

# THE HADWIGER THEOREM ON CONVEX FUNCTIONS. I

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ABSTRACT. A complete classification of all continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuations on the space of super-coercive convex functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is established. The valuations obtained are functional versions of the classical intrinsic volumes. For their definition, singular Hessian valuations are introduced.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF RESULTS

Intrinsic volumes play a fundamental role in Euclidean geometry. For a convex body  $K$  (that is, a non-empty, compact convex set) in  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space,  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ , the  $j$ th intrinsic volume,  $V_j(K)$ , measures, in a translation and rotation invariant way, the  $j$ -dimensional “size” of  $K$ . In particular,  $V_n(K)$  is the  $n$ -dimensional volume of  $K$  and  $V_0(K) = 1$  is the Euler characteristic. For  $1 \leq j \leq n - 1$ , the  $j$ th intrinsic volume can be defined in various ways, for example, via the Steiner formula, via integral geometric formulas, or, for a convex body  $K$  with smooth boundary, as

$$V_j(K) = \frac{1}{\omega_{n-j}} \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} [D^2 h_K(y)]_j d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y),$$

where  $h_K$  is the support function of  $K$  (see Section 2.1 for the definition) and  $D^2 h_K$  the Hessian matrix of  $h_K$ . Here, we write  $[A]_j$  for the  $j$ th elementary symmetric function of the eigenvalues of a symmetric matrix  $A$  and use the convention that  $[A]_0 = 1$ . We write  $\mathcal{H}^{n-1}$  for  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional Hausdorff measure and  $\omega_k$  for the  $(k - 1)$ -dimensional Hausdorff measure of the unit sphere,  $\mathbb{S}^{k-1}$ , in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ . The  $j$ th intrinsic volume is homogeneous of degree  $j$ , that is,  $V_j(\lambda K) = \lambda^j V_j(K)$  for all convex bodies  $K$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and all  $\lambda \geq 0$ . The intrinsic volumes are continuous functionals on the space of convex bodies,  $\mathcal{K}^n$ , in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  equipped with the standard topology induced by the Hausdorff metric (see [40] for information regarding intrinsic volumes).

One of the most important results in geometry is Hadwiger’s characterization theorem [20] for intrinsic volumes. Hadwiger’s theorem classifies all continuous, translation and rotation invariant valuations on convex bodies. Here a functional  $Z : \mathcal{K}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called a valuation if

$$(1.1) \quad Z(K) + Z(L) = Z(K \cup L) + Z(K \cap L)$$

for every  $K, L \in \mathcal{K}^n$  such that  $K \cup L \in \mathcal{K}^n$ . Recall that  $Z$  is translation invariant if  $Z(\tau K) = Z(K)$  for all  $K \in \mathcal{K}^n$  and translations  $\tau$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and it is rotation invariant if  $Z(\vartheta K) = Z(K)$  for all  $K \in \mathcal{K}^n$  and  $\vartheta \in \text{SO}(n)$ .

**Theorem 1.1** (Hadwiger [20]). *A functional  $Z : \mathcal{K}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, translation and rotation invariant valuation if and only if there are constants  $\zeta_0, \dots, \zeta_n \in \mathbb{R}$  such that*

$$Z(K) = \zeta_0 V_0(K) + \dots + \zeta_n V_n(K)$$

for every  $K \in \mathcal{K}^n$ .

Hadwiger’s theorem leads to effortless proofs of numerous results in integral geometry and geometric probability (see [20] and [23]). It is the first culmination of a program initiated by Blaschke and the

starting point of the geometric theory of valuations, where classification theorems for valuations invariant under various groups are fundamental (see [40, Chapter 6]). Interesting new valuations keep arising (see, for example, [8, 21, 28]) and see [1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 18, 19, 26, 29, 32, 33, 36] for some recent classification results.

Currently, a geometric theory of valuations on function spaces is developed. A functional  $Z$  defined on a space of (extended) real-valued functions,  $X$ , is called a *valuation* if

$$Z(u) + Z(v) = Z(u \vee v) + Z(u \wedge v)$$

for all  $u, v \in X$  such that the pointwise maximum  $u \vee v$  and the pointwise minimum  $u \wedge v$  belong to  $X$ . When  $X$  is the space of indicator functions of convex bodies in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , we recover the classical notion of valuation on convex bodies. The first classification results were obtained for  $L_p$  and Sobolev spaces, for Lipschitz functions and for definable functions (see, for example, [5, 16, 26, 30, 31, 43]).

Spaces of convex functions play a special role because of their close connection to convex bodies. Here classification results were obtained for  $SL(n)$  invariant valuations in [12, 13, 34, 35], the connection to valuations on convex bodies was explored in [3] and first structural results were established in [14, 24, 25]. The general space of extended real-valued convex functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is defined as

$$\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n) := \{u: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}: u \text{ is convex and lower semicontinuous, } u \not\equiv +\infty\}.$$

It is equipped with the topology induced by epi-convergence (see Section 2.2) and the continuity of valuations defined on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (and its subsets) will always be with respect to this topology.

The aim of this paper is to establish the Hadwiger theorem on convex functions. A valuation  $Z$  defined on (a subset of) the space  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is said to be *epi-translation invariant* if  $Z(u \circ \tau^{-1} + \alpha) = Z(u)$  for every translation  $\tau$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . It is said to be *rotation invariant* if  $Z(u \circ \vartheta^{-1}) = Z(u)$  for every  $\vartheta \in SO(n)$ . We will identify a convex function with its epi-graph,

$$\text{epi}(u) := \{(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : t \geq u(x)\}.$$

Note that an epi-translation invariant valuation on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  corresponds to a translation invariant valuation on the set of epi-graphs in the sense of (1.1). We say that  $Z$  is *epi-homogeneous* of degree  $j$ , if the associated valuation on epi-graphs is homogeneous of degree  $j$ . It was shown in [14] that a continuous and epi-translation invariant valuation on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is always constant and the corresponding statement was proved on the space of coercive convex functions. Thus, we look at valuations on the smaller space of *super-coercive convex functions*,

$$\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) := \left\{ u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n) : \lim_{|x| \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{u(x)}{|x|} = +\infty \right\},$$

where  $|\cdot|$  is the Euclidean norm. For  $n = 1$ , a complete classification of continuous and epi-translation invariant valuations was obtained in [14]. So, let  $n \geq 2$ . For  $\zeta \in C_c([0, \infty))$  and  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ , it follows from results in [15] that a valuation, defined for  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (that is, with a positive definite Hessian matrix  $D^2u$ ) by

$$(1.2) \quad V_{j,\zeta}(u) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|) [D^2u(x)]_{n-j} dx,$$

can be extended to a continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation that is epi-homogeneous of degree  $j$  on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . The valuation defined in (1.2) is a *Hessian valuation*, and the extension of the integral (1.2) uses the notion of Hessian measures. These measures play an important role in the study of a class of fully non-linear elliptic PDEs, the so-called Hessian equations, and in this context were introduced by Trudinger and Wang [41, 42]. In the case of convex functions these measures have been studied, for example, in [11] (see Section 2.3).

As we will show, the functionals  $V_{j,\zeta}$  also extend to continuous valuations on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for functions  $\zeta \in C((0, \infty))$  with a certain type of singularity at the origin. We thus obtain *singular Hessian valuations*. Let  $C_b((0, \infty))$  be the set of continuous functions on  $(0, \infty)$  with bounded support. For  $1 \leq j \leq n-1$ , let

$$D_j^n := \left\{ \zeta \in C_b((0, \infty)) : \lim_{s \rightarrow 0^+} s^{n-j} \zeta(s) = 0, \lim_{s \rightarrow 0^+} \int_s^\infty t^{n-j-1} \zeta(t) dt \text{ exists and is finite} \right\}.$$

In addition, let  $D_n^n$  be the set of functions  $\zeta \in C_b((0, \infty))$  where  $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0^+} \zeta(s)$  exists and is finite and set  $\zeta(0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0^+} \zeta(s)$ . Let  $D_0^n$  be the set of functions  $\zeta \in C_b((0, \infty))$  where  $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0^+} \int_s^\infty t^{n-1} \zeta(t) dt$  exists and is finite. Note that  $V_{0,\zeta}$  is constant on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $\zeta \in D_0^n$  (see Section 2.3).

Our first main result establishes the existence of the extension of singular Hessian valuations for functions  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ .

**Theorem 1.2.** *For  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  and  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ , there exists a unique, continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation  $V_{j,\zeta} : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that*

$$V_{j,\zeta}(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|) [D^2 u(x)]_{n-j} dx$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

The proof of this result will use analytic tools, developed within the theory of Hessian equations (see Section 3.2 for details). Given a singular function  $\zeta$ , the integral (1.2) converges absolutely for sufficiently regular functions. For the general extension argument, Hessian valuations, which were introduced in [15], will be used, but singular functions are, in general, not integrable with respect to Hessian measures. For the extension, we will use the Moreau-Yosida approximation and the existence of a homogeneous decomposition for epi-translation invariant valuations that was established in [14].

Our second main result shows that the singular Hessian valuations that were introduced above span the space of continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuations on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Let  $n \geq 2$ .

**Theorem 1.3.** *A functional  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation if and only if there exist functions  $\zeta_0 \in D_0^n, \dots, \zeta_n \in D_n^n$  such that*

$$Z(u) = V_{0,\zeta_0}(u) + \dots + V_{n,\zeta_n}(u)$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

These theorems show that the singular Hessian valuations  $V_{j,\zeta}$  with  $\zeta \in D_j^n$  are functional versions of the intrinsic volumes  $V_j$  and that, from the point of view of geometric valuation theory, they are the canonical functional versions of intrinsic volumes.

The space of super-coercive convex functions is related to another subspace of  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , formed by convex functions with finite values,

$$\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) := \{v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n) : v(x) < +\infty \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}.$$

A function  $v$  belongs to  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  if and only if its standard conjugate or Legendre transform  $v^*$  belongs to  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (see Section 2.2). It was proved in [15] that  $Z$  is a continuous valuation on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  if and only if  $Z^* : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by

$$Z^*(u) := Z(u^*),$$

is a continuous valuation on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . This fact permits us to transfer results valid for valuations on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  to results for valuations on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and vice versa. A valuation  $Z$  on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  is

called *homogeneous* of degree  $j \in \mathbb{R}$  if  $Z(\lambda v) = \lambda^j Z(v)$  for all  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$ . It is *dually epi-translation invariant* if

$$Z(v + \ell + \alpha) = Z(v)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  and every linear function  $\ell: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . The valuation  $Z$  is dually epi-translation invariant and homogeneous of degree  $j$  on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  if and only if  $Z^*$  is epi-translation invariant and epi-homogeneous of degree  $j$  on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Using results on Hessian valuations for conjugate functions, we will obtain the following extension theorem from Theorem 1.2.

**Theorem 1.4.** *For  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  and  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ , the functional  $V_{j,\zeta}^*: \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation such that*

$$(1.3) \quad V_{j,\zeta}^*(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|)[D^2v(x)]_j \, dx$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Theorem 1.3 has the following dual version. Let  $n \geq 2$ .

**Theorem 1.5.** *A functional  $Z: \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation if and only if there exist functions  $\zeta_0 \in D_0^n, \dots, \zeta_n \in D_n^n$  such that*

$$Z(v) = V_{0,\zeta_0}^*(v) + \dots + V_{n,\zeta_n}^*(v)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ .

In the proof of Theorem 1.3 and Theorem 1.5, we will use both the primal setting of epi-translation invariant valuations on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and the dual setting of dually epi-translation invariant valuations on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ . We follow the original approach of Hadwiger [20]. We introduce rotational epi-symmetrization to establish a classification of valuations that are epi-homogeneous of degree 1 on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and induction on the dimension for the general case. The homogeneous decomposition of epi-translation invariant valuations established in [14] will be an important tool in the proof.

An alternate proof of Hadwiger's theorem is due to Klain [22]. We will discuss elements of Klain's proof and how to apply Theorem 1.3 and Theorem 1.5 in integral geometry in a subsequent paper.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

We work in  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , with  $n \geq 1$ , endowed with the Euclidean norm  $|\cdot|$  and the usual scalar product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . We write  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  for the canonical basis vectors of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and use coordinates,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with respect to this basis. We write  $\text{span}$  for linear span. Let  $B^n := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| \leq 1\}$  be the Euclidean unit ball and  $\mathbb{S}^{n-1}$  the unit sphere in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We denote by  $\kappa_n$  the  $n$ -dimensional volume of  $B^n$  and by  $\omega_n$  the  $(n-1)$ -dimensional Hausdorff measure of  $\mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ .

**2.1. Convex Sets.** A basic reference on convex sets is the book by Schneider [40]. Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a closed convex set that is non-empty and such that  $K \neq \mathbb{R}^n$ . Its *support function*  $h_K: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  is defined as

$$h_K(y) := \sup_{x \in K} \langle x, y \rangle.$$

It is a one-homogeneous and convex function that determines  $K$ . If  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a convex body with boundary of class  $C_+^2$  and  $y \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ , then the eigenvalues of its Hessian matrix,  $D^2h_K(y)$ , are the principal radii of curvature of  $K$  at  $y$ . Hence  $[D^2h_K(y)]_i$  is the  $i$ th elementary symmetric function of the principal radii of curvature of  $K$  at  $y$  (see [40, Section 2.5]).

**2.2. Convex Functions.** We collect some properties of convex functions. Basic references are the books by Rockafellar [38] and Rockafellar & Wets [39].

Let  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . For  $t \in (-\infty, +\infty]$ , its *sublevel sets*

$$\{u < t\} := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : u(x) < t\}, \quad \{u \leq t\} := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : u(x) \leq t\}$$

are convex. The latter is a closed convex set by the lower semicontinuity of  $u$  and so is its *domain*,

$$\text{dom}(u) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : u(x) < +\infty\}.$$

We equip  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and its subspaces with the topology associated to epi-convergence. Here a sequence  $u_k$  of functions from  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is *epi-convergent* to  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  if the following conditions hold for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

- (i) For every sequence  $x_k$  that converges to  $x$ , we have  $u(x) \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_k(x_k)$ .
- (ii) There exists a sequence  $x_k$  that converges to  $x$  such that  $u(x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_k(x_k)$ .

Note that a sequence  $v_k$  of functions from  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  epi-converges to  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  if and only if  $v_k$  converges pointwise to  $v$  and uniformly on compact sets. We will just say that  $v_k$  converges to  $v$  in this case. We also require the following fact. If  $u_k$  is a sequence of functions from  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  that epi-converges to  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $\nabla u_k$  converges uniformly to  $\nabla u$  on compact sets (see [38, Theorem 25.7]).

Given  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the *convex conjugate*  $u^* : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  is defined by

$$u^*(y) := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} (\langle y, x \rangle - u(x)).$$

As  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , also  $u^* \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $u^{**} = u$ . Moreover,  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  if and only if  $u^* \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Given a subset  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $\mathbf{I}_A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  denote the (convex) indicatrix function of  $A$ ,

$$\mathbf{I}_A(x) := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in A, \\ +\infty & \text{if } x \notin A. \end{cases}$$

Note that for a convex body  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have  $\mathbf{I}_K \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Let  $t \geq 0$ . We will often use the following pair of dual functions,

$$(2.1) \quad u_t(x) := t|x| + \mathbf{I}_{B^n}(x)$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad v_t(x) := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |x| \leq t, \\ |x| - t & \text{if } |x| > t. \end{cases}$$

Note that  $u_t \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $v_t \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  while  $u_t^* = v_t$ .

For  $u, v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , let

$$(u \square v)(x) := \inf_{x=y+z} (u(y) + v(z))$$

denote the *infimal convolution* of  $u$  and  $v$  at  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Note, that

$$\text{epi}(u \square v) = \text{epi } u + \text{epi } v,$$

where on the right we have the Minkowski sum of the sets  $\text{epi } u$  and  $\text{epi } v$ , and if  $u \square v > -\infty$  pointwise, then

$$(2.3) \quad (u \square v)^* = u^* + v^*.$$

We define the *epi-multiplication* of  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\lambda > 0$  by setting

$$\lambda \cdot u(x) := \lambda u\left(\frac{x}{\lambda}\right)$$

for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Note that the epi-graph of  $\lambda \cdot u$  is obtained by rescaling the epi-graph of  $u$  by the factor  $\lambda$ . It is easy to see that  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  implies  $\lambda \cdot u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $\lambda \geq 0$ . A functional  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called *epi-homogeneous* of degree  $j \in \mathbb{R}$  if

$$Z(\lambda \cdot u) = \lambda^j Z(u)$$

for all  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\lambda > 0$ . Here and in the following, corresponding definitions will be used for  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and its subspaces.

Let  $E$  and  $F$  be orthogonal and complementary subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\dim E, \dim F \geq 1$ . We can identify  $E$  with  $\mathbb{R}^k$  when  $k = \dim E$  and write  $\text{Conv}(E)$  for  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^k)$  in this case. We use corresponding definitions for subspaces of  $\text{Conv}(E)$ . For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we write  $x = (x_E, x_F)$  with  $x_E \in E$  and  $x_F \in F$ . If  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is such that  $\text{dom}(u) \subset E$ , then  $v = u^*$  does not depend on  $x_F$ . The restriction of  $v$  to  $E$ , which we denote by  $v_E \in \text{Conv}(E; \mathbb{R})$ , is equal to the Legendre transform (with respect to the ambient space  $E$ ) of the restriction of  $u$  to  $E$ , which we denote by  $u_E \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(E)$ . In this case, we will identify  $u$  with  $u_E$  and  $v$  with  $v_E$ . Hence, for  $u_E \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(E)$  and  $u_F \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(F)$ , we can use this identification and define  $u = u_E \square u_F \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  where we use the usual infimal convolution on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Setting  $v_E = u_E^*$  and  $v_F = u_F^*$  and using (2.3), we obtain that

$$(2.4) \quad (u_E \square u_F)^* = v_E^* + v_F^*.$$

For  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\lambda > 0$ , we define the *Moreau-Yosida envelope*,  $\text{env}_\lambda u$ , of  $u$  as

$$\text{env}_\lambda u := u \square \frac{|\cdot|^2}{2\lambda}.$$

If  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $\text{env}_\lambda u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and in particular,  $\text{dom}(\text{env}_\lambda u) = \mathbb{R}^n$  (see [39, Theorem 2.26]). If additionally,  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then so is  $\text{env}_\lambda u$  (see [39, Theorem 7.37]). If  $u_k \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $u_k$  epi-converges to  $u$ , then  $\text{env}_\lambda u_k$  epi-converges to  $\text{env}_\lambda u$ .

**2.3. Hessian Measures.** In this part we briefly recall the notion of Hessian measures of convex functions. For a more detailed presentation, the reader is referred to [11, 15].

We begin with recalling the definition of the subgradient of a function  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the subgradient of  $u$  at  $x$  is defined by

$$\partial u(x) := \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : u(z) \geq u(x) + \langle y, z - x \rangle \text{ for } z \in \mathbb{R}^n\}.$$

We set

$$\Gamma_u := \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n : y \in \partial u(x)\},$$

that is,  $\Gamma_u$  is the graph of the subgradient map.

The Hessian measures of  $u$ , that we denote by  $\Theta_j^n(u, \cdot)$  for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ , are non-negative measures defined on the Borel subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  that can be introduced in the following way. Given a Borel subset  $A$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $s \geq 0$ , we consider the set,

$$P_s(u, A) := \{x + sy : (x, y) \in \Gamma_u \cap A\}.$$

Its  $n$ -dimensional Hausdorff measure is a polynomial in  $s$ ; in other words, there exist  $(n+1)$  non-negative coefficients  $\Theta_0^n(u, A), \dots, \Theta_n^n(u, A)$ , such that

$$\mathcal{H}^n(P_s(u, A)) = \sum_{j=0}^n s^j \Theta_{n-j}^n(u, A)$$

for every Borel set  $A$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $s \geq 0$ . The previous relation defines the Hessian measures of  $u$ . They are locally finite Borel measures on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

We will frequently use marginals of Hessian measures. Given  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  and  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we set

$$\Phi_j^n(u, B) := \Theta_{n-j}^n(u, B \times \mathbb{R}^n) \quad \text{for every Borel subset } B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n,$$

and

$$\Psi_j^n(u, B) := \Theta_j^n(u, \mathbb{R}^n \times B) \quad \text{for every Borel subset } B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Note that

$$(2.5) \quad d\Phi_j^n(u, x) = [D^2u(x)]_j dx$$

for  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $B$  is a Borel set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then

$$(2.6) \quad \Phi_0^n(u, B) = \mathcal{H}^n(B)$$

and

$$\Phi_j^n(\lambda u, B) = \lambda^j \Phi_j^n(u, B)$$

for  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  and  $\lambda > 0$ .

Let  $u_k$  be a sequence in  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $u_k$  epi-converges to  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then the sequence of measures  $\Theta_j^n(u_k, \cdot)$  converges weakly to the measure  $\Theta_j^n(u, \cdot)$  (see [15, Theorem 7.3]). In particular, we obtain the following result, for  $\zeta \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n)$  with compact support in the second variable. If  $B$  is a bounded Borel set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\Theta_j^n(u, \partial B) = 0$ , then

$$(2.7) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B \times \mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(x, y) d\Theta_j^n(u_k, (x, y)) = \int_{B \times \mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(x, y) d\Theta_j^n(u, (x, y)).$$

The interplay of Hessian measures and convex conjugation is well understood. Let  $u \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ . It was shown in [15, Theorem 8.2] that

$$\Theta_j^n(u, A) = \Theta_{n-j}^n(u^*, \hat{A})$$

for every Borel subset  $A$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  where  $\hat{A} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n : (y, x) \in A\}$ . As an immediate consequence, we obtain

$$(2.8) \quad \int_B \zeta(y) d\Psi_j^n(u, y) = \int_B \zeta(x) d\Phi_j^n(u^*, x)$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and Borel subset  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , when  $\zeta : \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is such that one of the two integrals above and therefore both exist. In particular,

$$(2.9) \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(\nabla u(x)) [D^2u(x)]_{n-j} dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(x) [D^2u^*(x)]_j dx$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and such  $\zeta$ .

**2.4. Valuations on Convex Functions.** The following homogeneous decomposition result was established in [14, Theorem 1].

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and epi-translation invariant valuation, then there are continuous, epi-translation invariant valuations  $Z_i : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that are epi-homogeneous of degree  $i$  such that  $Z = Z_0 + \dots + Z_n$ .*

We say that a valuation  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is epi-additive if

$$Z(\alpha \cdot u \square \beta \cdot v) = \alpha Z(u) + \beta Z(v)$$

for every  $\alpha, \beta > 0$  and  $u, v \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . The following result is a consequence of Theorem 2.1.

**Lemma 2.2** ([14], Corollary 22). *If  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and epi-translation invariant valuation that is epi-homogeneous of degree 1, then  $Z$  is epi-additive.*

For  $\zeta \in D_0^n$  and  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the substitution  $y = \nabla u(x)$  shows that

$$V_{0,\zeta}(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|)[D^2u(x)]_n \, dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|y|) \, dy$$

does not depend on  $u$ . Hence its extension to  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is constant. We have the following more general result.

**Theorem 2.3** ([14], Theorem 25). *A functional  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and epi-translation invariant valuation that is epi-homogeneous of degree 0, if and only if  $Z$  is constant.*

For the other extremal degree, we have the following classification result.

**Theorem 2.4** ([14], Theorem 2). *A functional  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and epi-translation invariant valuation that is epi-homogeneous of degree  $n$ , if and only if there exists  $\zeta \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$  such that*

$$Z(u) = \int_{\text{dom}(u)} \zeta(\nabla u(x)) \, dx$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

As a simple consequence, we obtain the following result. Here, we say that  $Z$  is *reflection invariant* if  $Z(u) = Z(u^-)$ , where  $u^-(x) := u(-x)$  for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Corollary 2.5.** *For  $n \geq 2$ , a functional  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation that is epi-homogeneous of degree  $n$ , if and only if there exists  $\zeta \in C_c([0, \infty))$  such that*

$$Z(u) = \int_{\text{dom}(u)} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|) \, dx$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . For  $n = 1$ , the same representation holds if we replace rotation invariance by reflection invariance.

*Proof.* Let  $Z$  be given. By Theorem 2.4 there exists  $\xi \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$  such that

$$Z(u) = \int_{\text{dom}(u)} \xi(\nabla u(x)) \, dx$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Fix  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $u(x) = \mathbf{I}_{B^n}(x) + \langle y, x \rangle$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Note, that for  $\vartheta \in \text{SO}(n)$

$$u \circ \vartheta^{-1}(x) = \mathbf{I}_{B^n}(x) + \langle \vartheta^{-t}y, x \rangle.$$

Hence, using the  $\text{SO}(n)$  invariance of  $Z$ , we obtain

$$\kappa_n \xi(y) = Z(u) = Z(u \circ \vartheta^{-1}) = \kappa_n \xi(\vartheta^{-t}y)$$

for every  $\vartheta \in \text{SO}(n)$ . Since  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  was arbitrary, it follows that there exists  $\zeta \in C_c([0, \infty))$  such that  $\xi(y) = \zeta(|y|)$  for every  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . In case  $n = 1$ , we simply need to choose  $\vartheta(x) = -x$  in the last argument.  $\square$

Combining this corollary with Theorem 2.3 gives the following result.

**Corollary 2.6.** *A functional  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, epi-translation and reflection invariant valuation, if and only if there exist  $\zeta_0 \in D_0^1$  and  $\zeta_1 \in D_1^1$  such that*

$$Z(u) = V_{0,\zeta_0}(u) + V_{1,\zeta_1}(u)$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .



We remark that this implies that Theorem 1.5 is also true in the one-dimensional case if we use the additional assumption of reflection invariance.

All of the previous results have dual versions. The following result is Theorem 4 from [14].

**Theorem 2.7.** *If  $Z : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and dually epi-translation invariant valuation, then there are continuous and dually epi-translation invariant valuations  $Z_i : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that are homogeneous of degree  $i$  such that  $Z = Z_0 + \cdots + Z_n$ .*

**Theorem 2.8** ([14], Theorem 25). *A functional  $Z : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and dually epi-translation invariant valuation that is homogeneous of degree 0, if and only if  $Z$  is constant.*

**Theorem 2.9** ([14], Theorem 5). *A functional  $Z : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and dually epi-translation invariant valuation that is homogeneous of degree  $n$ , if and only if there exists  $\zeta \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$  such that*

$$Z(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(x) d\Phi_n^n(v, x)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ .

**Corollary 2.10.** *For  $n \geq 2$ , a functional  $Z : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation that is homogeneous of degree  $n$ , if and only if there is  $\zeta \in C_c([0, \infty))$  such that*

$$Z(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_n^n(v, x)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . For  $n = 1$ , the same representation holds if we replace rotation invariance by reflection invariance.

The dual to Corollary 2.6 can be written in the following way. The integrals are well-defined by the definition of  $D_0^1$  together with (2.6), as well as, Theorem 2.9.

**Corollary 2.11.** *If  $Z : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and reflection invariant valuation, then there exist  $\zeta_0 \in D_0^1$  and  $\zeta_1 \in D_1^1$  such that*

$$Z(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \zeta_0(|x|) d\Phi_0^1(v, x) + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \zeta_1(|x|) d\Phi_1^1(v, x)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R})$ .

The following was shown in [14, Theorem 17].

**Lemma 2.12.** *Let  $\zeta \in C(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n)$  have compact support with respect to the second variable. For  $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ ,*

$$Z(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(v(x), x, y) d\Theta_j^n(v, (x, y))$$

is well-defined for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  and defines a continuous valuation on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ .

We conclude this part with a result which will be repeatedly used throughout this paper. It is a direct consequence of (2.8) and Lemma 2.12.

**Lemma 2.13.** *For  $\zeta \in C_c([0, \infty))$  and  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ , the functional  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by*

$$Z(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|y|) d\Psi_j^n(u, y),$$

is a continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation that is epi-homogeneous of degree  $j$ .

**2.5. The Abel transform.** For  $\zeta \in C_b((0, \infty))$ , define its *Abel transform* for  $t > 0$  as

$$\mathcal{A}\zeta(t) := \int_t^\infty \frac{s\zeta(s) ds}{\sqrt{s^2 - t^2}} = \int_{-\infty}^\infty \zeta(s^2 + t^2) ds.$$

If  $\xi \in C_b^1((0, \infty))$ , then the inverse transform is given by

$$\mathcal{A}^{-1}\xi(s) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_s^\infty \frac{\xi'(t) dt}{\sqrt{t^2 - s^2}}.$$

In particular,  $\mathcal{A}\zeta \equiv 0$  implies that  $\zeta \equiv 0$ . More generally, we have the following fact.

**Lemma 2.14.** *Let  $\zeta \in C_b((0, \infty))$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . If*

$$(2.10) \quad \int_0^\infty \zeta(\sqrt{r^2 + t^2}) r^k dr = 0$$

for every  $t > 0$ , then  $\zeta \equiv 0$ .

*Proof.* First, assume that  $k = 2j + 1$  with  $j \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Then (2.10) can be written in the form

$$(2.11) \quad \int_{\bar{t}}^\infty \bar{\zeta}(s)(s - \bar{t})^j ds = 0 \quad \text{for all } \bar{t} > 0,$$

where

$$\bar{\zeta}(s) := \zeta(\sqrt{s}) \quad \text{for } s > 0 \text{ and } \bar{t} = t^2.$$

Taking  $(j + 1)$  derivatives in (2.11) leads to  $\bar{\zeta} \equiv 0$ .

Next, assume that  $k = 2j$  with  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then (2.10) can be reduced to

$$\int_t^\infty \zeta(s)(s^2 - t^2)^{j-\frac{1}{2}} s ds = 0 \quad \text{for all } t > 0.$$

Taking  $j$  derivatives we obtain that

$$\int_t^\infty \frac{s\zeta(s) ds}{\sqrt{s^2 - t^2}} = 0 \quad \text{for all } t > 0$$

(which is also (2.10) for  $k = 0$ ). This last condition means that the Abel transform of  $\zeta$  is identically zero, and then the same holds for  $\zeta$ .  $\square$

**2.6. The Classes  $D_j^n$ .** Let  $j \in \{1, \dots, n - 1\}$  and let  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ . We will associate with  $\zeta$  two functions  $\eta, \rho \in C_c([0, \infty))$  where

$$(2.12) \quad \eta(t) = \int_t^\infty s^{n-j-1} \zeta(s) ds$$

and

$$(2.13) \quad \rho(t) = t^{n-j} \zeta(t) + (n - j) \eta(t)$$

for every  $t > 0$ . Observe that it follows from the definition of  $D_j^n$  that  $\eta(0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \eta(t)$  exists and is finite and that  $\rho(0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \rho(t) = (n - j) \eta(0)$ .

The following result gives a geometric interpretation to the function  $\rho$  using the function  $u_t$  and  $v_t$  defined in (2.1) and (2.2).

**Lemma 2.15.** *Let  $j \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$  and  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ . For every  $t \geq 0$ ,*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|y|) d\Psi_j^n(u_t, y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v_t, x) = \kappa_n \binom{n}{j} \rho(t).$$

*Proof.* Recall that  $v_t = (u_t)^*$ . Hence, the first equality follows from (2.8). For  $t > 0$ , all Hessian measures of  $v_t$ , with the exception of the measure  $\Theta_n^n(v_t, \cdot)$ , vanish in the set  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| < t\} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ . In particular, we have  $\Theta_j^n(v_t, B) = 0$  for every Borel subset  $B$  of  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| < t\} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ . Moreover, the function  $v_t$  is of class  $C^2$  in the set  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| > t\}$  and the Hessian matrix of  $v_t$  at a point  $x$  in this set has  $(n-1)$  eigenvalues equal to  $1/|x|$  and the last eigenvalue equal to zero. Hence

$$[D^2 v_t(x)]_j = \binom{n-1}{j} \frac{1}{|x|^j}$$

for  $|x| > t$ . The set  $t\mathbb{S}^{n-1}$  is the set of singular points for  $v_t$ . For  $x \in t\mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ , we have

$$\partial v_t(x) = \left\{ r \frac{x}{|x|} : r \in [0, 1] \right\}.$$

Consequently,  $P_s(v_t, t\mathbb{S}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{R}^n) = \{(t+r)x : x \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}, r \in [0, s]\}$  for  $s \geq 0$ . Thus,

$$\mathcal{H}^n(P_s(v_t, t\mathbb{S}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{R}^n)) = \kappa_n ((t+s)^n - t^n)$$

and therefore

$$\Phi_j^n(v_t, t\mathbb{S}^{n-1}) = \Theta_{n-j}^n(v_t, t\mathbb{S}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{R}^n) = \kappa_n \binom{n}{j} t^{n-j}.$$

Summing up we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v_t, x) &= \kappa_n \binom{n}{j} t^{n-j} \zeta(t) + \binom{n-1}{j} \int_{\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| > t\}} \zeta(|x|) \frac{1}{|x|^j} dx \\ &= \kappa_n \binom{n}{j} t^{n-j} \zeta(t) + n\kappa_n \binom{n-1}{j} \int_t^{+\infty} s^{n-j-1} \zeta(s) ds, \end{aligned}$$

which implies the result for  $t > 0$ . Note that the set of singular points of  $v_0$  is  $\{0\}$  and that  $\partial v_0(0) = B^n$ . Hence  $\Theta_{n-j}^n(v_0, \{0\} \times B^n) = 0$  which implies that the result holds for  $t = 0$ .  $\square$

### 3. SINGULAR HESSIAN VALUATIONS

This section is devoted to the proof of Theorem 1.2 and Theorem 1.4. We start with functions in  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and show that on this class of functions, the valuations from (1.3) are well-defined and finite for  $\zeta \in D_j^n$  with  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ . The dual result shows that (1.2) is well-defined and finite for such  $\zeta$  on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2$ . The next step is an extension to functions in  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . For this, we collect results related to the theory of Hessian equations and establish uniform estimates for regular functions. In the last step of the proof, we use Moreau-Yosida envelopes and the polynomiality of epi-translation invariant valuations, which was proved in [14], to extend the valuations to general functions in  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . In the last part, we apply Theorem 1.2 to establish a representation formula for  $V_{j,\zeta}$  on a certain class of functions.

**3.1. The Smooth Case.** Let  $\text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  denote the set of functions  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  that are of class  $C^2$  in a neighborhood of the origin.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ . If  $v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ , then*

$$(3.1) \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\zeta(|x|)| \, d\Phi_j^n(v, x)$$

*is well-defined and finite.*

*Proof.* Let  $\delta > 0$  be such that  $v$  is of class  $C^2$  on  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| < \delta\}$ . We write rewrite (3.1) as

$$\int_{\{x: |x| < \delta/2\}} |\zeta(|x|)| \, d\Phi_j^n(v, x) + \int_{\{x: |x| \geq \delta/2\}} |\zeta(|x|)| \, d\Phi_j^n(v, x).$$

The second term is bounded, as  $\zeta \in C_b((0, \infty))$  and  $\Phi_j^n(v, \cdot)$  is locally finite. Concerning the first term, let  $\gamma > 0$  be such that  $[D^2v(x)]_j \leq \gamma$  for every  $x$  such that  $|x| \leq \delta/2$ . Using (2.5), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\{x: |x| < \delta/2\}} |\zeta(|x|)| \, d\Phi_j^n(v, x) &= \int_{\{x: |x| < \delta/2\}} |\zeta(|x|)| [D^2v(x)]_j \, dx \\ &\leq \gamma \int_{\{x: |x| < \delta/2\}} |\zeta(|x|)| \, dx \\ &= \omega_n \gamma \int_0^{\delta/2} r^{n-1} |\zeta(r)| \, dr. \end{aligned}$$

As  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ , the function  $r^{n-1} |\zeta(r)|$  can be extended to  $r = 0$  as a continuous function. Hence the last integral is finite.  $\square$

We remark that as a consequence of this Lemma, we obtain that (1.3) in Theorem 1.4 holds for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \cap C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . A special case of the dual result of Lemma 3.1 is the content of the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ . If  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|) [D^2u(x)]_{n-j} \, dx$$

*is well-defined and finite.*

*Proof.* Note that  $u^* \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  for  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Hence, the statement follows from Lemma 3.1 combined with (2.9).  $\square$

**3.2. Preparatory Results for Theorem 1.2.** We introduce the following class of functions,

$$\text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n) := \{u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) : u \text{ is regular, } 0 = u(0) < u(x) \text{ for every } x \neq 0\},$$

where  $u$  is *regular* if  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and the boundary of its sublevel sets  $\{u \leq t\}$  is of class  $C^2$  with positive Gaussian curvature for every  $t > 0$ .

Let  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Note that  $\nabla u(x) \neq 0$  for every  $x \neq 0$  and that, for  $t > 0$ , the sublevel set  $\{u \leq t\}$  is a convex body with non-empty interior and

$$\partial\{u \leq t\} = \{u = t\}.$$

Given  $x \neq 0$  and  $j \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ , we denote by  $\tau_j(u, x)$  the  $j$ th elementary symmetric function of the principal curvatures at  $x$  of  $\{u \leq t\}$  for  $t = u(x)$ . For every  $t \geq 0$ , we denote by  $h(u, \cdot, t) : \mathbb{S}^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , the support function of  $\{u \leq t\}$ . If  $t > 0$ , the regularity properties of the sublevel set  $\{u \leq t\}$  imply that  $h(u, \cdot, t) \in C^2(\mathbb{S}^{n-1})$ . For  $y \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ , let  $\sigma_j(u, y, t)$  denote the  $j$ th elementary symmetric function of the

principal radii of curvature of  $\{u = t\}$  at  $\nu_t^{-1}(y)$ , where  $\nu_t: \{u = t\} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$  denotes the Gauss map of  $\{u \leq t\}$  and  $\nu_t^{-1}: \mathbb{S}^{n-1} \rightarrow \{u = t\}$  its inverse.

**3.2.1. Hessian Operators and Reilly-Type Lemmas.** Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  be a symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix and  $k \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ . We denote by  $[A]_k$  the  $k$ th elementary symmetric function of the eigenvalues of  $A$ , that is,

$$[A]_k := \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n} \lambda_{i_1} \cdots \lambda_{i_k}$$

(with the usual convention  $[A]_0 \equiv 1$ ), where  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the eigenvalues of  $A$ . For  $l, m \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , we set

$$(3.2) \quad [A]_k^{lm} := \frac{\partial [A]_k}{\partial a_{lm}}.$$

The  $n \times n$  matrix formed by the entries  $[A]_k^{lm}$  is called the *cofactor matrix* of order  $k$  of the matrix  $A$ . When  $k = n$ , this is the usual cofactor matrix. From the homogeneity of the map  $A \mapsto [A]_k$ , we deduce

$$(3.3) \quad [A]_k^{lm} a_{lm} = k [A]_k$$

(here and throughout this section, we adopt the convention of summation over repeated indices). For a  $n \times j$  matrix  $(b^{lm})$  with elements of class  $C^1$ , we define

$$\operatorname{div}_m((b^{lm}))$$

as the divergence of the vector field whose components are the elements of the  $l$ th column of the matrix  $(b^{lm})$ .

Let  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . For  $k \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ , the  $k$ th *Hessian operator* applied to  $u$  and evaluated at a point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is defined as

$$[D^2u(x)]_k.$$

The following result is due to Reilly [37, Proposition 2.1].

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $k \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$  and  $l \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Then*

$$\operatorname{div}_m([D^2u(x)]_k^{lm}) = 0$$

for every  $u \in C^3(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

We will also need a corresponding result for functions defined on the unit sphere. Let  $h \in C^2(\mathbb{S}^{n-1})$ . Given  $x \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ , for  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$  we denote by  $h_i$  and  $h_{ij}$  the first and second covariant derivatives of  $h$  with respect to a local orthonormal frame defined in a neighborhood of  $x$ . Let  $\delta_{ij}$  be the usual Kronecker symbols. The following result was proved in [10] in the case  $m = n-1$ , and then extended to the general case in [17, Lemma 3.1].

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $k \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$  and  $l \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ . Then*

$$\operatorname{div}_m([h(x)_{lm} + h(x)\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm}) = \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} ([h(x)_{lm} + h(x)\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm})_m = 0$$

for every  $h \in C^3(\mathbb{S}^{n-1})$  and  $x \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ , where  $([h(x)_{lm} + h(x)\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm})_m$  denotes the derivative of  $[h(x)_{lm} + h(x)\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm}$  with respect to the  $m$ th variable of a local orthonormal frame defined in a neighborhood of  $x$ .

As a consequence, we obtain the following facts.

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $k \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ . If  $f, g, h \in C^2(\mathbb{S}^{n-1})$ , then*

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} f [h_{lm} + h\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm} g_{lm} d\mathcal{H}^{n-1} = - \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} [h_{lm} + h\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm} f_l g_m d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}.$$

*Proof.* When  $h \in C^3(\mathbb{S}^{n-1})$ , the statement follows from the divergence theorem on the sphere and Lemma 3.4:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} (f [h_{lm} + h\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm} g_l)_m d\mathcal{H}^{n-1} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} f [h_{lm} + h\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm} g_{lm} d\mathcal{H}^{n-1} + \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} [h_{lm} + h\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm} f_l g_m d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The general case is obtained by approximation. □

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $k \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ . If  $f, g, h \in C^2(\mathbb{S}^{n-1})$ , then*

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} f [h_{lm} + h\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm} (g_{lm} + g\delta_{lm}) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1} = \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} g [h_{lm} + h\delta_{lm}]_k^{lm} (f_{lm} + f\delta_{lm}) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}.$$

**3.2.2. Geometric Statements.** The following result is Proposition 2.4 from [27].

**Lemma 3.7.** *For  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  the function  $h(u, \cdot, \cdot)$  is of class  $C^2(\mathbb{S}^{n-1} \times (0, \infty))$  and, for every  $(y, t) \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1} \times (0, \infty)$ ,*

$$\frac{1}{|\nabla u(\nu_t^{-1}(y))|} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t).$$

The next result follows from formulas (4.9), (5.55) and (5.56) in [40].

**Lemma 3.8.** *Let  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $t > 0$ . For  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,*

$$\int_{\{u=t\}} \tau_{n-i-1}(u, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x) = \alpha V_i(\{u \leq t\}),$$

and

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} h(u, y, t) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) = \alpha V_i(\{u \leq t\}),$$

where  $\alpha$  is a positive constant depending only on  $n$  and  $i$ .

**Lemma 3.9.** *Let  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $0 < t_1 < t_2$ . For  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,*

$$\int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \tau_{n-i}(u, x) dx = \alpha (V_i(\{u \leq t_2\}) - V_i(\{u \leq t_1\})),$$

where  $\alpha$  is a positive constant depending only on  $n$  and  $i$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $\nabla u(x) \neq 0$  for every  $x \in \{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}$ . By the coarea formula we have

$$\int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \tau_{n-i}(u, x) dx = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\{u=t\}} \frac{1}{|\nabla u(x)|} \tau_{n-i}(u, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x) dt.$$

Using the change of variable  $y = \nu_t(x)$  in the inner integral and Lemma 3.7, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\{u=t\}} \frac{1}{|\nabla u(x)|} \tau_{n-i}(u, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \frac{1}{|\nabla u(\nu_t^{-1}(y))|} \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Next, we prove that

$$(3.4) \quad \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} h(u, t, y) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) = i \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y).$$

We have

$$(3.5) \quad \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) = [h(u, y, t)_{lm} + h(u, y, t)\delta_{lm}]_{i-1}$$

(see, for example, [40, Section 2.5]). We start from the formula,

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} h(u, y, t) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) &= \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) \\ &+ \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} h(u, y, t) \frac{\partial \sigma_{i-1}}{\partial t}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y). \end{aligned}$$

By (3.5), (3.2), Corollary 3.6, and (3.5),

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} h(u, y, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} h(u, y, t) [h(u, y, t)_{lm} + h(u, y, t)\delta_{lm}]_{i-1}^{lm} \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t) \right)_{lm} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t) \delta_{lm} \right) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t) [h(u, y, t)_{lm} + h(u, y, t)\delta_{lm}]_{i-1}^{lm} (h(u, y, t)_{lm} + h(u, y, t)\delta_{lm}) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) \\ &= (i-1) \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t) [h(u, y, t)_{lm} + h(u, y, t)\delta_{lm}]_{i-1} d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) \\ &= (i-1) \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y). \end{aligned}$$

The last chain of equations and (3.6) imply (3.4). Hence, by the latter relation,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \tau_{n-i}(u, x) dx \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h(u, y, t) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{i} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} h(u, t, y) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{i} \left( \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} h(u, y, t_2) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t_2) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) - \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} h(u, y, t_1) \sigma_{i-1}(u, y, t_1) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(y) \right) \\ &= \alpha (V_i(\{u \leq t_2\}) - V_i(\{u \leq t_1\})), \end{aligned}$$

where we have used Lemma 3.8 in the last equation.  $\square$

**3.2.3. Integration by Parts.** We start with a lemma which can be found in [9] (see formula (11)). We write  $u_k$  for the partial derivative of  $u$  with respect to  $x_k$ .

**Lemma 3.10** ([9]). *Let  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then*

$$[D^2 u(x)]_{n-i} = |\nabla u(x)|^{n-i} \tau_{n-i}(u, x) + \frac{[D^2 u(x)]_{n-i}^{lm} u_k(x) u_l(x) u_{km}(x)}{|\nabla u(x)|^2}$$

for every  $x \neq 0$ .

We will also need the following lemma for which we refer, for instance, to [37].

**Lemma 3.11.** *Let  $i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$  and  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then*

$$[D^2u(x)]_{n-i}^{lm} u_l(x) u_m(x) = |\nabla u(x)|^{n-i+1} \tau_{n-i-1}(u, x)$$

for every  $x \neq 0$ .

**Proposition 3.12.** *Let  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $\gamma : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable, then*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div}_m (\gamma(|\nabla u(x)|) [D^2u(x)]_{n-i}^{lm} u_l(x)) &= [D^2u(x)]_{n-i} \left( (n-i) \gamma(|\nabla u(x)|) + \gamma'(|\nabla u(x)|) |\nabla u(x)| \right) \\ &\quad - \gamma'(|\nabla u(x)|) |\nabla u(x)|^{n-i+1} \tau_{n-i}(u, x) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $x \neq 0$ .

*Proof.* We have

$$\text{div}_m (\gamma(|\nabla u|) [D^2u]_{n-i}^{lm} u_l) = \gamma(|\nabla u|) \text{div}_m ([D^2u]_{n-i}^{lm} u_l) + \frac{\gamma'(|\nabla u|)}{|\nabla u|} [D^2u]_{n-i}^{lm} u_k u_m u_{km}.$$

Note that, by Lemma 3.3 and (3.3),

$$\text{div}_m ([D^2u]_{n-i}^{lm} u_l) = [D^2u]_{n-i}^{lm} u_{lm} = (n-i) [D^2u]_{n-i}.$$

The conclusion follows immediately from Lemma 3.10.  $\square$

Recall that given  $\zeta \in D_i^n$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ , we associate two functions  $\eta, \rho \in C_c([0, \infty))$  with  $\zeta$ , defined by

$$\eta(t) = \int_t^\infty s^{n-i-1} \zeta(s) ds, \quad \rho(t) = t^{n-i} \zeta(t) + (n-i) \eta(t)$$

for  $t \in [0, \infty)$ .

The main result of this part is the following proposition.

**Proposition 3.13.** *Let  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$  and  $\zeta \in D_i^n$ . For every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $t_1, t_2$  with  $0 < t_1 < t_2$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|) [D^2u(x)]_{n-i} dx &= \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \rho(|\nabla u(x)|) \tau_{n-i}(u, x) dx \\ &\quad - \int_{\{u=t_2\}} \eta(|\nabla u(x)|) \tau_{n-i-1}(u, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x) \\ &\quad + \int_{\{u=t_1\}} \eta(|\nabla u(x)|) \tau_{n-i-1}(u, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* For  $r > 0$ , we set

$$\gamma(r) := -\frac{1}{r^{n-i}} \int_r^\infty s^{n-i-1} \zeta(s) ds.$$

Then

$$\gamma'(r) = \frac{n-i}{r^{n-i+1}} \int_r^\infty s^{n-i-1} \zeta(s) ds + \frac{\zeta(r)}{r}$$

and

$$(n-i) \gamma(r) + r \gamma'(r) = \zeta(r)$$

for every  $r > 0$ . Moreover,

$$r^{n-i+1} \gamma'(r) = (n-i) \eta(r) + r^{n-i} \zeta(r) = \rho(r)$$



for every  $r > 0$ . By the previous relations, Proposition 3.12 and the divergence theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|\nabla u|) [D^2 u]_{n-i} \, dx &= \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} ((n-i)\gamma(|\nabla u|) + |\nabla u| \gamma'(|\nabla u|)) [D^2 u]_{n-i} \, dx \\
&= \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} |\nabla u|^{n-i+1} \gamma'(|\nabla u|) \tau_{n-i} \, dx \\
&\quad + \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \operatorname{div}_m (\gamma(|\nabla u|) [D^2 u]_{n-i}^{lm} u_l) \, dx \\
&= \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \rho(|\nabla u|) \tau_{n-i} \, dx + \int_{\{u=t_2\}} \frac{\gamma(|\nabla u|)}{|\nabla u|} [D^2 u]_{n-i}^{lm} u_l u_m \, d\mathcal{H}^{n-1} \\
&\quad - \int_{\{u=t_1\}} \frac{\gamma(|\nabla u|)}{|\nabla u|} [D^2 u]_{n-i}^{lm} u_l u_m \, d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

In the last equation we have used the fact that the outer unit normal to the set  $\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}$  at a point  $x \in \{u = t_2\}$  is given by

$$\frac{\nabla u(x)}{|\nabla u(x)|},$$

while at a point  $x \in \{u = t_1\}$  it is given by

$$-\frac{\nabla u(x)}{|\nabla u(x)|}.$$

The conclusion follows from Lemma 3.11.  $\square$

**3.2.4. An Estimate.** Given a real-valued function  $u$  defined in a subset  $V$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the Lipschitz constant of  $u$  in  $U \subset V$  is defined as

$$\operatorname{Lip}_U(u) := \sup \left\{ \frac{|u(x) - u(y)|}{|x - y|} : x, y \in U, x \neq y \right\}.$$

For  $u \in \operatorname{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $t > 0$ , we set

$$\operatorname{Lip}(u, t) := \operatorname{Lip}_{\{u \leq t\}}(u)$$

and note that for  $u \in \operatorname{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

$$(3.7) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \operatorname{Lip}(u, t) = 0$$

if  $0 = u(0) \leq u(x)$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Lemma 3.14.** *Let  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$  and  $\zeta \in D_i^n$ . If  $u \in \operatorname{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then*

$$\left| \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|) [D^2 u(x)]_{n-i} \, dx \right| \leq \alpha V_i(\{u \leq t_2\}) \left( \max_{[0, \operatorname{Lip}(u, t_2)]} |\rho| + \max_{[0, \operatorname{Lip}(u, t_2)]} |\eta| \right)$$

for every  $0 < t_1 < t_2$  where  $\alpha$  is a positive constant depending only on  $n$  and  $i$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.9 (and the monotonicity of intrinsic volumes)

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \rho(|\nabla u(x)|) \tau_{n-i}(u, x) \, dx \right| &\leq \alpha (V_i(\{u \leq t_2\}) - V_i(\{u \leq t_1\})) \max_{[0, \operatorname{Lip}(u, t_2)]} |\rho| \\
&\leq \alpha V_i(\{u \leq t_2\}) \max_{[0, \operatorname{Lip}(u, t_2)]} |\rho|,
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha > 0$  only depends on  $n$  and  $i$ . Similarly, by Lemma 3.8

$$\left| \int_{\{u=t_j\}} \eta(|\nabla u(x)|) \tau_{n-i-1}(u, x) \, d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x) \right| \leq \alpha V_i(\{u \leq t_2\}) \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(u, t_2)]} |\eta|$$

for  $j \in \{1, 2\}$ . The conclusion now follows from Proposition 3.13.  $\square$

**3.3. Proof of Theorem 1.2.** Throughout this section, fix  $j \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$  and  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ . We will associate the two functions  $\rho, \eta \in C_c([0, \infty))$  defined in (2.12) and (2.13) with  $\zeta$ .

First, we prove that we may reduce to the case

$$\eta(0) = \rho(0) = 0.$$

Indeed, let

$$\eta_0 := \lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \eta(r),$$

and choose  $\zeta_0 \in C_c([0, \infty))$  such that

$$\int_0^\infty s^{n-j-1} \zeta_0(s) \, ds = \eta_0.$$

Then  $\bar{\zeta}: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by

$$\bar{\zeta}(r) := \zeta(r) - \zeta_0(r),$$

belongs to  $D_j^n$ . The function  $\bar{\eta}$ , defined by

$$\bar{\eta}(r) := \int_r^\infty s^{n-j-1} \bar{\zeta}(s) \, ds,$$

verifies  $\bar{\eta}(0) = 0$ . Moreover, as  $\zeta_0 \in C_c([0, \infty))$ , the functional  $Z_{\zeta_0}: \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , given by

$$Z_{\zeta_0}(u) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n} \zeta_0(|y|) \, d\Theta_j^n(u, y),$$

defines, by Lemma 2.13, a continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . We have then proved that  $\zeta$  can be written as

$$\zeta = \bar{\zeta} + \zeta_0,$$

where  $\zeta_0$  gives rise to a continuous valuation on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , while  $\bar{\zeta} \in D_j^n$ , and the function  $\bar{\eta}$  associated to  $\bar{\zeta}$  verifies  $\bar{\eta}(0) = 0$ . Finally, note that it follows from the relation

$$\bar{\rho}(r) = (n-j)\bar{\eta}(r) + r^{n-j}\bar{\zeta}(r),$$

that  $\bar{\rho}(0) = 0$ .

In the following, let

$$\text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n) := \{u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) : u(0) = 0 \leq u(x) \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

and

$$T_j(u) := \{t > 0 : \Theta_j^n(u, \{u = t\} \times \mathbb{R}^n) = 0\}.$$

Since  $\Theta_j^n(u, \cdot)$  is a locally finite measure, the complement of  $T_j(u)$  in  $(0, \infty)$  has at most countably many points.

**Lemma 3.15.** *Let  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then there exists a sequence  $u_k$  of functions from  $\text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  such that  $u_k$  epi-converges to  $u$  and*

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\{t_1 < u_k \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx = \int_{\{(x,y): t_1 < u(x) \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u, (x, y))$$

for all  $0 < t_1 < t_2$  with  $t_1, t_2 \in T_j(u)$ .

*Proof.* The proof is divided into several steps.

(i) There exists a sequence  $u_k$  of functions from  $\text{Conv}_{\text{rg}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  that epi-converges to  $u$ . Indeed, by a standard mollification procedure, we first find a sequence of convex functions  $\bar{u}_k$  of class  $C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  such that  $0 = \bar{u}_k(0) \leq \bar{u}_k(x)$  for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\bar{u}_k$  converges to  $u$  on compact sets (in particular,  $\bar{u}_k$  epi-converges to  $u$ ). Then we define, for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$u_k(x) := \bar{u}_k(x) + \frac{1}{k}|x|^2.$$

Then clearly  $u_k \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and  $u_k$  epi-converges to  $u$ . Moreover,  $D^2 u_k(x) > 0$  for every  $x \neq 0$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , and this implies that the boundary of  $\{u_k \leq t\}$  is of class  $C^2$  with positive curvature for every  $t > 0$ . Moreover, as  $u \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the sequence  $\nabla u_k$  converges to  $\nabla u$  uniformly on compact sets.

(ii) For  $t_1, t_2 \in T_j(u)$  such that  $0 < t_1 < t_2$ ,

$$(3.8) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\{(x,y): t_1 < u_k(x) \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u_k, (x, y)) = \int_{\{(x,y): t_1 < u(x) \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u, (x, y)).$$

For  $\bar{t} > 0$  fixed, there exists  $\alpha > 0$  such that

$$|\nabla u(x)| \geq 2\alpha \quad \text{for every } x \text{ such that } u(x) > \bar{t}.$$

Since the sequence  $u_k$  converges to  $u$  in the  $C^1$ -norm on compact sets, we may assume that

$$|\nabla u_k(x)| \geq \alpha \quad \text{for every } x \text{ such that } u_k(x) > \bar{t}$$

for  $k$  sufficiently large (independent of  $x$ ). Let  $\bar{\zeta}$  be a continuous function in  $[0, \infty)$ , which coincides with  $\zeta$  in  $[\alpha, \infty)$  and hence has compact support. We have

$$\int_{\{(x,y): t_1 < u(x) \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u_k, (x, y)) = \int_{\{(x,y): t_1 < u(x) \leq t_2\}} \bar{\zeta}(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u_k, (x, y)),$$

for every  $\bar{t} < t_1 < t_2$  and for every  $k$  sufficiently large, and the corresponding statement holds for  $u_k$  replaced by  $u$ . As  $u_k$  epi-converges to  $u$  and as  $t_1, t_2 \in T_j(u)$ , it follows from (2.7) that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\} \times \mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u_k, (x, y)) = \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\} \times \mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u, (x, y)).$$

This proves that (3.8) holds for all  $t_1, t_2 \in T_j(u)$  such that  $t_2 > t_1$  and  $t_1, t_2 > \bar{t}$ . As  $\bar{t} > 0$  was arbitrary, the claim is proved.

(iii) For every  $t > 0$ ,

$$(3.9) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_{\{u_k \geq t\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx - \int_{\{u_k \geq t\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx \right| = 0.$$

We first note that in the previous relation we may replace  $\zeta$  by  $\bar{\zeta}$  (where  $\bar{\zeta}$  is chosen as in the previous step). Let  $\bar{\zeta}_+$  and  $\bar{\zeta}_-$  denote the positive and negative parts of  $\bar{\zeta}$ ; these are continuous functions in  $[0, \infty)$ , with compact support. As  $\bar{\zeta} = \bar{\zeta}_+ - \bar{\zeta}_-$ , it is enough to prove (3.9) for  $\bar{\zeta}_+$  and  $\bar{\zeta}_-$  separately. In

other words, we may reduce to prove (3.9) under the assumptions that  $\zeta$  is non-negative and belongs to  $C_c([0, \infty))$ .

For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , let

$$t_{k,1} = \max\{r > 0: \{u_k \leq r\} \subset \{u \leq t\}\},$$

and

$$t_{k,2} = \min\{r > 0: \{u_k \leq r\} \supset \{u \leq t\}\}.$$

Equivalently,  $\{u_k \leq t_{k,1}\}$  is the largest sublevel set of  $u_k$  contained in  $\{u \leq t\}$ , while  $\{u_k \leq t_{k,2}\}$  is the smallest sublevel set of  $u_k$  containing  $\{u \leq t\}$ . Clearly

$$\{u_k \leq t_{k,1}\} \subset \{u \leq t\} \subset \{u_k \leq t_{k,2}\}$$

for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Moreover, by uniform convergence we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \{u_k \leq t_{k,1}\} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \{u_k \leq t_{k,2}\} = \{u \leq t\}$$

(here convergence is in the Hausdorff metric). As  $\zeta$  is non-negative,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{u_k \leq t_{k,2}\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{u \leq t\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx \\ &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{u_k \leq t_{k,1}\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the difference

$$\alpha_k := \int_{\{u \geq t\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx - \int_{\{u_k \geq t\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx$$

is bounded from below by

$$(3.10) \quad \int_{\{a_k \leq u_k \leq b_k\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx,$$

where  $a_k = \min\{t, t_{k,2}\}$  and  $b_k = \max\{t, t_{k,2}\}$ . Similarly,  $\alpha_k$  is bounded from above by

$$(3.11) \quad \int_{\{c_k \leq u_k \leq d_k\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx,$$

where  $c_k = \min\{t, t_{k,1}\}$  and  $d_k = \max\{t, t_{k,1}\}$ . Note that the sequences  $a_k$ ,  $b_k$ ,  $c_k$  and  $d_k$  converge to  $t$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . We prove that the integral in (3.10) converges to zero as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . The same, with a similar proof, holds for (3.11). This will complete the proof of this step.

By Proposition 3.13, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\{a_k \leq u_k \leq b_k\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx &= \int_{\{a_k \leq u_k \leq b_k\}} \rho(|\nabla u_k(x)|) \tau_{n-j}(u_k, x) dx \\ &\quad - \int_{\{u_k = b_k\}} \eta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) \tau_{n-j-1}(u_k, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x) \\ &\quad + \int_{\{u_k = a_k\}} \eta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) \tau_{n-j-1}(u_k, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x), \end{aligned}$$

where the functions  $\rho$  and  $\eta$  are associated to  $\zeta$  as in Proposition 3.13. For the first term on the right side, we may write, using the continuity of  $\rho$  and Lemma 3.9,

$$\left| \int_{\{a_k \leq u_k \leq b_k\}} \rho(|\nabla u_k(x)|) \tau_{n-j}(u, x) dx \right| \leq \alpha (V_j(\{u_k \leq b_k\}) - V_j(\{u_k \leq a_k\})),$$

where  $\alpha > 0$  depends on  $n, j$  and  $\rho$ . By the uniform convergence and the continuity of intrinsic volumes, the right side of the previous inequality tends to 0 as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Next, we consider

$$\int_{\{u_k=b_k\}} \eta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) \tau_{n-j-1}(u_k, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x).$$

This integral can be written as

$$\binom{n-1}{j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \eta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) dC_j(\{u_k \leq b_k\}, x),$$

where  $C_j(\{u_k \leq b_k\}, \cdot)$  is the  $j$ th curvature measure of  $\{u_k \leq b_k\}$  (see [40, Chapter 4] for the definition of curvature measures). Note that by the convergence of  $\{u_k \leq b_k\}$  to  $\{u \leq t\}$  and [40, Theorem 4.2.1], the curvature measures  $C_j(\{u_k \leq b_k\}, \cdot)$  converge weakly to  $C_j(\{u \leq t\}, \cdot)$ . Moreover, the support of the curvature measures of a convex body is contained in the boundary of the convex body. Hence there exists a compact set  $C \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , such that the supports of  $C_j(\{u_k \leq b_k\}, \cdot)$  and of  $C_j(\{u \leq t\}, \cdot)$  are contained in  $C$  for every  $k$ . Taking the continuity of  $\eta$  and the uniform convergence of  $\nabla u_k$  to  $\nabla u$  on compact sets into account, we deduce that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\{u_k=b_k\}} \eta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) \tau_{n-j-1}(u_k, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x) = \binom{n-1}{j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \eta(|\nabla u(x)|) dC_j(\{u \leq t\}, x).$$

By a similar argument we may prove that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\{u_k=a_k\}} \eta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) \tau_{n-j-1}(u_k, x) d\mathcal{H}^{n-1}(x) = \binom{n-1}{j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \eta(|\nabla u(x)|) dC_j(\{u \leq t\}, x).$$

Thus, the integral in (3.10) converges to zero as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , which concludes the proof of this step.

(iv) By the previous step we have for every  $t_1, t_2 \in T_j(u)$  such that  $0 < t_1 < t_2$ ,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_{\{t_1 < u \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx - \int_{\{t_1 < u_k \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|\nabla u_k(x)|) [D^2 u_k(x)]_{n-j} dx \right| = 0.$$

This, together with (3.8), concludes the proof of this lemma.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.16.** *Let  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then for  $t_1, t_2 \in T_j(u)$  such that  $0 < t_1 < t_2$ , we have*

$$\left| \int_{\{(x,y): t_1 < u(x) \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u, (x, y)) \right| \leq \alpha V_j(\{u \leq t_2\}) \left( \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(u, t_2)]} |\rho| + \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(u, t_2)]} |\eta| \right),$$

where  $\alpha$  is a positive constant only depending on  $n$  and  $j$ .

*Proof.* The validity of the claimed inequality follows from Lemma 3.14, Lemma 3.15, and the convergence of Lipschitz constants and of sublevel sets under uniform convergence.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.17.** *For every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the limit*

$$\lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow 0 \\ t \in T_j(u)}} \int_{\{(x,y): u(x) > t\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u, (x, y))$$

*exists and is finite.*

*Proof.* From Lemma 3.16, we obtain that for every  $t_1, t_2 \in T_j(u)$  such that  $0 < t_1 < t_2$ ,

$$\left| \int_{\{(x,y): t_1 < u(x) \leq t_2\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(u, (x, y)) \right| \leq \alpha V_j(\{u \leq t_2\}) \left( \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(u, t_2)]} |\rho| + \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(u, t_2)]} |\eta| \right).$$

The conclusion now follows from (3.7) and the fact that both  $\eta$  and  $\rho$  are continuous on  $[0, \infty)$  and vanish at  $t = 0$ .  $\square$

Lemma 3.17 and the fact that  $\text{env}_\lambda u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  allow us to make the following definition. For  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\lambda > 0$ , we set

$$(3.12) \quad V_{j,\zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u) := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{t \in T_j(\text{env}_\lambda u)} \int_{\{(x,y): \text{env}_\lambda u(x) > t\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(\text{env}_\lambda u, (x, y)).$$

An immediate consequence of this definition and Lemma 3.16 is the following result.

**Lemma 3.18.** *Let  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\lambda > 0$ . If  $t \in T_j(\text{env}_\lambda u)$ , then*

$$\left| V_{j,\zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u) - \int_{\{(x,y): \text{env}_\lambda u(x) > t\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(\text{env}_\lambda u, (x, y)) \right| \leq \alpha V_j(\{\text{env}_\lambda u \leq t\}) \left( \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(\text{env}_\lambda u, t)]} |\rho| + \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(\text{env}_\lambda u, t)]} |\eta| \right),$$

where  $\alpha$  is a positive constant only depending on  $n$  and  $j$ .

We introduce the following auxiliary functions. For  $r > 0$ , we define  $\zeta_r: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as

$$\zeta_r(t) := \begin{cases} \zeta(t) & \text{for } t \geq r, \\ \zeta(r) & \text{for } 0 \leq t < r. \end{cases}$$

Note that  $\zeta_r \in C_c([0, \infty))$ . We also introduce the corresponding functions  $\eta_r, \rho_r: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined as

$$\eta_r(t) := \int_t^\infty s^{n-j+1} \zeta_r(s) ds, \quad \rho_r(t) := t^{n-1} \zeta_r(t) + (n-j)\eta_r(t).$$

Clearly,  $\eta_r, \rho_r \in C_c([0, \infty))$ . For  $t > r$ , we have  $\eta_r(t) = \eta(t)$ , and, for  $0 \leq t < r$ ,

$$\eta_r(t) = \int_t^r s^{n-j-1} \zeta(r) ds + \int_r^\infty s^{n-j-1} \zeta(s) ds = \zeta(r) \frac{r^{n-j} - t^{n-j}}{n-j} + \eta(r).$$

Hence

$$\eta_r(t) = \begin{cases} \eta(t) & \text{for } t \geq r, \\ \zeta(r) \frac{r^{n-j} - t^{n-j}}{n-j} + \eta(r) & \text{for } 0 \leq t < r. \end{cases}$$

Concerning the function  $\rho_r$ , we have  $\rho_r(t) = \rho(t)$  for  $t \geq r$  and

$$\rho_r(t) = t^{n-j} \zeta(r) + (n-j) \zeta(r) \frac{r^{n-j} - t^{n-j}}{n-j} + (n-j)\eta(r) = r^{n-j} \zeta(r) + (n-j)\eta(r) = \rho(r)$$

for  $0 \leq t < r$ . Hence

$$\rho_r(t) = \begin{cases} \rho(t) & \text{for } t \geq r, \\ \rho(r) & \text{for } 0 \leq t < r. \end{cases}$$

For every  $\delta > 0$ , we obtain

$$(3.13) \quad \begin{aligned} \max_{[0,\delta]} |\eta_r| &\leq |\eta(r)| + \frac{2}{n-j} |r^{n-j} \zeta(r)| + \max_{[0,\delta]} |\eta|, \\ \max_{[0,\delta]} |\rho_r| &\leq |\rho(r)| + \max_{[0,\delta]} |\rho|. \end{aligned}$$

These auxiliary functions are used in the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 3.19.** *If  $u_k \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  epi-converges to  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then*

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} V_{j,\zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u_k) = V_{j,\zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u)$$

for every  $\lambda > 0$ .

*Proof.* Fix  $\lambda > 0$  and set  $\bar{u} = \text{env}_\lambda u$  and  $\bar{u}_k = \text{env}_\lambda u_k$ . For any fixed  $\bar{t} > 0$ , there exists a constant  $\alpha > 0$  (depending on  $u$  and  $\bar{t}$ ) such that

$$|\nabla \bar{u}(x)| > 2\alpha \quad \text{for every } x \text{ such that } \bar{u}(x) \geq \bar{t}.$$

As  $u_k$  epi-converges to  $u$ , the sequence  $\bar{u}_k$  converges to  $\bar{u}$  and the sequence  $\nabla \bar{u}_k$  to  $\nabla \bar{u}$ . In both cases, the convergence is uniform on compact sets. Therefore, we have

$$|\nabla \bar{u}_k(x)| > \alpha \quad \text{for every } x \text{ such that } \bar{u}_k(x) \geq \bar{t}$$

for  $k$  sufficiently large.

Set  $r = \alpha$ . We have

$$\left| V_{j,\zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u) - V_{j,\zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u_k) \right| \leq \beta_0 + \cdots + \beta_4,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_0 &= \left| V_{j,\zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}(u) - V_{j,\zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}(u_k) \right|, \\ \beta_1 &= \left| V_{j,\zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u) - \int_{\{(x,y): \bar{u}(x) > \bar{t}\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(\bar{u}, (x, y)) \right|, \\ \beta_2 &= \left| V_{j,\zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}(u) - \int_{\{(x,y): \bar{u}(x) > \bar{t}\}} \zeta_r(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(\bar{u}, (x, y)) \right|, \\ \beta_3 &= \left| V_{j,\zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u_k) - \int_{\{(x,y): \bar{u}_k(x) > \bar{t}\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(\bar{u}_k, (x, y)) \right|, \\ \beta_4 &= \left| V_{j,\zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}(u_k) - \int_{\{(x,y): \bar{u}_k(x) > \bar{t}\}} \zeta_r(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(\bar{u}_k, (x, y)) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

These quantities depend, in general, on  $\bar{t}$  and  $k$  (note that  $r$  depends on  $\bar{t}$ ). We fix  $\varepsilon > 0$  and first consider the terms  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_3$ . By Lemma 3.18, the continuity of  $\eta$  and  $\rho$  at  $t = 0$ , the relations  $\eta(0) = \rho(0) = 0$ , and the uniform convergence of  $\bar{u}_k$  to  $\bar{u}$  on compact sets, we may choose  $\bar{t}_1 > 0$  so that  $\beta_1, \beta_3 \leq \varepsilon$  for every

$$\bar{t} \in (0, \bar{t}_1) \cap T_j(\bar{u}) \cap \bigcap_{k \geq k_1} T_j(\bar{u}_k)$$

with  $k_1$  sufficiently large. Note that this set has full measure in  $(0, \bar{t}_1)$ .

Next, we deal with the term  $\beta_2$ . For  $t > 0$ , set

$$r(t) := \inf \{ |\nabla \bar{u}(x)| : x \text{ such that } \bar{u}(x) > t \}.$$

Note that  $r(t)$  tends to zero as  $t \rightarrow 0$ . By Lemma 3.18, we have for  $\bar{t} \in T_j(\bar{u})$ ,

$$\beta_2 \leq \alpha V_j(\{\bar{u} \leq \bar{t}\}) \left( \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(\bar{u}, \bar{t})]} |\rho_{r(\bar{t})}| + \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(\bar{u}, \bar{t})]} |\eta_{r(\bar{t})}| \right).$$

By (3.7) and (3.13) combined with the conditions on  $\rho$  and  $\eta$ , we deduce that there exists  $\bar{t}_2 > 0$  so that  $\beta_2 \leq \varepsilon$  for every  $\bar{t} \in (0, \bar{t}_2) \cap T_j(\bar{u})$ .

We proceed in a similar way for  $\beta_4$ . For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $t > 0$ , let

$$r_k(t) := \inf \{ |\nabla \bar{u}_k(x)| : x \text{ such that } \bar{u}_k(x) > t \}.$$

As before,  $r_k(t)$  tends to zero as  $t \rightarrow 0$ . Moreover, for  $\bar{t} \in T_j(\bar{u}_k)$ ,

$$\beta_4 \leq \alpha V_j(\{\bar{u}_k \leq \bar{t}\}) \left( \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(\bar{u}_k, \bar{t})]} |\rho_{r_k(\bar{t})}| + \max_{[0, \text{Lip}(\bar{u}_k, \bar{t})]} |\eta_{r_k(\bar{t})}| \right).$$

By (3.7) and (3.13) combined with the uniform convergence of  $\bar{u}_k$  to  $\bar{u}$  on compact sets, there exists  $\bar{t}_3 > 0$  such that  $\beta_4 \leq \varepsilon$  for every  $\bar{t} \in (0, \bar{t}_3) \cap \bigcap_{k \geq k_3} T_j(\bar{u}_k)$  with  $k_3$  sufficiently large.

Finally, for every fixed  $r > 0$ , and hence for every fixed  $\bar{t} > 0$ , the term  $\beta_0 \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , since  $\zeta_r \in C_c([0, \infty))$  and by Lemma 2.12. This concludes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.20.** *For every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\lambda > 0$ ,*

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} V_{j, \zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}(u) = V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u).$$

*Proof.* For  $r > 0$ , let

$$t(r) := \inf \{ t > 0 : |\nabla \text{env}_\lambda u(x)| \geq r \text{ for all } x \text{ such that } \text{env}_\lambda u(x) > t \}.$$

This defines a monotone function of  $r$ , and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} t(r) = 0$$

since  $\text{env}_\lambda u$  is of class  $C^1$ .

For every  $r > 0$ , let  $\bar{t}(r) \in T_j(\text{env}_\lambda u)$  be such that  $t(r) \leq \bar{t}(r) \leq t(r) + r$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u) - V_{j, \zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}(u) \right| &\leq \left| V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u) - \int_{\{(x,y): \text{env}_\lambda u(x) > \bar{t}(r)\}} \zeta(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(\text{env}_\lambda u, (x, y)) \right| \\ &\quad + \left| V_{j, \zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}(u) - \int_{\{(x,y): \text{env}_\lambda u(x) > \bar{t}(r)\}} \zeta_r(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(\text{env}_\lambda u, (x, y)) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $r \rightarrow 0^+$ . The conclusion follows from Lemma 3.18, (3.7), and (3.13).  $\square$

We extend  $V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}$  from a functional defined on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to a functional defined on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  in the following way. For every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , there exists  $u_0 \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  such that  $\text{epi}(u_0)$  is a translate of  $\text{epi}(u)$ . Indeed, if  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is such that  $u$  attains its absolute minimum at  $x_0$ , it is sufficient to define  $u_0$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  as

$$u_0(x) := u(x + x_0) - \min_{\mathbb{R}^n} u.$$

We note that  $u_0$  is not uniquely determined (as  $x_0$  is not), but any two functions of this form can be obtained from each other by a translation of the epi-graph. Therefore,

$$V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u) := V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u_0)$$

is independent of the choice of the particular  $u_0$ . Clearly,  $V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}$  extended in this way is epi-translation invariant and, as  $V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}$  is rotation invariant on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc},0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the same holds for its extension to  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . By Lemma 3.19, this extension is also continuous.



For every  $r > 0$ , we have  $\zeta_r \in C_c([0, \infty))$ . Hence, it follows from Lemma 3.20, that the functional  $V_{j, \zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}$ , defined in (3.12), is

$$V_{j, \zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n} \zeta_r(|y|) d\Theta_j^n(\text{env}_\lambda u, (x, y))$$

for  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}, 0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , extends by this representation to  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and defines there an epi-translation invariant valuation. Hence, using the epi-translation invariance of both  $V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}$  and  $V_{j, \zeta_r}^{(\lambda)}$  on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we deduce from Lemma 3.20 that also  $V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}$  is a valuation on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . We conclude that  $V_{j, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}$  is a continuous, epi-translation invariant and rotation invariant valuation on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

The inclusion  $D_j^n \subset D_i^n$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, j\}$  ensures that we may repeat this construction replacing  $j$  by any  $i \in \{1, \dots, j\}$ .

**Lemma 3.21.** *For every  $i \in \{1, \dots, j\}$  and  $\lambda > 0$ , the function  $V_{i, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}$  is a continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

For  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , Proposition 3.2 shows that

$$V_{j, \zeta}(u) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|) [D^2 u(x)]_{n-j} dx$$

is well-defined. Moreover, as  $D_j^n \subset D_i^n$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, j\}$ , we may also set

$$V_{i, \zeta}(u) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|) [D^2 u(x)]_{n-i} dx$$

for every  $i = 1, \dots, j$  and  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Since  $\text{env}_\lambda u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for such  $u$  and  $\lambda > 0$ , we have

$$(3.14) \quad V_{i, \zeta}(\text{env}_\lambda u) = V_{i, \zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u)$$

by Proposition 3.2.

For the final step of the proof of Theorem 1.2, we require the following statement.

**Lemma 3.22.** *There exist  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{j+1} \in \mathbb{R}$  such that*

$$(3.15) \quad V_{j, \zeta}(u) = \sum_{i=1}^{j+1} \alpha_i V_{j, \zeta}^{(i)}(u)$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and let  $\lambda > 0$ . As usual, we denote by  $u^*$  the conjugate of  $u$ . Note that

$$(\text{env}_\lambda u)^*(y) = u^*(y) + \lambda \frac{|y|^2}{2}$$

and that

$$[D^2(\text{env}_\lambda u)^*(y)]_j = [D^2(u^*(y) + \lambda \frac{|y|^2}{2})]_j = \sum_{i=0}^j \binom{n-i}{j-i} \lambda^{j-i} [D^2 u^*(y)]_i$$

for every  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Hence, it follows from (3.14) and (2.9) that

$$\begin{aligned}
V_{j,\zeta}^{(\lambda)}(u) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|\nabla(\text{env}_\lambda u)(x)|) [D^2(\text{env}_\lambda u)(x)]_{n-j} dx \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|y|) [D^2(\text{env}_\lambda u)^*(y)]_j dy \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^j \binom{n-i}{j-i} \lambda^{j-i} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|y|) [D^2 u^*(y)]_i dx \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^j \binom{n-i}{j-i} \lambda^{j-i} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|\nabla u(x)|) [D^2 u(x)]_{n-i} dx \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^j \binom{n-i}{j-i} \lambda^{j-i} V_{i,\zeta}(u).
\end{aligned}$$

Inverting the system that we obtain by writing the previous equation for  $\lambda = 1, \dots, n+1$ , we deduce (3.15). We use that the matrix is a Vandermonde matrix and therefore invertible.  $\square$

Combined with Lemma 3.21, Lemma 3.22 implies that  $V_{j,\zeta}$  continuously extends to  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.2.

**3.4. Representation formulas.** As an application of Theorem 1.2, we derive representation formulas for  $V_{j,\zeta}$  and  $V_{j,\zeta}^*$  on convex functions with certain regularity properties.

**Lemma 3.23.** *Let  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  and  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ . We have*

$$V_{j,\zeta}^*(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v, x)$$

for  $v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 1.2 and (2.5), we know that for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

$$V_{j,\zeta}^*(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) [D^2 v(x)]_j dx.$$

Now, let  $v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ . There exists a sequence  $v_k$  of functions from  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  that converges to  $v$ . Indeed, by a standard mollification procedure, we first find a sequence of convex functions  $\bar{v}_k$  of class  $C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  that converges to  $v$  on compact sets. Then we define, for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$v_k(x) := \bar{v}_k(x) + \frac{1}{k}|x|^2.$$

Then clearly  $v_k \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \cap C_+^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and  $v_k$  converges to  $v$ . Moreover, if  $\bar{r} > 0$  is such that  $v$  is of class  $C^2$  in the set  $\bar{r}B^n$ , then the convergence is in  $C^2$ -norm in this set.

Since  $V_{j,\zeta}^*$  is continuous, it is now sufficient to prove that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v_k, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v, x).$$

By (2.7) and since  $\zeta$  is continuous on  $(0, \infty)$ , we have

$$(3.16) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\{x: |x| \geq r\}} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v_k, x) = \int_{\{x: |x| \geq r\}} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v, x)$$

for  $r > 0$  with  $\Phi_j^n(v, \{v = r\}) = 0$ . Since  $\Phi_j^n(v, \cdot)$  is locally finite, (3.16) holds for a.e.  $r > 0$ . On the other hand, for every  $r < \bar{r}$  and for every  $k$  we have

$$\int_{\{x: |x| < r\}} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v_k, x) = \int_{\{x: |x| < r\}} \zeta(|x|) [D^2 v_k(x)]_j dx$$

and a corresponding relation for  $v$ . Using the convergence of  $v_k$  to  $v$  in  $\bar{r}B^n$  in  $C^2$ -norm, polar coordinates and the fact that for  $\delta > 0$ ,

$$\int_0^\delta r^{n-1} \zeta(r) dr$$

is finite, we obtain that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $0 < \delta < \bar{r}$  such that

$$(3.17) \quad \left| \int_{\{x: |x| < \delta\}} \zeta(|x|) [D^2 v(x)]_j dx \right|, \left| \int_{\{x: |x| < \delta\}} \zeta(|x|) [D^2 v_m(x)]_j dx \right| \leq \varepsilon$$

for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . The conclusion follows from (3.16) and (3.17).  $\square$

An immediate consequence is the following result.

**Lemma 3.24.** *Let  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  and  $\zeta \in D_j^n$ . We have*

$$V_{j, \zeta}(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|y|) d\Psi_j^n(u, y)$$

for  $u^* \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ .

#### 4. THE CLASSIFICATION RESULT

In the proof of Theorem 1.3 and Theorem 1.5, we follow the original approach by Hadwiger [20]. First, we establish a classification of valuations on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  that are epi-homogeneous of degree 1. For this, we introduce rotational epi-symmetrization and reduce the classification problem to the solution of an integral equation. We immediately obtain, by duality, a classification of valuations on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  that are homogeneous of degree 1. Next, we introduce orthogonal cylinder functions on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and show that if a valuation vanishes on this class of functions, then it has to be epi-homogeneous of degree 1. By duality, we also obtain that if a valuation vanishes on dual orthogonal cylinder functions on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ , then it has to be homogeneous of degree 1. In the final step, we work in the dual setting and use induction on the dimension to establish a representation formula of valuations on dual orthogonal cylinder functions. Combined with the results established in the first part and the classification of one-homogeneous valuations, it completes the proof in the dual setting, that is, the proof of Theorem 1.5. The result in the primal setting, that is, Theorem 1.3, follows by duality.

**4.1. The Case of Epi-Homogeneity of Degree 1.** Let  $n \geq 2$ . A classical result by Hadwiger [20, §4.5.3] (or see, [40, Theorem 3.3.5]) states that for every convex body  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , that is at least one-dimensional, there exists a sequence of rotation means of  $K$  that converges to a ball. Here a *rotation mean* of  $K$  is given, for  $k \geq 1$  and rotations  $\vartheta_1, \dots, \vartheta_k \in \text{SO}(n)$ , as

$$\frac{1}{k} (\vartheta_1 K + \dots + \vartheta_k K).$$

For  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and rotations  $\vartheta_1, \dots, \vartheta_k \in \text{SO}(n)$ , we call

$$\frac{1}{k} \cdot (u \circ \vartheta_1^{-1} \square \dots \square u \circ \vartheta_k^{-1})$$

a *rotation epi-mean* of  $u$ . A function  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is called *radial* if  $u = u \circ \vartheta^{-1}$  for every  $\vartheta \in \text{SO}(n)$ .

For  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , define its *rotational epi-symmetrization*  $u^\circ$  via the support function of its epi-graph for  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  by

$$h_{\text{epi } u^\circ}(y, t) := \int_{\text{SO}(n)} h_{\text{epi } u}(\vartheta^{-1}y, t) \, d\vartheta,$$

where we integrate with respect to the Haar probability measure on  $\text{SO}(n)$ . The following result is obtained by suitably approximating the above integral.

**Lemma 4.1.** *For every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with at least one-dimensional domain, there is a sequence of rotation epi-means of  $u$  epi-converging to its rotation epi-mean  $u^\circ \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

Recall that for given  $t \geq 0$ , we have  $u_t(x) := t|x| + \mathbf{I}_{B^n}(x)$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** *If  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is radial, non-negative, and such that  $u(0) = 0$ , then there exists a sequence  $u_k$  which epi-converges to  $u$  and such that each  $u_k$  is the finite epi-sum of functions of the form  $r \cdot u_t$  with  $r > 0$  and  $t \geq 0$ .*

*Proof.* Since the function  $u$  is radial, this is a one-dimensional problem. Any piecewise affine function  $\bar{u} : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  with positive derivative at 0 can be written as an epi-sum of finitely many functions of the form  $s \mapsto t s + \mathbf{I}_{[0, r]}(s)$  with suitable  $r > 0$  and  $t \geq 0$ . Hence the statement follows from the fact that such piecewise affine functions are dense.  $\square$

The main result of this section is the following result.

**Proposition 4.3.** *Let  $n \geq 2$ . If  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation that is epi-homogeneous of degree 1, then there exists  $\zeta \in D_1^n$  such that*

$$Z(u) = V_{1, \zeta}(u)$$

for every  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $Z$  is a continuous valuation that is epi-homogeneous of degree 1, Lemma 2.2 implies that it is epi-additive. Let  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and let  $u_k$  be any rotation epi-mean of  $u$ , that is, there are rotations  $\vartheta_1, \dots, \vartheta_{m_k}$  such that

$$u_k = \frac{1}{m_k} \cdot (u \circ \vartheta_1^{-1} \square \dots \square u \circ \vartheta_{m_k}^{-1}).$$

Since  $Z$  is epi-additive, rotation invariant and epi-homogeneous of degree 1, we see that

$$Z(u) = Z(u_k).$$

By Lemma 4.1, there is a sequence of rotation epi-means of  $u$  that converges to the rotation epi-symmetrization  $u^\circ$ . Since  $Z$  is continuous, it follows that

$$Z(u) = Z(u^\circ).$$

Hence we obtain that  $Z$  is determined by its values on radial functions.

Since  $Z$  is epi-translation invariant,  $Z$  is even determined by radial functions  $u$  that are non-negative with  $u(0) = 0$ . Combined with the epi-additivity and the epi-homogeneity of degree 1 of  $Z$ , Lemma 4.2 implies that  $Z$  is already determined by its values on the one-parameter family  $u_t$  for  $t \geq 0$ . Thus, the function  $t \mapsto Z(u_t)$  on  $[0, \infty)$  uniquely determines  $Z$  and it suffices to show that there is  $\zeta \in D_1^n$  such that

$$(4.1) \quad Z(u_t) = V_{1, \zeta}(u_t)$$

for  $t \geq 0$ .

Note that the continuity of  $Z$  implies that  $t \mapsto Z(u_t)$  is continuous in  $[0, \infty)$ . Let us prove that it has compact support. Assume that this is not true. Hence, there exists a sequence  $t_k$  such that  $t_k \rightarrow \infty$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , and

$$\alpha_k := Z(u_{t_k}) > 0$$

for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define  $\bar{u}_k \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  by

$$\bar{u}_k(x) := \frac{1}{\alpha_k} \cdot u_{t_k}(x) = t_k|x| + \mathbf{I}_{\frac{1}{\alpha_k} B^n}(x).$$

By the epi-homogeneity of  $Z$ , we have  $Z(\bar{u}_k) = 1$  for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . On the other hand the sequence  $\bar{u}_k$  epi-converges to  $\mathbf{I}_{\{0\}}$ , and it is easy to prove, using once more the fact that  $Z$  is epi-homogeneous of degree 1, that  $Z(\mathbf{I}_{\{0\}}) = 0$ . Hence we have a contradiction to the continuity of  $Z$ .

To prove (4.1), we solve an integral equation. Let  $u_t^*$  be the dual function of  $u_t$  and note that we have  $u_t^* \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ . By the definition of  $V_{1, \bar{\zeta}}$  combined with Lemma 3.24, we can calculate  $V_{1, \bar{\zeta}}(u_t)$  for  $\bar{\zeta} \in D_1^n$  by Lemma 2.15 and obtain

$$V_{1, \bar{\zeta}}(u_t) = \omega_n \left( \bar{\zeta}(t) t^{n-1} + (n-1) \int_t^\infty r^{n-2} \bar{\zeta}(r) dr \right).$$

Hence, we need to solve the integral equation,

$$\zeta(t) + \frac{n-1}{t^{n-1}} \int_t^\infty r^{n-2} \zeta(r) dr = \frac{Z(u_t)}{\omega_n t^{n-1}},$$

to determine  $\zeta$  when  $Z(u_t)$  is given. We claim that

$$(4.2) \quad \zeta(t) := \frac{Z(u_t)}{\omega_n t^{n-1}} - \frac{(n-1)}{\omega_n} \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r^n} dr$$

is a solution. Indeed, using integration by parts and that  $t \mapsto Z(u_t)$  has compact support, we obtain that

$$(4.3) \quad (n-1) \int_t^\infty r^{n-2} \int_r^\infty \frac{Z(u_s)}{s^n} ds dr = -t^{n-1} \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r^n} dr + \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r} dr$$

and the result follows. Since  $t \mapsto Z(u_t)$  is continuous with compact support, also  $\zeta$  is continuous on  $(0, \infty)$  and it has bounded support.

Finally, we show that the solution  $\zeta$  defined in (4.2) is in  $D_1^n$ . First, we show that

$$(4.4) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_t^\infty r^{n-2} \zeta(r) dr \quad \text{exists and is finite.}$$

Note, that for  $t > 0$ ,

$$\omega_n \int_t^\infty r^{n-2} \zeta(r) dr = \int_t^\infty \left( \frac{Z(u_r)}{r} - (n-1)r^{n-2} \int_r^\infty \frac{Z(u_s)}{s^n} ds \right) dr$$

and therefore, by (4.3),

$$\omega_n \int_t^\infty r^{n-2} \zeta(r) dr = \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r} dr + t^{n-1} \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r^n} dr - \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r} dr = t^{n-1} \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r^n} dr.$$

Since  $r \mapsto Z(u_r)$  is in  $C_c([0, \infty))$  it follows from L'Hospital's rule that

$$(4.5) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} t^{n-1} \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r^n} dr = \frac{Z(u_0)}{n-1}$$

and we have shown (4.4).

Second, since

$$\omega_n t^{n-1} \zeta(t) = \omega_n t^{n-1} \left( \frac{Z(u_t)}{\omega_n t^{n-1}} - \frac{n-1}{\omega_n} \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r^n} dr \right) = Z(u_t) - (n-1)t^{n-1} \int_t^\infty \frac{Z(u_r)}{r^n} dr,$$

it follows from (4.5) that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} t^{n-1} \zeta(t) = 0.$$

Thus,  $\zeta \in D_1^n$  and we have proved (4.1).  $\square$

We immediately obtain the following dual result.

**Proposition 4.4.** *Let  $n \geq 2$ . If  $Z: \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation that is homogeneous of degree 1, then there exists  $\zeta \in D_1^n$  such that*

$$Z(v) = V_{1,\zeta}^*(v)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ .

**4.2. Orthogonal Cylinder Functions.** Let  $P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an  $n$ -dimensional convex polytope. We call the  $n$ -dimensional convex polytopes  $P_1, \dots, P_m \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  a *dissection* of  $P$ , if

$$P = \bigcup_{i=1}^m P_i$$

and the interiors of the polytopes  $P_i$  and  $P_j$  are disjoint for  $i \neq j$ . In this case we write

$$P = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^m P_i.$$

Two  $n$ -dimensional convex polytopes  $P$  and  $Q$  are *translatively equi-dissectable*, written  $P \sim Q$ , if there are dissections  $P = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^m P_i$  and  $Q = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^m Q_i$  such that  $P_i$  is a translate of  $Q_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ .

A valuation  $Z: \mathcal{P}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is *simple* if it vanishes on lower dimensional polytopes. For a simple valuation  $Z: \mathcal{P}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$(4.6) \quad Z\left(\bigsqcup_{i=1}^m P_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^m Z(P_i)$$

(see, for example, [40, Section 6.2]).

An  $n$ -dimensional simplex  $S$  is the convex hull of  $(n+1)$  affinely independent points  $p_0, \dots, p_n$ . Set  $x_i = p_i - p_{i-1}$ . We say that  $S$  is orthogonal if the vectors  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are pairwise orthogonal. We set  $x_0 = p_0$  and write  $S = \langle x_0; x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ . For  $0 < t < 1$ , the *canonical simplex dissection* is

$$(4.7) \quad S = \bigsqcup_{k=0}^n ((1-t) \underline{S}_k + t \overline{S}_{n-k}),$$

where

$$\underline{S}_k := \langle x_0; x_1, \dots, x_k \rangle, \quad \overline{S}_{n-k} := \langle x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k x_i; x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n \rangle$$

while  $+$  in (4.7) denotes Minkowski addition (see Hadwiger [20]).

Let  $\mathcal{P}^n$  denote the set of convex polytopes in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We say that  $P \in \mathcal{P}^n$  is a *proper orthogonal cylinder* if there are orthogonal and complementary subspaces  $E$  and  $F$  with  $\dim E, \dim F \geq 1$  and polytopes  $P_E \subset E$  and  $P_F \subset F$  such that  $P = P_E + P_F$ . If  $S$  is an orthogonal simplex, then the terms in (4.7) for  $1 < k < n$  are proper orthogonal cylinders.

The following result is due to Hadwiger [20, Section 1.3.4, Theorem VII].

**Lemma 4.5.** *For an  $n$ -dimensional polytope  $P \in \mathcal{P}^n$ , there are orthogonal simplices  $S_1, \dots, S_m, S'_1, \dots, S'_{m'}$  such that*

$$P \sqcup \bigsqcup_{i=1}^m S_i \sim \bigsqcup_{j=1}^{m'} S'_j.$$

Let  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a valuation. We say that it is *simple* if  $Z$  vanishes on functions with lower dimensional domain. The following analogue of (4.6) is a consequence of the inclusion-exclusion principle established in [14]. Let  $u_1, \dots, u_m \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be such that the domains of  $u_i \vee u_j$  are lower dimensional for  $i \neq j$ . If  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a simple valuation, then

$$(4.8) \quad Z\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^m u_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^m Z(u_i).$$

A function  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is called *piecewise affine* if its domain is a convex polytope and  $u$  is the pointwise maximum of finitely many affine functions on its domain. Hence there is a dissection of  $\text{dom}(u)$  into polytopes  $P_1, \dots, P_m$  such that

$$u = \bigwedge_{i=1}^m (\ell_i + \alpha_i + \mathbf{I}_{P_i})$$

with linear functions  $\ell_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . If  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an epi-translation invariant and simple valuation, we obtain by (4.8) that

$$(4.9) \quad Z(u) = \sum_{i=1}^m Z(\ell_i + \mathbf{I}_{P_i}).$$

Note that piecewise affine functions are dense in  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

We say that the function  $u \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is an *orthogonal cylinder function* if there are orthogonal and complementary subspaces  $E$  and  $F$  with  $\dim E, \dim F \geq 1$  and functions  $u_E \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with  $\text{dom}(u_E) \subset E$  and  $u_F \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with  $\text{dom}(u_F) \subset F$  such that  $u = u_E \square u_F$ .

**Proposition 4.6.** *If  $Z : \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and epi-translation invariant valuation that vanishes on orthogonal cylinder functions, then it is epi-homogeneous of degree 1.*

*Proof.* For  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , set  $\ell_y(x) = \langle y, x \rangle$ . Define  $\tilde{Z} : \mathcal{P}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$\tilde{Z}(P) := Z(\ell_y + \mathbf{I}_P).$$

Since  $Z$  is continuous, so is  $\tilde{Z}$ .

Let  $S$  be an  $n$ -dimensional orthogonal simplex in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $0 < t < 1$ . In the canonical simplex dissection

$$S = \bigsqcup_{k=0}^n ((1-t)\underline{S}_k + t\overline{S}_{n-k}),$$

the simplices  $\underline{S}_k$  and  $\overline{S}_{n-k}$  are orthogonal and lie in orthogonal subspaces. Since  $Z$  vanishes on orthogonal cylinder functions, it is simple. Consequently,  $\tilde{Z}_y$  vanishes on orthogonal cylinders and is simple. By (4.6), this implies

$$\tilde{Z}(S) = \tilde{Z}((1-t)S) + \tilde{Z}(tS).$$

Let  $r, s > 0$ . Setting  $\alpha(r) = \tilde{Z}(rS)$  and  $t = r/(r+s)$ , we obtain

$$\alpha(r+s) = \alpha(r) + \alpha(s)$$

for  $r, s > 0$ . Since  $\tilde{Z}$  is continuous, so is  $\alpha : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Hence,  $\alpha$  is a continuous solution of Cauchy's functional equation and we obtain that

$$\tilde{Z}(tS) = t\tilde{Z}(S)$$

for any  $t > 0$  and any orthogonal simplex  $S$ .

For  $P \in \mathcal{P}^n$ , by Lemma 4.5 there are orthogonal simplices such that

$$P \sqcup \bigsqcup_{i=1}^m S_i \sim \bigsqcup_{j=1}^{m'} S'_j.$$

Therefore, for every  $t > 0$ ,

$$\tilde{Z}(tP) = \tilde{Z}\left(\bigsqcup_{j=1}^{m'} tS'_j\right) - \tilde{Z}_y\left(\bigsqcup_{i=1}^m tS_i\right) = t\tilde{Z}\left(\bigsqcup_{j=1}^{m'} S'_j\right) - t\tilde{Z}_y\left(\bigsqcup_{i=1}^m S_i\right) = t\tilde{Z}(P).$$

Hence,  $\tilde{Z}$  is homogeneous of degree 1 on polytopes. Consequently,  $Z$  is epi-homogeneous of degree 1 on functions of the form

$$u = \ell_y + \mathbf{I}_P$$

for every  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $P \in \mathcal{P}^n$ . Since  $Z$  is epi-translation invariant and simple, (4.9) now implies that  $Z$  is epi-homogeneous of degree 1 on piecewise affine functions. Since piecewise affine functions are dense in  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the continuity of  $Z$  now implies that  $Z$  is epi-homogeneous of degree 1 on  $\text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .  $\square$

We say that  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  is a *dual orthogonal cylinder function* if there are orthogonal and complementary subspaces  $E$  and  $F$  with  $\dim E, \dim F \geq 1$  as well as functions  $v_E \in \text{Conv}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$  such that  $v = v_E + v_F$ . We use (2.4) and obtain the following result as an immediate consequence of Proposition 4.6.

**Proposition 4.7.** *If  $Z : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and dually epi-translation invariant valuation that vanishes on dual orthogonal cylinder functions, then it is homogeneous of degree 1.*

### 4.3. Additional Results on Hessian Measures and Valuations.

**Lemma 4.8.** *Let  $E$  and  $F$  be orthogonal and complementary subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $1 \leq k < n$  with  $k = \dim E$ . If  $v_E \in \text{Conv}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ , then*

$$\Phi_l^n(v_E + v_F, B) = \sum_{i=0 \vee (l+k-n)}^{k \wedge l} \Phi_i^k(v_E, B \cap E) \Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, B \cap F)$$

for every  $0 \leq l \leq n$  and every Borel subset  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .



*Proof.* Let  $v = v_E + v_F$ . Observe that  $y \in \partial v(x)$  if and only if  $y_E \in \partial v_E(x_E)$  and  $y_F \in \partial v_F(x_F)$ . Therefore, for any  $s \geq 0$  and any Borel subset  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P_s(v, B \times \mathbb{R}^n) &= \{x + sy : x \in B, y \in \partial v(x)\} \\ &= \{(x_E, x_F) + s(y_E, y_F) : x_E \in B \cap E, x_F \in B \cap F, y_E \in \partial v_E(x_E), y_F \in \partial v_F(x_F)\} \\ &= P_s(v_E, (B \cap E) \times E) \times P_s(v_F, (B \cap F) \times F). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{l=0}^n s^l \Phi_l^n(v, B) &= \mathcal{H}^n(P_s(v, B \times \mathbb{R}^n)) \\ &= \mathcal{H}^k(P_s(v_E, (B \cap E) \times E)) \mathcal{H}^{n-k}(P_s(v_F, (B \cap F) \times F)) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^k s^i \Phi_i^k(v_E, B \cap E) \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} s^j \Phi_j^{n-k}(v_F, B \cap F) \end{aligned}$$

and consequently,

$$\Phi_l^n(v, B) = \sum_{i=0 \vee (l-(n-k))}^{k \wedge l} \Phi_i^k(v_E, B \cap E) \Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, B \cap F),$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

We repeatedly evaluate Hessian measures at piecewise affine functions. Fix  $\bar{x} = (\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and define  $\bar{v} \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  as

$$(4.10) \quad \bar{v}(x_1, \dots, x_n) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - \bar{x}_i|.$$

Note, that if  $\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_n \neq 0$ , then  $\bar{v} \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ . If  $\bar{u} = \bar{v}^* \in \text{Conv}_{\text{sc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then

$$\bar{u}(x) = \mathbf{I}_{[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^n}(x) + \langle \bar{x}, x \rangle$$

for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . It is now easy to see that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(x) d\Phi_n^n(\bar{v}, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(y) d\Psi_n^n(\bar{u}, y) = \int_{[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^n} \zeta(\bar{x}) dx = \zeta(\bar{x})$$

for every function  $\zeta : \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Hence, we conclude that

$$(4.11) \quad \Phi_n^n(\bar{v}, \cdot) = \delta_{\bar{x}},$$

where  $\delta_{\bar{x}}$  denotes the Dirac point measure concentrated at  $\bar{x}$ .

Next, for  $1 \leq j < n$ , let

$$v(x_1, \dots, x_n) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^j |x_i - \bar{x}_i|$$

with  $\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_j \in \mathbb{R}$ . Observe that  $v$  is of the form

$$v(x_1, \dots, x_n) = v_1(x_1, \dots, x_j) + v_2(x_{j+1}, \dots, x_n)$$

where  $v_1$  is of the same form as (4.10) and  $v_2 \equiv 0$ . In particular,  $\Phi_i^{n-j}(v_2, A) = 0$  for every  $1 \leq i \leq n-j$  and Borel subset  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n-j}$ . Hence, it follows from Lemma 4.8, (2.6) and (4.11) that

$$(4.12) \quad \begin{aligned} d\Phi_j^n(v, (x_1, \dots, x_n)) &= d\Phi_j^j(v_1, (x_1, \dots, x_j)) d\Phi_0^{n-j}(v_2, (x_{j+1}, \dots, x_n)) \\ &= d\delta_{(\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_j)}((x_1, \dots, x_j)) dx_{j+1} \cdots dx_n \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(4.13) \quad \Phi_i^n(v, B) = 0$$

for every  $j < i \leq n$  and Borel subset  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Lemma 4.9.** *Let  $\zeta \in C_b((0, \infty))$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . If*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v, x) = 0$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ , then  $\zeta \equiv 0$ .

*Proof.* Fix  $\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_j \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , set  $t = \sqrt{\bar{x}_1^2 + \cdots + \bar{x}_j^2} \neq 0$  and  $v(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^j |x_i - \bar{x}_i|$ . For  $j = n$ , the measure  $\Phi_n^n(v, \cdot)$  is the Dirac point mass concentrated at  $(\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_n)$  by (4.11). Hence

$$0 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v, x) = \zeta(t)$$

and the result follows. For  $1 \leq j < n$ , we use (4.12) and obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v, x) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-j}} \zeta(|(\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_j, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_n)|) dx_{j+1} \cdots dx_n \\ &= \omega_{n-j} \int_0^\infty \zeta(\sqrt{r^2 + t^2}) r^{n-j-1} dr. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_j \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  and hence  $t > 0$  are arbitrary, the result now follows from Lemma 2.14.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.10.** *Let  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\zeta_m, \zeta \in D_j^n$ . If*

$$(4.14) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta_m(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v_m, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v, x)$$

for every  $v_m, v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  with  $v_m$  epi-convergent to  $v$ , then  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \zeta_m(t) = \zeta(t)$  for every  $t > 0$ .

*Proof.* In case  $j = n$ , we may simply choose  $v_m(x) = \bar{v}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j - \bar{x}_j|$  with  $\bar{x}_j \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . It now follows from (4.11) and (4.14) that  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \zeta_m(t) = \zeta(t)$  for  $t = \sqrt{\bar{x}_1^2 + \cdots + \bar{x}_n^2} > 0$ .

So let  $1 \leq j < n$ . For  $t > 0$  we will consider the functions  $v_t$  defined in (2.2). Note, that  $v_t \equiv 0$  on  $tB^n$  and hence  $v_t \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ . It follows from Lemma 2.15 that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta_m(|x|) d\Phi_j^n(v_t, x) = \kappa_n \binom{n}{j} \rho_m(t),$$

where  $\rho_m \in C_c([0, \infty))$  is defined by

$$(4.15) \quad \rho_m(t) := (n-j)\eta_m(t) - t\eta'_m(t)$$

and  $\eta_m \in C_c([0, \infty))$  is in turn defined by

$$\eta_m(t) := \int_t^\infty r^{n-j-1} \zeta_m(r) \, dr.$$

We will denote by  $\rho$  and  $\eta$  the corresponding functions associated to  $\zeta$  according to the same relations. For every  $t > 0$  and for every sequence  $t_m$ , with  $t_m > 0$ , converging to  $t$ , we have  $v_{t_m} \rightarrow v_t$  and hence, by the assumptions of the present lemma,

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \kappa_n \binom{n}{j} \rho_m(t_m) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta_m(|x|) \, d\Phi_j^n(v_{t_m}, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) \, d\Phi_j^n(v_t, x) = \kappa_n \binom{n}{j} \rho(t).$$

In other words, the sequence of functions  $\rho_m$  converges uniformly to  $\rho$  on compact subsets of  $(0, \infty)$ .

Next, we will show that there exists  $\bar{t} > 0$  such that

$$(4.16) \quad \rho_m(t) = 0 \quad \text{for every } t > \bar{t} \text{ and } m \in \mathbb{N},$$

which means that the supports of the functions  $\rho_m$  are uniformly bounded. Assume that there exists a sequence  $t_m \rightarrow \infty$  such that

$$\rho_m(t_m) > 0 \quad \text{for every } m \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , set

$$r_m := \rho_m(t_m)^{-\frac{1}{j}}$$

and

$$v_m := r_m v_{t_m}.$$

Since  $v_{t_m}(x) = 0$  whenever  $|x| \leq t_m$ , it follows that  $v_m$  converges to  $v \equiv 0 \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ . On the other hand, by homogeneity,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta_m(|x|) \, d\Phi_j^n(v_m, x) = \kappa_n \binom{n}{j} r_m^j \rho_m(t_m) = \kappa_n \binom{n}{j} \quad \text{for } m \in \mathbb{N},$$

which contradicts the convergence to  $v \equiv 0$ . Thus (4.16) holds.

Let  $\bar{t} > 0$  be such that  $\rho_m(t) = 0$  for every  $t \geq \bar{t}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\eta_m$  has compact support, there exists  $t_m > \bar{t}$  such that  $\eta_m(t_m) = 0$ . Moreover,  $\eta_m$  solves the Cauchy problem,

$$\begin{aligned} (n-j)\eta_m(t) - t\eta'_m(t) &= 0 & \text{in } (\bar{t}, \infty), \\ \eta_m(t_m) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $\eta_m \equiv 0$  in  $(\bar{t}, \infty)$ . As  $\bar{t}$  is independent of  $m$ , we deduce that the supports of the functions  $\eta_m$  are uniformly bounded as well.

Equation (4.15) implies

$$-\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\eta_m(t)}{t^{n-j}} \right) = \frac{\rho_m(t)}{t^{n-j+1}} \quad \text{for } m \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } t > 0.$$

Therefore,

$$-\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\eta_m(t)}{t^{n-j}} \right)$$

converges uniformly to

$$\frac{\rho(t)}{t^{n-j+1}}$$

on compact subsets of  $(0, \infty)$ . Set

$$\bar{\eta}_m(t) := \frac{\eta_m(t)}{t^{n-j}}$$

for  $t > 0$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . As the supports of the functions  $\eta_m$  are uniformly bounded, there exists  $t_1 > 0$  such that  $\bar{\eta}_m(t_1) = 0$  and  $\rho_m(t_1) = 0$  for every  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . We deduce that  $\bar{\eta}_m$  converges to a primitive of

$$-\frac{\rho(t)}{t^{n-j+1}}$$

which vanishes at  $t_1$ . But since

$$\frac{\eta(t)}{t^{n-j}}$$

has the same properties, it follows that  $\eta_m$  converges to  $\eta$  uniformly on compact subsets of  $(0, \infty)$ . We also have, from the definition of  $\eta_m$  and  $\rho_m$ ,

$$(4.17) \quad t^{n-j}\zeta_m(t) = \rho_m(t) - (n-j)\eta_m(t)$$

for every  $t > 0$ . Analogously,

$$t^{n-j}\zeta(t) = \rho(t) - (n-j)\eta(t)$$

for every  $t > 0$ . Hence, passing to the limit as  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (4.17), we obtain the statement of the lemma.  $\square$

**4.4. Proof of Theorem 1.5.** For  $\zeta_0 \in D_0^n, \dots, \zeta_n \in D_n^n$ , we obtain from Theorem 1.4 that

$$v \mapsto V_{0,\zeta_0}^*(v) + \dots + V_{n,\zeta_n}^*(v)$$

defines a continuous, dually epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation on  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ .

Conversely, let  $Z : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous, dually epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation. We want to show that there are  $\zeta_0 \in D_0^n, \dots, \zeta_n \in D_n^n$  such that

$$Z(v) = V_{0,\zeta_0}^*(v) + \dots + V_{n,\zeta_n}^*(v)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ . By Theorem 2.7, there is a homogeneous decomposition of  $Z$ . Therefore, we may assume that  $Z$  is homogeneous of degree  $l$  with  $l \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ . Since the cases  $l = 0, 1, n$  are settled in Theorem 2.8, Proposition 4.4 and Theorem 2.9, respectively, we may assume that  $2 \leq l \leq n-1$ . In particular, we already have a full classification for the case  $n = 2$ . Therefore, we assume that  $n \geq 3$ .

Recall that  $v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  if  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v$  is of class  $C^2$  in a neighborhood of the origin. This space is dense in  $\text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  and by Lemma 3.23, we have for  $\zeta \in D_l^n$ ,

$$(4.18) \quad V_{l,\zeta}^*(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_l^n(v, x)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ .

We proceed by induction on the dimension  $n$ . By (4.18), we may use the induction hypothesis in the following form. Recall that the statement is true for  $n = 2$ .

**Induction Hypothesis.** *Let  $2 \leq k \leq n-1$ . If  $Z : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^k; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation, then there exist  $\zeta_i \in D_i^k$ , for  $0 \leq i \leq k$ , such that*

$$Z(v) = \sum_{i=0}^k \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta_i(|x|) d\Phi_i^k(v, x)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^k; \mathbb{R})$ .

The main ingredient of our proof is the following result (which we prove using the induction hypothesis).

**Proposition 4.11.** *If  $Z : \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation that is homogeneous of degree  $l$  with  $2 \leq l \leq n - 1$ , then there exists  $\zeta \in D_l^n$  such that*

$$Z(v_E + v_F) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_l^n(v_E + v_F, x)$$

for every pair of orthogonal and complementary subspaces  $E, F$  with  $1 \leq \dim E < n$  and every pair of functions  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ .

Before proving this result, we complete the proof of Theorem 1.5. Define

$$\tilde{Z}(v) := Z(v) - V_{l, \zeta}^*(v)$$

for  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ . Note that  $\tilde{Z}$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and rotation invariant valuation. From Proposition 4.11 and the continuity of  $\tilde{Z}$ , we obtain that

$$\tilde{Z}(v) = 0$$

for all dual orthogonal cylinder functions  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ . Thus, it follows from Proposition 4.7 that  $\tilde{Z}$  is homogeneous of degree 1. Since by construction  $\tilde{Z}$  is also homogeneous of degree  $l > 1$ , this implies that  $\tilde{Z} \equiv 0$  and thus,

$$Z(v) = V_{l, \zeta}^*(v)$$

for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.5.

**4.5. Proof of Proposition 4.11.** Since  $Z$  is rotation invariant and the roles of  $E$  and  $F$  can be interchanged, we may assume that  $E = \text{span}\{e_1, \dots, e_k\}$ ,  $F = \text{span}\{e_{k+1}, \dots, e_n\}$ , and  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \leq k \leq n - 1$ . Since  $n \geq 3$ , this also implies that  $k \geq 2$ .

**Lemma 4.12.** *Let  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . There exist  $\zeta_{i, v_F} \in D_i^k$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$  such that*

$$(4.19) \quad Z(v_E + v_F) = \sum_{i=0}^k \int_E \zeta_{i, v_F}(|x_E|) d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E)$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$ . Moreover, the map

$$v_F \mapsto \int_E \zeta_{0, v_F}(|x_E|) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E)$$

and the maps  $v_F \mapsto \zeta_{i, v_F}(s)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$  and  $s > 0$  are continuous, dually epi-translation and  $O(n-k)$  invariant valuations for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$ .

*Proof.* For  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ , the map

$$v_E \mapsto Z(v_E + v_F)$$

is a continuous, dually epi-translation and  $SO(k)$  invariant valuation on  $\text{Conv}(E; \mathbb{R})$ . Since  $k \geq 2$ , it follows from the induction hypothesis that there exist functions  $\zeta_{i, v_F} \in D_i^k$  for  $0 \leq i \leq k$ , depending on  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ , such that (4.19) holds for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$ .

Note, that the map  $v_E \mapsto \int_E \zeta_{i, v_F}(|x_E|) d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E)$  is homogeneous of degree  $i$ . Since the map  $v_F \mapsto Z(v_E + v_F)$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and  $SO(n-k)$  invariant valuation on  $\text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$  for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$ , it follows from (4.19) and homogeneity that also

$$v_F \mapsto \int_E \zeta_{i, v_F}(|x_E|) d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E)$$

is a valuation with the same properties on  $\text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$  for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $0 \leq i \leq k$ . This map is actually  $O(n-k)$  invariant, since  $Z$  is rotation invariant and since (4.19) shows that the map  $v_E \mapsto Z(v_E + v_F)$  is  $O(k)$  invariant.

Fix  $i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq k$  and let  $v_{F,1}, v_{F,2} \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$  be such that also  $v_{F,1} \wedge v_{F,2} \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . By the valuation property we have

$$\int_E (\zeta_{i,v_{F,1} \vee v_{F,2}}(|x_E|) + \zeta_{i,v_{F,1} \wedge v_{F,2}}(|x_E|) - \zeta_{i,v_{F,1}}(|x_E|) - \zeta_{i,v_{F,2}}(|x_E|)) \, d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) = 0$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$ . Hence, it follows from Lemma 4.9 that  $v_F \mapsto \zeta_{i,v_F}(s)$  defines a valuation on  $\text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$  for every  $s > 0$ . Similarly, it can be seen that this valuation is dually epi-translation and  $O(n-k)$  invariant. To prove that it is also continuous, note that the map

$$(v_E, v_F) \mapsto \int_E \zeta_{i,v_F}(|x_E|) \, d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E)$$

is jointly continuous in the two variables  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . Hence continuity follows from Lemma 4.10.  $\square$

In order to avoid unnecessary distinction of cases, we set  $\Phi_j^m \equiv 0$  if  $j > m$  or  $j < 0$ .

**Lemma 4.13.** *For  $0 \leq i \leq k$  with  $(l+k-n) \leq i \leq l$ , there exist functions  $\zeta_{i,l-i} : (0, \infty)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} Z(v_E + v_F) &= \int_F \int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, |x_F|) \, d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) \, d\Phi_l^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1 \vee (l+k-n)}^{k \wedge l} \int_E \int_F \zeta_{i,l-i}(|x_E|, |x_F|) \, d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \, d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . Moreover,  $\zeta_{0,l}(\cdot, t) \in D_0^k$  for  $t > 0$  and

$$\int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, \cdot) \, d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) \in D_l^{n-k}$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$ , while, for  $i \geq 1$ , we have  $\zeta_{i,l-i}(s, \cdot) \in D_{l-i}^{n-k}$  for  $s > 0$  and

$$\int_F \zeta_{i,l-i}(\cdot, |x_F|) \, d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \in D_i^k$$

for every  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . For  $i = l+k-n$  with  $i \geq 1$ , the statements even hold for every  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 4.12 combined with the induction hypothesis and Corollary 2.11, there exist functions  $\tilde{\zeta}_{i,j,s} \in D_j^{n-k}$  for every  $1 \leq i \leq k$  and  $0 \leq j \leq n-k$ , depending on  $s > 0$ , such that

$$\zeta_{i,v_F}(s) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \int_F \tilde{\zeta}_{i,j,s}(|x_F|) \, d\Phi_j^{n-k}(v_F, x_F)$$

for every  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . Since the function  $s \mapsto \zeta_{i,v_F}(s)$  belongs to  $D_i^k$  and each of the summands on the right-hand side is homogeneous of a different degree in  $v_F$ , it follows that also the functions

$$s \mapsto \int_F \tilde{\zeta}_{i,j,s}(|x_F|) \, d\Phi_j^{n-k}(v_F, x_F)$$

belong to  $D_i^k$  for every  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$  and  $0 \leq j \leq n-k$ . Note, that since both  $\zeta_{i,v_F}$  and the last integral for the case  $j = n-k$  are well-defined for every  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ , the last statement also

holds for every  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  in this case. We remark that this also follows from Theorem 2.7 and Corollary 2.10. Hence, there exist functions  $\zeta_{i,j} : (0, \infty)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\zeta_{i,j}(s, \cdot) \in D_j^{n-k}$  for every  $s > 0$  and  $\int_F \zeta_{i,j}(\cdot, |x_F|) d\Phi_j^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \in D_i^k$  for every  $v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$  such that

$$\tilde{\zeta}_{i,j,s}(t) = \zeta_{i,j}(s, t)$$

for every  $s, t > 0$ . Moreover,  $\int_F \zeta_{i,n-k}(\cdot, |x_F|) d\Phi_{n-k}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \in D_i^k$  for every  $v \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ .

For the case  $i = 0$ , note that

$$\int_E \zeta_{0,v_F}(|x_E|) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) = \int_E \zeta_{0,v_F}(|x_E|) dx_E = \tilde{\zeta}_{0,v_F}$$

is a constant that is independent of  $v_E$ . By Lemma 4.12 the map  $v_F \mapsto \tilde{\zeta}_{0,v_F}$  is a continuous, dually epi-translation and  $O(n-k)$  invariant valuation on  $\text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . Therefore, by the induction hypothesis, there exist functions  $\tilde{\zeta}_{0,j} \in D_j^{n-k}$  for every  $0 \leq j \leq n-k$  such that

$$\tilde{\zeta}_{0,v_F} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \int_F \tilde{\zeta}_{0,j}(|x_F|) d\Phi_j^{n-k}(v_F, x_F)$$

for every  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . It is now possible to find (non-unique) functions  $\zeta_{0,j} : (0, \infty)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\zeta_{0,j}(\cdot, t) \in D_0^k$  for every  $t > 0$  and

$$\tilde{\zeta}_{0,j}(t) = \int_E \zeta_{0,j}(|x_E|, t) dx_E$$

for every  $t > 0$  and  $0 \leq j \leq n-k$ .

Combining the cases  $i > 0$  and  $i = 0$ , we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} Z(v_E + v_F) &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \int_F \int_E \zeta_{0,j}(|x_E|, |x_F|) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) d\Phi_j^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \int_E \int_F \zeta_{i,j}(|x_E|, |x_F|) d\Phi_j^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . As  $Z$  is homogeneous of degree  $l$ , and  $\Phi_i^k(v_E, \cdot)$  and  $\Phi_j^{n-k}(v_F, \cdot)$  in the sum on the right side of the previous equation are homogeneous of degree  $i$  and  $j$ , respectively, only those terms for which  $i + j = l$  may appear. Moreover we must have

$$i \leq l, \quad i \leq k, \quad l - i \leq n - k$$

which gives the desired representation of  $Z$ .  $\square$

Recall that  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \leq k \leq n-1$  and that  $E = \text{span}\{e_1, \dots, e_k\}$  while  $F = \text{span}\{e_{k+1}, \dots, e_n\}$ . Set  $E' = \text{span}\{e_1, \dots, e_{k-1}\}$  and  $F' = \text{span}\{e_{k+2}, \dots, e_n\}$ . In particular, for  $k = n-1$ , we have  $F' = \{0\}$  and  $\text{Conv}_{(0)}(F'; \mathbb{R})$  can be identified with  $\mathbb{R}$ . In order to simplify notation, we write  $\int_{F'} d\Phi_0^0(v, x) = 1$  for  $v \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F'; \mathbb{R})$ .

**Lemma 4.14.** *Let  $1 \leq i < k$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . For  $v_{E'} \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E'; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_{F'} \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F'; \mathbb{R})$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{F'} \int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, |(a, x_{F'})|) dx_E d\Phi_{l-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) \\ &= \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{1,l-1}(|(x_{E'}, a)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt dx_{E'} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(x_{E'}, s)|, |(a, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) ds d\Phi_i^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \\ &= \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{i+1,l-i-1}(|(x_{E'}, a)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt d\Phi_i^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $(l+k-n) \leq i < l$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $t_\alpha, t_\beta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . Set

$$v_E(x_E) = v_{E'}(x_{E'}) + \frac{\alpha}{2}|x_k - t_\alpha|$$

for  $v_{E'} \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E'; \mathbb{R})$  and

$$v_F(x_F) = \frac{\beta}{2}|x_{k+1} - t_\beta| + v_{F'}(x_{F'})$$

for  $v_{F'} \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F'; \mathbb{R})$ . Using Lemma 4.8, (2.6) and (4.11), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) &= d\Phi_i^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) dx_k + \alpha d\Phi_{i-1}^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) d\delta_{t_\alpha}(x_k), \\ d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) &= dx_{k+1} d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) + \beta d\delta_{t_\beta}(x_{k+1}) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) \end{aligned}$$

for  $(l+k-n) \leq i \leq l$ . Thus, by Lemma 4.13,

$$\begin{aligned} & Z(v_E + v_F) \\ &= \int_F \int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, |x_F|) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) d\Phi_l^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1 \vee (l+k-n)}^{k \wedge l} \int_E \int_F \zeta_{i,l-i}(|x_E|, |x_F|) d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) \\ &= \int_{F'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, |(x_{k+1}, x_{F'})|) dx_E dx_{k+1} d\Phi_l^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) \\ &+ \beta \int_{F'} \int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, |(t_\beta, x_{F'})|) dx_E d\Phi_{l-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1 \vee (l+k-n)}^{k \wedge l} \left( \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(x_{E'}, s)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) dt d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) ds d\Phi_i^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \right. \\ &\quad + \alpha \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(x_{E'}, t_\alpha)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt d\Phi_{i-1}^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \\ &\quad + \beta \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(x_{E'}, t)|, |(t_\beta, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt d\Phi_i^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \\ &\quad \left. + \alpha\beta \int_{E'} \int_{F'} \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(x_{E'}, t_\alpha)|, |(t_\beta, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) d\Phi_{i-1}^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Here we have split the integral over  $E$  with respect to  $d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E)$  and the integral over  $F$  with respect to  $d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F)$  into multiple integrals. We are allowed to do so, since for given  $i$  each of the integrals so obtained is homogeneous of different degrees in  $v_{E'}$  and  $v_{F'}$ . In particular, each of the integrals in the last expression is well-defined and finite. Since  $Z$  is rotation invariant and this expression only depends on the absolute values of  $t_\alpha$  and  $t_\beta$ , respectively, we may exchange  $(\alpha, t_\alpha)$  and  $(\beta, t_\beta)$  while preserving



equality. Making this exchange, setting  $t_\alpha = t_\beta$ , comparing with the original expression and considering those parts which are  $i$ -homogeneous in  $v_{E'}$  and  $(l - i - 1)$ -homogeneous  $v_{F'}$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta \int_{F'} \int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, |(t_\alpha, x_{F'})|) dx_E d\Phi_{l-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) \\ & \quad + \alpha \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{1,l-1}(|(x_{E'}, t_\alpha)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt dx_{E'} \\ & = \alpha \int_{F'} \int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, |(t_\alpha, x_{F'})|) dx_E d\Phi_{l-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) \\ & \quad + \beta \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{1,l-1}(|(x_{E'}, t_\alpha)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt dx_{E'} \end{aligned}$$

for  $i = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(x_{E'}, t)|, |(t_\alpha, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt d\Phi_i^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \\ & \quad + \alpha \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{i+1,l-i-1}(|(x_{E'}, t_\alpha)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt d\Phi_i^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \\ & = \alpha \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(x_{E'}, t)|, |(t_\alpha, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt d\Phi_i^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \\ & \quad + \beta \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{i+1,l-i-1}(|(x_{E'}, t_\alpha)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt d\Phi_i^{k-1}(v_{E'}, x_{E'}) \end{aligned}$$

for  $i \geq 1$ . The desired equality now follows after rearranging, using the fact that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are arbitrary, and setting  $a = t_\alpha$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.15.** For  $1 \leq i < k$  with  $(l + k - n) \leq i < l$ , there exists  $\zeta_i \in C_b((0, \infty))$  such that

$$\zeta_{i,l-i}(a, b) = \zeta_i(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2})$$

for every  $a, b > 0$ , and by continuity this extends to all  $a, b \geq 0$  with  $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$ . Moreover, if  $k = n - 1$ , then  $\zeta_{l-1} \in D_l^n$ .

*Proof.* Since  $i \geq 1$ , it follows from Lemma 4.9 and Lemma 4.14 that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} (\zeta_{i+1,l-i-1}(|(a, b)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) - \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(a, t)|, |(b, x_{F'})|)) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt = 0$$

for every  $a, b > 0$  and  $v_{F'} \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F'; \mathbb{R})$ . Writing the same equation again but this time replacing  $b$  by  $\varepsilon$  with  $0 < \varepsilon < b$  and  $a$  by  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \varepsilon^2}$ , we obtain

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} (\zeta_{i+1,l-i-1}(|(a, b)|, |(t, x_{F'})|) - \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \varepsilon^2}, t)|, |(\varepsilon, x_{F'})|)) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt = 0$$

for every  $a > 0$  and  $b > \varepsilon > 0$ . By subtracting the last two equations, we obtain

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} (\zeta_{i,l-i}(|(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \varepsilon^2}, t)|, |(\varepsilon, x_{F'})|) - \zeta_{i,l-i}(|(a, t)|, |(b, x_{F'})|)) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt = 0$$

for every  $a > 0$  and  $b > \varepsilon > 0$ . By the properties of  $\zeta_{i,l-i}$  we may apply Lemma 2.14 for fixed  $b > \varepsilon > 0$  and obtain

$$\int_{F'} (\zeta_{i,l-i}(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \varepsilon^2}, |(\varepsilon, x_{F'})|) - \zeta_{i,l-i}(a, |(b, x_{F'})|)) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) = 0$$

for every  $a > 0$ . Similarly as before we write the last equation again but this time, we replace  $a$  by  $\delta$  with  $0 < \delta < a$ . Furthermore, we may replace  $b$  by  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \delta^2}$  since by our choice of  $\delta$  we have  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \delta^2} > b > \varepsilon$ . Thus, we obtain

$$\int_{F'} (\zeta_{i,l-i}(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \varepsilon^2}, |(\varepsilon, x_{F'})|) - \zeta_{i,l-i}(\delta, |(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \delta^2}, x_{F'})|)) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) = 0$$

for every  $a > \delta > 0$  and  $b > \varepsilon > 0$ . Subtracting the last two equations yields

$$(4.20) \quad \int_{F'} (\zeta_{i,l-i}(\delta, |(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \delta^2}, x_{F'})|) - \zeta_{i,l-i}(a, |(b, x_{F'})|)) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) = 0$$

for every  $a > \delta > 0$  and  $b > \varepsilon > 0$ . Since this expression does not depend on  $\varepsilon$  anymore and  $\varepsilon > 0$  was arbitrary, we conclude that (4.20) holds for every  $b > 0$ .

We now claim that

$$(4.21) \quad \zeta_{i,l-i}(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \delta^2}, \delta) = \zeta_{i,l-i}(a, b)$$

for every  $a > \delta > 0$  and  $b > 0$ . In case  $l - i - 1 > 0$ , this is a direct consequence of Lemma 4.9. In case  $l - i - 1 = 0$  and  $k = n - 1$ , we have  $F' = \{0\}$  and  $\int_{F'} d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) = 1$  and the claim is immediate. In the remaining case  $l - i - 1 = 0$  and  $k < n - 1$ , we want to emphasize that

$$d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) = dx_{F'}$$

and therefore, (4.21) follows from Lemma 2.14 after switching to spherical coordinates in (4.20) and considering that  $b > 0$  is arbitrary.

Note, that the right side of (4.21) does not depend on the choice of  $\delta < a$ . Hence, there exists a function  $\zeta_i : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$(4.22) \quad \zeta_{i,l-i}(a, b) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \zeta_{i,l-i}(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 - \delta^2}, \delta) =: \zeta_i(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2})$$

for every  $a, b > 0$ . Furthermore, it follows from the properties of  $\zeta_{i,l-i}$  that  $\zeta_i$  is continuous with bounded support. Moreover, for fixed  $a > 0$  we obtain

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow 0^+} \zeta_{i,l-i}(a, b) = \lim_{b \rightarrow 0^+} \zeta_i(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}) = \zeta_i(\sqrt{a^2/2 + a^2/2}) = \zeta_{i,l-i}(a/\sqrt{2}, a/\sqrt{2}).$$

Thus, (4.22) continuously extends to all  $a, b \geq 0$  with  $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$ .

Note, that in case  $k = n - 1$  and  $i = l - 1$ , we have  $\zeta_{l-1,1}(s, \cdot) \in D_1^1$  for every  $s > 0$  and that  $\int_F \zeta_{l-1,1}(\cdot, |x_F|) d\Phi_1^1(v_F, x_F) \in D_{l-1}^{n-1}$  for every  $v_F \in \text{Conv}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . Thus, choosing  $v_F(x_F) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=k+1}^n |x_i|$  we obtain by (4.11)

$$\zeta_{l-1}(s) = \zeta_{l-1,1}(s, 0) = \int_F \zeta_{l-1,1}(s, |x_F|) d\Phi_1^1(v_F, x_F)$$

for every  $s > 0$ . Hence  $\zeta_{l-1} \in D_{l-1}^{n-1} = D_l^n$ . □

**Lemma 4.16.** *For  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \leq k \leq n - 1$ , there exists  $\zeta_{(k)} \in C_b((0, \infty))$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} Z(v_E + v_F) &= \int_F \int_E \zeta_{(k)}(\sqrt{|x_E|^2 + |x_F|^2}) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) d\Phi_l^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1 \vee (l+k-n)}^{k \wedge l} \int_E \int_F \zeta_{(k)}(\sqrt{|x_E|^2 + |x_F|^2}) d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . Moreover,  $\zeta_{(n-1)} \in D_l^n$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 4.13 combined with Lemma 4.15, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Z(v_E + v_F) &= \int_F \int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, |x_F|) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) d\Phi_l^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1 \vee (l+k-n)}^{(k \wedge l)-1} \int_E \int_F \zeta_i(\sqrt{|x_E|^2 + |x_F|^2}) d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) \\ &\quad + \int_E \int_F \zeta_{k \wedge l, l-(k \wedge l)}(|x_E|, |x_F|) d\Phi_{l-(k \wedge l)}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) d\Phi_{k \wedge l}^k(v_E, x_E) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$  where  $\zeta_i \in C_b((0, \infty))$  for every  $i$  and, if  $k = n - 1$ , in addition,  $\zeta_{l-1} \in D_l^n$ . We need to show that we can choose  $\zeta_{1 \vee (l+k-n)} = \cdots = \zeta_{(k \wedge l)-1} =: \zeta_{(k)}$  and that we can also write the first integral (in case it does not vanish) using  $\zeta_{(k)}$ . Moreover, in case  $k < l$ , our proof will show that  $\zeta_{k, l-k} = \zeta_{(k)}$  and in case  $l \leq k$ , we will rewrite the last integral using  $\zeta_{(k)}$ .

Fix  $0 \vee (l + k - n) \leq i < k \wedge l$ . We will first consider the case  $i > 0$  and  $l - i - 1 > 0$  and we will treat the cases  $i = 0$  and  $i = l - 1$  separately. Since  $i > 0$  it follows from Lemma 4.9, Lemma 4.14 and Lemma 4.15 that

$$(4.23) \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \left( \zeta_{i+1, l-i-1}(a, |(t, x_{F'})|) - \zeta_i(|(a, t, x_{F'})|) \right) d\Phi_{l-i-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt = 0$$

for every  $a > 0$  and  $v_{F'} \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F'; \mathbb{R})$ . By (4.12), choosing  $a > 0$  and  $v_{F'}(x_{F'}) = \frac{1}{2}(|x_{k+2} - \bar{x}_{k+2}| + \cdots + |x_{k+l-i} - \bar{x}_{k+l-i}|)$  with arbitrary  $\bar{x}_{k+2}, \dots, \bar{x}_{k+l-i} \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+i-k-l}} \left( \zeta_{i+1, l-i-1}(a, |(t, b, x_{k+l-i+1}, \dots, x_n)|) \right. \\ \left. - \zeta_i(|(a, t, b, x_{k+l-i+1}, \dots, x_n)|) \right) dx_{k+l-i+1} \cdots dx_n dt = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for every  $b > 0$ . Hence, by Lemma 2.14,

$$\zeta_{i+1, l-i-1}(a, b) = \zeta_i(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2})$$

for every  $a, b > 0$  and similarly as in the proof of Lemma 4.15, for every  $a, b \geq 0$  with  $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$ . Note, that in case  $i + 1 < k \wedge l$  it follows from Lemma 4.15 that also  $\zeta_{i+1, l-i-1}(a, b) = \zeta_{i+1}(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2})$  for every  $a, b \geq 0$  with  $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$ . Thus, we have shown that there exists  $\zeta_{(k)} \in C_b((0, \infty))$  such that

$$\zeta_{(k)}(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}) := \zeta_{j, l-j}(a, b)$$

for every  $a, b \geq 0$  with  $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$  and every  $1 \vee (l + k - n) \leq j \leq k \wedge (l - 1)$ , except for the cases  $l = 2$  or  $k = n - 1$  (for which only  $i = 0$  and/or  $i = l - 1$  satisfy the conditions on  $i$  above).

Observe that the case  $i = l - 1$  can only occur if  $l \leq k$ . Since  $l \geq 2$  we have  $i > 0$  and therefore equation (4.23) still holds. We now claim that we may replace  $\zeta_i = \zeta_{l-1}$  by  $\zeta_{(k)}$  in (4.23). If  $k < n - 1$  and  $l > 2$  we have  $1 \vee (l + k - n) \leq l - 2$  and therefore this follows from the previous considerations for the case  $i = l - 2$ . If  $k = n - 1$  or  $l = 2$  we simply set  $\zeta_{(k)} := \zeta_{l-1}$  by Lemma 4.15 which also shows that  $\zeta_{(n-1)} \in D_l^n$ . Thus, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \left( \zeta_{l,0}(a, |(t, x_{F'})|) - \zeta_{(k)}(|(a, t, x_{F'})|) \right) dx_{F'} dt \\ &= \int_F \left( \zeta_{l,0}(a, |x_F|) - \zeta_{(k)}(|(a, x_F|) \right) d\Phi_0^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $a > 0$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . In particular, this implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_E \int_F \zeta_{l,0}(|x_E|, |x_F|) d\Phi_0^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) d\Phi_l^k(v_E, x_E) \\ = \int_E \int_F \zeta_{(k)}(\sqrt{|x_E|^2 + |x_F|^2}) d\Phi_0^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) d\Phi_l^k(v_E, x_E) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ .

Note that the remaining case  $i = 0$  can only occur if  $l \leq n - k$ . Since by our assumptions  $l \geq 2$  and  $k \geq 2$  it follows from the previous considerations for the case  $i = 1$  that  $\zeta_1 = \zeta_{(k)}$ . Thus, by Lemma 4.14 and Lemma 4.15,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{F'} \zeta_{(k)}(|(x_{E'}, a, t, x_{F'})|) d\Phi_{l-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) dt dx_{E'} \\ = \int_{F'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{E'} \zeta_{0,l}(|(x_{E'}, t)|, |(a, x_{F'})|) dx_{E'} dt d\Phi_{l-1}^{n-k-1}(v_{F'}, x_{F'}) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $a > 0$  and  $v_{F'} \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F'; \mathbb{R})$ . If we set  $v_{F'}(x_{F'}) = \frac{1}{2}(|x_{k+2} - \bar{x}_{k+2}| + \dots + |x_{k+l} - \bar{x}_{k+l}|)$  with arbitrary  $\bar{x}_{k+2}, \dots, \bar{x}_{k+l} \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  and consider (4.12) this becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{E'} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-k-l}} \zeta_{(k)}(|(x_{E'}, a, t, b, x_{k+l+1}, \dots, x_n)|) dx_{k+l+1} \dots dx_n dt dx_{E'} \\ = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-k-l}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{E'} \zeta_{0,l}(|(x_{E'}, t)|, |(a, b, x_{k+l+1}, \dots, x_n)|) dx_{E'} dt dx_{k+l+1} \dots dx_n \end{aligned}$$

for every  $a, b > 0$ . Thus, by renaming the integration variables on the left side and rearranging, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-k-l}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{E'} \left( \zeta_{(k)}(|(x_{E'}, a, t, b, x_{k+l+1}, \dots, x_n)|) \right. \\ \left. - \zeta_{0,l}(|(x_{E'}, t)|, |(a, b, x_{k+l+1}, \dots, x_n)|) \right) dx_{E'} dt dx_{k+l+1} \dots dx_n = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for every  $a, b > 0$  and thus, by Lemma 2.14 if  $l < n - k$  and trivially if  $l = n - k$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{E'} \left( \zeta_{(k)}(|x_{E'}, t, a|) - \zeta_{0,l}(|x_{E'}, t|, a) \right) dx_{E'} dt \\ &= \int_E \left( \zeta_{(k)}(|x_E, a|) - \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, a) \right) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $a > 0$  and  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$ . In particular, as in the case  $i = l - 1$ , this implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_F \int_E \zeta_{0,l}(|x_E|, |x_F|) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) d\Phi_l^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \\ = \int_F \int_E \zeta_{(k)}(\sqrt{|x_E|^2 + |x_F|^2}) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) d\Phi_l^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . □

We can now complete the proof of Proposition 4.11. Let

$$v(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{2} (|x_1 - \bar{x}_1| + \dots + |x_l - \bar{x}_l|)$$

with  $\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_l \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  and let  $a = \sqrt{\bar{x}_1^2 + \dots + \bar{x}_l^2} > 0$ . Note, that for every  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \leq k \leq n-1$  we can write  $v$  in the form  $v = v_E + v_F$ . Furthermore, by (4.13),  $d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) = 0$  if  $i > l$  and  $d\Phi_j^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) = 0$  if  $j > (l-k) \vee 0$ . Thus, for any  $k$ , it follows from Lemma 4.16, (4.11) and (4.12) that

$$\begin{aligned} Z(v) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-l}} \zeta_{(\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil)}(|(a, x_{l+1}, \dots, x_n)|) dx_{l+1} \cdots dx_n \\ &= \dots \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-l}} \zeta_{(n-1)}(|(a, x_{l+1}, \dots, x_n)|) dx_{l+1} \cdots dx_n. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by Lemma 2.14,  $\zeta_{(\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil)} \equiv \dots \equiv \zeta_{(n-1)} =: \zeta$  and  $\zeta \in D_l^n$ . Thus, by Lemma 4.16,

$$\begin{aligned} (4.24) \quad Z(v_E + v_F) &= \int_F \int_E \zeta(|(x_E, x_F)|) d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) d\Phi_l^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1 \vee (l+k-n)}^{k \wedge l} \int_E \int_F \zeta(|(x_E, x_F)|) d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$  and every  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \leq k \leq n-1$ . Since Hessian measures are non-negative and since  $v_E + v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$  for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ , it follows from Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 4.8 that

$$\int_F \int_E |\zeta(|(x_E, x_F)|)| d\Phi_0^k(v_E, x_E) d\Phi_l^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\zeta(|x|)| d\Phi_l^n(v_E + v_F, x) < +\infty$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$ . Furthermore, since  $\zeta \in D_l^n$  is measurable and has bounded support and since Hessian measures are locally finite, it now follows from the Fubini-Tonelli theorem that we may exchange the order of integration of the first term on the right side in (4.24). Together with Lemma 4.8 we now obtain

$$\begin{aligned} Z(v_E + v_F) &= \sum_{i=0 \vee (l+k-n)}^{k \wedge l} \int_E \int_F \zeta(|(x_E, x_F)|) d\Phi_{l-i}^{n-k}(v_F, x_F) d\Phi_i^k(v_E, x_E) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \zeta(|x|) d\Phi_l^n(v_E + v_F, x) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $v_E \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(E; \mathbb{R})$  and  $v_F \in \text{Conv}_{(0)}(F; \mathbb{R})$  and every  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \leq k \leq n-1$ , which completes the proof.

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