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# The exterior Dirichlet problems of Monge–Ampère equations in dimension two

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## Abstract

In this paper, we study the Monge–Ampère equations  $\det D^2u = f$  in dimension two with  $f$  being a perturbation of  $f_0$  at infinity. First, we obtain the necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of radial solutions with prescribed asymptotic behavior at infinity to Monge–Ampère equations outside a unit ball. Then, using the Perron method, we get the existence of viscosity solutions with prescribed asymptotic behavior at infinity to Monge–Ampère equations outside a bounded domain.

**Keywords:** Monge–Ampère equations; Exterior Dirichlet problem; Asymptotic behavior

## 1 Introduction

A classical theorem for Monge–Ampère equation states that any classical convex solution of

$$\det D^2u = 1 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n$$

must be a quadratic polynomial which was obtained by Jörgens [1] for  $n = 2$ , Calabi [2] for  $n \leq 5$ , and Pogorelov [3] for  $n \geq 2$ . For  $n = 2$ , the classical solution is either convex or concave, so the result is true without the convex hypothesis.

Cheng and Yau [4] later gave a simpler and more analytical proof of the Jörgens–Calabi–Pogorelov theorem along the lines of affine geometry. Caffarelli [5] extended this result to viscosity solutions. Jost and Xin [6] gave another proof of the theorem. On the other hand, it was proved by Trudinger and Wang [7] that if  $D$  is an open convex subset in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $u$  is a convex  $C^2$  solution to  $\det D^2u = 1$  in  $D$  with  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \partial D} u(x) = \infty$ , then  $D = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

In 2003, the Jörgens–Calabi–Pogorelov theorem was extended to exterior domains for  $n \geq 2$  by Caffarelli and Li [8]. They proved that any convex viscosity solution to  $\det D^2u = 1$  in an exterior domain must be a quadratic polynomial at infinity for  $n \geq 3$  and be the sum of a quadratic polynomial and a logarithmic term at infinity for  $n = 2$ . That is, for  $n \geq 3$ , there exists a symmetric positive definite matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\hat{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\hat{c} \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\limsup_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x|^{n-2} \left| u(x) - \left( \frac{1}{2} x^T A x + \hat{b} \cdot x + \hat{c} \right) \right| < \infty; \quad (1.1)$$

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and for  $n = 2$ , there exists a symmetric positive definite matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ ,  $\hat{b} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\hat{c}, \hat{d} \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\limsup_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |x| \left| u(x) - \left( \frac{1}{2} x^T A x + \hat{b} \cdot x + \hat{d} \ln \sqrt{x^T A x + \hat{c}} \right) \right| < \infty. \tag{1.2}$$

For  $n = 2$ , similar problems were studied by Ferrer, Martínez, and Milán [9, 10] applying the complex variable method. We can also refer to Delanoë [11]. Later, in [12], Caffarelli and Li also extended the Jörgens–Calabi–Pogorelov theorem to  $\det D^2 u = f$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with  $f$  being a periodic positive function and obtained that any classical convex solution must be the sum of a quadratic polynomial and a periodic function. In 2015, Bao, Li, and Zhang [13] extended the Jörgens–Calabi–Pogorelov theorem to  $\det D^2 u = f$  in the exterior domain for  $n \geq 2$  with  $f$  being a perturbation of 1 at infinity.

The converse problem is whether the exterior Dirichlet problem has a unique solution with the prescribed asymptotic behavior. This problem was resolved, and the existence of solutions to the exterior Dirichlet problem of  $\det D^2 u = 1$  was established in [8] for  $n \geq 3$  through the Perron method. More specifically, assume that  $D$  is a strictly convex and bounded domain with smooth boundary in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\phi \in C^2(\partial D)$ , then for any symmetric positive definite matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\hat{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , there exists a constant  $c_1 = c_1(n, D, \phi, \hat{b}, A)$  such that, for any  $\hat{c} > c_1$ , the exterior Dirichlet problem

$$\begin{cases} \det D^2 u = 1 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \bar{D}, \\ u = \phi & \text{on } \partial D \end{cases} \tag{1.3}$$

has a unique solution  $u \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \bar{D}) \cap C^0(\overline{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \bar{D}})$  satisfying the asymptotic behavior (1.1). For  $n = 2$ , the existence of solutions to the exterior Dirichlet problem was established by Bao and Li [14]. More precisely, for any symmetric positive definite matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ ,  $\hat{b} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , there exists a constant  $d^* = d^*(D, \phi, \hat{b}, A)$  such that, for any  $\hat{d} > d^*$ , the exterior Dirichlet problem (1.3) has a unique solution  $u \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \bar{D}) \cap C^0(\overline{\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \bar{D}})$  satisfying

$$O(|x|^{-2}) \leq u(x) - \left( \frac{1}{2} x^T A x + \hat{b} \cdot x + \hat{d} \ln \sqrt{x^T A x + c(\hat{d})} \right) \leq M_{\hat{d}} + O(|x|^{-2}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

with  $M_{\hat{d}}, c(\hat{d})$  being functions of  $\hat{d}$ . Bao, Li, and Zhang [13] established the existence of exterior solutions to  $\det D^2 u = f$  with  $f$  being a perturbation of 1 at infinity for  $n \geq 2$ . More existence results for  $n = 2$  can be found in [15, 16]. In [15], global solutions and exterior solutions for Monge–Ampère equation were obtained through the new ideas in contrast to [13]. And in [16], Bao, Xiong, and Zhou proved the existence of entire solutions of Monge–Ampère equations with asymptotic behaviors employing the different method from the constructions of sub- and super- solutions. However, the existence of solutions to  $\det D^2 u = f$  in the exterior domain with  $f$  being a perturbation of  $f_0(|x|)$  at infinity for  $n \geq 3$  was obtained by Ju and Bao [17].

The constants  $\hat{c}$  and  $\hat{d}$  in (1.1) and (1.2) play important roles in the existence and nonexistence of solutions to the exterior Dirichlet problem. Wang and Bao [18] studied the constants  $\hat{c}$  and  $\hat{d}$  among the radially symmetric solutions. They proved that, for  $n \geq 3$ , there exists a unique convex radial solution  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \overline{B_1(0)}) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B_1(0))$  satisfying

$$\det D^2 u = 1 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \overline{B_1(0)}, \tag{1.4}$$

$$u = \hat{a} \quad \text{on } \partial B_1(0), \tag{1.5}$$

$$u = \frac{1}{2}|x|^2 + \hat{c} + O(|x|^{2-n}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty,$$

if and only if  $\hat{c} \geq C^* = \hat{a} - \frac{1}{2} + \int_1^\infty s((1 - s^{-n})^{\frac{1}{n}} - 1) ds$ ; for  $n = 2$ , there exists a unique radially symmetric solution  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \overline{B_1(0)}) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus B_1(0))$  satisfying (1.4), (1.5), and

$$u = \frac{1}{2}|x|^2 + \frac{\hat{d}}{2} \ln |x| + \hat{c} + O(|x|^{-2}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty,$$

if and only if  $\hat{d} \geq -1$  and  $\hat{c} = \hat{a} + \frac{\hat{d}}{4} + \frac{\hat{d}}{2} \ln 2 - \frac{1}{2}[(1 + \hat{d})^{1/2} + \hat{d} \ln(1 + (1 + \hat{d})^{1/2})]$ . Recently, Li and Lu [19] characterized the existence and nonexistence of solutions in terms of the asymptotic behavior to the exterior Dirichlet problem with the right-hand side being 1 or the perturbation of 1 at infinity for  $n \geq 3$ .

In this paper, we study the Monge–Ampère equation with the right-hand side being  $f_0(|x|)$  at infinity for  $n = 2$ . Because of the appearance of the logarithmic term, it seems more difficult than the case of  $n = 3$ . Assume that  $f \in C^0(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . Let  $\beta > 2$  be some constant and

$$f(x) = f_0(|x|) + O(|x|^{-\beta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty, \tag{1.6}$$

where  $f_0 \in C^0([0, +\infty))$  is positive and radially symmetric in  $x$ , and for some constant  $\alpha$ ,

$$f_0(|x|) = O(|x|^\alpha), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty. \tag{1.7}$$

Suppose that

$$\delta = \min \left\{ -2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} + \beta, 2 + \frac{3}{2}\alpha \right\} > 0. \tag{1.8}$$

Consider the Dirichlet problem outside a unit ball

$$\det D^2 u = f \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \overline{B_1(0)}, \tag{1.9}$$

$$u = b \quad \text{on } \partial B_1(0). \tag{1.10}$$

Our first main result is the following.

**Theorem 1.1** *Suppose that  $f$  satisfies (1.6) and  $f$  is radially symmetric, that is,  $f(x) = f(|x|)$ . Let (1.8) hold. Then the exterior Dirichlet problem (1.9) and (1.10) has a unique convex radial solution  $u \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus B_1) \cap C^2(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \overline{B_1})$  satisfying, as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ ,*

$$u(x) = \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} ds + \int_0^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds + d + O(|x|^{-\delta}) \tag{1.11}$$

if and only if  $\tilde{\tau} \geq \tilde{\tau}_0$  and  $d = h(\tilde{\tau})$ , where

$$\tilde{\tau}_0 := \int_1^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt - \int_0^1 2tf_0(t) dt \tag{1.12}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 h(\tilde{\tau}) = & b - \int_0^1 \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\
 & + \int_1^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\
 & \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 1.2* Let  $F_0(x)$  denote the second term in (1.11), that is,

$$F_0(x) = \int_0^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds,$$

then  $F_0$  satisfies

$$\det D^2 F_0 = f_0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}.$$

*Remark 1.3* For  $n \geq 3$ , the necessary and sufficient conditions of the existence of solutions with prescribed asymptotic behavior at infinity to (1.9) and (1.10) are obtained in the author’s another manuscript which is submitted.

If  $f \equiv 1$ , the solution can be integrated. But if  $f$  is general, the solution cannot be integrated directly. By extracting the corresponding quadratic polynomial and logarithmic term, we obtain the asymptotic behavior at infinity. Moreover, our approach is enough to establish the existence of solutions of the exterior Dirichlet problem. So, in the following, by constructing the sub- and super-solutions, we apply the Perron method to get the existence of solutions with prescribed asymptotic behavior at infinity to the exterior Dirichlet problem. First let us recall the definition of viscosity solutions, we can also refer to [8]. Let  $O \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a domain,  $g \in C^0(O)$  be positive, and  $\Phi \in C^0(\partial O)$ .

**Definition 1.4** ([8]) Suppose that  $u \in C^0(O)$  is locally convex. We say that  $u$  is a viscosity subsolution (supersolution) of

$$\det D^2 u = g \quad \text{in } O \tag{1.13}$$

if, for any point  $\hat{x} \in O$  and any convex function  $\psi \in C^2(O)$ , whenever

$$u(x) - \psi(x) \leq (\geq) u(\hat{x}) - \psi(\hat{x}),$$

we must have

$$\det D^2 \psi(\hat{x}) \geq (\leq) g(\hat{x}).$$

$u \in C^0(O)$  is a viscosity solution of (1.13) if it is both a viscosity subsolution and supersolution of (1.13).

**Definition 1.5** ([8]) We say that  $u \in C^0(O)$  is a viscosity subsolution (supersolution) of (1.13) with the boundary condition  $u = \Phi$  on  $\partial O$  if  $u$  is a viscosity subsolution (supersolution) of (1.13), and  $u \leq (\geq) \Phi$  on  $\partial O$ .

Then  $u \in C^0(\bar{O})$  is a viscosity solution of (1.13) with the boundary condition  $u = \Phi$  on  $\partial O$  if it is a viscosity solution of (1.13) and  $u = \Phi$  on  $\partial O$ .

Then we consider the exterior Dirichlet problem

$$\det D^2 u = f \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \bar{\Omega}, \tag{1.14}$$

$$u = \varphi \quad \text{on } \partial \Omega, \tag{1.15}$$

where  $\Omega$  is a bounded domain in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $f \in C^0(\mathbb{R}^2)$  and  $\varphi \in C^2(\partial \Omega)$ . Note that here  $f$  is not necessarily radially symmetric.

Let  $\bar{f}(|x|), \underline{f}(|x|)$  be two positive continuous functions in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  satisfying

$$\bar{f}(|x|) \geq f(x) \geq \underline{f}(|x|), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2, \tag{1.16}$$

and

$$\underline{f}(|x|) = f_0(|x|) + O(|x|^{-\beta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$\bar{f}(|x|) = f_0(|x|) + O(|x|^{-\beta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty,$$

where  $f_0$  is the same as (1.7). The following is the second main result.

**Theorem 1.6** *Let  $\Omega$  be a strictly convex and bounded domain in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $0 \in \Omega$ ,  $\partial \Omega \in C^2$ , and  $\varphi \in C^2(\partial \Omega)$ . Suppose that  $f$  satisfies (1.6) and (1.8) holds. Then, for any  $\tilde{b} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , there exists a constant  $\lambda^* = \lambda^*(\tilde{b}, \varphi, f, \Omega, \alpha, \beta)$  such that, for any  $\lambda > \lambda^*$ , there exists a unique viscosity solution  $u \in C^0(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega)$  to the Dirichlet problem (1.14), (1.15) which satisfies*

$$O(|x|^{-\delta}) \leq u(x) - \left( \frac{\lambda}{2} m(x) + n(x) + \tilde{b} \cdot x + \tilde{d} \right) \leq \Lambda(\lambda) + O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty,$$

where

$$m(x) = \int_{a_1}^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} ds,$$

$$n(x) = \int_{a_1}^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds,$$

and  $a_1 := \min\{a : \Omega \subset B_a\}$ ,  $B_a = B_a(0) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |x| < a\}$ ,  $\tilde{d}$  is a function of  $\lambda$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda(\lambda) = & \operatorname{osc}_{\partial \Omega} \varphi + \max_{\partial \Omega} \int_{|x|}^{a_1} \left( \int_0^\infty 2tf_0(t) dt - \int_s^\infty 2t\underline{f}(t) dt + \lambda \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ & + \int_{a_1}^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\lambda - \int_s^\infty 2t(\underline{f}(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ & \left. - \left( 1 + \frac{\lambda - \int_s^\infty 2t(\bar{f}(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] ds. \end{aligned} \tag{1.17}$$

*Remark 1.7* If  $\Omega$  is a ball,  $\varphi = \text{constant}$ , and  $\bar{f} \equiv \underline{f}$ , then  $\Lambda(\lambda) = 0$ .

Finally, we would like to mention the blow-up solutions and asymptotic behavior of fully nonlinear equations and Monge–Ampère equations. In [20], the existence, asymptotic boundary estimates, and uniqueness of large solutions to fully nonlinear equations were studied, and in [21], the sharp conditions and asymptotic behavior of boundary blow-up solutions to the Monge–Ampère equation were studied.

This paper is organized as follows. In Sect. 2, we prove Theorem 1.1. Theorem 1.6 is proved in Sect. 3.

### 2 Proof of Theorem 1.1

*Proof of Theorem 1.1* Let  $u(x) = u(r) = u(|x|)$  be the radial solution to (1.9). By a direct calculation, we have

$$\det D^2 u = u'' \frac{u'}{r} = f(r), \quad r > 1.$$

Hence

$$\left( (u')^2 \right)' = 2rf(r), \quad r > 1.$$

Then integrating the above equality from 1 to  $r$  on both sides twice, we have

$$u(r) = u(1) + \int_1^r \left( (u'(1))^2 + \int_1^s 2tf(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds.$$

Let  $\tau = (u'(1))^2$ , and

$$\tilde{\tau} = \int_1^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt + \tau - \int_0^1 2tf_0(t) dt.$$

Then the exterior problem (1.9) and (1.10) has the radial solution

$$\begin{aligned} u(x) &= b + \int_1^{|x|} \left( \tau + \int_1^s 2tf(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds & (2.1) \\ &= b + \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt + \int_1^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt + \tau \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_0^1 2tf_0(t) dt - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &= b + \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt + \tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &= b + \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &= b + \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ \left[ 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\} ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left. -1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] + 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \Big\} ds \\
 = & b + \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\
 & \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds \\
 & + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} ds + \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\
 = & \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} ds + \int_0^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\
 & - \int_0^1 \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds + b \\
 & + \int_1^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\
 & \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds \\
 & - \int_{|x|}^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\
 & \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds. \tag{2.2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\tilde{\tau} \geq \tilde{\tau}_0$ , where  $\tilde{\tau}_0$  is the same as (1.12).

From (1.8), we know that  $\alpha + 2 > 0$ . Due to (1.6) and (1.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{|x|}^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\
 & \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds \\
 = & O(|x|^{2-\frac{\alpha}{2}-\beta}) + O(|x|^{-2-\frac{3}{2}\alpha}) \\
 = & O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty, \tag{2.3}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta > 0$  is the same as (1.8).

On the other hand, if  $\tilde{\tau} \geq \tilde{\tau}_0$ , then

$$1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \geq 0.$$

It is clear that (2.1) is a radial solution of (1.9) and (1.10) which satisfies (1.11).

If  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  all satisfy (1.9), (1.10), and (1.11), by the comparison principle, we know that  $u_1 \equiv u_2$  and obtain the uniqueness. Then we complete the proof of Theorem 1.1.  $\square$

Let

$$\inf_{s \in [0, +\infty)} \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt \geq \tilde{\tau}_0 = \int_1^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt - \int_0^1 2tf_0(t) dt. \tag{2.4}$$

Set

$$g(\tilde{\tau}, s) = \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt}.$$

Then

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial \tilde{\tau}} = \frac{1}{2 \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau} - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 1 \right].$$

Since  $\tilde{\tau} \geq \tilde{\tau}_0$ , by (1.6) and (1.7), the infinite integral  $\int_1^\infty (\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \tilde{\tau}} ds$  is convergent uniformly for  $\tilde{\tau}$ . So, for  $h(\tilde{\tau})$  in Theorem 1.1,

$$h'(\tilde{\tau}) = \int_1^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \tilde{\tau}} ds.$$

Let

$$\tilde{\tau}^* = \tilde{\tau}^*(s) = \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt.$$

By (2.4), then  $\tilde{\tau}^* \geq \tilde{\tau}_0$ . So  $h(\tilde{\tau})$  has the maximum in  $\tilde{\tau} = \tilde{\tau}^*$  and  $d = h(\tilde{\tau}) \leq h(\tilde{\tau}^*)$ , where

$$h(\tilde{\tau}^*) = b - \int_0^1 \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds - \int_1^\infty \frac{\int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{2(\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt)^{\frac{1}{2}}} ds.$$

Hence we have the following Corollary 2.1.

**Corollary 2.1** *Let (2.4) hold. Then the exterior Dirichlet problem (1.9) and (1.10) has a convex radial solution  $u \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus B_1) \cap C^2(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \overline{B_1})$  satisfying (1.11) if and only if  $\tilde{\tau} \geq \tilde{\tau}_0$  or  $d \leq h(\tilde{\tau}^*)$ .*

If  $f = f_0 \equiv 1$ , Theorem 1.1 corresponds to the results in [18]. In fact, by (2.2), we know that

$$\begin{aligned} u(x) &= \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \int_1^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2t dt \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} ds + \int_0^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2t dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds - \int_0^1 \left( \int_0^s 2t dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &\quad + b + \int_1^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2t dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2t dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2t dt} \right] ds \\ &\quad - \int_{|x|}^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2t dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2t dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{\int_0^s 2t dt} \right] ds \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \ln|x| + \frac{1}{2}|x|^2 - \frac{1}{2} + b + \int_1^\infty s \left[ \left(1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{s^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 - \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2s^2} \right] ds \\
 &\quad - \int_{|x|}^\infty s \left[ \left(1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{s^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 - \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2s^2} \right] ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int s \left[ \left(1 + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{s^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 - \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2s^2} \right] ds \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}s(s^2 + \tilde{\tau})^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \ln(s + (s^2 + \tilde{\tau})^{\frac{1}{2}}) - \frac{1}{2}s^2 - \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \ln s + C \quad (C \text{ is any constant}), \\
 &\frac{1}{2}s(s^2 + \tilde{\tau})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}s^2 + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{4} + O(s^{-2}), \quad s \rightarrow +\infty,
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \ln(s + (s^2 + \tilde{\tau})^{\frac{1}{2}}) = \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \ln s + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \ln 2 + O(s^{-2}), \quad s \rightarrow +\infty,$$

then, as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 u(x) &= \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \ln|x| + \frac{1}{2}|x|^2 + b + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{4} + \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \ln 2 - \frac{1}{2}(1 + \tilde{\tau})^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\quad - \frac{\tilde{\tau}}{2} \ln(1 + (1 + \tilde{\tau})^{\frac{1}{2}}) + O(|x|^{-2}), \tag{2.5}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{\tau} = \tau - 1$ . Then (2.5) corresponds to the results in [18]. In fact, in [18],  $f \equiv 1$ , (2.1) can be integrated, and then the asymptotic behavior is obtained. But here we cannot integrate (2.1), and so the asymptotic behavior is more complicated.

### 3 Proof of Theorem 1.6

*Proof of Theorem 1.6* By a translation, without loss of generality, we assume that  $\tilde{b} = 0$ . Let  $a_1 := \min\{a : \Omega \subset B_a\}$ . Choose  $a_2 > a_1$ . Let

$$C_0 = \max_{B_{a_2}} f(x) > 0.$$

By Lemma 3.1 in [13], for any  $\xi \in \partial\Omega$ , there exists a function  $w_\xi(x)$  such that

$$\det D^2 w_\xi = C_0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^2,$$

and  $w_\xi(\xi) = \varphi(\xi)$ ,  $w_\xi(x) < \varphi(x)$  on  $\partial\Omega \setminus \{\xi\}$ .

Set

$$w(x) = \sup_{\xi \in \partial\Omega} w_\xi(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Then, in the viscosity sense,

$$\det D^2 w \geq C_0 \geq f(x), \quad x \in B_{a_2},$$

and

$$w(x) = \varphi(x), \quad x \in \partial\Omega. \tag{3.1}$$

For some constant  $\lambda_1 \geq 0$ , let

$$\underline{u}_{\lambda_1}(x) = \min_{\partial\Omega} \varphi + \int_{a_1}^{|x|} \left( \int_1^s 2t\bar{f}(t) dt + \lambda_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$

where  $\bar{f}$  is the same as (1.16). Then

$$\det D^2 \underline{u}_{\lambda_1} = \bar{f}(|x|), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}.$$

Furthermore, similar to (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{u}_{\lambda_1}(x) &= \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1}{2} \int_{a_1}^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} ds + \int_{a_1}^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds + \min_{\partial\Omega} \varphi \\ &\quad + \int_{a_1}^{\infty} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1 - \int_s^{\infty} 2t(\bar{f}(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds \\ &\quad - \int_{|x|}^{\infty} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1 - \int_s^{\infty} 2t(\bar{f}(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\tilde{\lambda}_1 = \tilde{\lambda}_1(\lambda_1) = \int_1^{\infty} 2t(\bar{f}(t) - f_0(t)) dt + \lambda_1 - \int_0^1 2tf_0(t) dt, \quad \lambda_1 \geq 0.$$

In addition, similar to (2.3),

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{|x|}^{\infty} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1 - \int_s^{\infty} 2t(\bar{f}(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds \\ &= O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta$  is the same as (1.8). Let

$$\begin{aligned} v_1(\tilde{\lambda}_1) &= \min_{\partial\Omega} \varphi + \int_{a_1}^{\infty} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1 - \int_s^{\infty} 2t(\bar{f}(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds. \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

As a result,

$$\underline{u}_{\lambda_1}(x) = \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1}{2}m(x) + n(x) + v_1(\tilde{\lambda}_1) + O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty.$$

Clearly,

$$\underline{u}_{\lambda_1} \leq \min_{\partial\Omega} \varphi \leq \varphi \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega. \tag{3.3}$$

We can choose  $\lambda_1^* > 0$  fixed such that, for  $\lambda_1 > \lambda_1^*$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{u}_{\lambda_1} &= \min_{\partial\Omega} \varphi + \int_{a_1}^{a_2} \left( \int_1^s 2t\bar{f}(t) dt + \lambda_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &> w(x), \quad x \in \partial B_{a_2}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

For  $\lambda_2 \geq 0$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x) &= \max_{\partial\Omega} \varphi + \max_{\partial\Omega} \int_{|x|}^{a_1} \left( \int_1^s 2t\underline{f}(t) dt + \lambda_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &\quad + \int_{a_1}^{|x|} \left( \int_1^s 2t\underline{f}(t) dt + \lambda_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\underline{f}$  is the same as (1.16). Then

$$\det D^2 \bar{u}_{\lambda_2} = \underline{f}(|x|), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}.$$

Similar to (2.2), we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x) &= \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2}{2} \int_{a_1}^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} ds + \int_{a_1}^{|x|} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &\quad + \max_{\partial\Omega} \varphi + \max_{\partial\Omega} \int_{|x|}^{a_1} \left( \int_1^s 2t\underline{f}(t) dt + \lambda_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &\quad + \int_{a_1}^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2 - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds \\ &\quad - \int_{|x|}^\infty \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2 - \int_s^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\tilde{\lambda}_2 = \tilde{\lambda}_2(\lambda_2) = \int_1^\infty 2t(f(t) - f_0(t)) dt + \lambda_2 - \int_0^1 2tf_0(t) dt, \quad \lambda_2 \geq 0,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{|x|}^{\infty} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2 - \int_s^{\infty} 2t(f_-(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds \\ & = O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta$  is the same as (1.8). Let

$$\begin{aligned} v_2(\tilde{\lambda}_2) &= \max_{\partial\Omega} \varphi + \max_{\partial\Omega} \int_{|x|}^{a_1} \left( \int_1^s 2tf_-(t) dt + \lambda_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ & \quad + \int_{a_1}^{\infty} \left( \int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2 - \int_s^{\infty} 2t(f_-(t) - f_0(t)) dt}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2}{\int_0^s 2tf_0(t) dt} \right] ds. \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

As a result,

$$\bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x) = \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_2}{2} m(x) + n(x) + v_2(\tilde{\lambda}_2) + O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty.$$

In addition,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x) &\geq \varphi + \int_{|x|}^{a_1} \left( \int_1^s 2tf_-(t) dt + \lambda_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds + \int_{a_1}^{|x|} \left( \int_1^s 2tf_-(t) dt + \lambda_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &= \varphi(x), \quad x \in \partial\Omega. \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

We can choose  $\lambda_2^* > 0$  such that, for  $\lambda_2 > \lambda_2^*$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x) &= \max_{\partial\Omega} \varphi + \int_{a_1}^{a_2} \left( \int_1^s 2tf_-(t) dt + \lambda_2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} ds \\ &> w(x), \quad x \in \partial B_{a_2}. \end{aligned}$$

So, by the comparison principle, we can know that

$$w \leq \bar{u}_{\lambda_2} \quad \text{in } B_{a_2} \setminus \Omega. \tag{3.7}$$

Choose  $\lambda^* > \max\{\tilde{\lambda}_1(\lambda_1^*), \tilde{\lambda}_2(\lambda_2^*)\}$  large. Then, for any  $\lambda > \lambda^*$ , we can choose appropriate constants  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  such that

$$\tilde{\lambda}_1(\lambda_1) = \tilde{\lambda}_2(\lambda_2) = \lambda.$$

And thus

$$v_1(\tilde{\lambda}_1) = v_1(\lambda), \quad v_2(\tilde{\lambda}_2) = v_2(\lambda).$$

Therefore

$$\underline{u}_{\lambda_1}(x) = \frac{\lambda}{2}m(x) + n(x) + v_1(\lambda) + O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$\bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x) = \frac{\lambda}{2}m(x) + n(x) + v_2(\lambda) + O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty.$$

Since  $\bar{f}(t) - f_0(t) \geq \underline{f}(t) - f_0(t)$ , then by (3.2) and (3.5), we can deduce

$$v_1(\lambda) \leq v_2(\lambda).$$

From the comparison principle, we have that

$$\underline{u}_{\lambda_1} \leq \bar{u}_{\lambda_2} \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega. \tag{3.8}$$

Let  $\tilde{d} = v_1(\lambda)$ , then

$$\underline{u}_{\lambda_1}(x) = \frac{\lambda}{2}m(x) + n(x) + \tilde{d} + O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty, \tag{3.9}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x) &= \frac{\lambda}{2}m(x) + n(x) + \tilde{d} + v_2(\lambda) - \tilde{d} + O(|x|^{-\delta}) \\ &= \frac{\lambda}{2}m(x) + n(x) + \tilde{d} + \Lambda(\lambda) + O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

where  $\Lambda(\lambda)$  is the same as (1.17). Define

$$\underline{u}(x) = \begin{cases} \max\{w(x), \underline{u}_{\lambda_1}(x)\}, & x \in B_{a_2} \setminus \Omega, \\ \underline{u}_{\lambda_1}(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus B_{a_2}. \end{cases}$$

Then  $\underline{u} \in C^0(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega)$  satisfies

$$\det D^2 \underline{u} \geq f \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \bar{\Omega},$$

and by (3.1) and (3.3),

$$\underline{u} = w = \varphi \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega. \tag{3.11}$$

By (3.7) and (3.8),

$$\underline{u} \leq \bar{u}_{\lambda_2} \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega.$$

Let  $\mathbb{S}_{\tilde{d}}$  denote the set of subsolutions  $v$  to the Dirichlet problem (1.14), (1.15) satisfying

$$v(x) \leq \bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega.$$

Then  $\underline{u} \in \mathbb{S}_{\tilde{d}}$ . Define

$$u(x) = \sup\{v(x) : v \in \mathbb{S}_{\tilde{d}}\}.$$

So

$$\underline{u}(x) \leq u(x) \leq \bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega.$$

Thus, by (3.9) and (3.10), we know that

$$O(|x|^{-\delta}) \leq u(x) - \left( \frac{\lambda}{2} m(x) + n(x) + \tilde{d} \right) \leq \Lambda(\lambda) + O(|x|^{-\delta}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty.$$

Moreover,  $u$  is a viscosity subsolution of (1.14). By (3.11), for any  $x_0 \in \partial\Omega$ ,

$$\liminf_{x \rightarrow x_0} u(x) \geq \varphi(x_0). \tag{3.12}$$

On the other hand,

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} u(x) \leq \varphi(x_0).$$

Indeed, for some  $R > 0$ , let  $\Omega \subset B_R(0)$ , we consider

$$\begin{cases} \Delta v^+ = 0 & \text{in } B_R(0) \setminus \bar{\Omega}, \\ v^+ = \varphi & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \\ v^+ = u & \text{on } \partial B_R(0). \end{cases}$$

Then by the comparison principle for any  $v \in \mathbb{S}_{\tilde{d}}$ ,  $v \leq v^+$  in  $B_R(0) \setminus \Omega$ , so  $u \leq v^+$  in  $B_R(0) \setminus \Omega$ , and then

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} u(x) \leq v^+(x_0) = \varphi(x_0), \quad x_0 \in \partial\Omega.$$

Combining with (3.12), we deduce that

$$u = \varphi \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega.$$

In the following, we prove that  $u$  is a viscosity solution of (1.14).

For any  $\hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , choose  $B_\epsilon(\hat{x}) := \{x : |x - \hat{x}| \leq \epsilon\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \bar{\Omega}$ . Consider the Dirichlet problem

$$\begin{aligned} \det D^2 \hat{u} &= f \quad \text{in } B_\epsilon(\hat{x}), \\ \hat{u} &= u \quad \text{on } \partial B_\epsilon(\hat{x}). \end{aligned}$$

By virtue of the comparison principle, we know

$$u \leq \hat{u} \leq \bar{u}_{\lambda_2} \quad \text{in } \overline{B_\epsilon(\hat{x})}. \tag{3.13}$$

Let

$$\hat{w}(x) = \begin{cases} \hat{u}(x) & \text{in } B_\epsilon(\hat{x}), \\ u(x) & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus (\Omega \cup B_\epsilon(\hat{x})). \end{cases}$$

Then  $\det D^2 \hat{w} \geq f$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \overline{\Omega}$  and  $\hat{w}(x) \leq \bar{u}_{\lambda_2}(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega$ . Therefore  $\hat{w} \in \mathbb{S}_{\hat{d}}$ . And then  $u(x) \geq \hat{w}(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega$ . Especially,

$$u(x) \geq \hat{w}(x) = \hat{u}(x), \quad x \in B_\epsilon(\hat{x}).$$

So, by (3.13), we can get

$$u(x) = \hat{u}(x), \quad x \in B_\epsilon(\hat{x}).$$

Since  $\hat{x}$  is arbitrary, we know that  $u$  is a solution of (1.14).

The uniqueness can be obtained by the comparison principle for viscosity solutions. Theorem 1.6 is proved.  $\square$

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