

Enforce the Dirichlet boundary condition by volume constraint in Point Integral method

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Abstract

Recently, Shi and Sun proposed Point Integral method (PIM) to discretize Laplace-Beltrami operator on point cloud [16, 19]. In PIM, Neumann boundary is nature, but Dirichlet boundary needs some special treatment. In our previous work, we use Robin boundary to approximate Dirichlet boundary. In this paper, we introduce another approach to deal with the Dirichlet boundary condition in point integral method using the volume constraint proposed by Du et.al. [7].

1 Introduction

Partial differential equations on manifold appear in a wide range of applications such as material science [5, 9], fluid flow [12, 13], biology and biophysics [3, 10, 18, 2] and machine learning and data analysis [4, 6]. Due to the complicate geometrical structure of the manifold, it is very challenging to solve PDEs on manifold. In recent years, it attracts more and more attentions to develop efficient numerical method to solve PDEs on manifold. In case of that the manifold is a 2D surface embedding in \mathbb{R}^3 , many methods were proposed include level set methods [1, 21], surface finite elements [8], finite volume methods [15], diffuse interface methods [11] and local mesh methods [14].

In this paper, we focus on following Poisson equation with Dirichlet boundary condition

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\mathcal{M}}u(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M} \\ u(\mathbf{x}) = 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \partial\mathcal{M} \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

where \mathcal{M} is a smooth manifold isometrically embedded in \mathbb{R}^d with the standard Euclidean metric and $\partial\mathcal{M}$ is the boundary. $\Delta_{\mathcal{M}}$ is the Laplace-Beltrami operator on manifold \mathcal{M} . Let g be the Riemannian metric tensor of \mathcal{M} . Given a local coordinate system (x^1, x^2, \dots, x^k) , the metric tensor g can be represented by a matrix $[g_{ij}]_{k \times k}$,

$$g_{ij} = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right\rangle, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, k.$$

Let $[g^{ij}]_{k \times k}$ is the inverse matrix of $[g_{ij}]_{k \times k}$, then it is well known that the Laplace-Beltrami operator is

$$\Delta_{\mathcal{M}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \left(g^{ij} \sqrt{\det g} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \right).$$

In this paper, the metric tensor g is assumed to be inherited from the ambient space \mathbb{R}^d , that is, \mathcal{M} isometrically embedded in \mathbb{R}^d with the standard Euclidean metric. If \mathcal{M} is an open set in \mathbb{R}^d , then $\Delta_{\mathcal{M}}$ becomes standard Laplace operator, i.e., $\Delta_{\mathcal{M}} = \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^{i2}}$.

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In our previous papers, [16, 19], Point Integral method was developed to solve Poisson equation in point cloud. The main observation of the Point Integral method is that the solution of the Poisson equation can be approximated by an integral equation,

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))d\mathbf{y} - 2 \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial \mathbf{n}}(\mathbf{y})d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})f(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} \quad (1.2)$$

where \mathbf{n} is the out normal of \mathcal{M} at $\partial\mathcal{M}$. The kernel functions

$$R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{k/2}} R\left(\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2}{4t}\right), \quad \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{k/2}} \bar{R}\left(\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2}{4t}\right) \quad (1.3)$$

and $\bar{R}(r) = \int_r^{+\infty} R(s)ds$. t is a parameter, which is determined by the desensity of the point cloud in the real computations.

The kernel function $R(r) : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is assumed to be C^2 smooth and satisfies some mild conditions (see Section 1.1).

The integral approximation (1.2) is natural to solve the Poisson equation with Neumann boundary condition. To enforce the Dirichlet boundary condition, in our previous work [16, 19], we used Robin boundary condition to approximate the Dirichlet boundary condition. More specifically, we solve following problem instead of (1.1) with $0 < \beta \ll 1$,

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\mathcal{M}}u(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}, \\ u(\mathbf{x}) + \beta \frac{\partial u}{\partial \mathbf{n}} = 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \partial\mathcal{M}. \end{cases} \quad (1.4)$$

Using (1.2), we have an integral equation to approximate the above Robin problem,

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))d\mathbf{y} + \frac{2}{\beta} \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})u(\mathbf{y})d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})f(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y}. \quad (1.5)$$

We can prove that this approach converge to the original Dirichlet problem [19]. In the real computations, small β may give some trouble. To overcome this problem, we also introduced an iterative method to enforce the Dirichlet boundary condition based on the Augmented Lagrangian Multiplier (ALM) method. However, we can not prove the convergence of this iterative method, although it always converges in the numerical tests.

Recently, Du et.al. [7] proposed volume constraint to deal with the boundary condition in the nonlocal diffusion problem. They found that in the nonlocal diffusion problem, since the operator is nonlocal, only enforce the boundary condition on the boundary is not enough, we have to extend the boundary condition to a small region close to the boundary. Borrowing this idea, in nonlocal diffusion problem to handle the Dirichlet boundary. This idea gives us following integral equation with volume constraint:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))d\mathbf{y} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})f(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y}, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t \\ u(\mathbf{x}) = 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t \end{cases} \quad (1.6)$$

Here, \mathcal{M}'_t and \mathcal{V}_t are subsets of \mathcal{M} which are defined as

$$\mathcal{M}'_t = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M} : B(\mathbf{x}, 2\sqrt{t}) \cap \partial\mathcal{M} = \emptyset \right\}, \quad \mathcal{V}_t = \mathcal{M} \setminus \mathcal{M}'_t. \quad (1.7)$$

The thickness of \mathcal{V}_t is $2\sqrt{t}$ which implies that $|\mathcal{V}_t| = O(\sqrt{t})$. The relation of \mathcal{M} , $\partial\mathcal{M}$, \mathcal{M}'_t and \mathcal{V}_t are sketched in Fig. 1.

The main advantage of the integral equation (1.6) is that there is not any differential operator in the integral equation. Then it is easy to discretized on point cloud. Assume we are given a set of sample points $P = \{\mathbf{p}_i : \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}, i = 1, \dots, n\}$ sampling the submanifold \mathcal{M} and one vector $\mathbf{V} = (V_1, \dots, V_n)^t$ where V_i

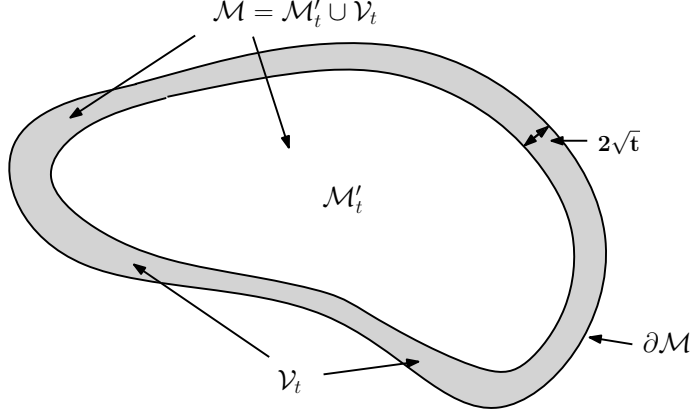


Figure 1: Computational domain for volume constraint

is the volume weight of \mathbf{p}_i in \mathcal{M} . In addition, we assume that the point set P is a good sample of manifold \mathcal{M} in the sense that the integral on \mathcal{M} can be well approximated by the summation over P , see Section 1.1.

Then, (1.6) can be easily discretized to get following linear system

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j)(u_i - u_j)V_j = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j)f(\mathbf{p}_j)V_j, & \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t, \\ u_i = 0, & \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{V}_t. \end{cases} \quad (1.8)$$

This is the discretization of the Poisson equation (1.1) given by Point Integral Method with volume constraint on point cloud.

Similarly, the eigenvalue problem

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\mathcal{M}}u(\mathbf{x}) = \lambda u, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M} \\ u(\mathbf{x}) = 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \partial\mathcal{M} \end{cases} \quad (1.9)$$

can be approximated by an integral eigenvalue problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))d\mathbf{y} = \lambda \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})u(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y}, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t \\ u(\mathbf{x}) = 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t \end{cases} \quad (1.10)$$

And corresponding discretization is given as following

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j)(u_i - u_j)V_j = \lambda \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j)u_jV_j, & \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t, \\ u_i = 0, & \mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{V}_t. \end{cases} \quad (1.11)$$

1.1 Assumptions and main results

One of the main contribution of this paper is that, under some assumptions, we prove that the solution of the discrete system (1.8) converges to the solution of the Poisson equation (1.1) and the spectra of the eigen problem (1.11) converge to the spectra of the Laplace-Beltrami operator with Dirichlet boundary (1.9).

The assumptions we used are listed as following.

Assumption 1.1. • *Assumptions on the manifold:* $\mathcal{M}, \partial\mathcal{M}$ are both compact and C^∞ smooth.

• *Assumptions on the sample points (P, \mathbf{V}) :* (P, \mathbf{V}) is h -integrable approximation of \mathcal{M} , i.e.

For any function $f \in C^1(\mathcal{M})$, there is a constant C independent of h and f so that

$$\left| \int_{\mathcal{M}} f(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}} f(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i \right| < Ch |\text{supp}(f)| \|f\|_{C^1(\mathcal{M})}.$$

• *Assumptions on the kernel function $R(r)$:*

- (a) $R \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^+)$;
- (b) $R(r) \geq 0$ and $R(r) = 0$ for $\forall r > 1$;
- (c) $\exists \delta_0 > 0$ so that $R(r) \geq \delta_0$ for $0 \leq r \leq \frac{1}{2}$.

These assumptions are default in this paper and they are omitted in the statement of the theoretical results. And in the analysis, we always assume that t and h/\sqrt{t} are small enough. Here, "small enough" means that they are less than a generic constant which only depends on \mathcal{M} .

Under above assumptions, we have two theorems regarding the convergence of the Poisson equation and corresponding eigenvalue problem.

Theorem 1.1. *Let $u(\mathbf{x})$ be solution of (1.1) and $\mathbf{u} = [u_1, \dots, u_n]^t$ be solution of (1.8) and $f \in C^1(\mathcal{M})$ in both problems. There exists $C > 0$ only depends on \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$, such that*

$$\|u - u_{t,h}\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq C \left(t^{1/4} + \frac{h}{t^{3/2}} \right) \|f\|_{C^1(\mathcal{M})}$$

where

$$u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j + t \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t, \\ 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t. \end{cases} \quad (1.12)$$

and $w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j$.

Theorem 1.2. *Let λ_i be the i th largest eigenvalue of eigenvalue problem (1.9). And let $\lambda_i^{t,h}$ be the i th largest eigenvalue of discrete eigenvalue problem (1.11), then there exists a constant C such that*

$$|\lambda_i^{t,h} - \lambda_i| \leq C \lambda_i^2 \left(t^{1/4} + \frac{h}{t^{d/4+3}} \right),$$

and there exist another constant C such that, for any $\phi \in E(\lambda_i, T)X$ and $X = H^1(\mathcal{M}'_t)$,

$$\|\phi - E(\sigma_i^{t,h}, T_{t,h})\phi\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq C \left(t^{1/4} + \frac{h}{t^{d/4+2}} \right).$$

where $\sigma_i^{t,h} = \{\lambda_j^{t,h} \in \sigma(T_{t,h}) : j \in I_i\}$ and $I_i = \{j \in \mathbb{N} : \lambda_j = \lambda_i\}$, $E(\lambda, T)$ is the Riesz spectral projection associated with λ .

2 Stability analysis

To prove the convergence, we need some stability results which are listed in this section. The first lemma is about the coercivity of the integral operator and the proof can be found in [19].

Lemma 2.1. *For any function $u \in L^2(\mathcal{M})$, there exists a constant $C > 0$ only depends on \mathcal{M} , such that*

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} \geq C \int_{\mathcal{M}} |\nabla v|^2 d\mathbf{x},$$

where

$$v(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y},$$

$$\text{and } w_t(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}.$$

Next corollary directly follows from Lemma 2.1.

Corollary 2.1. *For any function $u \in L_2(\mathcal{M}'_t)$, there exists a constant $C > 0$ only depends on \mathcal{M} , such that*

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} + \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} u^2(\mathbf{x}) \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x} \geq C \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |\nabla v|^2 d\mathbf{x},$$

where

$$v(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y},$$

$$\text{and } w_t(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}.$$

Proof. Let

$$\tilde{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} u(\mathbf{x}), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t, \\ 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t. \end{cases}$$

Using Lemma 2.1,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |\nabla v|^2 d\mathbf{x} \leq \int_{\mathcal{M}} |\nabla v|^2 d\mathbf{x} \\ & \leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (\tilde{u}(\mathbf{x}) - \tilde{u}(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} \\ & = \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} + \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} u^2(\mathbf{x}) \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Using Lemma 2.1, we can also get following lemma regarding the stability in $L^2(\mathcal{M})$.

Lemma 2.2. *For any function $u \in L_2(\mathcal{M})$ with $u(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ in \mathcal{V}_t , there exists a constant $C > 0$ independent on t*

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} \geq C \|u\|_{L_2(\mathcal{M})}^2,$$

as long as t small enough.

Proof. Let

$$v(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}.$$

Since $u(\mathbf{x}) = 0$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t$, we have

$$v(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \partial\mathcal{M}.$$

By Lemma 2.1 and the Poincare inequality, there exists a constant $C > 0$, such that

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} |v(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mathbf{x} \leq \int_{\mathcal{M}} |\nabla v(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mathbf{x} \leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}}$$

Let $\delta = \frac{w_{\min}}{2w_{\max} + w_{\min}}$. If u is smooth and close to its smoothed version v , in particular,

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} v^2(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \geq \delta^2 \int_{\mathcal{M}} u^2(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}}, \quad (2.1)$$

then the proof is completed.

Now consider the case where (2.1) does not hold. Note that we now have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u - v\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M})} &\geq \|u\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M})} - \|v\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M})} > (1 - \delta)\|u\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M})} \\ &> \frac{1 - \delta}{\delta} \|v\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M})} = \frac{2w_{\max}}{w_{\min}} \|v\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M})}. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{C_t}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^2}{4t}\right) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \\ &= \frac{2C_t}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} u(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}} R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^2}{4t}\right) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y})) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \frac{2}{t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}} u^2(\mathbf{x}) w_t(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} - \int_{\mathcal{M}} u(\mathbf{x}) v(\mathbf{x}) w_t(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}} (u(\mathbf{x}) - v(\mathbf{x}))^2 w_t(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} + \int_{\mathcal{M}} (u(\mathbf{x}) - v(\mathbf{x})) v(\mathbf{x}) w_t(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right) \\ &\geq \frac{2}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} (u(\mathbf{x}) - v(\mathbf{x}))^2 w_t(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{2}{t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}} v^2(\mathbf{x}) w_t(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}} (u(\mathbf{x}) - v(\mathbf{x}))^2 w_t(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\geq \frac{2w_{\min}}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} (u(\mathbf{x}) - v(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{2w_{\max}}{t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}} v^2(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}} (u(\mathbf{x}) - v(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\geq \frac{w_{\min}}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} (u(\mathbf{x}) - v(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \geq \frac{w_{\min}}{t} (1 - \delta)^2 \int_{\mathcal{M}} u^2(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof for the theorem. \square

Corollary 2.2. For any function $u \in L_2(\mathcal{M}'_t)$, there exists a constant $C > 0$ independent on t , such that

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} + \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} u^2(\mathbf{x}) \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x} \geq C \|u\|_{L_2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}^2,$$

as long as t small enough.

Proof. Consider

$$\tilde{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} u(\mathbf{x}), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t, \\ 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t. \end{cases}$$

and apply Lemma 2.2. \square

Now, we can prove one important theorem.

Theorem 2.1. Let $u(\mathbf{x}) \in L^2(\mathcal{M})$ be solution of following integral equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y})) d\mathbf{y} = r(\mathbf{x}), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t \\ u(\mathbf{x}) = 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t \end{cases} \quad (2.2)$$

There exists $C > 0$ only depends on \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$, such that

$$\|u\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq C \|r\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} + Ct \|\nabla r\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}$$

Proof. First of all, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} u(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y})) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{x} \\
&= \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} u(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y})) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} u(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y})) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{x} \\
&= \frac{1}{2t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} + \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} u^2(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{x}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now we can get L^2 estimate of u . Using Corollary 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|u\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 &\leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} + \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |u(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x} \\
&\leq \left| \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} u(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y})) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{x} \right| \\
&\leq C \|u\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t} \|r\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}
\end{aligned}$$

This gives that

$$\|u\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq C \|r\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}. \quad (2.3)$$

Next, we turn to estimate the L^2 norm of ∇e_t in \mathcal{M}'_t . Using the integral equation (2.2), u has following expression

$$u_t(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u_t(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} + \frac{t}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} r(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t. \quad (2.4)$$

Then $\|\nabla u_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2$ can be bounded as following

$$\|\nabla u_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \leq C \left\| \nabla \left(\frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u_t(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 + Ct^2 \left\| \nabla \left(\frac{r(\mathbf{x})}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \quad (2.5)$$

Corollary 2.1 gives a bound the first term of (2.5).

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\| \nabla \left(\frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u_t(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\
&\leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u_t(\mathbf{x}) - u_t(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{x} + \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |u_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x}.
\end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

The second terms of (2.5) can be bounded by direct calculation.

$$\begin{aligned}
\left\| \nabla \left(\frac{r(\mathbf{x})}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 &\leq C \left\| \frac{\nabla r(\mathbf{x})}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 + C \left\| \frac{r(\mathbf{x}) \nabla w_t(\mathbf{x})}{(w_t(\mathbf{x}))^2} \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\
&\leq C \|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 + \frac{C}{t} \|r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2.
\end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

Now we have the bound of $\|\nabla u_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}$ by combining (2.5), (2.6), and (2.7)

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\nabla u_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 &\leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u_t(\mathbf{x}) - u_t(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} \\
&+ \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |u_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x} + Ct^2 \|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 + Ct \|r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2.
\end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

Then the bound of $\|\nabla u_t\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}$ can be obtained also from (2.8)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|\nabla u_t\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\
& \leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u_t(\mathbf{x}) - u_t(\mathbf{y}))^2 dx dy + Ct \|r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\
& \quad + \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |u_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) dy \right) dx + Ct^2 \|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\
& \leq \left| \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} u_t(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u_t(\mathbf{x}) - u_t(\mathbf{y})) dy dx \right| \\
& \quad + Ct^2 \|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}^2 + Ct \|r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\
& \leq \|u_t\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t} \|r\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t} + Ct^2 \|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}^2 + Ct \|r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\
& \leq C \|r\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}^2 + Ct^2 \|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\|\nabla u_t\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t} \leq C \|r\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} + Ct \|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2,\mathcal{M}'_t}. \quad (2.9)$$

The proof is completed by putting (2.3) and (2.9) together. \square

3 Convergence analysis

The main purpose of this section is to prove that the solution of (1.8) converges to the solution of the original Poisson equation (1.1), i.e. Theorem 1.1 in Section 1.1. To prove this theorem, we split it to two parts. First, we prove that the solution of the integral equation (1.6) converges to the solution of the Poisson equation (1.1), which is given in Theorem 3.2. Then we prove Theorem 3.3 to show that the solution of (1.8) converges to the solution of (1.6).

3.1 Integral approximation of Poisson equation

To prove the convergence of the integral equation (1.6), we need following theorem about the consistency which is proved in [20].

Theorem 3.1. *Let $u(\mathbf{x})$ be the solution of the problem (1.1). Let $u \in H^3(\mathcal{M})$ and*

$$r(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y})) dy - \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) f(\mathbf{y}) dy.$$

There exists constants C, T_0 depending only on \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$, so that for any $t \leq T_0$,

$$\|r(\mathbf{x})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq Ct^{1/2} \|u\|_{H^3(\mathcal{M})}, \quad (3.1)$$

$$\|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq C \|u\|_{H^3(\mathcal{M})}. \quad (3.2)$$

Using the consistency result, Theorem 3.1 and the stability results presented in Section 2, we can get following theorem which shows the convergence of the integral equation (1.6).

Theorem 3.2. *Let $u(\mathbf{x})$ be solution of (1.1) and $u_t(\mathbf{x})$ be solution of (1.6). There exists $C > 0$ only depends on \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$, such that*

$$\|u - u_t\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq Ct^{1/4} \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}$$

Proof. Let $e_t(\mathbf{x}) = u(\mathbf{x}) - u_t(\mathbf{x})$, first of all, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y})) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \\
&= \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y})) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y})) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \\
&= \frac{1}{2t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y}))^2 \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} + \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y})) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

The second term can be calculated as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y})) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \\
&= \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u(\mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

Here we use the definition of e_t and the volume constraint condition $u_t(\mathbf{x}) = 0$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t$ to get that $e_t(\mathbf{x}) = u(\mathbf{x})$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t$.

The first term is positive which is good for us. We only need to bound the second term of (3.4) to show that it can be controlled by the first term. First, the second term can be bounded as following

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u(\mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \right| \\
&\leq \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})| \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |u(\mathbf{y})|^2 \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right)^{1/2} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \frac{1}{2} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} + 2 \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |u(\mathbf{y})|^2 \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \right) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} + \frac{2}{t} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |u(\mathbf{y})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} + \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |u(\mathbf{y})|^2 \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} + C\sqrt{t} \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

Here we use Lemma A.1 in Appendix A to get the last inequality.

By substituting (3.5), (3.4) in (3.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y})) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \right| \\
&\geq \frac{1}{2t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y}))^2 \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} \right) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} - C\|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \sqrt{t}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

This is the key estimate we used to get convergence.

Notice that $e_t(\mathbf{x})$ satisfying an integral equation,

$$\frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y})) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{y} = r(\mathbf{x}), \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t, \tag{3.7}$$

where $r(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))d\mathbf{y} - \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})f(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y}$.

From Theorem 3.1, we know that

$$\|r(\mathbf{x})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq Ct^{1/2}\|u\|_{H^3(\mathcal{M})} \leq C\sqrt{t}\|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}, \quad (3.8)$$

$$\|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq C\|u\|_{H^3(\mathcal{M})} \leq C\|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}. \quad (3.9)$$

Now we can get L^2 estimate of e_t . Using Corollary 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 &\leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y} \\ &\quad + \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x} \\ (\text{from (3.6)}) &\leq \left| \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y}))d\mathbf{y}d\mathbf{x} \right| + C\|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2\sqrt{t} \\ (\text{from (3.7)}) &\leq C\|e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}\|r\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t} + C\|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2\sqrt{t} \\ (\text{from (3.8)}) &\leq C\|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}\|e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}\sqrt{t} + C\|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2\sqrt{t}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

This gives that

$$\|e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t} \leq Ct^{1/4}\|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}. \quad (3.11)$$

Next, we turn to estimate the L^2 norm of ∇e_t in \mathcal{M}'_t . Using the integral equation (3.7), e_t has following expression

$$\begin{aligned} e_t(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})e_t(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} + \frac{t}{w_t(\mathbf{x})}r(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})e_t(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} + \frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})u(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} + \frac{t}{w_t(\mathbf{x})}r(\mathbf{x}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

Then $\|\nabla e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2$ can be bounded as following

$$\begin{aligned} \|\nabla e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 &\leq C \left\| \nabla \left(\frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})e_t(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\ &\quad + C \left\| \nabla \left(\frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})u(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 + Ct^2 \left\| \nabla \left(\frac{r(\mathbf{x})}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

Corollary 2.1 gives a bound the first term of (3.13).

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| \nabla \left(\frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})e_t(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\ &\leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{y}d\mathbf{x} + \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

The second and third terms of (3.13) can be bounded by direct calculation.

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \nabla \left(\frac{r(\mathbf{x})}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 &\leq C \left\| \frac{\nabla r(\mathbf{x})}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 + C \left\| \frac{r(\mathbf{x})\nabla w_t(\mathbf{x})}{(w_t(\mathbf{x}))^2} \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\ &\leq C\|\nabla r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 + \frac{C}{t}\|r(\mathbf{x})\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\ &\leq C\|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2, \end{aligned} \quad (3.15)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \nabla \left(\frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) \right| \\
& \leq \left| \frac{\nabla w_t(\mathbf{x})}{(w_t(\mathbf{x}))^2} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} \nabla R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right| \\
& \leq C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} + C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |R'_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| d\mathbf{y}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

Then the second term of (3.14) has following bound

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\| \nabla \left(\frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) u(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) \right\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 \\
& \leq C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right)^2 d\mathbf{x} + C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |R'_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| d\mathbf{y} \right)^2 d\mathbf{x} \\
& \leq C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{x} + C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |R'_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{x} \\
& \leq C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 |\mathcal{V}_t| \leq C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \sqrt{t}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

Now we have the bound of $\|\nabla e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}$ by combining (3.13), (3.15), (3.14) and (3.17)

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\nabla e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 & \leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} \\
& \quad + \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x} + C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \sqrt{t}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

Then the bound of $\|\nabla e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}$ can be obtained also from (3.18)

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\nabla e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t}^2 & \leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} \\
& \quad + \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |e_t(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right) d\mathbf{x} + C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \sqrt{t} \\
(\text{from (3.6)}) & \leq \left| \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} e_t(\mathbf{x}) \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (e_t(\mathbf{x}) - e_t(\mathbf{y})) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{x} \right| + C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \sqrt{t} \\
(\text{from (3.7)}) & \leq \|e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t} \|r\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t} + C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \sqrt{t} \\
(\text{from (3.8)}) & \leq C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})} \|e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t} \sqrt{t} + C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \sqrt{t} \\
(\text{from (3.11)}) & \leq C t^{3/4} \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})} + C \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2 \sqrt{t}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

Then we have

$$\|\nabla e_t\|_{2, \mathcal{M}'_t} \leq C t^{1/4} \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}. \tag{3.20}$$

The proof is completed by putting (3.11) and (3.20) together. \square

3.2 Discretization of the integral equation

Suppose $\mathbf{u} = [u_1, \dots, u_n]^t$ is the discrete solution which means that it solves (1.8). First, we interpolate the discrete solution from the point cloud $P = \{\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n\}$ to the whole manifold \mathcal{M} . Fortunately, the discrete

equation (1.8) gives a natural interpolation.

$$u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j + t \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t, \\ 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t. \end{cases} \quad (3.21)$$

Then, we have following theorem regarding the convergence from $u_{t,h}$ to u_t .

Theorem 3.3. *Let $u_t(\mathbf{x})$ be the solution of the problem (1.6) and \mathbf{u} be the solution of the problem (1.8). If $f \in C^1(\mathcal{M})$ in both problems, then there exists constants $C > 0$ depending only on \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$ so that*

$$\|u_{t,h} - u_t\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} \|f\|_{C^1(\mathcal{M})},$$

as long as t and $\frac{h}{\sqrt{t}}$ are both small enough.

To prove this theorem, we need the stability result, Theorem 2.1, and the consistency result which is given in Theorem 3.4.

To simplify the notations, we introduce some operators here.

$$L_t u(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y})) d\mathbf{y} + \frac{u(\mathbf{x})}{t} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}, \quad (3.22)$$

$$L'_t u(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y})) d\mathbf{y}, \quad (3.23)$$

$$(L_{t,h} u)(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j)(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{p}_j)) V_j + \frac{u(\mathbf{x})}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{p}_j, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j, \quad (3.24)$$

$$(L'_{t,h} u)(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j)(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{p}_j)) V_j. \quad (3.25)$$

It is easy to check that $u_{t,h}$ satisfies following equation if $\mathbf{u} = [u_1, \dots, u_n]^t$ solves (1.8),

$$L_{t,h} u_{t,h} = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \quad (3.26)$$

Now, we can state the consistency result as following.

Theorem 3.4. *Let $u_t(\mathbf{x})$ be the solution of the problem (1.6) and \mathbf{u} be the solution of the problem (1.8). If $f \in C^1(\mathcal{M})$, in both problems, then there exists constants $C > 0$ depending only on \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$ so that*

$$\|L_t(u_{t,h} - u_t)\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} \|f\|_{C^1(\mathcal{M})}, \quad (3.27)$$

$$\|\nabla L_t(u_{t,h} - u_t)\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^2} \|f\|_{C^1(\mathcal{M})}. \quad (3.28)$$

as long as t and $\frac{h}{\sqrt{t}}$ are small enough.

4 Convergence of the eigenvalue problem

In this section, we investigate the convergence of the eigenvalue problem (1.11) to the eigenvalue problem (1.9). First, we introduce some operators.

Denote the operator $T : L^2(\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow H^2(\mathcal{M})$ to be the solution operator of the following problem

$$\begin{cases} \Delta_{\mathcal{M}} u(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}, \\ u(\mathbf{x}) = 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \partial\mathcal{M}. \end{cases}$$

where \mathbf{n} is the out normal vector of \mathcal{M} .

Denote $T_t : L^2(\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow L^2(\mathcal{M})$ to be the solution operator of the following problem

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{1}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})(u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))d\mathbf{y} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})f(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y}, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t \\ u(\mathbf{x}) = 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t \end{cases}$$

The last solution operator is $T_{t,h} : C(\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow C(\mathcal{M})$ which is defined as follows.

$$T_{t,h}(f)(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j)u_j V_j - t \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j)f(\mathbf{p}_j)V_j \right), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t, \\ 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t, \end{cases}$$

where $w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j)V_j$ and $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)^t$ with $u_j = 0$, $\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{V}_t$ solves the following linear system

$$-\frac{1}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j)(u_i - u_j)V_j = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j)f(\mathbf{p}_j)V_j.$$

We know that T, T_t and $T_{t,h}$ have following properties.

Proposition 4.1. *For any $t > 0$, $h > 0$,*

1. T, T_t are compact operators on $H^1(\mathcal{M})$ into $H^1(\mathcal{M})$; $T_t, T_{t,h}$ are compact operators on $C^1(\mathcal{M})$ into $C^1(\mathcal{M})$.
2. All eigenvalues of $T, T_t, T_{t,h}$ are real numbers. All generalized eigenvectors of $T, T_t, T_{t,h}$ are eigenvectors.

Proof. The proof of (1) is straightforward. First, it is well known that T is compact operator. $T_{t,h}$ is actually finite dimensional operator, so it is also compact. To show the compactness of T_t , we need the following formula,

$$T_t u = \frac{1}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})T_t u(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y} + \frac{t}{w_t(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})u(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{y}, \quad \forall u \in H^1(\mathcal{M}).$$

Using the assumption that $R \in C^2$, direct calculation would gives that that $T_t u \in C^2$. This would imply the compactness of T_t both in H^1 and C^1 .

For the operator T , the conclusion (2) is well known. The proof of T_t and $T_{t,h}$ are very similar, so here we only present the proof for T_t .

Let λ be an eigenvalue of T_t and u is corresponding eigenfunction, then

$$L_t T_t u = \lambda L_t u$$

which implies that

$$\lambda = \frac{\int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})u^*(\mathbf{x})u(\mathbf{y})d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}}{\int_{\mathcal{M}} u^*(\mathbf{x})(L_t u)(\mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x}}$$

where u^* is the complex conjugate of u .

Using the symmetry of L_t and $\bar{R}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$, it is easy to show that $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

Let u be a generalized eigenfunction of T_t with multiplicity $m > 1$ associate with eigenvalue λ . Let $v = (T_t - \lambda)^{m-1}u$, $w = (T_t - \lambda)^{m-2}u$, then v is an eigenfunction of T_t and

$$T_t v = \lambda v, \quad (T_t - \lambda)w = v$$

and $v(\mathbf{x}) = 0$, $w(\mathbf{x}) = 0$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t$.

By applying L_t on both sides of above two equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda L_t v &= L_t(T_t v) = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) v(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} = \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) v(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t \\ L_t v &= L_t(T_t w) - \lambda L_t w = \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) w(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} - \lambda L_t w, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t\end{aligned}$$

Using above two equations and the fact that L_t is symmetric, we get

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= \left\langle w, \lambda L_t v - \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) v(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right\rangle_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \\ &= \left\langle \lambda L_t w - \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) w(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}, v \right\rangle_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \\ &= \langle L_t v, v \rangle_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \geq C \|v\|_2^2\end{aligned}$$

which implies that $(T_t - \lambda)^{m-1} u = v = 0$. This proves that u is a generalized eigenfunction of T_t with multiplicity $m - 1$. Repeating above argument, we can show that u is actually an eigenfunction of T_t . \square

Theorem 3.2 actually gives that T_t converges to T in H^1 norm.

Theorem 4.1. *Under the assumptions in Section 1.1, for t small enough, there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$\|T - T_t\|_{H^1} \leq Ct^{1/4}.$$

Using the arguments in [20] and Theorem 3.3, we can get that $T_{t,h}$ converges to T_t in C^1 norm.

Theorem 4.2. *Under the assumptions in Section 1.1, for t, h small enough, there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$\|T_{t,h} - T_t\|_{C^1} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{d/4+2}}.$$

And we also have the bound of T_t and $T_{t,h}$ following the arguments in [20].

Theorem 4.3. *Under the assumptions in Section 1.1, for t, h small enough, there exists a constant C independent on t and h , such that*

$$\|T_t\|_{H^1} \leq C, \quad \|T_{t,h}\|_{\infty} \leq Ct^{-d/4}, \quad \|T_{t,h}\|_{C^1} \leq Ct^{-(d+2)/4}.$$

. Before state the main theorem of the spectral convergence, we need to introduce some notations. Let X be a complex Banach space and $L : X \rightarrow X$ be a compact linear operator. $\rho(L)$ is the resolvent set of L which is given by $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $z - L$ is bijective. The spectrum of L is $\sigma(L) = \mathbb{C} \setminus \rho(L)$. If λ is a nonzero eigenvalue of L , the ascent multiplicity α of $\lambda - L$ is the smallest integer such that $\ker(\lambda - L)^\alpha = \ker(\lambda - L)^{\alpha+1}$.

Given a closed smooth curve $\Gamma \subset \rho(L)$ which encloses the eigenvalue λ and no other elements of $\sigma(L)$, the Riesz spectral projection associated with λ is defined by

$$E(\lambda, L) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} (z - L)^{-1} dz,$$

where $i = \sqrt{-1}$ is the unit imaginary

Now we are ready to state the main theorem about the convergence of the eigenvalue problem. And its proof can be given from Theorems 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 following same arguments as those in [20].

Theorem 4.4. *Under the assumptions in Section 1.1, let λ_i be the i th smallest eigenvalue of T counting multiplicity, and $\lambda_i^{t,h}$ be the i th smallest eigenvalue of $T_{t,h}$ counting multiplicity, then there exists a constant C such that*

$$|\lambda_i^{t,h} - \lambda_i| \leq C \left(t^{1/4} + \frac{h}{t^{d/4+3}} \right),$$

and there exist another constant C such that, for any $\phi \in E(\lambda_i, T)X$ and $X = H^1(\mathcal{M})$,

$$\|\phi - E(\sigma_i^{t,h}, T_{t,h})\phi\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})} \leq C \left(t^{1/4} + \frac{h}{t^{d/4+2}} \right).$$

where $\sigma_i^{t,h} = \{\lambda_j^{t,h} \in \sigma(T_{t,h}) : j \in I_i\}$ and $I_i = \{j \in \mathbb{N} : \lambda_j = \lambda_i\}$.

The convergence result, Theorem 1.2, follows easily from the above theorem and Proposition 4.1.

5 Numerical results

In this section, we present several numerical results to show the convergence of the Point Integral method with volume constraint, PIM_VC for short, from point clouds.

The numerical experiments were carried out in unit disk. We discretize unit disk with 684, 2610, 10191 and 40269 points respectively and check the convergence of the point integral method with volume constraint. In the experiments, the volume weight vector \mathbf{V} is estimated using the method proposed in [17]. First, we locally approximate the tangent space at each point and then project the nearby points onto the tangent space over which a Delaunay triangulation is computed in the tangent space. The volume weight is estimated as the volume of the Voronoi cell of that point.

Table 1 gives the l^2 error of different methods with 684, 2610, 10191 and 40269 points. The exact solution is $\cos 2\pi\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. PIM_Robin is the Point Integral method and using Robin boundary to approximate the Dirichlet boundary condition, i.e. solving the integral equation (1.5) and here β is chosen to be 10^{-4} . PIM_VC is the Point Integral method and using volume constraint to enforce the Dirichlet boundary condition. These two methods both converge. The rates of convergence are very close and the error of PIM_VC is a little larger than the error of PIM_Robin.

$ P $	684	2610	10191	40269
PIM_Robin	0.1500	0.0428	0.0140	0.0052
PIM_VC	0.3046	0.0747	0.0201	0.0067

Table 1: l^2 error with different number of points. FEM: Finite Element method; PIM_Robin: Point Integral method with Robin boundary; PIM_VC: Point Integral method with volume constraint. The exact solution is $\cos 2\pi\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$.

Fig. 2 shows the result of the eigenvalues of Laplace-Beltrami operator with Dirichlet boundary in unit disk. Clearly, the eigenvalues also converge and the larger eigenvalues have larger errors which verify the theoretical result, Theorem 1.2.

Above numerical results in unit disk are just toy examples to demonstrate the convergence of the Point Integral method with volume constraint. However, our method applies in any point clouds which sample smooth manifolds. Fig. 3 shows the first two eigenfunctions on two complicated surfaces (left hand and head of Max Plank).

6 Conclusion

In this paper, we use the volume constraint [7] in the Point Integral method to handle the Dirichlet boundary condition. And the convergence is proved both for Poisson equation and eigen problem of Laplace-Beltrami

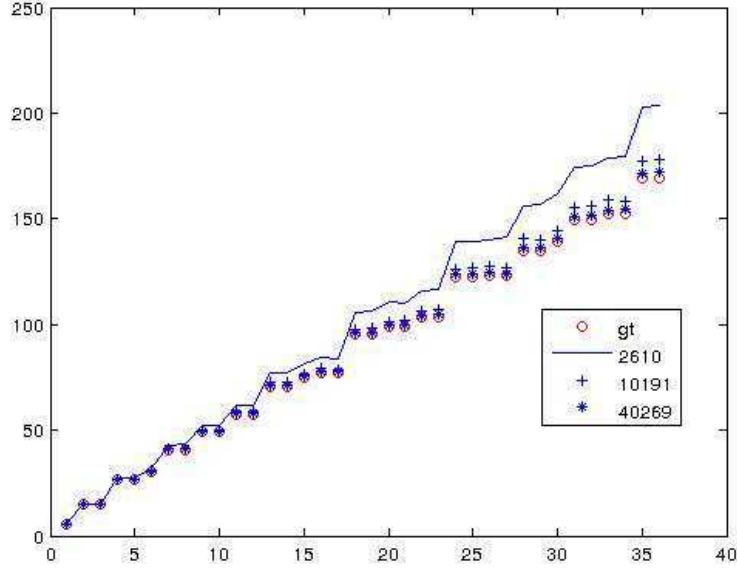


Figure 2: Eigenvalue given by Point Integral method with volume constraint in unit disk.

operator from point cloud. Our study shows that Point Integral method together with the volume constraint gives an efficient numerical approach to solve the Poisson equation with Dirichlet boundary on point cloud. In this paper, we focus on the Poisson equation. For other PDEs, we can also use the idea of volume constraint to enforce the Dirichlet boundary condition. The progress will be reported in our subsequent papers.

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A One basic estimates

Lemma A.1. *Let $u(\mathbf{x})$ be the solution of (1.1) and $f \in H^1(\mathcal{M})$, then there is a generic constant $C > 0$ and $T_0 > 0$ only depend on \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$, for any $t < T_0$,*

$$\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |u(\mathbf{y})|^2 d\mathbf{y} \leq Ct^{3/2} \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2.$$

Proof. Both \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$ are compact and C^∞ smooth. Consequently, it is well known that both \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$ have positive reaches, which means that there exists $T_0 > 0$ only depends on \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$, if $t < T_0$, \mathcal{V}_t can be parametrized as $(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}), \tau) \in \partial\mathcal{M} \times [0, 1]$, where $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}) + \tau(\mathbf{z}'(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}))$ and $\left| \det \left(\frac{d\mathbf{y}}{d(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}), \tau)} \right) \right| \leq C\sqrt{t}$ and $C > 0$ is a constant only depends on \mathcal{M} and $\partial\mathcal{M}$. Here $\mathbf{z}'(\mathbf{y})$ is the intersection point between $\partial\mathcal{M}'$ and the line determined by $\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y})$ and \mathbf{y} . The parametrization is illustrated in Fig.4.

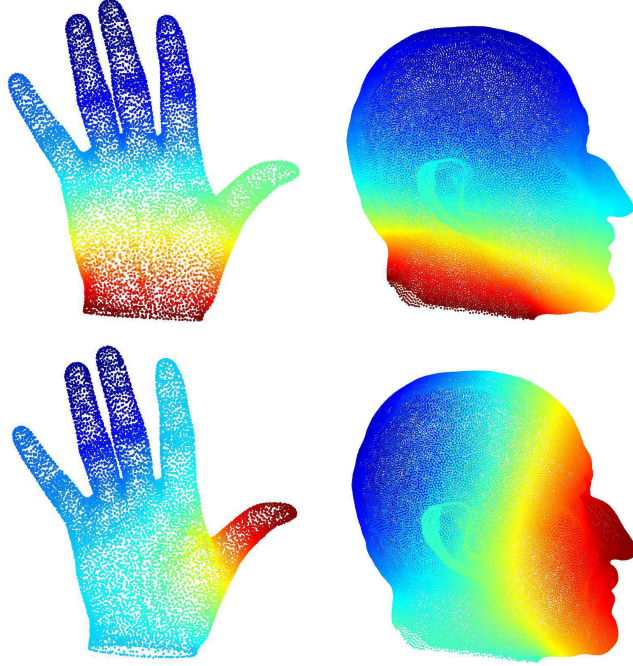


Figure 3: The first (upper row) and second (lower row) eigenfunctions with Dirichlet boundary.

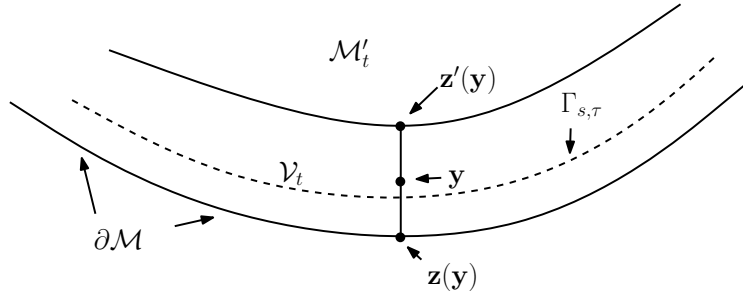


Figure 4: Parametrization of \mathcal{V}_t

First, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |u(\mathbf{y})|^2 d\mathbf{y} &= \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |u(\mathbf{y}) - u(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}))|^2 d\mathbf{y} \\
&= \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} \left| \int_0^1 \frac{d}{ds} u(\mathbf{y} + s(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{y})) ds \right|^2 d\mathbf{y} \\
&= \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} \left| \int_0^1 (\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla u(\mathbf{y} + s(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{y})) ds \right|^2 d\mathbf{y} \\
&\leq Ct \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} \int_0^1 |\nabla u(\mathbf{y} + s(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{y}))|^2 ds d\mathbf{y} \\
&\leq Ct \sup_{0 \leq s \leq 1} \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |\nabla u(\mathbf{y} + s(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{y}))|^2 d\mathbf{y}.
\end{aligned}$$

Here, we use the fact that $\|\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \leq 2\sqrt{t}$ to get the second last inequality.

Then, the proof can be completed by following estimation.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} |\nabla u(\mathbf{y} + s(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{y}))|^2 d\mathbf{y} \\
& \leq C\sqrt{t} \int_0^1 \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} |\nabla u(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y}) + (1-s)\tau(\mathbf{z}'(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y})))|^2 d\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{y})d\tau \\
& \leq C\sqrt{t} \sup_{0 \leq \tau \leq 1} \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} |\nabla u(\mathbf{z} + (1-s)\tau(\mathbf{z}' - \mathbf{z}))|^2 d\mathbf{z} \\
& \leq C\sqrt{t} \sup_{0 \leq \tau \leq 1} \int_{\Gamma_{s,\tau}} |\nabla u(\tilde{\mathbf{z}})|^2 d\tilde{\mathbf{z}} \\
& \leq C\sqrt{t} \|u\|_{H^2(\mathcal{M})}^2 \leq C\sqrt{t} \|f\|_{H^1(\mathcal{M})}^2,
\end{aligned}$$

where $\Gamma_{s,\tau}$ is a $k-1$ dimensional manifold given by $\Gamma_{s,\tau} = \{\mathbf{z} + (1-s)\tau(\mathbf{z}' - \mathbf{z}) : \mathbf{z} \in \partial\mathcal{M}\}$. We use the trace theorem to get the second last inequality and the last inequality is due to that u is the solution of the Poisson equation (1.1). \square

B Proof of Theorem 3.4

First, we need following important lemma which tells us that the discretized scheme is stable in l^2 sense.

Lemma B.1. *For any $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)^t$ with $u_i = 0$, $\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{V}_t$, there exist constants $C > 0$, $C_0 > 0$ independent on t so that for sufficient small t and $\frac{h}{\sqrt{t}}$*

$$\frac{1}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j) (u_i - u_j)^2 V_i V_j \geq C \left(1 - \frac{C_0 h}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} u_j^2 V_j.$$

Proof. First, we introduce a smooth function u that approximates \mathbf{u} at the samples P .

$$u(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{w_{t',h}(\mathbf{x})} \sum_{i=1}^n R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) u_i V_i, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}, \tag{B.1}$$

where $w_{t',h}(\mathbf{x}) = C_t \sum_{i=1}^n R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_i|^2}{4t'}\right) V_i$ and $t' = t/18$. Using the condition that $u_i = 0$, $\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{V}_t$ and $t' = t/18$, we know that

$$u(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_{t'}. \tag{B.2}$$

Then using Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} |u(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mathbf{x} \leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}}.$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (u(\mathbf{x}) - u(\mathbf{y}))^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \tag{B.3} \\
&= \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \left(\frac{1}{w_{t',h}(\mathbf{x})} \sum_{i=1}^n R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) u_i V_i - \frac{1}{w_{t',h}(\mathbf{y})} \sum_{j=1}^n R_{t'}(\mathbf{p}_j, \mathbf{y}) u_j V_j \right)^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \\
&= \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \left(\frac{1}{w_{t',h}(\mathbf{x}) w_{t',h}(\mathbf{y})} \sum_{i,j=1}^n R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) R_{t'}(\mathbf{p}_j, \mathbf{y}) V_i V_j (u_i - u_j) \right)^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \\
&\leq \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \frac{1}{w_{t',h}(\mathbf{x}) w_{t',h}(\mathbf{y})} \sum_{i,j=1}^n R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) R_{t'}(\mathbf{p}_j, \mathbf{y}) V_i V_j (u_i - u_j)^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \\
&= \sum_{i,j=1}^n \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{1}{w_{t',h}(\mathbf{x}) w_{t',h}(\mathbf{y})} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) R_{t'}(\mathbf{p}_j, \mathbf{y}) R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \right) V_i V_j (u_i - u_j)^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Denote

$$A = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{1}{w_{t',h}(\mathbf{x}) w_{t',h}(\mathbf{y})} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) R_{t'}(\mathbf{p}_j, \mathbf{y}) R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}}$$

and then notice only when $|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2 \leq 36t'$ is $A \neq 0$. For $|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2 \leq 36t'$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
A &\leq \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) R_{t'}(\mathbf{p}_j, \mathbf{y}) R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{72t'} \right)^{-1} R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{72t'} \right) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \tag{B.4} \\
&\leq \frac{CC_t}{\delta_0} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) R_{t'}(\mathbf{p}_j, \mathbf{y}) R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{72t'} \right) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \\
&\leq CC_t \int_{\mathcal{M}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} R_{t'}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) R_{t'}(\mathbf{p}_j, \mathbf{y}) R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{72t'} \right) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \leq CC_t R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Combining Equation (B.3), (B.4) and Lemma 2.2, we obtain

$$\frac{C}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j) (u_i - u_j)^2 V_i V_j \geq \int_{\mathcal{M}} |u(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \tag{B.5}$$

Denote

$$\begin{aligned}
B &= \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{C_t}{w_{t',h}^2(\mathbf{x})} R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_i|^2}{4t'} \right) R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_l|^2}{4t'} \right) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} - \\
&\quad \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{C_t}{w_{t',h}^2(\mathbf{p}_j)} R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_j - \mathbf{p}_i|^2}{4t'} \right) R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_j - \mathbf{p}_l|^2}{4t'} \right) V_j
\end{aligned}$$

and then $|B| \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{1/2}}$. At the same time, notice that only when $|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_l|^2 < 16t'$ is $B \neq 0$. Thus we have

$$|B| \leq \frac{1}{\delta_0} |A| R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_l|^2}{32t'} \right),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \int_{\mathcal{M}} u^2(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} - \sum_{j=1}^n u^2(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right| \tag{B.6} \\
& \leq \sum_{i,l=1}^n |C_t u_i u_l V_i V_l| |A| \\
& \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{1/2}} \sum_{i,l=1}^n \left| C_t R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_l|^2}{32t'} \right) u_i u_l V_i V_l \right| \\
& \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{1/2}} \sum_{i,l=1}^n C_t R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_l|^2}{32t'} \right) u_i^2 V_i V_l \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{1/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 V_i.
\end{aligned}$$

Now combining Equation (B.5) and (B.6), we have for small t

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n u^2(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i &= \int_{\mathcal{M}} u^2(\mathbf{x}) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{Ch}{t^{1/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 V_i \\
&\leq \frac{CC_t}{t} \sum_{i,j=1}^n R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t} \right) (u_i - u_j)^2 V_i V_j + \frac{Ch}{t} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 V_i.
\end{aligned}$$

Here we use the fact that for $t = 18t'$

$$R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t'} \right) \leq \frac{1}{\delta_0} R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t} \right).$$

Let $\delta = \frac{w_{\min}}{2w_{\max} + w_{\min}}$. If $\sum_{i=1}^n u^2(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i \geq \delta^2 \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 V_i$, then we have completed the proof. Otherwise, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (u_i - u(\mathbf{p}_i))^2 V_i = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 V_i + \sum_{i=1}^n u(\mathbf{p}_i)^2 V_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n u_i u(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i \geq (1 - \delta)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 V_i.$$

This enables us to prove the ellipticity of \mathcal{L} in the case of $\sum_{i=1}^n u^2(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i < \delta^2 \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 V_i$ as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
& C_t \sum_{i,j=1}^n R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t'} \right) (u_i - u_j)^2 V_i V_j \\
&= 2C_t \sum_{i,j=1}^n R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t'} \right) u_i (u_i - u_j) V_i V_j \\
&= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n u_i (u_i - u(\mathbf{p}_i)) w_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i \\
&= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (u_i - u(\mathbf{p}_i))^2 w_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n u(\mathbf{p}_i) (u_i - u(\mathbf{p}_i)) w_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i \\
&\geq 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (u_i - u(\mathbf{p}_i))^2 w_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n u^2(\mathbf{p}_i) w_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (u_i - u(\mathbf{p}_i))^2 w_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i \right)^{1/2} \\
&\geq 2w_{\min} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_i - u(\mathbf{p}_i))^2 V_i - 2w_{\max} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n u^2(\mathbf{p}_i) V_i \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (u_i - u(\mathbf{p}_i))^2 V_i \right)^{1/2} \\
&\geq 2(w_{\min}(1 - \delta)^2 - w_{\max}\delta(1 - \delta)) \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 V_i \geq w_{\min}(1 - \delta)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2 V_i.
\end{aligned}$$

□

One direct corollary of above lemma is the boundness of $\left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}} u_i^2 V_i\right)^{1/2}$.

Corollary B.1. *Suppose $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)^t$ with $u_i = 0$, $\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{V}_t$ solves the problem (1.8) with $f \in C(\mathcal{M})$. Then there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$\left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}} u_i^2 V_i\right)^{1/2} \leq C \|f\|_\infty,$$

provided t and $\frac{h}{\sqrt{t}}$ are small enough.

Proof. From the elliptic property of \mathcal{L} , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}} u_i^2 V_i &\leq \sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j) f(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right) u_i V_i \\ &\leq \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}} u_i^2 V_i \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}} \left(\|f\|_\infty \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right)^2 V_i \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq C \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}} u_i^2 V_i \right)^{1/2} \|f\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the lemma. □

We can also get the bound of $u_{t,h}$ which is defined in (3.21) as following

$$u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j + t \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right), & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t, \\ 0, & \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}_t. \end{cases}$$

Lemma B.2. *Let $\mathbf{u} = [u_1, \dots, u_n]^t$ be the solution of the problem (1.8) with $f \in C(\mathcal{M})$ and $u_{t,h}$ be associate smooth function defined in (3.21). Then there exists $C > 0$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} &\leq C \|f\|_\infty, \\ \|\nabla u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} &\leq \frac{C}{\sqrt{t}} \|f\|_\infty \end{aligned}$$

Proof. First, $\|u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}$ is bounded.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}^2 \\
&= \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \frac{1}{w_{t,h}^2(\mathbf{x})} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j - t \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f_j V_j \right)^2 d\mathbf{x} \\
&\leq C \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j \right)^2 d\mathbf{x} + Ct^2 \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f_j V_j \right)^2 d\mathbf{x} \\
&\leq C \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right) \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j^2 V_j \right) d\mathbf{x} + Ct^2 \|f\|_\infty^2 \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right)^2 d\mathbf{x} \\
&\leq C \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} u_j^2 V_j \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) d\mathbf{x} \right) + Ct^2 \|f\|_\infty^2 \\
&\leq C \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} u_j^2 V_j + Ct^2 \|f\|_\infty^2 \leq C \|f\|_\infty^2
\end{aligned}$$

Using similar arguments, we can get the bound of $\|\nabla u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}$. From the definition of $u_{t,h}$, we can see that all derivatives are applied on the kernel functions. The kernel functions are smooth functions, it gives one factor of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$ after derivative. \square

Now, we are ready to prove Theorem 3.4.

Proof. of Theorem 3.4

First, we split $L_t(u_{t,h} - u_t)$ to three terms, for any $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& L_t(u_{t,h} - u_t) \tag{B.7} \\
&= L_t(u_{t,h}) - L_{t,h}(u_{t,h}) + L_{t,h}(u_{t,h}) - L_t u_t \\
&= (L'_t(u_{t,h}) - L'_{t,h}(u_{t,h})) + \left(\frac{u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})}{t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) V_i \right) \right) \\
&\quad + \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) f(\mathbf{y}) - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right).
\end{aligned}$$

To get the last equality, we use that u_t and $u_{t,h}$ solve equation (1.6) and equation (3.26) respectively.

The second and third terms are easy to bound. By using Lemma B.2 and (P, \mathbf{V}) is h -integrable approximation of \mathcal{M} , we have

$$\left\| \frac{u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})}{t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) V_i \right) \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} \|f\|_\infty, \tag{B.8}$$

$$\left\| \nabla \left(\frac{u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})}{t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{V}_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_i) V_i \right) \right) \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^2} \|f\|_\infty \tag{B.9}$$

and

$$\left\| \int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) f(\mathbf{y}) - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq \frac{Ch}{\sqrt{t}} \|f\|_{C^1(\mathcal{M})}, \quad (\text{B.10})$$

$$\left\| \nabla \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) f(\mathbf{y}) - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right) \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq \frac{Ch}{t} \|f\|_{C^1(\mathcal{M})} \quad (\text{B.11})$$

The first term of (B.7) is much more complicated to bound. We split it further to two terms. Denote

$$a_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j, \quad (\text{B.12})$$

$$c_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{t}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} \bar{R}_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) f(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j, \quad (\text{B.13})$$

and then $u_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) = a_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) + c_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}'_t$.

First we upper bound $\|L'_t(u_{t,h}) - L'_{t,h}(u_{t,h})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}$. For $c_{t,h}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |(L'_t c_{t,h} - L'_{t,h} c_{t,h})(\mathbf{x})| \\ &= \frac{1}{t} \left| \int_{\mathcal{M}'} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) (c_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) - c_{t,h}(\mathbf{y})) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) (c_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) - c_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_j)) V_j \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{t} |c_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})| \left| \int_{\mathcal{M}'} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right| \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{t} \left| \int_{\mathcal{M}'} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) c_{t,h}(\mathbf{y}) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) c_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right| \\ &\leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} |c_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})| + \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} \|c_{t,h}\|_{C^1(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \\ &\leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} t \|f\|_{\infty} + \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} (t \|f\|_{\infty} + t^{1/2} \|f\|_{\infty}) \leq \frac{Ch}{t} \|f\|_{\infty}. \end{aligned}$$

For $a_{t,h}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathcal{M}'} (a_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}))^2 \left| \int_{\mathcal{M}'} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \quad (\text{B.14}) \\ &\leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'} (a_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'} \left(\frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j \right)^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in P} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j^2 V_j \right) \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_j^2 V_j \int_{\mathcal{M}'} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right) \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_j^2 V_j. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} A &= C_t \int_{\mathcal{M}'} \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{y})} R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|^2}{4t}\right) R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i-\mathbf{y}|^2}{4t}\right) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \\ &\quad - C_t \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_j)} R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t}\right) R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i-\mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t}\right) V_j. \end{aligned}$$

We have $|A| < \frac{Ch}{t^{1/2}}$ for some constant C independent of t . In addition, notice that only when $|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{p}_i|^2 \leq 16t$ is $A \neq 0$, which implies

$$|A| \leq \frac{1}{\delta_0} |A| R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{p}_i|^2}{32t}\right).$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\mathcal{M}'} \left| \int_{\mathcal{M}'} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) a_{t,h}(\mathbf{y}) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) a_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \quad (\text{B.15}) \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{M}'} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} C_t u_i V_i A \right)^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} C_t |u_i| V_i R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{p}_i|^2}{32t}\right) \right)^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} C_t R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{p}_i|^2}{32t}\right) u_i^2 V_i \right) \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} C_t R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{p}_i|^2}{32t}\right) V_i \right) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_i^2 V_i \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}'} C_t R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{p}_i|^2}{32t}\right) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right) \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_i^2 V_i \right). \end{aligned}$$

Combining Equation (B.14), (B.15) and Theorem B.1,

$$\begin{aligned} &\|L'_t a_{t,h} - L'_{t,h} a_{t,h}\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M})} \\ &= \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |(L'_t(a_{t,h}) - L'_{t,h}(a_{t,h}))(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_i^2 V_i \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} \|f\|_{\infty}. \end{aligned}$$

Assembling the parts together, we have the following upper bound.

$$\begin{aligned} &\|L'_t u_{t,h} - L'_{t,h} u_{t,h}\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \quad (\text{B.16}) \\ &\leq \|L'_t a_{t,h} - L'_{t,h} a_{t,h}\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} + \|L'_t c_{t,h} - L'_{t,h} c_{t,h}\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \\ &\leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} \|f\|_{\infty} + \frac{Ch}{t} \|f\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} \|f\|_{\infty}. \end{aligned}$$

The complete L^2 estimate follows from Equation (B.8), (B.10) and (B.16).

Next, we turn to upper bound $\|\nabla(L'_t u_t - L'_{t,h} u_{t,h})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}$. Consider $\|\nabla(L'_t a_{t,h} - L'_{t,h} a_{t,h})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)}$, it can be splitted into the summation of three terms. Next, we estimate these three terms separately. The first

term is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |\nabla a_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left| \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \quad (\text{B.17}) \\
& \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |\nabla a_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\
& \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left| \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} \nabla R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j \right|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left| \frac{\nabla w_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})}{w_{t,h}^2(\mathbf{x})} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j \right|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right) \\
& \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left| \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_{2t}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j V_j \right|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\
& \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_{2t}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) u_j^2 V_j \right) \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} R_{2t}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\
& \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t^2} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_j^2 V_j \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} R_{2t}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right) \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t^2} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_j^2 V_j.
\end{aligned}$$

where $R_{2t}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) = C_t R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{8t}\right)$. Here we use the assumption that $R(s) > \delta_0$ for all $0 \leq s \leq 1/2$.

The second term is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |a_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})|^2 \left| \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \nabla R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} \nabla R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \quad (\text{B.18}) \\
& \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |a_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \leq \frac{Ch^2}{t^2} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_j^2 V_j.
\end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned}
B &= C_t \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{y})} \nabla R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^2}{4t}\right) R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{y}|^2}{4t}\right) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} \\
&\quad - C_t \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} \frac{1}{w_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_j)} \nabla R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t}\right) R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j|^2}{4t}\right) V_j.
\end{aligned}$$

We have $|B| < \frac{Ch}{t^{1/2}}$ for some constant C independent of t . In addition, notice that only when $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i|^2 \leq 16t$ is $B \neq 0$, which implies

$$|B| \leq \frac{1}{\delta_0} |B| R\left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_i|^2}{32t}\right).$$

Then we have the upper bound of the third term

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left| \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \nabla R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) a_{t,h}(\mathbf{y}) d\mu_{\mathbf{y}} - \sum_{\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{M}'_t} \nabla R_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}_j) a_{t,h}(\mathbf{p}_j) V_j \right|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \quad (\text{B.19}) \\
&= \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} C_t u_i V_i B \right)^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\
&\leq \frac{Ch^2}{t^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} C_t |u_i| V_i R \left(\frac{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_i|^2}{32t} \right) \right)^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\
&\leq \frac{Ch^2}{t^2} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_i^2 V_i \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Combining Equation (B.17), (B.18) and (B.19), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|\nabla(L'_t a_{t,h} - L'_{t,h} a_{t,h})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \\
&= \left(\int_{\mathcal{M}'_t} |(L_t(a_{t,h}) - L_{t,h}(a_{t,h}))(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{x}} \right)^{1/2} \\
&\leq \frac{Ch}{t^2} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{M}'_t} u_i^2 V_i \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^2} \|f\|_{\infty}
\end{aligned}$$

Using a similar argument, we obtain

$$\|\nabla(L'_t c_{t,h} - L'_{t,h} c_{t,h})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^{3/2}} \|f\|_{\infty},$$

and thus

$$\|\nabla(L'_t u_{t,h} - L'_{t,h} u_{t,h})\|_{L^2(\mathcal{M}'_t)} \leq \frac{Ch}{t^2} \|f\|_{\infty}. \quad (\text{B.20})$$

At last, we complete the proof using (B.9), (B.11) and (B.20) \square

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