^m)) \dot{\cup} (E_r \cap \gamma(\mathbb{R}^m)) \right) \cup E_r \right) \\
&= \mathcal{H}^m \left(\left((E_u \cap \gamma(\mathbb{R}^m)) \dot{\cup} E_r \right) \right) \\
&= \mathcal{H}^m \left((E_u \cap \gamma(\mathbb{R}^m)) \right) + \mathcal{H}^m(E_r) \\
&\geq 0 + M = M.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $M = \mathcal{H}^m\left((E_u \cap \gamma(\mathbb{R}))\right) + M$ and it follows

$$\mathcal{H}^m\left((E_u \cap \gamma(\mathbb{R}))\right) = 0.$$

So E_u is purely m -unrectifiable. □

Lemma A.2. *Let μ be some outer measure on the \mathbb{R} -vector space X , $A \subset X$ some μ -measurable set, $a > 0$, $b \in X$, $f : aA + b \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ some $\mu \llcorner (aA + b)$ -integrable function, and let $\mu(aB + b) = h(a)\mu(B)$ for all μ -measurable sets $B \subset X$, where $h : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$. Then we have*

$$\int_{aA+b} f(x) d\mu(x) = h(a) \int_A f(ax + b) d\mu(x).$$

Proof. The terminology used in this proof is from [EG92, 1.3].

At first, we prove the statement for simple functions. Let $g : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ be some simple function. Then $\bar{g} : X \rightarrow [0, \infty], x \mapsto g(ax + b)$ is some simple function as well. If $y \in [0, \infty]$, we have

$$\frac{1}{a} (g^{-1}(\{y\}) - b) = \left\{ \frac{1}{a} (x - b) \in X \mid g(x) = y \right\} = \{z \in X \mid g(az + b) = y\} = \bar{g}^{-1}(\{y\}).$$

We set

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1 &:= \mu \llcorner A, \\ \mu_2 &:= \mu \llcorner (aA + b) \end{aligned}$$

and obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{aA+b} g(x) d\mu(x) &= \int g(x) d\mu_2(x) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq y < \infty} y \mu_2(g^{-1}(\{y\})) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq y < \infty} y \mu(g^{-1}(\{y\}) \cap (aA + b)) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq y < \infty} y h(a) \mu\left(\frac{1}{a} (g^{-1}(\{y\}) - b) \cap A\right) \\ &= h(a) \sum_{0 \leq y < \infty} y \mu(\bar{g}^{-1}(\{y\}) \cap A) \\ &= h(a) \sum_{0 \leq y < \infty} y \mu_1(\bar{g}^{-1}(\{y\})) \\ &= h(a) \int \bar{g}(x) d\mu_1(x) \\ &= h(a) \int g(ax + b) d\mu_1(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$= h(a) \int_A g(ax + b) d\mu(x). \quad (\text{A.26})$$

Let $f : aA + b \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ be some $\mu \ll \nu$ -integrable function. We conclude the following equivalence

$$\begin{aligned} & g \text{ simple, } \mu_2\text{-integrable function with } g \geq f \text{ } \mu_2\text{-almost everywhere} \\ \Leftrightarrow & g \text{ simple function, } \int g^- d\mu_2 < \infty \text{ or } \int g^+ d\mu_2 < \infty, \\ & \text{with } g(x) \geq f(x) \text{ for } \mu\text{-almost all } x \in aA + b \\ \stackrel{(\text{A.26})}{\Leftrightarrow} & g \text{ simple function, } h(a) \int \bar{g}^- d\mu_1 < \infty \text{ or } h(a) \int \bar{g}^+ d\mu_1 < \infty, \\ & \text{with } g(ax + b) \geq f(ax + b) \text{ for } \mu\text{-almost all } x \in A \\ \Leftrightarrow & \bar{g} \text{ simple, } \mu_1\text{-integrable function with } \bar{g} \geq \bar{f} \text{ } \mu_1\text{-almost everywhere.} \end{aligned}$$

Let $\bar{f} : A \rightarrow [0, \infty], x \mapsto f(ax + b)$. We deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{aA+b} f(x) d\mu(x) &= \int f(x) d\mu_2(x) \\ &= \int^* f(x) d\mu_2(x) \\ &= \inf \left\{ \int g d\mu_2 \mid g \text{ simple, } \mu_2\text{-integrable fct. with } g \geq f \text{ } \mu_2\text{-a.e.} \right\} \\ &= \inf \left\{ h(a) \int \bar{g} d\mu_1 \mid g \text{ simple, } \mu_2\text{-integrable fct. with } g \geq f \text{ } \mu_2\text{-a.e.} \right\} \\ &= h(a) \inf \left\{ \int \bar{g} d\mu_1 \mid \bar{g} \text{ simple., } \mu_1\text{-integrable fct. with } \bar{g} \geq \bar{f} \text{ } \mu_1\text{-a.e.} \right\} \\ &= h(a) \int^* \bar{f}(x) d\mu_1(x) \end{aligned}$$

and analogously we obtain

$$\int_{aA+b} f(x) d\mu(x) = \int f(x) d\mu_2(x) = \int_* f(x) d\mu_2(x) = h(a) \int_* \bar{f}(x) d\mu_1(x).$$

This implies

$$h(a) \int^* \bar{f}(x) d\mu_1(x) = \int_{aA+b} f(x) d\mu(x) = h(a) \int_* \bar{f}(x) d\mu_1(x)$$

and hence \bar{f} is μ_1 -integrable and we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{aA+b} f(x) d\mu(x) &= h(a) \int^* \bar{f}(x) d\mu_1(x) \\ &= h(a) \int \bar{f}(x) d\mu_1(x) = h(a) \int_A f(ax + b) d\mu(x). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma A.3. Let μ be some measure on the \mathbb{R} -vectorspace X and let $a > 0$. Then

$$a\mu : A \mapsto a\mu(A)$$

is some measure on X as well and, if $f : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is some μ -integrable function, we have

$$a \int f d\mu = \int f da\mu.$$

Proof. At first, we prove that $a\mu$ is some measure on X (cf. [Fal86, 1.1]). Let $\mathcal{M}(\mu)$ be the set of all μ -measurable sets. Then we have

$$(a\mu)(\emptyset) = a(\mu(\emptyset)) = a0 = 0$$

and, if $A_i \in \mathcal{M}(\mu)$, $i \in \mathbb{N}$, with $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ for $i \neq j$, we obtain

$$(a\mu)\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = a \left(\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \right) = a \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a\mu(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (a\mu)(A_i).$$

Hence $a\mu$ is some measure on X .

The statement is only proven for simple functions. The adaption to integrable function can be done in the same way as in the previous proof. Let $g : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ be some simple function. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int g(x) da\mu(x) &= \sum_{0 \leq y \leq \infty} y (a\mu)(g^{-1}(\{y\})) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq y \leq \infty} ya \mu(g^{-1}(\{y\})) \\ &= a \sum_{0 \leq y \leq \infty} y \mu(g^{-1}(\{y\})) \\ &= a \int g(x) d\mu(x). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma A.4. Let \mathcal{E} be a set of disjoint balls (open or closed) in \mathbb{R}^N with radius equal or larger than $s \in (0, \infty)$ and $B \subset B(x, r)$ for all $B \in \mathcal{E}$. Then \mathcal{E} is a finite set with $\#\mathcal{E} \leq \left(\frac{r}{s}\right)^N$.

Proof. Choose l different balls $B_l \in \mathcal{E}$ and let ω_n be the volume of the N -dimensional unit sphere. We have

$$\begin{aligned} l s^N \omega_n &= \sum_{i=1}^l \omega_n s^N \leq \sum_{i=1}^l \mathcal{L}^N(B_i) \\ &= \mathcal{L}^N\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^l B_i\right) \leq \mathcal{L}^N(B(x, r)) \\ &= \omega_n r^N. \end{aligned}$$

This implies $l \leq \left(\frac{r}{s}\right)^N$ and hence $\#\mathcal{E} \leq \left(\frac{r}{s}\right)^N$. □

Lemma A.5. *Let $s > 0$ and $B(x, r)$ be an open or closed ball in \mathbb{R}^m with $s < r$. There exists some family \mathcal{E} of disjoint closed balls with*

(i) $\text{diam } B = 2s$ for all $B \in \mathcal{E}$,

(ii) $B(x, r) \subset \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{E}} 5B$,

(iii) $\#\mathcal{E} \leq \left(\frac{2r}{s}\right)^m$,

(iv) for all $B(y, s) \in \mathcal{E}$, we have $y \in B(x, r)$.

Proof. Set $\mathcal{F} = \{B(y, s) | y \in B(x, r)\}$. With Vitali's covering theorem [EG92, 1.5.1, Thm 1] there exists a countable family \mathcal{E} of disjoint balls in \mathcal{F} such that

$$B(x, r) \subset \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{F}} B \subset \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{E}} 5B.$$

Due to $s < r$, we get $B \subset B(x, 2r)$ for all $B \in \mathcal{E}$. With Lemma A.4, we obtain $\#\mathcal{E} \leq \left(\frac{2r}{s}\right)^m$. \square

Lemma A.6. *Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a closed set with $\nu(A) > 0$, where ν is some outer measure on \mathbb{R}^n . There exists some $x \in A$ so that $\nu(B(x, h)) > 0$ for all $h > 0$.*

Proof. Assume that there exists some $h > 0$ so that, for all $y \in A$, we have $\nu(B(y, h)) = 0$. We are able to find a countable set $D \subset A$ so that $A \subset \bigcup_{y \in D} B(y, h)$. We have $\nu(A) \leq \sum_{y \in D} \nu(B(y, h)) = 0$. This is in contradiction, so, for every $h > 0$, there exists some $y \in A$ with $\nu(B(y, h)) > 0$.

Now, for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$, we get some $x_i \in A$ with $\nu(B(x_i, \frac{1}{i})) > 0$. Since A is closed, there exists some subsequence x_i and some $x \in A$ so that $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} x_i = x$.

Let $h > 0$. With i small enough, we obtain $\nu(B(x, h)) \geq \nu(B(x_i, \frac{1}{i})) > 0$. \square

Lemma A.7. *Let R be an n -dimensional cube in \mathbb{R}^N . Then*

$$(\text{diam } R)^n = (\sqrt{n})^n \mathcal{H}^n(R).$$

Proof. Let a be the side length of R . Then $\text{diam } R = \sqrt{n}a$ and so we get

$$\mathcal{H}^n(R) = a^n = \left(\frac{\text{diam } R}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n,$$

which gives the statement. \square

Lemma A.8. *Let $K \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ be a bounded set and $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ be a Lipschitz function. Then f has a Lipschitz extension $g : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ with compact support and the same Lipschitz constant.*

Remark. Instead of Kirszbraun's Theorem [Fed69, Thm 2.10.43], we can use some simpler theorem for the proof [EG92, 3.1.1, Thm 1] and get the same result but with the larger Lipschitz constant $\text{Lip}_g = \sqrt{N}\text{Lip}_f$.

Proof. Let Lip_f be the Lipschitz constant of f . K is bounded, so there exists some ball $B(z, t)$ with $K \subset B(z, t)$. We define

$$T := t + \frac{1}{\text{Lip}_f} \max_{x \in K} |f(x)| \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{f}(x) := \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in K, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{R}^m \setminus B(z, T). \end{cases}$$

Now we show that $\bar{f} : (\mathbb{R}^m \setminus B(z, T)) \cup K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ is Lipschitz continuous with the same Lipschitz constant as f . We only have to prove this for $a \in \mathbb{R}^m \setminus B(z, T)$ and $b \in K$

$$|\bar{f}(a) - \bar{f}(b)| = |f(b)| \leq \text{Lip}_f(T - t) \leq \text{Lip}_f|a - b|.$$

By applying Kirszbraun's Theorem [Fed69, Thm 2.10.43] on \bar{f} , we obtain a Lipschitz extension $g : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ with compact support and the Lipschitz constant Lip_f . \square

Lemma A.9. *Let (X, T, ϕ) be a topological Borel measure space where T is the topology and ϕ is the Borel measure. If $Q \subset X$ is a ϕ -measurable set and if $\tilde{f} : Q \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a continuous*

map, then the function $f : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, $f(x) = \begin{cases} \tilde{f}(x) & \text{if } x \in Q \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in X \setminus Q \end{cases}$ is ϕ -measurable on X .

Proof. The function \tilde{f} is continuous on Q , so \tilde{f} is $\phi \llcorner Q$ -measurable. This implies that $\tilde{f}^{-1}(A)$ is $\phi \llcorner Q$ -measurable for all open sets $A \subset [0, \infty)$, which is equivalent to $\tilde{f}^{-1}(A) \cap Q$ being ϕ -measurable for all open sets $A \subset [0, \infty)$. Now let $A \subset [0, \infty)$ be some open set.

1. Case: $0 \notin A$.

We conclude that $f^{-1}(A) = \tilde{f}^{-1}(A) \cap Q$ is ϕ -measurable.

2. Case: $0 \in A$.

We have that $f^{-1}(A) = f^{-1}(\{0\}) \cup f^{-1}(A \setminus \{0\})$. Now we get

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(A) &= (f^{-1}(A) \cap Q) \cup (f^{-1}(A) \setminus Q) \\ &= \left(\tilde{f}^{-1}(A) \cap Q \right) \cup \underbrace{(f^{-1}(\{0\}) \setminus Q)}_{=X \setminus Q} \cup \underbrace{(f^{-1}(A \setminus \{0\}) \setminus Q)}_{=\emptyset}, \end{aligned}$$

where the RHS is ϕ -measurable.

All in all, $f^{-1}(A)$ is ϕ -measurable for all open sets $A \subset [0, \infty)$, which implies that f is ϕ -measurable on X . \square

Lemma A.10. *Let ϕ_1 be some outer measure on X_1 , ϕ_2 be some outer measure on X_2 and $f : X_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a ϕ_1 -measurable function. Then the function $\tilde{f} : X_1 \times X_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $(x_1, x_2) \mapsto f(x_1)$ is $(\phi_1 \times \phi_2)$ -measurable.*

Proof. Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}$ be some open set. Then $f^{-1}(U)$ is ϕ_1 -measurable and hence we get using Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1] that $\tilde{f}^{-1}(U) = f^{-1}(U) \times X_2$ is $(\phi_1 \times \phi_2)$ -measurable, which proves the lemma. \square

Lemma A.11. *For $i \in \{1, 2\}$, let $(X_i, T_i, \mu_i, \mathcal{M}_i)$ be a separable topological measure spaces where T_i is the topology, μ_i the measure and \mathcal{M}_i the set of μ_i -measurable sets. If μ_i are Borel measures on X_i , then the product measure $\mu_1 \times \mu_2$ is a Borel measure on $X_1 \times X_2$ with the usual product topology.*

Proof. Since the $\mu_1 \times \mu_2$ -measurable sets are a σ -algebra, we only have to prove that the open sets are $\mu_1 \times \mu_2$ -measurable. Let E be some open set in $X_1 \times X_2$. We show that E is a countable union of measurable sets. The set $T_1 \times T_2 := \{M \subset X_1 \times X_2 \mid \exists A \in T_1, \exists B \in T_2 \text{ with } M = A \times B\}$ gives a basis of the product space $X_1 \times X_2$. Hence there exists some index set I and sets $A_i \times B_i \in T_1 \times T_2$ so that $E = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \times B_i$. Since X_1, X_2 are separable, there exist countable bases $\mathcal{B}_1, \mathcal{B}_2$ of the topologies T_1, T_2 . Hence, for every $i \in I$, we find sets $A_{i,j} \in \mathcal{B}_1$ and $B_{i,k} \in \mathcal{B}_2$, where $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$, so that

$$E = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \times B_i = \bigcup_{i \in I} \left(\bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} A_{i,j} \right) \times \left(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} B_{i,k} \right) = \bigcup_{\substack{i \in I \\ j, k \in \mathbb{N}}} A_{i,j} \times B_{i,k}.$$

Since the sets $\mathcal{B}_1, \mathcal{B}_2$ are countable, the set $\mathcal{B}_1 \times \mathcal{B}_2$ is countable, which implies that the last union in the equation above is a countable union. Due to the definition of the product measure and the fact that the measures μ_1, μ_2 are Borel measures, all sets in $\mathcal{B}_1 \times \mathcal{B}_2$ are $\mu_1 \times \mu_2$ -measurable. So E is measurable as a union of measurable sets. \square

For an easier verification, we cite Besicovitch's covering theorem [EG92, 1.5.2, Thm. 2].

Theorem A.12 (Besicovitch's covering theorem). *There exists a constant N_0 , depending only on N , with the following property: If \mathcal{F} is any collection of nondegenerate closed balls in \mathbb{R}^N with*

$$\sup\{\text{diam } B \mid B \in \mathcal{F}\} < \infty$$

and if A is the set of centres of balls in \mathcal{F} , then there exists $\mathcal{G}_1, \dots, \mathcal{G}_{N_0} \subset \mathcal{F}$ such that each \mathcal{G}_i ($i = 1, \dots, N_0$) is a countable collection of disjoint balls in \mathcal{F} and

$$A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{N_0} \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{G}_i} B.$$

A.2 Differentiation and Fourier transform on a linear subspace

Let $P_0 \in G(N, n)$ be an n -dimensional linear subspace of \mathbb{R}^N and $f : P_0 \rightarrow R$ be some function, where $R \in \{\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^N\}$. In this section, we explain what we mean by differentiating this function and formulating Taylor's theorem in this setting. Furthermore, we define the Fourier transform of f and give some basic properties.

Let $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow P_0$ be a fixed isometric isomorphism. We set $\tilde{f} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow R$, $\tilde{f}(x) = f(\phi(x)) = (f \circ \phi)(x)$.

Definition A.13. Let $l \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. We say $f \in C^l(P_0, R)$ iff $\tilde{f} \in C^l(\mathbb{R}^n, R)$ (l -times continuously differentiable). If $l \geq 1$, we set for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$\partial_i f := D_i \tilde{f} \circ \phi^{-1} = D_i(f \circ \phi) \circ \phi^{-1},$$

$$\Delta f := \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_j \partial_j f,$$

$$Df := (\partial_1 f, \dots, \partial_n f),$$

and, if $\kappa = (\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots, \kappa_n)$ is a multi-index, we set

$$\partial^\kappa f := \partial_1^{\kappa_1} \partial_2^{\kappa_2} \dots \partial_n^{\kappa_n} f.$$

Furthermore, we use the following notations for $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and some multi-index κ

$$\begin{aligned} x &= (x_1, \dots, x_n), \\ x^\kappa &= x_1^{\kappa_1} \cdot x_2^{\kappa_2} \cdot \dots \cdot x_n^{\kappa_n}, \\ \kappa! &= \kappa_1! \kappa_2! \cdot \dots \cdot \kappa_n!, \\ |\kappa| &= \kappa_1 + \dots + \kappa_n, \\ [y, z] &:= \{y + t(z - y) | t \in [0, 1]\}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma A.14. *Let $\kappa = (\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots, \kappa_n)$ be some multi-index with $|\kappa| = l \geq 1$ and $f \in C^l(P_0, \mathbb{R}^N)$. We have*

$$\partial^\kappa f = D^\kappa \tilde{f} \circ \phi^{-1} = [D^\kappa (f \circ \phi)] \circ \phi^{-1},$$

where $D^\kappa \tilde{f} = (D_1)^{\kappa_1} (D_2)^{\kappa_2} \dots (D_n)^{\kappa_n} \tilde{f}$.

Proof. If $|\kappa| = 1$, the statement follows directly by definition. We assume that for some $l \in \mathbb{N}$ the statement is true for all multi-indices α with $|\alpha| = l$. Now we choose some multi-index κ with $|\kappa| = l + 1$. There exists some $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and some multi-index α with $|\alpha| = l$ so that $\partial^\kappa f = \partial_i \partial^\alpha f$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \partial^\kappa f &= \partial_i \partial^\alpha f \\ &= \partial_i (D^\alpha (f \circ \phi) \circ \phi^{-1}) \\ &= D_i (D^\alpha (f \circ \phi) \circ \phi^{-1} \circ \phi) \circ \phi^{-1} \\ &= D_i D^\alpha (f \circ \phi) \circ \phi^{-1} \\ &= D^\kappa (f \circ \phi) \circ \phi^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

All in all, we get the statement for all κ . □

Lemma A.15 (Taylor's theorem). *Let $f \in C^{s+1}(P_0, \mathbb{R}^N)$ and $[y_0, y] \subset P_0$. We have*

$$f(y) = p_s(y) + R_s(y - y_0),$$

where

$$p_s(y) := \sum_{|\kappa| \leq s} \frac{1}{\kappa!} \partial^\kappa f(y_0) (\phi^{-1}(y - y_0))^\kappa$$

and

$$R_s(y - y_0) := \int_0^1 (s+1)(1-t)^s \left(\sum_{|\kappa|=s+1} \frac{1}{\kappa!} \partial^\kappa f(y_0 + t(y - y_0)) (\phi^{-1}(y - y_0))^\kappa \right) dt.$$

Proof. Let $\tilde{f} := f \circ \phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$, so $\tilde{f} \in C^{s+1}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^N)$, and let $x := \phi^{-1}(y)$, $x_0 := \phi^{-1}(y_0)$. With Taylor's theorem and Lemma A.14, we obtain

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \tilde{p}_s(x) + \tilde{R}_s(x - x_0),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{p}_s(x) &= \sum_{|\kappa| \leq s} \frac{1}{\kappa!} \underbrace{D^\kappa \tilde{f}(x_0)}_{=(D^\kappa \tilde{f} \circ \phi^{-1})(y_0)} (x - x_0)^\kappa \\ &= \sum_{|\kappa| \leq s} \frac{1}{\kappa!} \partial^\kappa f(y_0) (\phi^{-1}(y - y_0))^\kappa \\ &=: p_s(y) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_s(x - x_0) &= \int_0^1 (s+1)(1-t)^s \left(\sum_{|\kappa|=s+1} \frac{1}{\kappa!} D^\kappa \tilde{f}(x_0 + t(x - x_0)) (x - x_0)^\kappa \right) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 (s+1)(1-t)^s \left(\sum_{|\kappa|=s+1} \frac{1}{\kappa!} \partial^\kappa f(y_0 + t(y - y_0)) (\phi^{-1}(y - y_0))^\kappa \right) dt \\ &=: R_s(y - y_0). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, we have

$$f(y) = (f \circ \phi)(\phi^{-1}(y)) = \tilde{f}(x) = p_s(y) + R_s(y - y_0).$$

□

Remark A.16 (Transformation from \mathbb{R}^n to P_0). Let $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow P_0 \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be an isometric isomorphism, $J_\phi(x) := \sqrt{\det(D\phi^T \cdot D\phi)}$ be the Jacobian determinant and let $f \circ \phi$ be an \mathcal{L}^n -integrable function with $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f \circ \phi| d\mathcal{L}^n < \infty$. A consequence of the Area Formula [EG92, 3.3.3, Thm. 2] gives us

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(\phi(x)) d\mathcal{L}^n(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(\phi(x)) \underbrace{J_\phi(x)}_{=1} d\mathcal{L}^n(x) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \left[\sum_{x \in \phi^{-1}\{y\}} f(\phi(x)) \right] d\mathcal{H}^n(y) \\ &\stackrel{\phi \text{ inj.}}{=} \int_{P_0} f(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma A.17 (Partial integration). Let $l \in \mathbb{N}$, $f \in C^l(P_0, \mathbb{R}^N)$ and let $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(P_0, \mathbb{R})$. Then for all multi-indices κ with $|\kappa| = l$

$$\int_{P_0} f(y) \partial^\kappa \varphi(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y) = (-1)^{|\kappa|} \int_{P_0} \partial^\kappa f(y) \varphi(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y).$$

Proof. Let $\tilde{f} = f \circ \phi$ be defined as above and let $\tilde{\varphi} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, x \mapsto \varphi(\phi(x))$. With Lemma A.14, we obtain

$$(\partial^\kappa \varphi)(\phi(x)) = ([D^\kappa(\varphi \circ \phi)] \circ \phi^{-1})(\phi(x)) = (D^\kappa \tilde{\varphi})(x).$$

Now we get with Remark A.16 and partial integration (φ has compact support)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{P_0} f(y) \partial^\kappa \varphi(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(\phi(x)) (\partial^\kappa \varphi)(\phi(x)) d\mathcal{L}^n(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \tilde{f}(x) (D^\kappa \tilde{\varphi})(x) d\mathcal{L}^n(x) \\ &= (-1)^{|\kappa|} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (D^\kappa \tilde{f})(x) \tilde{\varphi}(x) d\mathcal{L}^n(x) = (-1)^{|\kappa|} \int_{P_0} \partial^\kappa f(y) \varphi(y) d\mathcal{H}^n(y). \end{aligned}$$

□

Now we define the Fourier transform for some function $f \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$, where $\mathcal{S}(P_0)$ is the Schwartz space of rapidly decreasing functions $f : P_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, cf. [Gra08, 2.2.1 The Class of Schwartz Functions]. We will get the same results as for some function $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Definition A.18 (Fourier transform). Let $y \in P_0$ and $f \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$. We set

$$\widehat{f}(y) := \widehat{(f \circ \phi)}(\phi^{-1}(y)) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(\phi(z)) e^{-2\pi i \phi^{-1}(y) \cdot z} d\mathcal{L}^n(z).$$

If $f : P_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^N$ with $f_i \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$, i.e., every component of f is a Schwartz function, then we write $\widehat{f} \in \mathcal{S}(P_0, \mathbb{C}^N)$. We define the Fourier transform of some function $f \in \mathcal{S}(P_0, \mathbb{C}^N)$ by $\widehat{f} := (\widehat{f}_1, \dots, \widehat{f}_N)$.

Lemma A.19 (Fourier transform and convolution). Let $f, g \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$ and let the convolution of f and g be defined by $(g * f)(w) = \int_{P_0} g(w - v) f(v) d\mathcal{H}^n(v)$. Then we have for $w \in P_0$

$$\widehat{(g * f)}(w) = \widehat{g}(w) \widehat{f}(w).$$

Proof. We compute using Remark A.16, Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1] and substitution

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{(g * f)}(w) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{P_0} g(\phi(z) - v) f(v) d\mathcal{H}^n(v) e^{-2\pi i \phi^{-1}(w) \cdot z} d\mathcal{L}^n(z) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(\phi(z) - \phi(r)) f(\phi(r)) d\mathcal{L}^n(r) e^{-2\pi i \phi^{-1}(w) \cdot z} d\mathcal{L}^n(z) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(\phi(z - r)) f(\phi(r)) e^{-2\pi i \phi^{-1}(w) \cdot z} d\mathcal{L}^n(z) d\mathcal{L}^n(r) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(\phi(s)) f(\phi(r)) e^{-2\pi i \phi^{-1}(w) \cdot (s+r)} d\mathcal{L}^n(s) d\mathcal{L}^n(r) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(\phi(s)) e^{-2\pi i \phi^{-1}(w) \cdot s} d\mathcal{L}^n(s) \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(\phi(r)) e^{-2\pi i \phi^{-1}(w) \cdot r} d\mathcal{L}^n(r) \\ &= \widehat{g}(w) \widehat{f}(w). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma A.20. *Let $f \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$, $y \in P_0$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and set $f_t(y) := \frac{1}{t^n} f(\frac{y}{t})$. We have*

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{(\partial^\kappa f)}(y) &= (2\pi i \phi^{-1}(y))^\kappa \widehat{f}(y), \\ \widehat{(f_t)}(y) &= \widehat{f}(ty).\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Using Lemma A.14, Definition A.18 and [Gra08, 2.2.11. (9)], we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{(\partial^\kappa f)}(y) &= ([D^\kappa(f \circ \phi)] \circ \phi^{-1})^\widehat{ } (y) \\ &= [D^\kappa(f \circ \phi)]^\widehat{ }(\phi^{-1}(y)) \\ &= (2\pi i \phi^{-1}(x))^\kappa \widehat{(f \circ \phi)}(\phi^{-1}(y)) \\ &= (2\pi i \phi^{-1}(x))^\kappa \widehat{f}(y),\end{aligned}$$

and, with $t\phi^{-1}(y) = \phi^{-1}(ty)$, we get

$$\widehat{(f_t)}(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{t^n} f\left(\frac{z}{t}\right) e^{-2\pi i \phi^{-1}(y) \cdot z} d\mathcal{L}^n(z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(v) e^{-2\pi i \phi^{-1}(y) \cdot tv} d\mathcal{L}^n(v) = \widehat{f}(ty).$$

□

Lemma A.21. *Let $f \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$ be radial. Then \widehat{f} is radial as well.*

Proof. Since ϕ is an isometric isomorphism, $f \circ \phi$ is radial. With [Gra08, Cor. 2.2.12], the Fourier transform $\widehat{f \circ \phi}$ is radial and hence $\widehat{f \circ \phi} \circ \phi^{-1} = \widehat{f}$ is radial. □

Lemma A.22. *Let $f \in \mathcal{S}(P_0)$ be radial. Then Δf is radial as well.*

Proof. With Lemma A.21, the Fourier transform \widehat{f} is radial. Let $x, y \in P_0 \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ with $|x| = |y|$. We obtain using Lemma A.20

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\Delta f}(x) &= \sum_{j=1}^n \widehat{\partial_j \partial_j f}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n (2\pi i \phi^{-1}(x)_j)^2 \widehat{f}(x) \\ &= (2\pi i)^2 \underbrace{|\phi^{-1}(x)|^2}_{=|x|^2} \widehat{f}(x) = (2\pi i)^2 |y|^2 \widehat{f}(y) = \widehat{\Delta f}(y).\end{aligned}$$

With Fourier inversion [Gra08, Thm. 2.2.14.], we conclude that Δf is radial. □

A.3 Littlewood Paley theorem

The following Lemma is an exercise from [Gra08, Exercise 5.1.4]

Lemma A.23 (Continuous version of the Littlewood Paley theorem). *Let ϕ be an integrable $C^1(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ function with mean value zero fulfilling*

$$|\phi(x)| + |\nabla \phi(x)| \leq C(1 + |x|)^{-n-1}$$

and (using the notation $\phi_t(x) = \frac{1}{t^n} \phi\left(\frac{x}{t}\right)$)

$$0 < \int_0^\infty |\widehat{(\phi_t)}(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \leq c < \infty,$$

for some fixed constant c independent of x . For all $q \in (1, \infty)$, there exists some constant $C = C(n, q, \phi)$ such that, for all $f \in L^q(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^N)$, we have

$$\left\| \left(\int_0^\infty |\phi_t * f|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})} \leq C \|f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^N)}.$$

Proof. The proof is analogue to the proof of the Littlewood-Paley theorem [Gra08, Thm, 5.1.2]. We want to apply [Gra08, Thm. 4.6.1, Banach-Valued Singular Integral Operators] with $r = 2$, $\mathcal{B}_1 = \mathbb{R}^N$ and $\mathcal{B}_2 = L^2((0, \infty), \lambda)$, where $\lambda(A) := \int_A 1 \frac{dt}{t}$ (which implies $\|f\|_{L^2((0, \infty), \lambda)}^2 = \int_0^\infty |f(t)|^2 \frac{dt}{t}$). For $x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$, $t > 0$ and $a \in \mathcal{B}_1$, we set $\vec{K}(x)(a) := \phi_t(x) \cdot a$ so that $\vec{K}(x)$ is a bounded linear operator from \mathcal{B}_1 to \mathcal{B}_2 and, for $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^N)$, we set $\vec{T}(f)(x) := (\phi_t * f)(x) \in L^2((0, \infty), \lambda)$.

At first, we prove that \vec{T} is a bounded linear operator from $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathcal{B}_1)$ to $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathcal{B}_2)$. With Fubini's theorem [EG92, 1.4, Thm. 1] and Plancherel's identity [Gra08, Thm. 2.2.14, (4)], we obtain for $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^N)$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{T}(f)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathcal{B}_2)}^2 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^\infty |(\phi_t * f)(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\widehat{(\phi_t * f)}(x)|^2 dx \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\widehat{\phi_t}(x)|^2 |\widehat{f}(x)|^2 dx \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\widehat{f}(x)|^2 \int_0^\infty |\widehat{\phi_t}(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} dx \\ &\leq C(\phi) \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathcal{B}_1)}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Now we prove that \vec{K} fulfils Hörmander's condition, that means we have to show for $y \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ that

$$\int_{|x| \geq 2|y|} \|\vec{K}(x-y) - \vec{K}(x)\|_{\mathcal{B}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_2} dx \leq C < \infty.$$

Let $|x| \geq 2|y|$ and $\xi \in [0, 1]$. This implies

$$|x - \xi y| \geq |x| - \xi|y| \geq \frac{1}{2}|x|.$$

Since $\phi \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$, there exists some $\xi \in [0, 1]$ with

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi_t(x-y) - \phi_t(x)| &= \frac{1}{t^n} \left| (\nabla \phi) \left(\frac{1}{t}(x - \xi y) \right) \right| \frac{|y|}{t} \\ &\leq \frac{C}{t^{n+1}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2t}|x| \right)^{-n-1} |y| \end{aligned} \tag{A.1}$$

$$\leq \frac{C}{t^{n+1}} |y|. \tag{A.2}$$

Moreover, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\phi_t(x-y) - \phi_t(x)| &\leq \frac{1}{t^n} \left| \phi\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) \right| + \frac{1}{t^n} \left| \phi\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{C}{t^n} \left(1 + \left|\frac{x-y}{t}\right|\right)^{-n-1} + \frac{C}{t^n} \left(1 + \left|\frac{x}{t}\right|\right)^{-n-1} \\
 &\leq \frac{2C}{t^n} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2t}|x|\right)^{-n-1}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.3}$$

We take the geometric mean of A.1 and A.3 and obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\phi_t(x-y) - \phi_t(x)| &\leq \left(\frac{C}{t^{n+1}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2t}|x|\right)^{-n-1} |y| \cdot \frac{2C}{t^n} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2t}|x|\right)^{-n-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\leq \frac{2C}{t^{n+\frac{1}{2}}} |y|^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2t}|x|\right)^{-n-1}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.4}$$

Now we conclude

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|\vec{K}(x-y) - \vec{K}(x)\|_{\mathcal{B}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_2} \\
 &= \sup_{\substack{a \in \mathbb{R}^N \\ |a|=1}} \|[\phi_t(x-y) - \phi_t(x)]a\|_{L^2((0,\infty),\lambda)} \\
 &= \left(\int_0^\infty |\phi_t(x-y) - \phi_t(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &= \left(\int_0^{\frac{|x|}{2}} |\phi_t(x-y) - \phi_t(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} + \int_{\frac{|x|}{2}}^\infty |\phi_t(x-y) - \phi_t(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\stackrel{(A.4)(A.2)}{\leq} \left(\int_0^{\frac{|x|}{2}} \left[\frac{2C}{t^{n+\frac{1}{2}}} |y|^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2t}|x|\right)^{-n-1} \right]^2 \frac{dt}{t} + \int_{\frac{|x|}{2}}^\infty \left[C \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} |y| \right]^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\leq 2C \left(|y| \int_0^{\frac{|x|}{2}} \left[\frac{1}{t^{n+\frac{1}{2}}} \left(\frac{2t}{|x|}\right)^{n+1} \right]^2 \frac{dt}{t} + |y|^2 \int_{\frac{|x|}{2}}^\infty \left[\frac{1}{t^{n+1}} \right]^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\leq 2C \left(|y||x|^{-2n-2} 2^{2n+2} \int_0^{\frac{|x|}{2}} t \frac{dt}{t} + |y|^2 \frac{1}{2n+2} \left(\frac{|x|}{2}\right)^{-2n-2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\leq C(n) |y|^{\frac{1}{2}} |x|^{-n-\frac{1}{2}} + C(n) |y| |x|^{-n-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we can prove Hörmander's condition

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{|x| \geq 2|y|} \|\vec{K}(x-y) - \vec{K}(x)\|_{\mathcal{B}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_2} dx \\
 & \leq C|y|^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{|x| \geq 2|y|} |x|^{-n-\frac{1}{2}} dx + C|y| \int_{|x| \geq 2|y|} |x|^{-n-1} dx \\
 & \leq C|y|^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{2|y|}^{\infty} r^{-\frac{3}{2}} dr + C|y| \int_{2|y|}^{\infty} r^{-2} dr \\
 & \leq C|y|^{\frac{1}{2}} |y|^{-\frac{1}{2}} + C|y||y|^{-1} = C(n).
 \end{aligned}$$

Using [Gra08, Thm. 4.6.1, Banach-Valued Singular Integral Operators] ($p = q$), for all $1 < q < \infty$, there exists some constant $C = C(n, q, \phi)$ so that, for all $f \in L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^N)$, we obtain

$$\left\| \left(\int_0^\infty |\phi_t * f|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})} = \|\vec{T}(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n; L^2((0, \infty), \lambda))} \leq C \|f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^N)}.$$

□

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