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Well-posedness theory for degenerate parabolic equations on Riemannian manifolds

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Abstract

We consider the degenerate parabolic equation

$$\partial_t u + \operatorname{div} f_{\mathbf{x}}(u) = \operatorname{div}(\operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(u))), \quad \mathbf{x} \in M, \quad t \geq 0$$

on a smooth, compact, d -dimensional Riemannian manifold (M, g) . Here, for each $u \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mathbf{x} \mapsto f_{\mathbf{x}}(u)$ is a vector field and $\mathbf{x} \mapsto A_{\mathbf{x}}(u)$ is a $(1, 1)$ -tensor field on M such that $u \mapsto \langle A_{\mathbf{x}}(u)\xi, \xi \rangle$, $\xi \in T_{\mathbf{x}}M$, is non-decreasing with respect to u . The fact that the notion of divergence appearing in the equation depends on the metric g requires revisiting the standard entropy admissibility concept. We derive it under an additional geometry compatibility condition and, as a corollary, we introduce the kinetic formulation of the equation on the manifold. Using this concept, we prove well-posedness of the corresponding Cauchy problem.

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1. Introduction

We consider the Cauchy problem for a degenerate parabolic equation of the form

$$\partial_t u + \operatorname{div} f_{\mathbf{x}}(u) = \operatorname{div}(\operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(u))), \quad \mathbf{x} \in M, \quad t \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

$$u|_{t=0} = u_0(\mathbf{x}) \in L^\infty(M) \quad (2)$$

on a smooth (Hausdorff), compact, d -dimensional Riemannian manifold (M, g) . For simplicity, we shall assume that

$$0 \leq u_0 \leq 1. \quad (3)$$

This is a natural assumption since equation (1), among other phenomena, describes fluid concentration dynamics in the case of flow in porous media (Buckley–Leverett type equations), and concentration always varies between zero and one (see e.g. [3]).

We suppose that the map $(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \mapsto f_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) \equiv f(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$, $M \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow TM$ is C^1 and that, for every $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mathbf{x} \mapsto f_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ (the space of vector fields on M). Also, $(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \mapsto A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) : M \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow T_1^1 M$ is supposed to satisfy $\mathbf{x} \mapsto A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(M)$ for each $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$ and we assume that the ξ -derivative of A is positive semi-definite and

$$A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) = \sigma_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)^\top \sigma_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi), \quad (4)$$

with σ such that $(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \mapsto \sigma_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) : M \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow T_1^1 M$ is C^2 and $\mathbf{x} \mapsto \sigma_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(M)$ for each $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$. Here $\sigma^\top \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(M)$ denotes the transpose of $\sigma \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(M)$, i.e., the unique tensor field such that $\langle \sigma(X), Y \rangle = \langle X, \sigma^\top(Y) \rangle$ for any $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. In particular, this implies that $\xi \mapsto \langle A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)\xi, \xi \rangle$ is non-decreasing for any $\xi \in T_{\mathbf{x}}M$.

In local coordinates, we write

$$f_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) = (f^1(\mathbf{x}, \xi), \dots, f^d(\mathbf{x}, \xi)), \quad A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) = (A_{kj}^k(\mathbf{x}, \xi))_{k,j=1,\dots,d}.$$

The divergence operator appearing in the equation is to be formed with respect to the metric, so in local coordinates we have (cf. (12) below):

$$\operatorname{div} f_{\mathbf{x}}(u) = \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{x} \mapsto f_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (f_{\mathbf{x}}^k(u(t, \mathbf{x})) + \Gamma_{kj}^j(\mathbf{x}) f_{\mathbf{x}}^k(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) \quad (5)$$

where the Γ -terms are the Christoffel symbols of g and the Einstein summation convention is in effect. Similarly, the right hand side of (1) is to be understood as

$$\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{x} \mapsto \operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x}))), \quad (6)$$

whose explicit local expression can be read off from (15) below.

Equation (1) describes a flow governed by

- the convection effects (bulk motion of particles), which are represented by the first order terms, i.e. by the flux f ;

- diffusion effects, which are represented by the second order term, i.e., the $(1, 1)$ -tensor $A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)$ (more precisely its derivative with respect to ξ , denoted by a ; see (7)) which describes direction and intensity of the diffusion of, e.g., a fluid whose concentration at $\mathbf{x} \in M$ at time $t \geq 0$ is $u(t, \mathbf{x})$.

The equation is degenerate in the sense that $\partial_{\xi} A_{\mathbf{x}}$ can be equal to zero in some direction for some $\mathbf{x} \in M$ (i.e., $A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)$ is not strictly increasing with respect to ξ). Roughly speaking, if this is the case (i.e., if for some vector $\xi \in T_{\mathbf{x}}M$ we have $\langle \partial_{\xi} A(\mathbf{x}, \xi), \xi \rangle = 0$), then diffusion effects do not exist at the point \mathbf{x} for the state ξ in the direction ξ .

We note that the usual form of a degenerate parabolic equation (see e.g. [6]) is

$$\partial_t u + \operatorname{div} f(\mathbf{x}, u) = \operatorname{div}(a(\mathbf{x}, u) \nabla u). \tag{7}$$

In the flat case (i.e., when $M = \mathbb{R}^d$ with the Euclidean metric), equation (1) is obviously reduced to (7) simply by putting $a(\xi) = A'(\xi)$, where the prime denotes the derivative with respect to ξ (with slightly more algebra, one can show that this also holds when A depends on (t, \mathbf{x}) as well). However, form (7) is not convenient for deriving the entropy conditions given in Definition 3.

To resolve this problem we follow the foundational works [6,7] in introducing an appropriate entropy admissibility concept for (1) under the following geometry compatibility condition (see [4] for an appropriate notion in the case of scalar conservation laws):

$$\operatorname{div} f_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) = \operatorname{div}(\operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi))) \text{ for every } \xi \in \mathbb{R}. \tag{8}$$

We note that, from a physical point of view, this is an incompressibility condition (divergence of the (diffusive) flux $f_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) - \operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi))$ is zero). Indeed, an incompressible fluid in a control volume changes the density only due to the diffusion effects:

$$\frac{D\rho}{Dt} = \operatorname{div}(A'(x, \rho) \cdot \nabla \rho), \quad A'(x, \rho) = \partial_{\xi} A(x, \xi)|_{\xi=\rho}, \tag{9}$$

where ρ is density of the control volume and $\frac{D\rho}{Dt} = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{dx}{dt} \cdot \nabla \rho$ is the material derivative for the flow velocity $\frac{dx}{dt} = (\frac{dx_1}{dt}, \dots, \frac{dx_d}{dt})$. If we rewrite our equation in \mathbb{R}^d (with the Euclidean metric, writing ρ instead of u and disregarding non-smoothness for the moment), we actually have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \partial_{\xi} (f(\mathbf{x}, \xi) - \operatorname{div} A(\mathbf{x}, \xi))|_{\xi=\rho} \cdot \nabla \rho + \operatorname{Div}(f(\mathbf{x}, \xi) - \operatorname{div} A(\mathbf{x}, \xi))|_{\xi=\rho} \\ = \operatorname{div}(A'(\mathbf{x}, \rho) \cdot \nabla \rho) \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Then, taking as usual $\frac{dx}{dt} = \partial_{\xi} (f(\mathbf{x}, \xi) - \operatorname{div} A(\mathbf{x}, \xi))|_{\xi=\rho}$ and comparing (10) and (9), we arrive at

$$(\operatorname{div} f(\mathbf{x}, \xi) - \operatorname{div}(\operatorname{div}(A(\mathbf{x}, \xi))))|_{\xi=\rho} = 0,$$

which immediately gives what we called the geometry compatibility condition.

Since the equation we consider is of degenerate parabolic type, solutions are not necessarily smooth and weak solutions must be sought. Such a weaker solution concept may result in

non-uniqueness, and so we need to eliminate “non-physical” solutions through an entropy admissibility concept ([6,7]). Since we are in a manifold setting, we will express the conditions locally, and then, using the compatibility conditions, show that the admissibility conditions have the same form globally as well (see [Theorem 1](#)).

With appropriate admissibility conditions in place, we can fairly directly derive the kinetic formulation to (1) (see (53)). This generalization of similar previous results ([7–9]) is, however, not enough to provide well-posedness of admissible solutions to (1). What has to be incorporated in the kinetic formulation is the chain rule (see [Theorem 2](#)), originally introduced in [7], and extended to the heterogeneous setting in [6]. We implement this in a general way, which does not presuppose the form of the kinetic function (see the comments after [Remark 5](#) below), and which may generate several stable semigroups of solutions (compare standard and non-standard shocks, for instance in [11,18]). We also note that our kinetic solution concept for degenerate parabolic equations is new also from the standard Euclidean point of view.

Degenerate parabolic equations appear in a broad spectrum of applications, such as sedimentation-consolidation processes ([5]) or flow in porous media ([16]), which very often occur in non-flat media (e.g., during the CO₂ sequestration process the caprock confining the brine in which gas is injected is basically never flat, cf. [23]). In other words, in our situation, we consider a flow governed by the convection and diffusion effects along a non-flat surface.

Nevertheless, due to obvious technical complexities, the equation was so far only considered on the entire space (see e.g. [6,7,10] and references therein). Moreover, while the existence problem was settled a fairly long time ago [28], uniqueness in the case of an anisotropic diffusion was obtained only rather recently in [7] for homogeneous coefficients, and in [6] for the heterogeneous ones. Our strategy of proof follows the one developed in [7]. However, unlike the situation from these works, where the kinetic formulation is used only to prove uniqueness of solutions, here we develop the concept so that it can be used for the existence proof as well. This is in accordance with the standard kinetic approach used for conservation laws when the weak convergence of the kinetic functions ([3,22,26]) (or the Young measures ([4,15]), which is essentially equivalent) corresponding to a sequence of approximate solutions together with uniqueness of the kinetic function provide well-posedness of entropy solutions to (1), (2).

Although investigations concerning well-posedness of evolution equations on manifolds attracted a significant amount of attention recently, this problem for degenerate parabolic equations on manifolds has not been considered until now. The most closely related research is directed towards scalar conservation laws on manifolds and we mention [4,20,25] for the Cauchy problem corresponding to scalar conservation laws on manifolds, and [17,26] for the (initial)-boundary value problem on manifolds. The approach in [26] is based on the kinetic formulation as well, and Definition 3.1 from there inspired our kinetic solution concept.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we introduce notions and notations from differential geometry as well as the entropy admissibility concept corresponding to (1). We then move on to derive the kinetic formulation of (1). In Section 3, we prove a uniqueness result for the kinetic formulation of the problem under consideration. Finally, in Section 4 we show existence of kinetic solutions as well as existence and uniqueness of entropy solutions.

2. Preliminaries from Riemannian geometry and the entropy admissibility concept

Our standard references for notions from Riemannian geometry are [24,27]. For notions and results from distributional geometry we refer to [21,13]. As already stated in the introduction, (M, g) will be a d -dimensional Riemannian manifold. If v is a distributional vector field on M

then its gradient ∇v is the vector field metrically equivalent to the exterior derivative dv of v : $\langle \nabla v, X \rangle = dv(X) = X(v)$ for any $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. In local coordinates,

$$\nabla v = g^{ij} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x^i} \partial_j, \tag{11}$$

with g^{ij} the inverse matrix to $g_{ij} = \langle \partial_{x^i}, \partial_{x^j} \rangle$. For $T \in \mathcal{T}_l^k(M)$, a divergence of T is any contraction of one of its k contravariant slots with the new covariant slot of its covariant differential $\nabla T \in \mathcal{T}_{l+1}^k(M)$. In particular, if $k = 1$ then T possesses a unique divergence $\operatorname{div} T \in \mathcal{T}_l^0(M)$. We list here the local coordinate expressions for the cases that will be of interest in this paper.

First, if $X \in \mathcal{T}_0^1 = \mathfrak{X}(M)$ is a C^1 vector field on M with local representation $X = X^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$, then $\operatorname{div} X \in C(M)$ is locally given by

$$\operatorname{div} X = \frac{\partial X^k}{\partial x^k} + \Gamma_{kj}^j X^k. \tag{12}$$

The same expression holds for X a distributional vector field, and similar for the formulae given below, which we formulate in the smooth case with the understanding that they carry over by continuous extension also to the distributional setting. If a C^1 one-form $\omega \in \mathcal{T}_1^0(M) = \Omega^1(M)$ is locally given by $\omega = \omega_i dx^i$, then its divergence is defined as the *metric* contraction of its covariant differential $\nabla \omega \in \mathcal{T}_2^0(M)$, so

$$\operatorname{div} \omega = g^{ij} \partial_i \omega_j - \Gamma_{il}^k g^{il} \omega_k. \tag{13}$$

If $T \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(M)$, $T = T_i^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \otimes dx^i$, then $\operatorname{div} T = (\operatorname{div} T)_i dx^i$, where

$$(\operatorname{div} T)_i = \partial_j T_i^j + \Gamma_{jl}^j T_i^l - \Gamma_{ji}^l T_l^j. \tag{14}$$

Finally, again for $T \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(M)$, $\operatorname{div}(\operatorname{div}(T)) \in C(M)$ is given in local coordinates by

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div}(\operatorname{div}(T)) &= g^{ij} \left[\partial_i \partial_k T_j^k + \Gamma_{kl}^k \partial_i T_j^l - \Gamma_{kj}^l \partial_i T_l^k - \Gamma_{ij}^k \partial_l T_k^l + (\partial_i \Gamma_{kl}^k) T_j^l \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (\partial_i \Gamma_{kj}^l) T_l^k - \Gamma_{ij}^k \Gamma_{lr}^l T_k^r + \Gamma_{ij}^k \Gamma_{kl}^r T_r^l \right] \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

In the Cauchy problem (1), (2), $(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \mapsto A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) : M \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow T_1^1 M$ is C^1 and for each $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mathbf{x} \mapsto A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(M)$. In general, if T is a $(1, k)$ -tensor with C^1 -dependence on an additional real variable ξ , i.e., $(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \mapsto T_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) : M \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow T_k^1 M$ is C^1 and for each $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mathbf{x} \mapsto T(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \in \mathcal{T}_k^1(M)$, then (recalling that the derivative with respect to ξ is denoted by T'), it follows from the chain rule and the corresponding local expressions that for an $H^1 \cap L^\infty$ -function $u : \mathbb{R} \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div}(T(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})))_{i_1, \dots, i_k} - \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{x} \mapsto T(\mathbf{x}, \xi))_{i_1, \dots, i_k} \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \\ = T'_{i_1, \dots, i_k}{}^j(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) \partial_j u(t, \mathbf{x}). \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Furthermore, if $(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \mapsto \omega(\mathbf{x}, \xi) : M \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow T_1^0 M$ is such that for every $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$ it holds that $\mathbf{x} \mapsto T(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \in \mathcal{T}_1^0(M) = \Omega^1(M)$, we obtain from (13)

$$\operatorname{div}(\omega(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) - \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{x} \mapsto \omega(\mathbf{x}, \xi)))|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} = g^{ij}(\mathbf{x})\omega'_i(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x}))\partial_j u(t, \mathbf{x}). \quad (17)$$

After these preparations we can prove:

Theorem 1. Assume that the compatibility condition (8) holds and that $u : \mathbb{R}^+ \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a bounded $H^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^+ \times M)$ non-negative solution to (1). Then for any $S \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$ such that $S(0) = 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t S(u) + \operatorname{div} \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \mathfrak{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \\ = \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right) - S''(u) \langle A'_{\mathbf{x}}(u) \nabla u, \nabla u \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

where $\mathfrak{f}' = \partial_{\xi} \mathfrak{f}$ and $A' = \partial_{\xi} A$.

Proof. First, note that for any $f \in C^1(M; \mathbb{R})$, $\omega \in \mathcal{T}_1^0(M)$ we have

$$\operatorname{div}(f\omega) = f \operatorname{div} \omega + g^{ij} \partial_j f \omega_i = f \operatorname{div} \omega + \omega(\nabla f). \quad (19)$$

Based on this, we calculate for any $S \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$ such that $S(0) = 0$ (keeping in mind that u is non-negative):

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \mathfrak{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right) \\ = S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) f'^i(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) \partial_i u(t, \mathbf{x}) + \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} S'(\xi) \partial_i f'^i(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\xi \\ + \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} S'(\xi) \Gamma_{kj}^j f'^k(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\xi \quad (20) \\ \stackrel{(16)}{=} S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div}(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) - S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div}(\mathfrak{f}_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \\ + \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} S'(\xi) \operatorname{div}(\mathfrak{f}'(\mathbf{x}, \xi)) d\xi. \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\operatorname{div} \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} A'_x(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right)_i \\
 & \stackrel{(16)}{=} A'^j_i(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \partial_j u + \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^\xi A'_x(v) S'(v) dv \right)_i \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \\
 & \stackrel{(16)}{=} S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div}(A_x(u(t, \mathbf{x})))_i - S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div}(A_x(\xi))_i \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad + \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \operatorname{div}(A'_x(\xi))_i S'(\xi) d\xi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Now set $\tilde{\omega}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) := \operatorname{div} \int_0^\xi A'_x(v) S'(v) dv$ and $\bar{\omega}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) := \operatorname{div}(A_x(\xi))$. Using this notation and applying (19) to the first two terms on the right-hand side of (21), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\omega}(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x}))) &= S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A_x(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) \\
 & \quad + g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(A_x(u(t, \mathbf{x})))_i S''(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \partial_j u - S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\omega}(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x}))) \\
 & \quad - g^{ij} \tilde{\omega}_i(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) S''(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \partial_j u + \operatorname{div} \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \operatorname{div}(A'_x(\xi)) S'(\xi) d\xi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \operatorname{div} \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \operatorname{div}(A'_x(\xi)) S'(\xi) d\xi \\
 & \stackrel{(17)}{=} g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(A'_x(\xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \partial_j u + \operatorname{div} \int_0^\xi \operatorname{div}(A'_x(v)) S'(v) dv \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \\
 & = S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) g^{ij} \tilde{\omega}'_i(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) \partial_j u + \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A'_x(\xi)) S'(\xi) d\xi \\
 & \stackrel{(17)}{=} S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \left(\operatorname{div}(\tilde{\omega}(t, u(t, \mathbf{x}))) - \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\omega}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \right) \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad + \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A'_x(\xi)) S'(\xi) d\xi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

From (22) and (23), we conclude

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right) \\
 &= S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) - S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \\
 &+ S''(u(t, \mathbf{x})) g^{ij} A''_i(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) \partial_r u \partial_j u + \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) S'(\xi) d\xi \quad (24) \\
 &= S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) - S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \\
 &+ S''(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \langle A'_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \nabla u, \nabla u \rangle + \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) S'(\xi) d\xi.
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} f'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right) \stackrel{(20)}{=} S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \left(\operatorname{div}(f_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) - \operatorname{div}(f(t, \xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \right) \\
 &+ \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} S'(\xi) \operatorname{div} f'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) d\xi \\
 &\stackrel{(8)}{=} S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div}(f_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) - S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \\
 &+ \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} S'(\xi) \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div} A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) d\xi \\
 &\stackrel{(24)}{=} S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div}(f_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) + \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right) \\
 &- S'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x}))) - S''(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \langle A'_{\mathbf{x}}(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \nabla u, \nabla u \rangle,
 \end{aligned}$$

which is (18). \square

Another property of the entropy solution that we shall require is the so-called chain rule. It was introduced in [7] in the homogeneous case and adapted to the inhomogeneous situation in [6]. To formulate it, we first recall that $A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) = \sigma_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)^{\top} \sigma_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)$ by (4) and note that if σ is locally given by $\sigma = \sigma_i^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \otimes dx^i$, then

$$\sigma^{\top} = (\sigma^{\top})_i^k \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \otimes dx^i \quad \text{with} \quad (\sigma^{\top})_i^k = g^{kl} \sigma_l^m g_{mi}. \quad (25)$$

Given $\psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, we now consider $\beta(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ such that $\beta'(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^\top(\xi)$, and $\beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ such that $(\beta^\psi)'(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \sqrt{\psi(\xi)}\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^\top(\xi)$ and $\beta(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, 0) = 0$ (recall that a prime here denotes the derivative with respect to the real variable ξ). In local coordinates, this reads

$$\begin{aligned} (\beta_i^k)'(\mathbf{x}, \xi) &= g^{kl}(\mathbf{x})\sigma_l^m(\mathbf{x}, \xi)g_{mi}(\mathbf{x}), \\ ((\beta^\psi)_i^k)'(\mathbf{x}, \xi) &= \sqrt{\psi(\xi)}g^{kl}(\mathbf{x})\sigma_l^m(\mathbf{x}, \xi)g_{mi}(\mathbf{x}). \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

We will need the following result on the divergences of the β -tensors:

Theorem 2. (Chain rule) *If $u : [0, \infty) \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a non-negative bounded $H^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^+ \times M)$ function, then for any non-negative $\psi \in C(\mathbb{R})$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div}(\beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x}))) - \operatorname{div}(\beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, \xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \\ = \sqrt{\psi(u(t, \mathbf{x}))} \left(\operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) - \operatorname{div} \beta(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

Proof. Using (14), and writing u for $u(t, \mathbf{x})$ we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div}(\beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, u))_i &= \partial_j((\beta^\psi)_i^j(\mathbf{x}, u)) + (\beta^\psi)_i^l(\mathbf{x}, u)\Gamma_{jl}^j - (\beta^\psi)_l^j(\mathbf{x}, u)\Gamma_{ji}^l \\ &= \sqrt{\psi(u)}(\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^\top)_i^j(u)\partial_j u + \int_0^u \sqrt{\psi(\xi)}\partial_j(\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^\top)_i^j(\xi) d\xi \\ &\quad + (\beta^\psi)_i^l(\mathbf{x}, u)\Gamma_{jl}^i - (\beta^\psi)_l^j(\mathbf{x}, u)\Gamma_{ji}^l. \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

Also,

$$\operatorname{div}(\beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, \xi))_i \Big|_{\xi=u} = \int_0^u \sqrt{\psi(\xi)}\partial_j(\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^\top)_i^j(\xi) d\xi + (\beta^\psi)_i^l(\mathbf{x}, u)\Gamma_{jl}^i - (\beta^\psi)_l^j(\mathbf{x}, u)\Gamma_{ji}^l,$$

and therefore (compare with (28))

$$\operatorname{div}(\beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, u))_i - \operatorname{div}(\beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, \xi))_i \Big|_{\xi=u} = \sqrt{\psi(u)}(\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^\top)_i^j(u)\partial_j u.$$

Analogously,

$$\operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, u))_i - \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, \xi))_i \Big|_{\xi=u} = (\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^\top)_i^j(u)\partial_j u, \tag{29}$$

which gives the claim. \square

Combining (29) with (25) we obtain that we can rewrite the last term in Theorem 1 using:

$$\langle A'_x(u)\nabla u, \nabla u \rangle = \left| \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) - \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, \xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \right|_g^2, \tag{30}$$

where $|\omega|_g = (g^{ij}\omega_i\omega_j)^{1/2}$ denotes the norm induced by g on the space of one-forms.

Following [7], we are next going to introduce an appropriate concept of entropy solution to (1), (2). The definition of entropy solutions, as well as ultimately the proof of their existence, rests on vanishing viscosity approximations

$$\partial_t u_\eta + \operatorname{div} f_{\mathbf{x}}(u_\eta) = \operatorname{div}(\operatorname{div}(A_{\mathbf{x}}(u_\eta))) + \eta \Delta u_\eta, \tag{31}$$

where $\eta > 0$ is some small constant. Here, Δ is the Laplace–Beltrami operator on the manifold given, for any $h \in C^\infty(M)$, by $\Delta h = \operatorname{div} \circ \nabla h$, with div and ∇ as in (5) and (11), respectively. In terms of local coordinates, setting $|g| := \det g$,

$$\Delta h = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \partial_i (\sqrt{|g|} g^{ij} \partial_j h). \tag{32}$$

It follows from Theorem 1 and (30) that if u_η is a bounded $H^{1,2}(\mathbb{R}^+ \times M)$ -solution to (31) then

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t S(u_\eta) + \operatorname{div} \int_0^{u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})} f'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi &= \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^{u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})} A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right) \\ &- S''(u_\eta) \left| \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}))) - \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, \xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})} \right|_g^2 + \eta S'(u_\eta) \Delta u_\eta \end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

Noting that we have $\Delta(S(w)) = S''(w)|\nabla w|^2 + S'(w)\Delta w$ for any bounded H^2 -function w on M , we can rewrite the last term in (33) as

$$\eta S'(u_\eta) \Delta u_\eta = \eta \Delta S(u_\eta) - \eta S''(u_\eta) |\nabla u_\eta|^2.$$

Finally,

$$\eta S''(u_\eta) |\nabla u_\eta|^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} S''(\xi) m_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) d\xi, \tag{34}$$

where $m_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = \eta \delta(\xi - u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})) |\nabla u_\eta|^2$ is a non-negative measure on $[0, \infty) \times M \times \mathbb{R}$. We shall also denote

$$n_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = \delta(\xi - u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})) \left| \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}))) - \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, \xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})} \right|_g^2, \tag{35}$$

which is a non-negative measure as well. Note that for $u_\eta \geq 0$ the measures n_η and m_η are both supported in $[0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty)$. So we may rewrite (33) as

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t S(u_\eta) + \operatorname{div} \int_0^{u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})} f'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi &= \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^{u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})} A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right) \\ &- \int_0^\infty S''(\xi) (n_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) + m_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi)) d\xi + \eta \Delta S(u_\eta) \end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

Further, if we choose $S(u) = u^2/2$ and then integrate (36) over $M \times [0, \infty)$, we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^+ \times M \times \mathbb{R}^+} (n_\eta + m_\eta) d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) dt = \int_M \frac{1}{2} |u_0(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \tag{37}$$

Integration here is carried out with respect to the Riemannian density $\sqrt{|g|}$ induced by g . In local coordinates, $d\mu(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt{|g|} d\mathbf{x}$, where $\sqrt{|g|} = \sqrt{|\det(g_{ij})|}$.

Based on these observations, the following definition of entropy solutions extracts those properties that are stable under strong convergence (analogous to [7, Def. 2.1]).

Definition 3. We say that the measurable function $u : [0, \infty) \times M \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is an entropy solution to (1), (2) if

(i)

$$\operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) - \beta(\mathbf{x}, \xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \in L^2([0, \infty) \times M); \tag{38}$$

(ii) There exists a non-negative measure m on $[0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty)$ such that for any function $S \in C^2([0, \infty))$, the following equality holds, together with the initial condition (2), in the sense of distributions on $\mathcal{D}'([0, \infty) \times M)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t S(u) + \operatorname{div} \int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi &= \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^{u(t, \mathbf{x})} A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right) \\ &- S''(u) \Big| \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) - \beta(\mathbf{x}, \xi)) \Big|_{\xi=u(t, \mathbf{x})} \Big|_g^2 - \int_0^\infty S''(\xi) m(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) d\xi; \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

(iii) The chain rule (27) holds.

Equation (31) is not a standard viscous approximation, but it is still a strictly parabolic equation. A viable approach to establishing existence of entropy solutions to (1), (2) would be to invoke [19, Section V] to obtain existence of a solution to (31), (2) for every $\eta > 0$ and then showing that the net (u_η) so obtained converges (in an appropriate sense) towards the entropy solution to (1), (2). Instead of implementing this approach directly, we shall first introduce a kinetic formulation of (1), (2) on M and then prove existence of the entropy solution by proving uniqueness of the kinetic solution (see e.g. [4,15,26] for such an approach in the case of scalar conservation laws).

To this end, let us rewrite (39) in the kinetic formulation. Set

$$\chi_u(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) := \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq \xi \leq u(t, \mathbf{x}) \\ -1, & u(t, \mathbf{x}) \leq \xi \leq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Notice that if $0 \leq u$, then for $\xi \geq 0$,

$$\chi_u(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = \operatorname{sgn}_+(u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi). \quad (40)$$

Taking into account that when $h(\mathbf{x}, 0) = 0$, we have

$$h(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) = h(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) - h(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} h'(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \chi_u(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) d\xi, \quad (41)$$

we can rewrite (39) in the so-called kinetic form as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \int_{\mathbb{R}} S'(\xi) \chi_u d\xi + \operatorname{div} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi_u S'(\xi) \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) d\xi \right) \\ = \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi_u S'(\xi) A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi) d\xi \right) - \int_{\mathbb{R}} S''(\xi) (n + m) d\xi, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$n(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = \sum_{k=1}^d \left| \operatorname{div}(\beta^k(\mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) - \operatorname{div}(\beta^k(\mathbf{x}, \xi)) \right|_g^2 \delta(u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi). \quad (42)$$

Considering S' as a test function supported in $(0, \infty)$, we conclude

$$\partial_t \chi_u + \operatorname{div}(\chi_u \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) = \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) + \partial_{\xi}(n + m), \quad \xi \in (0, \infty). \quad (43)$$

Next, we shall need a local version of the kinetic equation. Accordingly, let $\phi \in C_c^2(M)$. Then multiplying (43) by ϕ and inserting gives

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t(\phi \chi_u) + \operatorname{div}(\phi \chi_u \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) &= \phi \partial_t \chi_u + \phi \operatorname{div}(\chi_u \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) + \chi_u \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)(\phi) \\ &= \phi \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) + \phi \partial_{\xi}(n + m) + \chi_u \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)(d\phi). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\phi \chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) &= \operatorname{div}(\chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)(d\phi)) + \operatorname{div}(\phi \operatorname{div}(\chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi))) \\ &= \operatorname{div}(\chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)(d\phi)) + \phi \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) + \operatorname{div}(\chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi))(\nabla \phi), \end{aligned}$$

so that we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t(\phi \chi_u) + \operatorname{div}(\phi \chi_u \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) &= \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\phi \chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) + \phi \partial_{\xi}(n + m) + \chi_u \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)(d\phi) \\ &\quad - \operatorname{div}(\chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)(d\phi)) - \operatorname{div}(\chi_u A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi))(\nabla \phi). \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

Our goal is to analyze (44) in local charts by regularization. To this end, we shall employ a standard mollifier $\rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \in \mathcal{D}([0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty))$ of the form (below and in the sequel, in

order to avoid proliferation of symbols, we shall by a slight abuse of notation denote convolution kernels for t, \mathbf{x} or ξ by the same letter)

$$\rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{d+1}\delta} \omega_1\left(\frac{\xi}{\delta}\right) \omega_1\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon}\right) \prod_{j=1}^d \omega_2\left(\frac{x_j}{\varepsilon}\right) = \rho_\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}) \rho_\delta(\xi), \tag{45}$$

where $\rho_\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}) := \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{d+1}} \omega_1\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon}\right) \prod_{j=1}^d \omega_2\left(\frac{x_j}{\varepsilon}\right)$ and $\rho_\delta(\xi) := \frac{1}{\delta} \omega_1\left(\frac{\xi}{\delta}\right)$.

Here, $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$ are non-negative compactly supported smooth functions with total mass one, and $\text{supp}(\omega_1) \subseteq (-1, 0)$. For a distribution $F \in \mathcal{D}'([0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty))$ we set

$$F^{\varepsilon, \delta} = F \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}, \quad F^\varepsilon = F \star \rho_\varepsilon, \tag{46}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} F \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) &= \langle F, \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(t - \cdot, \mathbf{x} - \cdot, \xi - \cdot) \rangle \\ F \star \rho_\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) &= \langle F, \rho_\varepsilon(t - \cdot, \mathbf{x} - \cdot) \rangle. \end{cases} \tag{47}$$

For a distribution $F \in \mathcal{D}'([0, \infty) \times M \times \mathbb{R})$ compactly supported in a single chart (U_α, ψ_α) we set (suppressing the dependence on α notationally)

$$F^{\varepsilon, \delta} = ((F \circ \psi_\alpha^{-1}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}) \circ \psi_\alpha, \tag{48}$$

with $F \circ \psi_\alpha^{-1}$ the pullback of F under the diffeomorphism ψ_α^{-1} . Finally, recalling that we work with non-negative solutions, which automatically provide (40), we introduce the following definition.

Definition 4. Let \mathcal{F} be a set of tuples (χ, u_0, m, n) , containing the following data: $\chi : [0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is measurable, $\xi \mapsto \chi(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi)$ is compactly supported, uniformly in (t, \mathbf{x}) , and is non-increasing for $\xi \in [0, \infty)$. The function $u_0 : M \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is measurable, and $m, n \in \mathcal{M}([0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty))$ are Radon measures. Then \mathcal{F} is called *kinetically admissible* if it satisfies:

- (i) For any $(\chi, u_0, m, n) \in \mathcal{F}$, the following Cauchy problem is satisfied:

$$\partial_t \chi + \text{div}(\chi \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) = \text{div} \text{div}(\chi A'_{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)) + \partial_\xi(n + m) \tag{49}$$

$$\chi(0, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = \text{sgn}_+(u_0(\mathbf{x}) - \xi) \tag{50}$$

for $(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) \in [0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty)$.

- (ii) For any two tuples $(\chi, u_0, m, n), (\tilde{\chi}, v_0, \tilde{m}, \tilde{n}) \in \mathcal{F}$, there exist a finite atlas $(U_\alpha, \psi_\alpha)_{\alpha=1}^k$ for M and non-negative smooth functions $\phi_\alpha \in \mathcal{D}(U_\alpha)$ such that ϕ_α^2 is a partition of unity and constants C_α such that the following estimate holds for a.e. t :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \limsup_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left[\int_{[0,t) \times M \times [0,\infty)} (\phi_\alpha \partial_\xi(m+n))^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi_\alpha(1-\tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon,\delta} \right. \\
 & \quad - (\phi_\alpha \partial_\xi(\tilde{m} + \tilde{n}))^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi_\alpha \chi)^{\varepsilon,\delta} dt d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & \quad + \int_{[0,t) \times M \times [0,\infty)} (\operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\phi_\alpha \chi A'))^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi_\alpha(1-\tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon,\delta} dt d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & \quad \left. + \int_{[0,t) \times M \times [0,\infty)} (\operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\phi_\alpha(1-\tilde{\chi})A'))^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi_\alpha \chi)^{\varepsilon,\delta} dt d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \right] \\
 & \leq C_\alpha \int_{[0,t) \times M \times [0,\infty)} \chi(1-\tilde{\chi}) dt d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{51}$$

A measurable function $\chi : [0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $\xi \mapsto \chi(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi)$ that is compactly supported with respect to ξ uniformly in (t, \mathbf{x}) , and is non-increasing with respect to $\xi \in [0, \infty)$, is called an \mathcal{F} -kinetic solution if there exist measures $m, n \in \mathcal{M}([0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty))$ such that $(\chi, u_0, m, n) \in \mathcal{F}$.

Remark 5. (i) The initial value in (50) is understood to be attained in the weak sense, i.e., for any test function φ we have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int \chi(t, x, \xi) \varphi(x, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi = \int \operatorname{sgn}_+(u_0(\mathbf{x}) - \xi) \varphi(x, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi. \tag{52}$$

(ii) Since ϕ_α is supported in a single chart, the regularizations in (51) are defined as in (48).

(iii) As introduced after (37), $d\mu(\mathbf{x})$ denotes the Riemannian density associated with the metric g .

Our approach differs from the kinetic solution concept from [7] since here we do not a priori impose the form of the kinetic function (i.e., we do not assume that it has the form $\frac{1}{2}(\operatorname{sgn}(u - \xi) + \operatorname{sgn}(\xi))$) as in [7]; see formula (2.15) there). It is also more typical in the theory to call kinetic solution a function depending on time, space and kinetic variables satisfying some additional properties (see e.g. [8,26]). Note that we can have several kinetically admissible sets. This is natural since there may exist several stable semigroups of solutions to (1), (2) essentially depending on the approximation that we use (see e.g. [1,18] for conservation laws).

3. Uniqueness

Our first goal in this section is to derive a uniqueness result for elements of a kinetically admissible set whose initial data coincide. To prove this we will rely on the following version of Friedrichs' Lemma, which follows as in [14, 17.1.5]:

Lemma 6. *Let φ be a standard mollifier ($\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $\int \varphi = 1$). Set $\varphi_\varepsilon(x) = \varepsilon^{-d} \varphi(x/\varepsilon)$ and let $1 \leq j \leq d$.*

(i) Let $h \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $k \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Then

$$\partial_j(hk) \star \varphi_\varepsilon - \partial_j(h(k \star \varphi_\varepsilon)) \rightarrow 0 \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0) \quad \text{in } L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^d).$$

(ii) Let $v \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ be compactly supported, and let $a \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Then

$$(a\partial_j v) \star \varphi_\varepsilon - a(\partial_j v \star \varphi_\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0) \quad \text{in } L^1(\mathbb{R}^d).$$

Theorem 7. Assume that \mathcal{F} is a kinetically admissible set for (1), (2). Then, for any two tuples (χ, u_0, m, n) and $(\tilde{\chi}, v_0, \tilde{m}, \tilde{n})$ in \mathcal{F} , equality of u_0 and v_0 implies that $\chi = \tilde{\chi}$ and $\chi = \chi_u$ for a function $u \in L^\infty([0, \infty) \times M)$.

Proof. Assume that for the initial value u_0 with

$$0 \leq u_0 \leq 1$$

we have two tuples (χ, u_0, m, n) and $(\tilde{\chi}, u_0, \tilde{m}, \tilde{n})$ in \mathcal{F} . Note that according to the geometry compatibility condition (8) we have

$$\partial_t(1 - \tilde{\chi}) + \operatorname{div}((1 - \tilde{\chi})f'_x(\xi)) = \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}((1 - \tilde{\chi})A'_x(\xi)) - \partial_\xi(\tilde{n} + \tilde{m}). \tag{53}$$

Now let $(\psi_\alpha, U_\alpha)_{\alpha=1}^k$ be a covering of M by charts as in Def. 4, with corresponding functions ϕ_α ($\operatorname{supp} \phi_\alpha \subseteq U_\alpha$, $\sum_{\alpha=1}^k \phi_\alpha^2 = 1$). Fixing α , we rewrite (53) in localized form for $\phi \equiv \phi_\alpha$. Then from (44) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t(\phi\chi) &= -\operatorname{div}(\phi\chi f'_x(\xi)) + \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\phi\chi A'_x(\xi)) + \phi\partial_\xi(n + m) + \chi f'_x(\xi)(d\phi) \\ &\quad - \operatorname{div}(\chi A'_x(\xi)(d\phi)) - \operatorname{div}(\chi A'_x(\xi))(\nabla\phi), \end{aligned} \tag{54}$$

and starting from (53) instead of (43), the proof of (44) shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t(\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi})) &= -\operatorname{div}(\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi})f'_x(\xi)) + \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi})A'_x(\xi)) \\ &\quad - \phi\partial_\xi(\tilde{n} + \tilde{m}) + (1 - \tilde{\chi})f'_x(\xi)(d\phi) - \operatorname{div}((1 - \tilde{\chi})A'_x(\xi)(d\phi)) \\ &\quad - \operatorname{div}((1 - \tilde{\chi})A'_x(\xi))(\nabla\phi). \end{aligned} \tag{55}$$

Note that all terms in both (54) and (55) are supported in a single chart (ψ_α, U_α) , so using push-forward under the chart map ψ_α , we obtain an equivalent system of equations, this time on $\psi_\alpha(U_\alpha) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$, and all differential operators occurring in (54) and (55) are transformed into the corresponding ones on \mathbb{R}^d with respect to the push-forward metric $(\psi_\alpha)_*g$. Moreover, all tensors and functions involved have compact support within $\psi_\alpha(U_\alpha)$, hence can be extended by 0 to all of \mathbb{R}^d . Altogether, this means that we may assume, without loss of generality, that $M = \mathbb{R}^d$ and $g = g_{ij}$ is a Riemannian metric on \mathbb{R}^d .

Now we convolve equations (54) and (55) by $\rho_{\varepsilon,\delta}$ and multiply them by $(\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon,\delta}$ and $(\phi\chi)^{\varepsilon,\delta}$, respectively. Next we sum the equations so obtained and integrate over $[0, t) \times \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$. Then we find that the left hand side,

$$2 \int_0^t \partial_t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi \chi)^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) dt,$$

can be written as a sum of six terms, which we treat separately. For the limiting behavior of the first term, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(\int_{[0, t] \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty)} -(\operatorname{div}(\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi}) f'_x(\xi)))^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi \chi)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - (\operatorname{div}(\phi \chi f'_x(\xi)))^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} dt d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \right) \\ & = - \int_{[0, t] \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty)} \operatorname{div}(f'_x(\xi)) \phi^2 (1 - \tilde{\chi}) \chi dt d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \\ & \leq C \int_{[0, t] \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty)} (1 - \tilde{\chi}) \chi dt d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}), \end{aligned} \quad (56)$$

where we used the product rule and Lemma 6 (ii) on one, and integration by parts on the other term. Similarly, for some bounded function G ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(\int_{[0, t] \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty)} -\operatorname{div}((1 - \tilde{\chi}) A'(d\phi))^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi \chi)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \operatorname{div}(\chi A'(d\phi))^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} dt d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \right) \\ & = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(\int_{[0, t] \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty)} -g^{ik} \partial_i \left((1 - \tilde{\chi}) (A')^j_k \partial_j \phi \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi \chi)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - g^{ik} \partial_i \left(\chi (A')^j_k \partial_j \phi \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} dt d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \right) \\ & \quad + \int_{[0, t] \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty)} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) (1 - \tilde{\chi}) \chi dt d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \\ & \leq C \int_{[0, t] \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty)} (1 - \tilde{\chi}) \chi dt d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}), \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

and so on for all other terms except the ones involving $\operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\phi(1 - \tilde{\chi}) A'_x(\xi)) - \phi \partial_\xi(\tilde{n} + \tilde{m})$ where we directly use (51) to get the desired estimate.

Thus we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} & \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi\chi)^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi(1-\tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \right. \\ & \left. - \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi\chi)^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi(1-\tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \right) \Big|_{t=0} \right) \\ & \leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty \chi(1-\tilde{\chi}) d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}). \end{aligned} \tag{58}$$

The initial condition (52) implies that

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left(\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi\chi)^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi(1-\tilde{\chi}))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \right) \Big|_{t=0} \right) = 0.$$

Thus, rewriting (58) as an expression on M results in

$$\int_{M \times [0, \infty)} \phi_\alpha^2 \chi(1-\tilde{\chi}) d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \leq \tilde{C}_\alpha \int_0^t \int_{M \times [0, \infty)} \chi(1-\tilde{\chi}) d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}). \tag{59}$$

Now summing over $\alpha = 1, \dots, k$ and setting $C := \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \tilde{C}_\alpha < \infty$ gives

$$\int_{M \times [0, \infty)} \chi(1-\tilde{\chi}) d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \leq C \int_0^t \int_{M \times [0, \infty)} \chi(1-\tilde{\chi}) d\xi d\mu(\mathbf{x}). \tag{60}$$

From here, according to the Gronwall inequality, we conclude that

$$\chi(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) (1 - \tilde{\chi}(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi)) = 0$$

for almost every $(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) \in [0, \infty) \times M \times \mathbb{R}$.

This implies that either $\chi(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = 0$ or $\tilde{\chi}(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = 1$. Since we can interchange the roles of χ and $\tilde{\chi}$, we conclude that 1 and 0 are actually the only values that χ or $\tilde{\chi}$ can attain and that $\chi = \tilde{\chi}$. Since χ is also non-increasing with respect to ξ on $[0, \infty)$, we conclude that there exists a function $u : [0, \infty) \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\chi(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = \text{sgn}_+(u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi). \tag{61}$$

In fact, this function is given by $u(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_0^\infty \chi(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) d\xi$. Note that this in particular shows that if $\chi = \tilde{\chi}$ a.e. then

$$u = \tilde{u}$$

almost everywhere. \square

Notice that from the proof of the previous theorem we see that every χ appearing in any tuple from \mathcal{F} has the form $\text{sgn}_+(u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi)$ where the function u satisfies (39).

4. Existence

Our next aim is to prove that given initial data $u_0 : M \rightarrow [0, 1]$, there exists a kinetic function χ and corresponding measures m, n such that the conditions from Definition 4 are satisfied. To this end, consider the vanishing viscosity approximation (31) augmented with the initial conditions (2). We have the following theorem.

Theorem 8. *For any $\eta > 0$ the initial value problem (31), (2) has a unique solution u_η in $H^{1,2}((0, \infty) \times M) \cap L^\infty((0, \infty) \times M)$. This solution satisfies, for any convex $S \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$ with $S(0) = 0$,*

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t S(u_\eta) + \operatorname{div} \int_0^{u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})} f_{\mathbf{x}}'(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi &= \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div} \left(\int_0^{u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})} A_{\mathbf{x}}'(\xi) S'(\xi) d\xi \right) \\ &- S''(u_\eta) \left| \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}))) - \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{x}, \zeta)) \right|_{\zeta=u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})}^2 \\ &+ \eta \Delta S(u_\eta) - \eta S''(u_\eta) |\nabla u_\eta|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (62)$$

Proof. The existence follows from the standard theory of Cauchy problems for parabolic equations [19, Theorem 1.1., Section V]. Indeed, rewriting (31) in local charts with image \mathbb{R}^d we obtain unique local solutions that patch together to provide the desired unique global solution. The solution is bounded between 0 and 1, which follows from the maximum principle [2] since, due to (8), the constants 0 and 1 represent solutions to (31), and the initial data are bounded between zero and one.

Finally, (62) follows from (33). \square

We now want to prove that for such solutions u_η , the corresponding χ_{u_η} , n_η and m_η defined through (33), (35), and (34), converge to the function χ_u and measures m and n such that the set of all such limits (χ_u, u_0, n, m) is a kinetically admissible set in the sense of Definition 4. Before we show convergence we will establish that there exist convergent subsequences such that their limits satisfy (51) from Definition 4.

Lemma 9. *Let u_η be a solution to (31) with the initial data $u_\eta|_{t=0} = u_0$ and measures n_η, m_η . Then there exists a subsequence η_n along which $\chi_{u_{\eta_n}}$ converges (in the weak- \star topology) to some $\chi_u \in L^\infty([0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty))$ and such that the corresponding measures n_{η_n} and m_{η_n} converge weakly to Radon measures n_u, m_u . Furthermore such limits satisfy (49), (50).*

Proof. According to (37), we see that the sets $\{n_\eta\}_{\eta>0}$ and $\{m_\eta\}_{\eta>0}$ are bounded in the space of Radon measures $\mathcal{M}([0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty))$. Also the χ_{u_η} are bounded between zero and one. Thus, we can find common weakly converging subsequences (see [12, Theorem 1.1.2 and 1.1.4]). Equation (49) follows from rewriting (62) in terms of χ_{u_η} (see (41) onwards) and letting $\eta \rightarrow 0$ (note that $\eta \Delta S(u_\eta) \leq \eta C \rightarrow 0$). Now multiplying (49) by kink functions f_j converging to $\operatorname{sgn}_+(T - t)$ and a test function $\varphi(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$, integrating over all variables and letting first $n \rightarrow \infty$ and then $j \rightarrow \infty$ shows that the function $T \mapsto \int \chi(T, x, \xi) \varphi(x, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi$ appearing in (52) is almost everywhere equal to a continuous function in T . This gives the initial condition (50). \square

We will now show that the set of all limits of such subsequences satisfies the conditions of Definition 4. To this end, let us first prove the following lemma. Since (51) only deals with expressions of the form $\phi_\alpha \chi_u$ where ϕ_α is compactly supported in a chart domain we may assume $M = \mathbb{R}^d$. Let us put

$$a = A'_x, \quad \bar{\chi}_v = \phi_\alpha(1 - \chi_v), \quad \tilde{\chi}_u = \phi_\alpha \chi_u. \tag{63}$$

Notice that for every fixed $\varepsilon, \delta > 0$ we have for every (t, \mathbf{x}, ξ) along the previously chosen subsequence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = \chi_u^{\varepsilon, \delta}(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi). \tag{64}$$

The same holds for $\bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}$ and $\tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}$, as well as all their (partial) derivatives.

Since g is symmetric and positive definite there exists a symmetric square root (depending smoothly on the point) which we will denote by h , i.e.,

$$g^{ij} = \delta_{kl} h^{il} h^{jk}$$

(where δ_{lk} is the Kronecker–Delta).

Lemma 10. *There exists a bounded function G (depending on the metric, a and ϕ_α , but not on ε, δ , or n) defined on $[0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\bar{\chi}_{v_n} a) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & - 2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d}} \int_{(\mathbb{R}^+)^3} \delta_{lm} h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) h^{rl}(\mathbf{y}') \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}') \rho_\varepsilon(t - \tau, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(t - \tau', \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}') \\ & \times \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}'} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi^-)}(\mathbf{y}', v_n(\tau', \mathbf{y}')) \right) - \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}'} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi^-)}(\mathbf{y}', \zeta) \right) \right) \Big|_{\zeta=v_n(\tau', \mathbf{y}')} \right)_r \\ & \times \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi^-)}(\mathbf{y}, u_n(\tau, \mathbf{y})) \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi^-)}(\mathbf{y}, \zeta) \right) \right) \Big|_{\zeta=u_n(\tau, \mathbf{y})} \right)_i dy d\tau dy' d\tau' d\mu d\xi \\ & \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty G(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi, \end{aligned} \tag{65}$$

on (\mathbb{R}^d, g) , where \approx means that the difference of the left hand side and the right hand side goes to zero in $L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^+)$ (as a function of t) as, first, $n \rightarrow \infty$, second $\delta \rightarrow 0$, and finally $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

Proof. Since the calculations required for this proof are quite extensive, we only summarize the main steps here and outsource several arguments to the appendix. Also, to reduce the notational burden, we will suppress all t -dependencies: the τ - and τ' -integrations remain untouched by the

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arguments used in the proof below, so we state all the required steps as if $u_n, v_n, \rho_\varepsilon, G, \dots$ were independent of t , noting that re-introducing the actual dependencies then is entirely straightforward. Moreover, $\int_{\mathbb{R}} d\xi$ will always be understood to mean $\int_{\mathbb{R}^+} d\xi$.

In the computations below, we shall rely heavily on the Friedrichs lemma for convolutions (cf. Lemma 6). To begin with, note that for any $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^{d+1})$ and any fixed ε, δ

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \left((\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} f) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \right) (\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\ = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_v^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \left((\tilde{\chi}_u f) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \right) (\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi. \end{aligned}$$

This is due to dominated convergence since $|\tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}| \leq 1, |\partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}| \leq \|\partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^{d+1})} \leq C$ and both $\tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}$ and $\bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}$ are supported in a compact set (which is independent of n). The same holds true for all integral expressions of similar form.

Therefore, whenever the difference of two such expressions (containing $\bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}$ and $\tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}$) converges to zero due to a variant of the Friedrichs lemma, the difference of the same expressions (only now containing $\bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}$ and $\tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}$) converges to zero if we first let $n \rightarrow \infty$ and then $\delta, \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. So they are going to be equivalent for the limit (we use \approx in our notation).

First, by (A.2) we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ \approx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi. \end{aligned} \tag{66}$$

That we do not have an actual equality here is merely due to the fact that some of the appearing Christoffel terms will be inside a convolution on one side of the equation but outside on the other. As outlined above, however, this does not cause a problem in the limit thanks to the Friedrichs lemma.

We continue with the right hand side of (66). Expanding the remaining divergence, and using $\partial_k g^{ij} = -\Gamma_{ka}^j g^{ia} - \Gamma_{kb}^i g^{jb}$ and $g^{ij} a_i^k = g^{ri} (\sigma^T)_r^k (\sigma^T)_i^j$, we find (see (A.5)):

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} g^{ri}(\mathbf{y}) (\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) (\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\ \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta d\mathbf{z} d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\ + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \left[g^{ij} \Gamma_{ml}^m a_i^l + \Gamma_{ka}^j g^{ia} a_i^k \right] (\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi, \end{aligned} \tag{67}$$

where the \approx again stems from a variant of the Friedrichs lemma.

This allows us to calculate

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{v_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 & \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \\
 & \times \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \times \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \right] \\
 & \times \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \times \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \partial_j \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left[g^{ij} \Gamma_{ml}^m a_i^l + \Gamma_{ka}^j g^{ia} a_i^k \right] d\mu d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left[g^{ij} \Gamma_{ml}^m a_i^l + \Gamma_{ka}^j g^{ia} a_i^k \right] d\mu d\xi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{68}$$

Looking at the fourth term from (68) another lengthy calculation and invocation of the Friedrichs lemma (see (A.6)) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \times \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \times \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi
 \end{aligned} \tag{69}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\sigma^T)_r^k \Gamma_{ks}^s \partial_j (h^{mi} (\sigma^T)_i^j) d\mu d\xi \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\sigma^T)_r^k \Gamma_{js}^s \partial_k (h^{mi} (\sigma^T)_i^j) d\mu d\xi.
 \end{aligned}$$

The last two terms in the equation above are of the form

$$\int \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi \tag{70}$$

for an appropriate function G (which is bounded and independent of n). By (63) and Lemma 6 it follows that the difference of this expression and the right hand side of (65) (with the functions G only differing by a factor of ϕ_α^2) is ≈ 0 .

So the third and fourth term from (68) together give

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \right] \\
 & \times \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \times \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \right] \\
 & \times \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \times \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi \\
 & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{lm} \left[h^{rl}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - h^{rl}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \right] \\
 & \quad \times \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \right] \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \quad \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi,
 \end{aligned} \tag{71}$$

again for some bounded function G .

Expanding the functions $h^{rl}(\sigma^T)_r^k$ in Taylor series (see the appendix for the details of the following calculation), we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{lm} \left[h^{rl}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - h^{rl}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \right] \\ & \quad \times \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \right] \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\ & \quad \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu d\xi \\ & \approx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{lm} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left[\partial_k \left(h^{rl}(\sigma^T)_r^k \right) \partial_j \left(h^{im}(\sigma^T)_i^j \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \partial_j \left(h^{rl}(\sigma^T)_r^k \right) \partial_k \left(h^{mi}(\sigma^T)_i^j \right) \right] d\mu d\xi \\ & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi, \end{aligned} \tag{72}$$

where \approx holds if we let first $n \rightarrow \infty$, then $\delta \rightarrow 0$ and finally $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ (so that all other terms in the Taylor expansion will go to zero). This shows that the third and fourth term of (68) again simply sum to a term of the form $\int \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi$.

Next, an integration by parts shows that the fifth and sixth term in (68) sum to

$$- \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \left[g^{ij} \Gamma_{ml}^m a_i^l + \Gamma_{ka}^j g^{ia} a_i^k \right] d\mu d\xi = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi,$$

hence it only remains to study the first two terms in (68).

The sum of the first and second term from (68) can be shown to be (approximately) equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi + 2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \\ & \quad \times \left(\phi_\alpha h^{mi} \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j (1 - \chi_{v_n})) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi. \end{aligned} \tag{73}$$

Again, this uses the product rule and integration by parts and the details are in the appendix.

Note that, similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(h^{rl} \phi_\alpha \chi_{u_n} \partial_k (\sigma^T)_r^k \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j (1 - \chi_{v_n})) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha (1 - \chi_{v_n}) \partial_j (\sigma^T)_i^j \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi \end{aligned} \tag{74}$$

and obviously

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(h^{rl} \phi_\alpha \chi_{u_n} \partial_k (\sigma^T)_r^k \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha (1 - \chi_{v_n}) \partial_j (\sigma^T)_i^j \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi. \tag{75}$$

Using (74) and (75) we then conclude that (73) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j (1 - \chi_{v_n})) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & \approx 2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) - \phi_\alpha h^{rl} \chi_{u_n} \partial_k (\sigma^T)_r^k \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \\ & \quad \times \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j (1 - \chi_{v_n})) - h^{mi} \phi_\alpha (1 - \chi_{v_n}) \partial_j (\sigma^T)_i^j \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi \\ & = -2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) - \phi_\alpha h^{rl} \chi_{u_n} \partial_k (\sigma^T)_r^k \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \\ & \quad \times \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j \chi_{v_n}) - h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \chi_{v_n} \partial_j (\sigma^T)_i^j \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi. \end{aligned} \tag{76}$$

Now in (26) we defined $\beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ by $(\partial_\xi \beta^\psi)(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \sqrt{\psi(\xi)} \sigma^T(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ and $\beta^\psi(\mathbf{x}, 0) = 0$ for any \mathbf{x} , and (41) gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j \chi_{v_n}) \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \partial_j \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \\ & \quad - \partial_j (h^{mi} \phi_\alpha)(\mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})) \int_{\mathbb{R}} \rho_\delta(\xi - \eta) (\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \chi_{v_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) d\eta d\mathbf{y} \\ & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \partial_j \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) - \partial_j (h^{mi} \phi_\alpha)(\mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})) (\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)})_i^j(\mathbf{y}, v_n(\mathbf{y})) d\mathbf{y} \\ & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \partial_j \left((\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)})_i^j(\mathbf{y}, v_n(\mathbf{y})) \right) d\mathbf{y}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \chi_{v_n} \partial_j (\sigma^T)_i^j \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \int_{\mathbb{R}} \rho_\delta(\xi - \eta) \partial_j (\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \chi_{v_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) d\eta d\mathbf{y} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \partial_j \left((\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)})_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \zeta) \right) |_{\zeta=v_n(\mathbf{y})} d\mathbf{y}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence using (28) it follows that their difference is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j \chi_{v_n}) - h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \chi_{v_n} \partial_j (\sigma^T)_i^j \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}, v_n(\mathbf{y})) \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}, \zeta) \right) \right) |_{\zeta=v_n(\mathbf{y})} \right)_i d\mathbf{y}. \end{aligned}$$

An analogous treatment of $(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) - \phi_\alpha h^{rl} \chi_{u_n} \partial_k (\sigma^T)_r^k)^{\varepsilon, \delta}$ shows that (76) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & -2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) - \phi_\alpha h^{rl} \chi_{u_n} \partial_k (\sigma^T)_r^k \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \\ & \quad \times \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j \chi_{v_n}) - h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \chi_{v_n} \partial_j (\sigma^T)_i^j \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ &= -2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+1}} \delta_{ml} h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) h^{rl}(\mathbf{y}') \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}') \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}') \\ & \quad \times \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}'} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}', v_n(\mathbf{y}')) \right) - \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}'} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}', \zeta) \right) \right) |_{\zeta=v_n(\mathbf{y}')} \right)_r \\ & \quad \times \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}, u_n(\mathbf{y})) \right) - \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}, \zeta) \right) \right) |_{\zeta=u_n(\mathbf{y})} \right)_i d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{y}' d\mu d\xi. \end{aligned}$$

This finally establishes (65). \square

Before we state the next lemma, we note that by a limiting procedure (exactly as in [7, (2.7)]) we may insert $S(u) = \operatorname{sgn}_+(\xi)(u - \xi)_+ + \operatorname{sgn}_+(-\xi)(u - \xi)_-$ into (33). Then multiplying by a test function in ξ and integrating over $(t, \mathbf{x}) \in [0, \infty) \times M$ as well as over ξ it follows that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^+ \times M} (n_{u_n} + m_{u_n})(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) dt d\mu(\mathbf{x}) \leq \nu(\xi), \tag{77}$$

in the sense of distributions in ξ , where

$$v(\xi) := \operatorname{sgn}_+(\xi)\|(u_0 - \xi)_+\|_{L^1(M)} + \operatorname{sgn}_+(-\xi)\|(u_0 - \xi)_-\|_{L^1(M)} \tag{78}$$

$$= \operatorname{sgn}_+(\xi)\|(u_0 - \xi)_+\|_{L^1(M)} \tag{79}$$

(which is a bounded function compactly supported in $[0, 1]$). Since this holds for all n , it must also hold for the weak limit $n_u + m_u$.

Lemma 11. *For weakly convergent subsequences $\chi_{u_n}, n_{u_n}, m_{u_n}$ and $\chi_{v_n}, n_{v_n}, m_{v_n}$ (as in Lemma 9) we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha(m_{u_n} + n_{u_n}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha \chi_{v_n})^{\varepsilon, \delta} + (\phi_\alpha(m_{v_n} + n_{v_n}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha \chi_{u_n})^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\ & + 2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+2}} \int_0^\infty \delta_{lm} h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) h^{rl}(\mathbf{y}') \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}') \rho_\varepsilon(t - \tau, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(t - \tau', \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}') \\ & \times \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}'} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}', v_n(\tau', \mathbf{y}')) \right) - \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}'} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}', \zeta) \right) \right) \Big|_{\zeta=v_n(\tau', \mathbf{y}')} \right)_r \\ & \times \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}, u_n(\tau, \mathbf{y})) \right) \right. \\ & \left. - \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}, \zeta) \right) \right) \Big|_{\zeta=u_n(\tau, \mathbf{y})} \right)_i dy d\tau dy' d\tau' d\mu d\xi \leq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{80}$$

Proof. To begin with, a straightforward calculation using (41) shows that

$$\partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha \chi_u)^{\varepsilon, \delta} = \phi_\alpha^\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rho_\delta(\xi) - (\phi_\alpha \delta(\xi - u)) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}. \tag{81}$$

Therefore, $(\phi_\alpha(m_{u_n} + n_{u_n}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha \chi_{v_n})^{\varepsilon, \delta}$ splits into the following terms:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha(m_{u_n} + n_{u_n}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha \chi_{v_n})^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\ & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty \phi_\alpha^\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rho_\delta(\xi) (\phi_\alpha(m_{u_n} + n_{u_n}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & \quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha n_{u_n})^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi_\alpha \delta(\xi - u_n))^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & \quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha m_{u_n})^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi_\alpha \delta(\xi - u_n))^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty \phi_\alpha^\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rho_\delta(\xi) (\phi_\alpha(m_{u_n} + n_{u_n}))^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\ & \quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha n_{u_n})^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\phi_\alpha \delta(\xi - u_n))^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \end{aligned} \tag{82}$$

by positivity of m_{u_n} . First note that the first term is zero since ρ_δ is supported in $(-1, 0)$.

We now look at the second term. By definition of n_{u_n} (see (42))

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha n_{u_n})^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi_\alpha \delta(\xi - u_n))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\mu d\xi \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+2}} \int_0^\infty \rho_\delta(\xi - u_n(\tau, \mathbf{y})) \rho_\delta(\xi - u_n(\tau', \mathbf{y}')) \rho_\varepsilon(t - \tau, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(t - \tau', \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}') \times \\ & \times \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}') \left| \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{y}, u_n(\tau, \mathbf{y}))) - \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{y}, \zeta)) \right|_{\zeta=u_n(\tau, \mathbf{y})} \Big|_{g(\mathbf{y})}^2 d\mathbf{y} d\tau d\mathbf{y}' d\tau' d\mu d\xi. \end{aligned}$$

Defining the vector field X_{u_n} on \mathbb{R}^d by

$$X_{u_n}^i(t, \mathbf{y}) := h^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \left(\operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{y}, u_n(t, \mathbf{y}))) - \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{y}, \zeta)) \Big|_{\zeta=u_n(t, \mathbf{y})} \right)_j$$

we see that

$$\left| \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{y}, u_n(t, \mathbf{y}))) - \operatorname{div}(\beta(\mathbf{y}, \zeta)) \Big|_{\zeta=u_n(t, \mathbf{y})} \right|_{g(\mathbf{y})}^2 = |X_{u_n}(t, \mathbf{y})|_e^2,$$

where $|\cdot|_e$ denotes the Euclidean norm on \mathbb{R}^d . So, using $|X_{u_n}(t, \mathbf{y})|_e^2 + |X_{v_n}(t', \mathbf{y}')|_g^2 \geq 2\delta_{ij} X_{u_n}^i(t, \mathbf{y}) X_{v_n}^j(t', \mathbf{y}')$ and the chain rule (27) (which holds since u_n, v_n are sufficiently regular for all n) we see that

$$\begin{aligned} & - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha n_{u_n})^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi_\alpha \delta(\xi - v_n))^{\varepsilon,\delta} + (\phi_\alpha n_{v_n})^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi_\alpha \delta(\xi - u_n))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\mu d\xi \tag{83} \\ & \leq -2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+2}} \int_0^\infty \delta_{lm} h^{mi}(\mathbf{y}) h^{l'l'}(\mathbf{y}') \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}) \phi_\alpha(\mathbf{y}') \rho_\varepsilon(t - \tau, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \rho_\varepsilon(t - \tau', \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}') \\ & \times \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}'} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}', v_n(\tau', \mathbf{y}')) \right) - \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}'} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}', \zeta) \right) \Big|_{\zeta=v_n(\tau', \mathbf{y}')} \right)_r \\ & \times \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}, u_n(\tau, \mathbf{y})) \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left(\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{y}} \left(\beta^{\rho_\delta^2(\xi-\cdot)}(\mathbf{y}, \zeta) \right) \Big|_{\zeta=u_n(\tau, \mathbf{y})} \right)_i d(\mathbf{y}, \tau, \mathbf{y}', \tau', \mu, \xi). \end{aligned}$$

This concludes the proof. \square

From this we conclude that condition (51) is fulfilled.

Lemma 12. *Under the assumptions of the previous Lemma the limits satisfy the estimate (51).*

Proof. As before, due to the presence of the cut-off functions ϕ_α , we may without loss of generality suppose that $M = \mathbb{R}^d$. We first calculate

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha(m_u + n_u))^{\varepsilon,\delta} \partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha \chi_v)^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\ &= - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha(m_u + n_u))^{\varepsilon,\delta} \partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha(1 - \chi_v))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\ &= - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\phi_\alpha(m_u + n_u))^{\varepsilon,\delta}(t, \mathbf{x}, 0) (\phi_\alpha(1 - \chi_v))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\ & \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty \partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha(m_u + n_u))^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi_\alpha(1 - \chi_v))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi. \end{aligned} \tag{84}$$

Next, note that $(\phi_\alpha(n_u + m_u))^\varepsilon$ is continuous (and even locally Lipschitz) in ξ since by assumption (χ_u, u_0, m_u, n_u) satisfies (49), hence (44), which implies that $\partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha(n_u + m_u))^\varepsilon$ will be in $L^\infty_{\text{loc}}([0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R})$. Thus

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty \phi_\alpha^\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) \rho_\delta(\xi) (\phi_\alpha(n_u + m_u))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\mu d\xi \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \phi_\alpha^\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) (\phi_\alpha(n_u + m_u))^\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}, 0) d\mu$$

as $\delta \rightarrow 0$. Now, for any the estimate (77) (and $\nu(\xi) = 0$ for $\xi < 0$) shows that the measure $\int_{\mathbb{R}^+ \times M} (n_u + m_u)(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) dt d\mu$ is supported in $[0, \infty)$ hence by positivity $(n_u + m_u)(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi)$ is supported in $[0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty)$. But this implies $(n_u + m_u)^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi) = 0$ on $[0, \infty) \times M$ for any $\xi < 0$. Thus

$$(n_u + m_u)^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, 0) = 0 \tag{85}$$

on $[0, \infty) \times M$ by continuity, so

$$\int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \phi_\alpha^\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) (\phi_\alpha(n_u + m_u))^\varepsilon(\tau, \mathbf{x}, 0) d\mu d\tau = 0. \tag{86}$$

Since $0 \leq 1 - \chi_v \leq 1$ (and m_u, n_u and ϕ_α are non-negative) this immediately implies that the first term in (84) must converge to zero as $\delta \rightarrow 0$ as well.

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} & \limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \limsup_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty (\phi_\alpha(m_u + n_u))^{\varepsilon,\delta} \partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha \chi_v)^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\ &= \limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \limsup_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^\infty \partial_\xi (\phi_\alpha(m_u + n_u))^{\varepsilon,\delta} (\phi_\alpha(1 - \chi_v))^{\varepsilon,\delta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi. \end{aligned}$$

Combining this with [Lemma 10](#) and [Lemma 11](#) and letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ (keeping in mind (77)) gives the claim. \square

From the above, we see that the following theorem holds.

Theorem 13. Denote by \mathcal{F} the set of all tuples (χ_u, u_0, m_u, n_u) obtained as the weak limits along subsequences as in [Lemma 9](#) of appropriate terms from the vanishing viscosity approximation (31) with initial condition (2). Then \mathcal{F} satisfies the conditions from [Definition 4](#).

Proof. That such limits satisfy (49), (50) is part of the statement of [Lemma 9](#), while relation (51) follows from [Lemma 12](#). \square

As a direct consequence we obtain the following result on the uniqueness of entropy solutions:

Corollary 14. Let u, v be entropy solutions of (1), (2). Then $u = v$.

Proof. We do this by showing that the set \mathcal{F} consisting of all entropy solutions is kinetically admissible. From this, uniqueness of entropy solutions follows from [Theorem 7](#).

As was shown in [Section 2](#), the kinetic functions χ_u, χ_v corresponding to u, v satisfy the Cauchy problem (49), (50). It remains to show (51). But this follows as in [Lemmas 10 to 12](#) by replacing the sequences there with the constant sequences χ_u, n_u, m_u and χ_v, n_v, m_v : Note that the only place where the higher regularity of the u_n enters is in the use of the chain rule in (83), which entropy solutions have to satisfy by definition. \square

The final theorem of the paper establishes existence of the entropy admissible solutions to (1), (2).

Theorem 15. There exists a function $u : [0, \infty) \times M \rightarrow [0, 1]$ satisfying the conditions of [Definition 3](#). It is obtained as the strong $L^1_{loc}([0, \infty) \times M)$ limit of the functions (u_η) obtained as the solution to (31), (2).

Proof. From [Theorem 13](#), [Lemma 9](#) and [Theorem 7](#) it follows that for the entire family (u_η) (and not only a subsequence)

$$\operatorname{sgn}_+(u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi) \rightharpoonup \operatorname{sgn}_+(u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi) \text{ as } \eta \rightarrow 0 \text{ in } L^\infty([0, \infty) \times M \times [0, \infty)),$$

where u is defined in (61). Indeed, according to [Theorem 13](#) and [Lemma 9](#), any weak- \star limit of a subsequence of $\operatorname{sgn}_+(u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi)$ belongs to the family \mathcal{F} from [Definition 4](#), while from [Theorem 7](#) it follows that all such limits coincide (since they correspond to the same initial value). This in turn means that the Young measure corresponding to the family (u_η) is the atomic measure of the form $\delta(u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi)$. Indeed, for any $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$, we have (keeping in mind (61) and the fact that $0 \leq u_\eta \leq 1$):

$$f(u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})) = \int_0^{u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x})} f'(\xi)d\xi + f(0) = \int_0^1 f'(\xi) \operatorname{sgn}_+(u_\eta(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi)d\xi + f(0)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\eta \rightarrow 0} \int_0^1 f'(\xi) \operatorname{sgn}_+(u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi)d\xi + f(0) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(\xi)\delta(u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \xi)d\xi.$$

From here, according to standard properties of Young measures [15], we conclude that

$$u_\eta \rightarrow u \text{ strongly in } L^1_{loc}([0, \infty) \times M).$$

The strong convergence provides all the conditions from Definition 3 (cf. [7, Section 7]). □

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Appendix A

In this appendix we provide details of the arguments used in the proof of Lemma 10. As before, we shall suppress the t -dependence to simplify the presentation. Also, as in the Lemma, $\int d\xi$ is to be understood to in fact mean $\int_{\mathbb{R}^+} d\xi$.

To begin with, we show (66), using integration by parts, (13), and Lemma 6, as well as the fact that $\partial_k \sqrt{|g|} = \Gamma_{ks}^s \sqrt{|g|}$, and

$$\partial_j g^{ij} = -g^{ia} \Gamma_{aj}^j - g^{jb} \Gamma_{jb}^i. \tag{A.1}$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \operatorname{div} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi} u_\eta a) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (g^{ij} \partial_j \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi} u_\eta a)_i) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (g^{ij} \Gamma_{ij}^k \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi} u_\eta a)_k) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \partial_j \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi} u_\eta a)_i(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \sqrt{|g(\mathbf{x})|} dx d\xi d\mathbf{y} d\eta$$

$$- \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (g^{ij} \Gamma_{ij}^k \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi} u_\eta a)_k) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \sqrt{|g(\mathbf{x})|} d\mathbf{x} d\xi d\mathbf{y} d\eta \\
 &- \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} \partial_j g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \sqrt{|g(\mathbf{x})|} d\mathbf{x} d\xi d\mathbf{y} d\eta \\
 &\quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \Gamma_{ij}^k \operatorname{div}(\chi u a)_k \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 &= - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta \partial_j \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \sqrt{|g(\mathbf{x})|} d\mathbf{x} d\xi d\mathbf{y} d\eta \\
 &- \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \partial_j \sqrt{|g(\mathbf{x})|} d\mathbf{x} d\xi d\mathbf{y} d\eta \\
 &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left((g^{ia} \Gamma_{aj}^j + g^{jb} \Gamma_{jb}^i) \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 &\quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \Gamma_{ij}^k \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_k \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \Gamma_{js}^s d\mu d\xi \\
 &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left((g^{ia} \Gamma_{aj}^j + g^{jb} \Gamma_{jb}^i) \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 &\quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \Gamma_{ij}^k \operatorname{div}(\chi u a)_k \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 &\approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \tag{A.2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Turning now to (67), we again use (A.1), as well as

$$g^{ij} a_i^k = g^{ri} (\sigma^T)_r^k (\sigma^T)_i^j \tag{A.3}$$

to calculate:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \partial_k (\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a_i^k)(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta \partial_j \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi d\mathbf{y} d\eta
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \left[\Gamma_{ml}^m(\mathbf{y}) a_i^l(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - \Gamma_{li}^m(\mathbf{y}) a_m^l(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \hspace{20em} \times \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 = & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) (\chi_{u_n} a_i^k)(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dy d\eta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} \partial_k g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) (\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a_i^k)(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dy d\eta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \left[\Gamma_{ml}^m(\mathbf{y}) a_i^l(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - \Gamma_{li}^m(\mathbf{y}) a_m^l(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \hspace{20em} \times \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 = & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) (\chi_{u_n} a_i^k)(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dy d\eta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} \left(\Gamma_{ka}^j g^{ia} + \Gamma_{kb}^i g^{jb} \right) (\mathbf{y}) (\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a_i^k)(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \hspace{20em} \times \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dy d\eta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d+2}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) g^{ij}(\mathbf{y}) \left[\Gamma_{ml}^m(\mathbf{y}) a_i^l(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - \Gamma_{li}^m(\mathbf{y}) a_m^l(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \hspace{20em} \times \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 = & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} g^{ri}(\mathbf{y}) (\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) (\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \hspace{20em} \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) dy d\eta d\mathbf{z} d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \left[g^{ij} \Gamma_{ml}^m a_i^l + \Gamma_{ka}^j g^{ia} a_k^j \right] (\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \hspace{20em} \times \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 \approx & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} g^{ri}(\mathbf{y}) (\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) (\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \hspace{20em} \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) dy d\eta d\mathbf{z} d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \left[g^{ij} \Gamma_{ml}^m a_i^l + \Gamma_{ka}^j g^{ia} a_k^j \right] (\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi. \tag{A.4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Here, the last \approx follows from the Friedrichs lemma in the following way: For any $f \in C_c^2(\mathbb{R}^{d+1})$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(x, \xi) \left((\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} f) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \right) (\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 &= - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \left(\partial_j (\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} f) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \right) (\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 &\quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \left((\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} f) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \right) (\mathbf{x}, \xi) \partial_j \sqrt{|g(\mathbf{x})|} d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 &\approx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \partial_j (\tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} f)(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 &\quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) f(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \partial_j \sqrt{|g(\mathbf{x})|} d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) f(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi.
 \end{aligned}$$

To summarize, (A.4) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \left(g^{ij} \operatorname{div}(\tilde{\chi}_{u_n} a)_i \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 &\approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} g^{ri}(\mathbf{y}) (\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) (\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \times \\
 &\quad \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta d\mathbf{z} d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \partial_j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \left[g^{ij} \Gamma_{ml}^m a_i^l + \Gamma_{ka}^j g^{ia} a_k^j \right] (\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi. \tag{A.5}
 \end{aligned}$$

To simplify notation we set $\tilde{\sigma}^{ij} := h^{lk} (\sigma^T)_k^j$. Looking at the fourth term from (68) we see

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) - \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 &\quad \times \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta d\mathbf{z} d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 &\quad \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta d\mathbf{z} d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 &\quad - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 = & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \partial_k (\tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j (\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \sqrt{|g|} d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 = & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \times \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} (\tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_k \partial_j (\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \sqrt{|g|} d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} (\tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j (\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \Gamma_{ks}^s d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 \approx & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \times \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \partial_j (\tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_k (\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} (\tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_k (\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \Gamma_{js}^s d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j (\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \Gamma_{ks}^s d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 \approx & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) - \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \times \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_k (\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \Gamma_{js}^s d\mathbf{x} d\xi + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j (\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \Gamma_{ks}^s d\mathbf{x} d\xi \\
 = & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \left[h^{mi}(\mathbf{z})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) - h^{mi}(\mathbf{y})(\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \right] \\
 & \times \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) dy d\eta dz d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\sigma^T)_r^k \Gamma_{ks}^s \partial_j (h^{mi} (\sigma^T)_i^j) d\mu d\xi \\
 & - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} (\sigma^T)_r^k \Gamma_{js}^s \partial_k (h^{mi} (\sigma^T)_i^j) d\mu d\xi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.6}$$

This establishes (69).

Next we show (72). Using again the notation $\tilde{\sigma}^{ij} := h^{ik} (\sigma^T)_k^j$, we have to show that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{lm} \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \right] \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) - \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \right] \\
 & \times \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta d\mathbf{z} d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & \approx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{lm} \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left[\partial_k \left(\tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \right) \partial_j \left(\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \right) + \partial_j \left(\tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \right) \partial_k \left(\tilde{\sigma}^{mj} \right) \right] d\mu d\xi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.7}$$

To do so, we introduce a change of variables,

$$\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}}{\varepsilon}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{z}} = \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}}{\varepsilon}, \quad \bar{\eta} = \frac{\xi - \eta}{\delta}, \quad \bar{\zeta} = \frac{\xi - \zeta}{\delta},$$

so the left hand side of (A.7) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (-1)^{2d+2} \int_K \varepsilon^{2d} \delta^2 \bar{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \\
 & \times \delta_{lm} \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) - \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \right] \\
 & \times \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) - \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \right] \\
 & \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \delta \bar{\eta}) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \delta \bar{\zeta}) d\bar{\mathbf{z}} d\bar{\zeta} d\bar{\mathbf{y}} d\bar{\eta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi,
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.8}$$

where $K \subset \mathbb{R}^{3(d+1)}$ is a suitable compact set (the $\tilde{\chi}_{u_n}$ have compact support, uniformly in n). Henceforth, we will simply use the letter K to generically denote such compact sets. Recalling our simplifying assumption on suppressing t -dependence, we have

$$\partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \delta \bar{\eta}) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon \delta} \omega_1(\bar{\eta}) \Pi_{s \neq j} \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_s) \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_j \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_j),$$

so (A.8) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_K \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \\
 & \quad \times \delta_{lm} \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) - \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \right] \\
 & \quad \times \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) - \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \right] \omega_1(\bar{\eta}) \Pi_{s \neq k} \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_s) \\
 & \quad \times \partial_k \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_k) \omega_1(\bar{\zeta}) \Pi_{r \neq j} \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{z}}_r) \partial_j \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{z}}_j) d\bar{\mathbf{z}} d\bar{\zeta} d\bar{\mathbf{y}} d\bar{\eta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.9}$$

We now expand $\tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta})$ and $\tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta})$ in a Taylor series around (\mathbf{x}, ξ) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) - \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \\
 & = \sum_{r=1}^d \partial_r \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \varepsilon (\bar{\mathbf{z}}_r - \bar{\mathbf{y}}_r) + \partial_\xi \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \delta (\bar{\zeta} - \bar{\eta}) \\
 & \quad + \sum_{|\alpha|=2} \left[R_\alpha^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi, \delta \bar{\eta}) (-\varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, -\delta \bar{\eta})^\alpha - R_\alpha^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi, \delta \bar{\zeta}) (-\varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, -\delta \bar{\zeta})^\alpha \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

where the R_α^{lk} are suitable bounded functions (since $\tilde{\sigma}^{lk} \in C^2$). Doing the same for $\tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta})$ and $\tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta})$ and multiplying, we see that the only relevant remaining term is

$$\varepsilon^2 \left[\sum_{r=1}^d \partial_r \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) (\bar{\mathbf{z}}_r - \bar{\mathbf{y}}_r) \right] \times \left[\sum_{s=1}^d \partial_s \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) (\bar{\mathbf{z}}_s - \bar{\mathbf{y}}_s) \right]$$

since all other terms will go to zero as, first, $n \rightarrow \infty$, then $\delta \rightarrow 0$ and finally $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ by boundedness on compact sets (uniformly in n) of all functions appearing in the integrand. We may also replace $\tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta})$ by $\tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$: The difference of both versions can be estimated by

$$C \int_K \int_{B(0, \varepsilon)} \int_{B(0, \delta)} |\tilde{\chi}_u(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) - \tilde{\chi}_u(\mathbf{x}, \xi)| d\bar{\eta} d\bar{\mathbf{y}} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Now by assumption $\tilde{\chi}_u \in L^1$ since it is bounded and has compact support, so the Lebesgue differentiation theorem applies, and together with dominated convergence shows that this integral converges to zero as, first, $\delta \rightarrow 0$, and then $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. By a similar argument we may afterwards also replace $\tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta})$ by $\tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$. This gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_K \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) \tilde{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \\
 & \quad \times \delta_{lm} \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) - \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \right] \\
 & \quad \times \left[\tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{y}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\eta}) - \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x} - \varepsilon \bar{\mathbf{z}}, \xi - \delta \bar{\zeta}) \right] \omega_1(\bar{\eta}) \Pi_{s \neq k} \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_s)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \partial_k \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_k) \omega_1(\bar{\zeta}) \Pi_{r \neq j} \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{z}}_r) \partial_j \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{z}}_j) d\bar{z} d\bar{\zeta} d\bar{y} d\bar{\eta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & \approx \int_K \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \delta_{lm} \sum_{r,s=1}^d \left[\partial_r \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \partial_s \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right. \\
 & \quad \times (\bar{\mathbf{z}}_s \bar{\mathbf{z}}_r - \bar{y}_s \bar{z}_r - \bar{\mathbf{z}}_s \bar{y}_r + \bar{y}_s \bar{y}_r) \left. \right] \omega_1(\bar{\eta}) \Pi_{s \neq k} \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_s) \partial_k \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_k) \omega_1(\bar{\zeta}) \\
 & \quad \times \Pi_{r \neq j} \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{z}}_r) \partial_j \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{z}}_j) d\bar{z} d\bar{\zeta} d\bar{y} d\bar{\eta} d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & = \int_K \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \delta_{lm} \left[-\partial_j \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \partial_k \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \bar{\mathbf{y}}_k \bar{\mathbf{z}}_j \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \partial_k \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \partial_j \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \bar{\mathbf{z}}_j \bar{\mathbf{y}}_k \right] \partial_k \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_k) \partial_j \omega_2(\bar{\mathbf{z}}_j) d\bar{\mathbf{z}}_j d\bar{\mathbf{y}}_k d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & = \int_K \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \delta_{lm} \left[-\partial_j \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \partial_k \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \partial_k \tilde{\sigma}^{lk}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \partial_j \tilde{\sigma}^{mj}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right] d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi. \tag{A.10}
 \end{aligned}$$

This concludes the proof of (72).

Next we have to show that the first and second term of (68) sum to (73). For the first term of (68) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3d+3}} \delta_{ml} h^{rl}(\mathbf{y}) (\sigma^T)_r^k(\mathbf{y}, \eta) h^{mi}(\mathbf{z}) (\sigma^T)_i^j(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \bar{\chi}_{v_n}(\mathbf{z}, \zeta) \tilde{\chi}_{u_n}(\mathbf{y}, \eta) \\
 & \quad \times \partial_k \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \xi - \eta) \partial_j \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}, \xi - \zeta) d\mathbf{y} d\eta d\mathbf{z} d\zeta d\mu(\mathbf{x}) d\xi \\
 & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \partial_k \left(h^{rl}(\sigma^T)_r^k \tilde{\chi}_{u_n} \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \left(h^{mi}(\sigma^T)_i^j \bar{\chi}_{v_n} \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 & \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \partial_k (\phi_\alpha h^{rl}) (\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \left(h^{mi}(\sigma^T)_i^j \bar{\chi}_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \right) d\mu d\xi \\
 & \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \left(h^{mi}(\sigma^T)_i^j \bar{\chi}_{v_n} \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
 & \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \partial_k (\phi_\alpha h^{rl}) (\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} h^{mi}(\sigma^T)_i^j \phi_\alpha \partial_j (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) d\mu d\xi \\
 & \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi \\
 & \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \left(h^{mi}(\sigma^T)_i^j \bar{\chi}_{v_n} \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \tag{A.11}
 \end{aligned}$$

A similar calculation gives

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \left(h^{mi} (\sigma^T)_i^j \bar{\chi}_{v_n} \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
& \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \phi_\alpha h^{rl} (\sigma^T)_r^k \partial_k \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j (\phi_\alpha h^{mi}) (\sigma^T)_i^j (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) d\mu d\xi \\
& \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi \\
& \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j (1 - \chi_{v_n})) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi. \quad (\text{A.12})
\end{aligned}$$

Putting together (A.11) and (A.12) and doing an integration by parts (to get the terms containing $\partial_j(1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta})$ and $\partial_k \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}$, respectively, to cancel up to a term absorbed into the function G) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \partial_k \left(h^{rl} (\sigma^T)_r^k \tilde{\chi}_{u_n} \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} \partial_j \left(h^{mi} (\sigma^T)_i^j \bar{\chi}_{v_n} \right) \star \rho_{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
& \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \delta_{ml} \left(\phi_\alpha h^{rl} \partial_k ((\sigma^T)_r^k \chi_{u_n}) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} \left(h^{mi} \phi_\alpha \partial_j ((\sigma^T)_i^j (1 - \chi_{v_n})) \right)^{\varepsilon, \delta} d\mu d\xi \\
& \quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} (1 - \chi_{v_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta}) \chi_{u_n}^{\varepsilon, \delta} G(\mathbf{x}, \xi) d\mu d\xi. \quad (\text{A.13})
\end{aligned}$$

An analogous calculation for the second term from (68) establishes (73).

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