

## REMARKS ON EFFECTIVE CURVATURE

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $\Omega$  be a domain in  $R_{x,y}^2$  with a reflecting smooth boundary  $\Gamma$ . Suppose that  $\Omega$  is a media through which wave propagates with a speed  $c(x, y)$ . Let  $s$  be the arc length of  $\Gamma$  measured along the curve from a fixed point on  $\Gamma$ , and  $n$  be the normal distance from  $\Gamma$  to the point in  $\bar{\Omega}$  such that internal points of  $\Omega$  correspond to  $n > 0$ . Now we suppose the center of curvature is in  $\Omega$ . Let  $K_0(s)$  be the curvature of  $\Gamma$  at  $s$ . Let the speed of wave propagation be constant. Then along a concave part of  $\Gamma$  ( $K_0(s) > 0$ ), a high frequency wave well known by the name of whispering gallery wave can propagate. When the speed is variable, the role of the boundary curvature  $K_0(s)$  should be replaced by the effective curvature  $K(s)$ .

Babich and Kirpichnikova [1] defined the effective curvature  $K(s)$  by

$$(1.1) \quad K(s) = K_0(s) + c^{-1}(s, n) \partial_n c(s, n)|_{n=0}.$$

Let  $\omega$  be the frequency of wave and  $L_\varepsilon$  be the boundary layer given by

$$L_\varepsilon = \{(s, n) \in \Omega; K(s) > \varepsilon > 0, n \geq 0\}$$

where  $n$  is sufficiently small.

They constructed a solution  $U$  which satisfies the following Helmholtz equation asymptotically as  $\omega \rightarrow +\infty$

$$(1.2) \quad (\Delta_{x,y} + \omega^2 c^{-2}(x, y))U = 0 \quad \text{in } L_\varepsilon$$

with the Dirichlet boundary condition

$$(1.3) \quad U|_{\Gamma} = 0$$

such that the solution is concentrated near  $\Gamma$  in the sense that

$$(1.4) \quad U \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{exponentially as } n \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Let

$$Ai(x) = \int_0^\infty \cos(t^3/3 + xt) dt \quad (x \in R)$$

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be one of the Airy functions which is rapidly decreasing as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$  together with all of its derivatives and has the zeros only on the negative real axis and let  $-\nu < 0$  be one of zeros of  $Ai(x)$ . Then  $U$  is given in the following form

$$U(s, n) \sim \exp \left\{ i\omega \int_{s_0}^s c^{-1}(s, 0) ds + i\omega^{1/3} h(s) \right\} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \omega^{-3/4 k} U_k(s, n)$$

where

$$h(s) = -\nu \int_{s_0}^s K^{2/3}(s) \{2c(s, 0)\}^{-1/3} ds$$

$$U_0 = \{2K(s)c(s, 0)\}^{1/6} Ai(\omega^{2/3} n \eta(s) - \nu)$$

$$\eta(s) = \{2K(s)\}^{1/3} c^{-2/3}(s, 0)$$

and

$$s_0 \in \Gamma \quad \text{with} \quad K(s_0) > \varepsilon.$$

$U_k$  ( $k \geq 1$ ) can be obtained successively by solving a certain recursive equation. (see pp. 37~47 in [1])

Let us assume all the rays of waves are tangent to  $\Gamma$ . Then in this paper we shall prove the effective curvature in (1.1) is simply given by the curvature of  $\Gamma$  minus the ray curvature at the point of tangency, and also give the transformation invariant formula for the ray curvature in the two dimensional Riemannian space.

## 2. Lemma and Main Theorem

The eikonal equation for (1.2) is given by

$$(2.1) \quad H(x, y, p, q, \tau) = (1/2) \{c^2(p^2 + q^2) - 1\} = 0 \quad (p = \partial_x \tau, q = \partial_y \tau)$$

where  $\tau(x, y)$  is the phase function of the wave. Also the system of differential equations for the characteristics (i. e., rays) of (2.1) has the form

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= \partial H / \partial p = c^2 p & \dot{y} &= \partial H / \partial q = c^2 q \\ \dot{p} &= -\partial H / \partial x = -c \partial_x c (p^2 + q^2) = -(1/c) \partial_x c \\ \dot{q} &= -\partial H / \partial y = -c \partial_y c (p^2 + q^2) = -(1/c) \partial_y c \\ \dot{t} &= p(\partial H / \partial p) + q(\partial H / \partial q) = c^2 (p^2 + q^2) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\dot{\phantom{x}}$  denotes a derivative with respect to a parameter of the ray.

LEMMA. Assume all the rays are tangent to  $\Gamma$  and let  $K_r(s)$  be the curvature of the ray at  $s$  the point of tangency. Then the effective curvature (1.1) is given by

$$K(s) = K_0(s) - K_r(s).$$

*Proof.* It is enough to show

$$(2.3) \quad K_r(s) = -\partial_n c(s, n)/c(s, n)|_{n=0}.$$

Let the generic points of  $\Gamma$  be  $(u(s), v(s))$  parametrized by the arc length  $s$ , and let each point  $(x, y) \in \Omega$  near  $\Gamma$  have the representation:

$$(2.4) \quad x = u(s) - nv'(s), \quad y = v(s) + nu'(s).$$

Then the boundary curvature is given by

$$(2.5) \quad K_0(s) = u'(s)v''(s) - u''(s)v'(s).$$

Let the ray parameter in (2.2) increase with  $s$ . Then taking the center of curvature in  $\Omega$ , we have the ray curvature

$$K_r = (x\dot{y} - \dot{x}y) \cdot (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{-3/2}.$$

From (2.2)

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= (c^2 p)' = 2c \{(\partial_x c)\dot{x} + (\partial_y c)\dot{y}\} p + c^2 \dot{p} = 2c^3 \{(\partial_x c)p^2 + (\partial_y c)pq\} - c\partial_x c \\ \dot{y} &= (c^2 q)' = 2c \{(\partial_x c)\dot{x} + (\partial_y c)\dot{y}\} q + c^2 \dot{q} = 2c^3 \{(\partial_x c)pq + (\partial_y c)q^2\} - c\partial_y c. \end{aligned}$$

Hence substituting them into  $K_r$ , we obtain

$$K_r = \{c^3(\partial_x c)q - c^3(\partial_y c)p\} \{c^4(p^2 + q^2)\}^{-3/2} = (\partial_x c)q - (\partial_y c)p.$$

From (2.4) it can be easily seen that

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \partial_s &= (u'(s) - nv''(s))\partial_x + (v'(s) + nu''(s))\partial_y \\ &= u'(s)(1 - nK_0(s))\partial_x + v'(s)(1 - nK_0(s))\partial_y \\ \partial_n &= -v'(s)\partial_x + u'(s)\partial_y. \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used the relations

$$u''(s) = -K_0(s)v'(s), \quad v''(s) = K_0(s)u'(s),$$

which can be derived from (2.5) and  $u''(s)u'(s) + v''(s)v'(s) = 0$ . From (2.6) it follows immediately

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \partial_x &= (1 - nK_0(s))^{-1}u'(s)\partial_s - v'(s)\partial_n \\ \partial_y &= (1 - nK_0(s))^{-1}v'(s)\partial_s + u'(s)\partial_n. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} K_r &= (\partial_x c)(\partial_y \tau) - (\partial_y c)(\partial_x \tau) \\ &= (1 - nK_0(s))^{-1} \{-(u'(s))^2 - (v'(s))^2\} (\partial_n c)(\partial_s \tau) \\ &\quad + (1 - nK_0(s))^{-1} \{(u'(s))^2 + (v'(s))^2\} (\partial_s c)(\partial_n \tau) \\ &= -(1 - nK_0(s))^{-1} (\partial_n c)(\partial_s \tau) + (1 - nK_0(s))^{-1} (\partial_s c)(\partial_n \tau). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, since the ray is tangent to  $\Gamma$ , it holds that  $-v'(s)\partial_x\tau + u'(s)\partial_y\tau = 0$  at the point of tangency, that is, from (2.6)

$$\partial_n\tau = 0 \quad \text{at } n=0.$$

By (2.7) the eikonal equation (2.1) becomes

$$c^{-2} = (1 - nK_0(s))^{-2}(\partial_s\tau)^2 + (\partial_n\tau)^2,$$

which implies

$$c^{-2} = (\partial_s\tau)^2 \quad \text{at } n=0.$$

Since  $\dot{\tau} = 1$  and  $s$  increases with ray parameter, so does the phase  $\tau$  along  $s$ .

Thus we have  $\partial_s\tau > 0$  and  $\partial_s\tau = c^{-1}$  at  $n=0$ , which give  $K_r(s) = -\partial_n c(s, n)/c(s, n)|_{n=0}$ , and the proof is completed. Q. E. D.

Next we consider the problem (1.2), (1.3), (1.4) in the domain  $\Omega$  in two dimensional Riemannian space, so the Laplacian  $\Delta$  in (1.2) should be replaced by the Laplace-Beltrami operator.

Let the fundamental tensor be  $g_{ij}$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2$  (symmetric and positive definite), and the coordinate system be  $u^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , and let  $g = \det(g_{ij})$  and  $(g^{ij}) = (g_{ij})^{-1}$ . In the following calculus, we follow Einstein's summation convention.

Now we put

$$g_{ij} = (\partial x^i / \partial u^j)(\partial x^i / \partial u^j) + (\partial x^2 / \partial u^i)(\partial x^2 / \partial u^j)$$

where  $(x^1, x^2)$  is the orthogonal coordinate and  $\{e_1, e_2\}$ , defined by

$$e_1 = (\partial x^1 / \partial u^1, \partial x^2 / \partial u^1), \quad e_2 = (\partial x^1 / \partial u^2, \partial x^2 / \partial u^2),$$

is taken as the natural base for the curvilinear coordinate system  $(u^i)$ .

Now making the substitution of  $\Delta = g^{-1/2} \partial(g^{1/2} g^{ij} \partial / \partial u^j) / \partial u^i$  into (1.2) gives the equation

$$(2.8) \quad (\Delta + \omega^2 c^{-2})U = g^{ij}(\partial^2 U / \partial u^i \partial u^j) + (\partial g^{ij} / \partial u^i)(\partial U / \partial u^j) \\ + g^{-1/2}(\partial g^{1/2} / \partial u^i)g^{ij}(\partial U / \partial u^j) + \omega^2 c^{-2}U = 0.$$

Here we assume that the leading term in the asymptotic solution  $U$  is given in the form

$$\{exp i \omega \tau(u^1, u^2)\} \varphi(u^1, u^2).$$

So substituting this into (2.8) and collecting powers of  $\omega^2$ , we obtain

$$\{-g^{ij}(\partial \tau / \partial u^i)(\partial \tau / \partial u^j) + c^{-2}\} \omega^2 \{exp i \omega \tau\} \varphi = 0.$$

In this case the eikonal equation is defined as

$$(2.9) \quad H(u^1, u^2, p_1, p_2, \tau) = (1/2)(c^2 g^{ij} p_i p_j - 1) = 0$$

where  $p_i = \partial \tau / \partial u^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Thus the rays are obtained by solving

$$(2.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \dot{u}^1 &= \partial H / \partial p_1 = c^2 g^{1j} p_j & \dot{u}^2 &= \partial H / \partial p_2 = c^2 g^{2j} p_j \\ \dot{p}_1 &= -\partial H / \partial u^1 = -(1/c) \partial c / \partial u^1 - (1/2) c^2 (\partial g^{ij} / \partial u^1) p_i p_j \\ \dot{p}_2 &= -\partial H / \partial u^2 = -(1/c) \partial c / \partial u^2 - (1/2) c^2 (\partial g^{ij} / \partial u^2) p_i p_j \\ \dot{\tau} &= p_1 \partial H / \partial p_1 + p_2 \partial H / \partial p_2 = c^2 g^{ij} p_i p_j = 1 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\dot{\phantom{x}}$  is a derivatation with respect to the ray parameter  $t$ .

Let  $l$  be the arc length of the ray. Then from (2.10) and the eikonal equation (2.9) it follows immediately

$$\begin{aligned} l &= \int^t \{g_{ij} (du^i/dt)(du^j/dt)\}^{1/2} dt = \int^t \{c^4 g_{ij} g^{ik} g^{jm} p_k p_m\}^{1/2} dt \\ &= \int^t \{c^4 \delta_j^k g^{jm} p_k p_m\}^{1/2} dt = \int^t \{c^4 g^{km} p_k p_m\}^{1/2} dt = \int^t c dt, \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$(2.11) \quad dl/dt = c.$$

**PROPOSITION.** *Assume all the rays are tangent to  $\Gamma$ . Let  $l$  be the arc length along the ray measured from the point of tangency on  $\Gamma$  and  $n$  be the normal distance from the point on the ray to  $\Gamma$ . Then we have another formula for the effective curvature (1.1):*

$$K(s) = -d^2 n / dl^2 |_{n=0}(s).$$

*Proof.* Put  $(u^1, u^2) = (s, n)$ . Then from (2.4) and (2.5) it can be easily seen that

$$g_{11} = \{1 - nK_0(s)\}^2, \quad g_{12} = g_{21} = 0, \quad g_{22} = 1.$$

In this case the eikonal equation (2.9) becomes

$$(1/2)[c^2 \{(1 - nK_0(s))^{-2} p_1^2 + p_2^2\} - 1] = 0 \quad (p_1 = \partial_s \tau, p_2 = \partial_n \tau).$$

So it follows from (2.10) that along the rays

$$(2.12) \quad \begin{aligned} \dot{s} &= c^2 \{1 - nK_0(s)\}^{-2} p_1 & \dot{n} &= c^2 p_2 \\ \dot{p}_2 &= -(1/c) \partial c / \partial n - c^2 \{1 - nK_0(s)\}^{-3} K_0(s) p_1^2 \\ &= -(1/c) \partial c / \partial n - \{1 - nK_0(s)\}^{-1} (1 - c^2 p_2^2) K_0(s). \end{aligned}$$

Recalling that  $p_2 = \partial_n \tau = 0$  at  $n=0$  (the point of tangency) we have

$$\dot{p}_2 = -\partial_n c / c - K_0(s) \quad \text{at } n=0.$$

Hence it is enough to show

$$(2.13) \quad [d^2 n / dl^2 = \dot{p}_2 \quad \text{at } n=0.]$$

From (2.11) and (2.12) it follows

$$dn/dl = \dot{n}/\dot{l} = c\dot{p}_2$$

and

$$d^2n/dl^2 = d(c\dot{p}_2)/dl = c^{-1}d(c\dot{p}_2)/dt = c^{-1}\{(\partial_n c)\dot{n} + (\partial_s c)\dot{s}\} \dot{p}_2 + \dot{p}_2,$$

which proves (2.13).

Q. E. D.

*Remark.* The effective curvature here corresponds to the minus of the generalized curvature for creeping waves. (see Lewis, Bleistein and Ludwig [2], p 318 (A2.3)) In [2], an asymptotic solution to the Helmholtz equation is constructed under the convexity condition  $K < 0$ , which is called the creeping wave, while an asymptotic formula in [1] constructed under the concavity condition  $K > 0$  is called the whispering gallery wave.

Next we shall give the transformation invariant formula for the ray curvature at the point of tangency in the two dimensional Riemannian space.

**THEOREM.** Suppose that the boundary  $\Gamma$  is given by  $\varphi(u^1, u^2) = 0$  where  $\varphi$  is a smooth function such that  $\nabla\varphi \neq 0$  is the normal vector to  $\Gamma$  pointing toward the domain  $\Omega$ . Assume all the rays are tangent  $\Gamma$ . Then the ray curvature at the point of tangency is given by

$$(2.14) \quad K_r = -c^{-1}(\partial_c/\partial u^1)(\partial\varphi/\partial u^j)g^{1j}\{g^{mn}(\partial\varphi/\partial u^m)(\partial\varphi/\partial u^n)\}^{-1/2}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $l$  be the arc length of the ray. Then the unit tangent vector of the ray  $dx/dl$  in  $(u^i)$  coordinate is given by

$$dx/dl = (du^1/dl, du^2/dl)$$

which follows from the chain rule:

$$(dx^1/dl, dx^2/dl) = (du^1/dl)e_1 + (du^2/dl)e_2.$$

Now we shall prove that the first derivative of the unit tangent vector of the ray  $d^2x/dl^2$  in  $(u^i)$  coordinate is given by

$$(2.15) \quad d^2x/dl^2 = (\Gamma_{ik}^1(du^i/dl)(du^k/dl) + d^2u^1/dl^2, \Gamma_{ik}^2(du^i/dl)(du^k/dl) + d^2u^2/dl^2)$$

where  $\Gamma_{ik}^h = g^{hj}\Gamma_{ijk}$  and  $\Gamma_{ijk} = (1/2)(\partial g_{ij}/\partial u^k + \partial g_{jk}/\partial u^i - \partial g_{ki}/\partial u^j)$ . Now we observe

$$(2.16) \quad d^2x^a/dl^2 = (\partial^2 x^a/\partial u^i \partial u^j)(du^i/dl)(du^j/dl) + (\partial x^a/\partial u^i)d^2u^i/dl^2. \quad (a=1, 2)$$

Since

$$\Gamma_{ijk} = \sum_{m=1}^2 (\partial x^m/\partial u^i)(\partial^2 x^m/\partial u^k \partial u^j) \quad \text{and} \quad g^{hj} = \sum_{n=1}^2 (\partial u^h/\partial x^n)(\partial u^j/\partial x^n)$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma_{ik}^h &= \sum_{n=1}^2 (\partial u^h / \partial x^n) (\partial u^j / \partial x^n) \sum_{m=1}^2 (\partial x^m / \partial u^j) (\partial^2 x^m / \partial u^k \partial u^i) \\
&= \sum_m \sum_n (\partial u^h / \partial x^n) \delta_n^m (\partial^2 x^m / \partial u^k \partial u^i) \\
&= (\partial u^h / \partial x^m) (\partial^2 x^m / \partial u^k \partial u^i),
\end{aligned}$$

which leads to

$$(\partial x^a / \partial u^h) \Gamma_{ij}^h = \delta_m^a (\partial^2 x^m / \partial u^i \partial u^j) = \partial^2 x^a / \partial u^i \partial u^j.$$

Hence (2.16) is turned to

$$d^2 x^a / dl^2 = (\partial x^a / \partial u^h) \Gamma_{ij}^h (du^i / dl) (du^j / dl) + (\partial x^a / \partial u^i) (d^2 u^i / dl^2), \quad (a=1, 2)$$

which proves (2.15).

In the second step we show

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.17) \quad d^2 x / dl^2 &= c(\partial c / \partial u^k) g^{lj} g^{km} p_m p_j - c^{-1} (\partial c / \partial u^j) g^{lj}, \\
&\quad c(\partial c / \partial u^k) g^{2j} g^{km} p_m p_j - c^{-1} (\partial c / \partial u^j) g^{2j}.
\end{aligned}$$

From (2.10) and (2.11) it follows

$$du^i / dl = (du^i / dt) (dt / dl) = c g^{ij} p_j$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
d^2 u^i / dl^2 &= \{d(c g^{ij} p_j) / dt\} (dt / dl) \\
&= \{(\partial c / \partial u^k) (du^k / dt) g^{lj} p_j + c(\partial g^{lj} / \partial u^k) (du^k / dt) p_j + c g^{lj} (dp_j / dt)\} c^{-1} \\
&= c(\partial c / \partial u^k) g^{lj} g^{km} p_j p_m + c^2 (\partial g^{lj} / \partial u^k) g^{km} p_j p_m \\
&\quad - c^{-1} (\partial c / \partial u^j) g^{lj} - 2^{-1} c^2 g^{lj} (\partial g^{km} / \partial u^j) p_k p_m.
\end{aligned}$$

Substituting them into the  $\mu$ th component ( $\mu=1, 2$ ) in (2.15), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma_{ik}^{\mu} (du^i / dl) (du^k / dl) + (d^2 u^{\mu} / dl^2) &= c^2 \Gamma_{ik}^{\mu} g^{lj} g^{km} p_j p_m + c(\partial c / \partial u^k) g^{\mu j} g^{km} p_j p_m \\
&\quad + c^2 (\partial g^{\mu j} / \partial u^k) g^{km} p_j p_m - c^{-1} (\partial c / \partial u^j) g^{\mu j} \\
&\quad - 2^{-1} c^2 g^{\mu j} (\partial g^{km} / \partial u^j) p_k p_m.
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $(g^{mh})$  be the inverse matrix of  $(g_{ij})$ . Then differentiating the both sides of  $g^{mh} g_{hj} = \delta_j^m$  with respect to  $u^k$  we have

$$(\partial g^{mh} / \partial u^k) g_{hj} + g^{mh} (\partial g_{hj} / \partial u^k) = 0.$$

Multiplying the both sides by  $g_{im}$  implies

$$\partial g_{ij} / \partial u^k = -g_{im} g_{hj} (\partial g^{mh} / \partial u^k).$$

Hence we have

$$\Gamma_{ik}^{\mu} = -2^{-1} \{g_{im} (\partial g^{m\mu} / \partial u^k) + g_{hk} (\partial g^{\mu h} / \partial u^i) - g^{\mu j} g_{km} g_{hi} (\partial g^{mh} / \partial u^j)\}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
c^2 \Gamma_{ik}^\mu g^{ij} g^{km} p_j p_m &= -2^{-1} c^2 p_j p_m \{ \delta_n^j g^{km} (\partial g^{n\mu} / \partial u^k) + g^{ij} \delta_n^m (\partial g^{\mu h} / \partial u^i) \\
&\quad - g^{\mu p} \delta_n^m \delta_h^i (\partial g^{nh} / \partial u^p) \} \\
&= -c^2 p_j p_m g^{km} (\partial g^{j\mu} / \partial u^k) + 2^{-1} c^2 p_j p_m g^{\mu p} (\partial g^{mj} / \partial u^p).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore we conclude

$$\Gamma_{ik}^\mu (du^i/dl)(du^k/dl) + (d^2u^\mu/dl^2) = c(\partial c/\partial u^k) g^{\mu j} g^{km} p_m p_j - c^{-1}(\partial c/\partial u^j) g^{\mu j}.$$

This proves (2.17).

Since the covariant form of the normal vector to the boundary is  $(\partial\varphi/\partial u^1, \partial\varphi/\partial u^2)$ , the contravariant form of the normal vector is given by

$$(2.18) \quad (g^{1j} \partial\varphi/\partial u^j, g^{2j} \partial\varphi/\partial u^j).$$

The length of this vector is

$$\begin{aligned}
\{g_{k\alpha} g^{kj} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^j) g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\beta)\}^{1/2} &= \{\delta_\alpha^j (\partial\varphi/\partial u^j) g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\beta)\}^{1/2} \\
&= \{g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\alpha) (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\beta)\}^{1/2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the contravariant form of the unit normal vector pointing toward the domain  $\Omega$  is given by

$$(2.19) \quad (g^{1j} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^j) \{g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\alpha) (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\beta)\}^{-1/2}, \\ g^{2j} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^j) \{g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\alpha) (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\beta)\}^{-1/2}).$$

Now taking the inner product of the vectors (2.17) and (2.19) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.20) \quad K_r &= g_{ii} \{c(\partial c/\partial u^k) g^{ij} g^{km} p_m p_j - c^{-1}(\partial c/\partial u^j) g^{ij}\} \\
&\quad \times g^{ln} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^n) \{g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\alpha) (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\beta)\}^{-1/2} \\
&= \delta_i^i \{c(\partial c/\partial u^k) g^{km} p_m p_j - c^{-1}(\partial c/\partial u^j)\} \\
&\quad \times g^{ln} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^n) \{g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\alpha) (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\beta)\}^{-1/2} \\
&= \{c(\partial c/\partial u^k) g^{km} p_m p_j - c^{-1}(\partial c/\partial u^j)\} \\
&\quad \times g^{jn} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^n) \{g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\alpha) (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\beta)\}^{-1/2} \\
&= \{c(\partial c/\partial u^k) g^{km} p_m g^{jn} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^n) p_j - c^{-1}(\partial c/\partial u^j) (\partial\varphi/\partial u^n) g^{jn}\} \\
&\quad \times \{g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\alpha) (\partial\varphi/\partial u^\beta)\}^{-1/2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Also, according to (2.10), the contravariant form of the tangent vector of the ray is given by

$$(2.21) \quad (g^{1j} p_j, g^{2j} p_j).$$

Therefore from the orthogonality of (2.18) and (2.21) at the point of tangency, it follows that

$$0 = g_{kn} g^{ki} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^i) g^{nj} p_j = \delta_n^i (\partial\varphi/\partial u^i) g^{nj} p_j = g^{ni} (\partial\varphi/\partial u^n) p_i.$$

Substituting this into the last equality in (2.20) we obtain the result. Q. E. D.

Since the transformation invariance of  $g^{ij}(\partial c/\partial u^i)(\partial\varphi/\partial u^j)$  and  $g^{mn}(\partial\varphi/\partial u^m)(\partial\varphi/\partial u^n)$  in the right hand side of (2.14) follows from the property of contraction, we immediately obtain the following result.

PROPOSITION.  $K_\tau$  is an invariant under the coordinate transformation.

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