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On the isolated singularities of a class of subharmonic functions

We extend a classical result proved by Nitsche in 1957 about the isolated singularities of the solutions of the Liouville equation \( \Delta u = 4e^{2u} \) to solutions of the Gaussian curvature equation \( \Delta u = -4\kappa(z)e^{2u} \) where \( \kappa \) is a strictly negative Hölder continuous function. This yields growth and regularity theorems for strictly negatively curved conformal Riemannian metrics close to their singular points which complement the corresponding existence-and-uniqueness results due to Heins, Troyanov, McOwen and others.

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