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Let $x = (x_1, ..., x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $x' = (x_2, ..., x_n)$. Let $D_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ be a bounded domain and let the boundary ∂D_1 be smooth such that $\partial D_1 \subset \{x' \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}; 0 < |x'| < \rho\}$. For $\kappa > 0$ and $\delta > 0$, let $\gamma \in C^2(\overline{D_1})$ satisfy $\gamma(0) = 0$ and

$$\begin{cases} \gamma(x') < -\kappa |x'|^2 + \delta, & x' \in D_1, \\ \gamma(x') = -\kappa |x'|^2 + \delta, & x' \in \partial D_1. \end{cases}$$
(1)

We set

$$\begin{cases}
Q_{\delta} = \{(x,t); \, x' \in D_1, \, \gamma(x') < x_1 < -\kappa |x'|^2 - \kappa t^2 + \delta\}, \\
\Omega = Q_{\delta} \cap \{t = 0\}, \quad \Gamma = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n; \, x_1 = \gamma(x'), \, x' \in D_1\},
\end{cases}$$
(2)

for $0 < \delta \leq \delta_0$, and

$$\psi(x,t) = -\frac{1}{2\kappa}x_1 - \frac{1}{2}|x'|^2 - \frac{1}{2}t^2 + \frac{1}{2\kappa}\delta_0.$$
(3)

Then $Q_{\delta} = \{(x,t); x' \in D_1, x_1 > \gamma(x'), \psi(x,t) > \frac{1}{2\kappa}(\delta_0 - \delta)\}$. We set

$$T \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa}} \sqrt{\max_{x' \in \overline{D_1}} (\delta - \gamma(x') - \kappa |x'|^2)}, \quad \rho_0 = \left(\rho^2 + \max\{|\min_{|x'| \le \rho} \gamma(x')|^2, \delta^2\}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
(4)

Then $|x| < \rho_0$ if $x \in \Omega$, and $\overline{Q_{\delta}} \subset \overline{\Omega} \times [-T, T]$.

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We consider

$$P(x,t,\partial)u \equiv p(x,t)\partial_t^2 u - \sum_{\ell,m=1}^n a_{\ell m}(x,t)\partial_\ell \partial_m u + \sum_{\ell=1}^n a_\ell(x,t)\partial_\ell u + r(x,t)u = f(x,t),$$
(5)

where $p, a_{\ell m} = a_{m\ell} \in C^1(\overline{\Omega} \times [-T, T]), a_\ell, r \in L^\infty(\Omega \times (-T, T)), p > 0 \text{ on } \overline{\Omega} \times [-T, T]$ and $\sum_{\ell,m=1}^n a_{\ell m}(x,t)\xi_\ell\xi_m > 0$ for $(x,t) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [-T,T]$ and $\xi' \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Here we use the following notations: $t = x_{n+1}, \partial_{n+1} = \partial_t = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \partial_\ell = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell}, 1 \leq \ell \leq n, \xi = (\xi_1, ..., \xi_{n+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}, \xi' = (\xi_1, ..., \xi_n), \nabla' = (\partial_1, ..., \partial_n), \nabla = (\partial_1, ..., \partial_n, \partial_\ell).$ Henceforth $\sum_{\ell,m}$ means the sum where the suffixes ℓ, m vary over $1, \ldots n$ if we do not specify, and we omit the (x, t)-dependency if there is no fear of confusion. For example, $\sum_j = \sum_{j=1}^n$ and $p\partial_t^2 u$ means $p(x,t)\partial_t^2 u(x,t)$.

We assume that there exists a constant $\theta_0 > 0$ such that

$$\mu_0(x,t,\xi') \equiv \sum_{\ell,m,k} \{2a_{1k}(x,t)(\partial_k a_{\ell m})(x,t) - 4a_{km}(\partial_k a_{1\ell})\}\xi_\ell\xi_m \\ -2\sum_k a_{1k}(\partial_k p)\frac{(A\xi',\xi')}{p} - 2p\sum_\ell |\partial_t a_{1\ell}| \left\{\xi_\ell^2 + \frac{(A\xi',\xi')}{p}\right\} \ge \theta_0 |\xi'|^2 \tag{6}$$

for any $(x,t)\in\overline{\Omega}\times[-T,T]$ and $\xi'\in\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$$\pm t \sqrt{p(x,t)(A(x,t)\xi',\xi')} = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \sum_{j} a_{1j}\xi_j + \sum_{k=2}^n \sum_{j} a_{kj}\xi_j x_k.$$
 (7)

Here and henceforth $A(x,t) = (a_{\ell m}(x,t))_{1 \leq \ell, m \leq n}$ and (\cdot, \cdot) denotes the scalar product in \mathbb{R}^n .

Case 1. We consider a case where $a_{\ell\ell} = 1$, $a_{\ell m} = 0$ if $\ell \neq m$, and p is *t*-independent. Then (6) is reduced to

$$2\frac{\partial_1 p(x)}{p(x)} \le -\theta_0, \qquad x \in \overline{\Omega}.$$

This means that the wave speed increases in the x_1 -direction.

Case 2. Let $\gamma(x') = 0$, that is, let the subboundary Γ be flat. Moreover let $p \equiv 1$, $a_{11} = 1$ and $a_{12} = \ldots = a_{1n} = 0$ and $a_{\ell m}$, $2 \leq \ell, m \leq n$ are *t*-independent. We set $\rho = \kappa$, $D_1 = \{x' \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}; |x'| < \kappa\}$ and $\delta = \kappa^3$ in (2) - (4). Then $\Omega = \{x; 0 < x_1 < -\kappa |x'|^2 + \kappa^3, |x'| < \kappa\}$. Let

$$\sum_{\ell,m=2}^{n} (\partial_1 a_{\ell m}(0,0)) \xi_{\ell} \xi_m \ge \theta_0 \sum_{j=2}^{n} |\xi_j|^2 \quad \text{for } (\xi_2,...,\xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}.$$
 (8)

Then for small $\kappa > 0$, condition (6) is satisfied for $(x, t) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [-T, T]$ and $\xi' \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying (7).

In fact, for small $\kappa > 0$, if $(x, t) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [-T, T]$, then $|x| + |t| \leq C_1 \kappa$ by (2) - (4), so that

$$2\sum_{\ell,m=2}^{n} (\partial_1 a_{\ell m}(x,t))\xi_{\ell}\xi_m \ge \theta_0 \sum_{j=2}^{n} |\xi_j|^2$$
(9)

for $(x,t) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [-T,T]$ and $(\xi_2,...,\xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$, if $\kappa > 0$ is sufficiently small. Here and henceforth C_j denote generic constants which are independent of κ . Let $(x,t) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [-T,T]$ and $\xi' \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy (7). We note that (7) is reduced to

$$\xi_1 + 2\kappa \sum_{k,j=2}^n a_{kj}\xi_j x_k = \pm 2\kappa t \sqrt{p(x,t)(A(x,t)\xi',\xi')}.$$

Hence $|\xi_1|^2 \leq C_2 \kappa \left(\sum_{j=2}^n |\xi_j|^2 + |\xi_1|^2 \right)$, and we see that $\sum_{j=2}^n |\xi_j|^2 \geq C_3 |\xi'|^2$ if $\kappa > 0$ is small. Therefore, since the left hand sides of (6) and (9) are same, condition (9) yields (6) if $\kappa > 0$ is sufficiently small.

We note that (8) implies that the wave speed increases inward in the x_1 -direction near $(0,0) \in \Gamma$. By a suitable rotation, we can replace (8) by

$$\sum_{\ell,m=2}^{n} (\nabla' a_{\ell m}(0,0),\nu) \xi_{\ell} \xi_m \ge \theta_0 \sum_{j=2}^{n} |\xi_j|^2 \quad \text{for } (\xi_2,...,\xi_n), \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}.$$

where $\nu \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is an arbitrarily fixed unit vector such that $\varepsilon \nu \in \Omega$ with small $\varepsilon > 0$. We set

$$\mu_{1}(x,t,\xi') = \sum_{j=2}^{n} \left[\sum_{k,\ell,m} \{4a_{km}(\partial_{k}a_{j\ell}) - 2a_{jk}(\partial_{k}a_{\ell m})\}\xi_{\ell}\xi_{m} + 2\sum_{k}a_{jk}(\partial_{k}p)\frac{(A\xi',\xi')}{p} \right] x_{j}$$

$$+ t \left\{ 2p \sum_{\ell,m} (\partial_{t}a_{\ell m})\xi_{\ell}\xi_{m} + 2(\partial_{t}p)(A\xi',\xi') \right\}$$

$$+ 2|t| \sum_{k,\ell} |\partial_{k}p||a_{k\ell}| \left(\xi_{\ell}^{2} + \frac{(A\xi',\xi')}{p}\right) + 2p \sum_{j=2}^{n} \sum_{\ell} |\partial_{t}a_{j\ell}||x_{j}| \left(\xi_{\ell}^{2} + \frac{(A\xi',\xi')}{p}\right)$$

$$+ 4 \left(\sum_{k=2}^{n} |[A\xi']_{k}|^{2} + p(A\xi',\xi')\right)$$
(10)

and we assume that

$$|\mu_1(x,t,\xi')| \le \theta_1 |\xi'|^2 \text{ for } (x,t) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [-T,T] \text{ and } \xi' \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ satisfying (7)}.$$
(11)

Here $[A\xi']_k$ denotes the kth component of $A\xi' \in \mathbb{R}^n$. We set

$$\alpha_0 = \min_{(x,t)\in\overline{\Omega}\times[-T,T],|\xi'|=1} (A(x,t)\xi',\xi').$$

We state our first main first result.

Theorem 1. We assume (1), (6) with (7), (11) and

$$\frac{1}{2\kappa} > \max\left\{T\left(\frac{\|p\|_{C^1(\overline{\Omega}\times[-T,T])}}{\alpha_0}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_0}\right\}.$$
(12)

Then there exist $C = C(P, \delta) > 0$, $\eta = \eta(P, \delta) > 0$ and $s_0 = s_0(P, \delta) > 0$ such that

$$\int_{Q_{\delta}} (s|\nabla u|^{2} + s^{3}|u|^{2}) \exp(2se^{\eta\psi}) dx dt \leq C \int_{Q_{\delta}} |Pu|^{2} \exp(2se^{\eta\psi}) dx dt$$

for all $s \ge s_0$ and $u \in H^2_0(Q_\delta)$.

The proof is given in Appendix and done by verifying the pseudoconvexity (e.g., [6], Theorem 3.2.1' (p.52) in [8]), and the weight $\frac{1}{2\kappa}$ for x_1 in (3) is essential in order

also [3]), whose weight function is same as a Carleman estimate in §1 of Chapter IV in [13] for a parabolic equation. As for Carleman estimates for $p\partial_t^2 - \Delta$, see [7], [8], [11]. We refer to [9] which proves a Carleman estimate for a hyperbolic equation (2) with $p \equiv 1$, but the used weight function prevents us from proving the unique continuation across non-convex surface (see function (1.5) in [9]). As for related recent papers, see [14], [17] and [19].

If the coefficients $a_{\ell m}$ are sufficiently smooth, then Carleman estimates are constructed by assuming the existence of a function $\varphi(x,t)$ whose level surfaces are pseudoconvex with respect to operator P (see [6]). The pseudoconvexity is easily checked in the case when the coefficients $a_{\ell m}$ and p are sufficiently close to constants in the C^1 norm. In [14, 19], the pseudoconvexty condition is replaced with the assumption of existence of some positive function d(x) whose Hessian with respect to the Riemannian metric associated to P is uniformly positive in Ω . In this case, φ has form $\varphi(x,t) = d(x) - \mu t^2$. In [17], it was shown that under some conditions on the curvature of the Riemannian space, one can take d(x) to be the function $s^2(x, x^0)$ which is the square of the Riemannian distance from some fixed point $x^0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ to a point $x \in \Omega$ and it was found the connection between the Hessian of this function and the sectional curvatures of the Riemannian space. Although the condition on the curvature in [17] has a certain geometric sense, it is difficult to check when this condition holds. On the other hand, our condition (6) is directly verified and in some cases, it can be interpreted physically by means of the classical Snell law on the refraction: the inward increase of the wave speed is one sufficient condition for

the non-existence of closed geodesics, which implies the unique continuation across Γ as a direct consequence of Theorem 1. Moreover the essential difference of our paper is that [17] is not applicable to the unique continuation or inverse problems when observation data are restricted on a non-convex part of the domain. Other difference of this paper from [14, 17, 19] is that we can treat *t*-dependent principal parts.

Next we apply Theorem 1 to the unique continuation and an inverse problem.

Problem 1. Find a function u = u(x, t) satisfying (5) in $\Omega \times (-T, T)$ and Cauchy conditions

$$u = g, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} = h \quad \text{on } \Gamma \times (-T, T).$$
 (13)

If all the coefficients in (5) are analytic and the surface Γ is non-characteristic, then the uniqueness of a solution to Problem 1 follows from the Holmgren theorem (e.g., [6]). In [8, 9], the uniqueness of a solution to Problem 1 in the small for convex Γ was proved by using the technique of Carleman estimates. The uniqueness in Problem 1 in the case where the coefficients of (5) do not depend on t or are analytic in t (and Ω is not necessarily convex near Γ) was studied in [15, 18].

In this work, unlike in the existing works, in the case where the coefficients of (5) are not assumed to be analytic in any of the variables (x, t) and the domain Ω may be concave near Γ , we discuss the uniqueness and the conditional stability for Problem 1.

Theorem 2. Suppose (1), (6) and (12). Suppose also that $u \in H^2(\Omega \times (-T,T))$ satisfies the equation Pu = 0 in $\Omega \times (-T,T)$ and $u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} = 0$ on $\Gamma \times (-T,T)$. Then there exists a neighbourhood V of the surface Γ and $T_1 \in (0,T)$ such that u = 0 on $(V \cap \Omega) \times (-T_1, T_1).$

The examples for the non-uniqueness in Cauchy problems in [9, 12] show that condition (6) is essential for Theorem 2.

Theorem 3. Suppose (1), (6) and (12). Moreover assume that $u \in H^2(\Omega \times (-T,T))$ satisfies (13) and the equation Pu = f in $\Omega \times (-T,T)$. Then there exist a neighbourhood V of the surface Γ , a number $T_1 \in (0,T)$, and constants C > 0, $\theta \in (0,1)$ such that

$$\|u\|_{H^1((V\cap\Omega)\times(-T_1,T_1))} \le CE^{\theta}(E^{1-\theta} + \|u\|_{H^1(\Omega\times(-T,T))}^{1-\theta}),$$

where

$$E = \|f\|_{L^{2}(\Omega \times (-T,T))} + \|g\|_{H^{\frac{3}{2}}(\Gamma \times (-T,T))} + \|g\|_{H^{2}(-T,T;L^{2}(\Gamma))}$$
$$+ \|h\|_{H^{2}(-T,T;L^{2}(\Gamma))} + \|h\|_{L^{2}(-T,T;H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma))}.$$

Now consider the following inverse problem.

Problem 2. Suppose that the coefficients of P do not depend on t. Let u satisfy (5), (13) and

$$u(x,0) = a(x), \quad x \in \Omega.$$
(14)

Then determine a pair of functions (u, r).

Inverse problems similar to Problem 2 were firstly studied in [5] by a method of Carleman estimates. After [5], there have appeared many works where similar methods were used [1, 2, 4, 7-11, 20]. See also [16]. In all of these works, except in [1, 2], inverse problems for hyperbolic equations were studied under the assumption that Ω is convex near Γ . **Theorem 4.** Suppose (1), (6) and (12). Let $u_j \in H^2(\Omega \times (-T,T))$, j = 1, 2, satisfy (14) and

$$p(x)\partial_t^2 u_j - \sum_{\ell,m} a_{\ell m}(x)\partial_\ell \partial_m u_j + \sum_\ell a_\ell(x)\partial_\ell u_j + r_j(x)u_j = 0$$

in $\Omega \times (-T,T)$. Let

$$\partial_t u_j \in H^2(\Omega \times (-T,T)) \cap L^\infty(\Omega \times (-T,T)),$$

and $\|\partial_t u_j\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega \times (-T,T))}$, $\|u_j\|_{H^2(\Omega \times (-T,T))}$, $\|\partial_t u_j\|_{H^2(\Omega \times (-T,T))}$, $\|r_j\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \leq M_1$, j = 1, 2. Suppose also that |a(x)| > 0 on $\overline{\Omega}$. Then there exist a neighbourhood V of the surface Γ , and constants C > 0 and $\theta \in (0, 1)$, which depend on M_1 , p, $a_{\ell m}$, a_{ℓ} such that

$$\|r_{1} - r_{2}\|_{L^{2}(V \cap \Omega)} \leq C \Biggl\{ \sum_{k=0}^{1} (\|\partial_{t}^{k}(u_{1} - u_{2})\|_{H^{\frac{3}{2}}((-T,T);L^{2}(\Gamma))} + \|\partial_{t}^{k}(u_{1} - u_{2})\|_{H^{2}((-T,T);L^{2}(\Gamma))} + \left\|\partial_{t}^{k}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\nu}(u_{1} - u_{2})\right)\right\|_{L^{2}((-T,T);H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma))} \Biggr\}^{\theta}.$$

Theorems 2 and 3 are proved by the method of Carleman estimates, and Theorem 4 is proved by the method in [5] with a modification by [7]. Although our Carleman estimate requires the compact supports for u, we note that Ω can be concave near Γ and on the rest of $\partial\Omega$, functions under consideration need not to vanish thanks to a usual cutoff function.

Similar results formulated above were obtained in [3] for simpler hyperbolic equation.

Appendix. Proof of Theorem 1.

Let

$$p(x,t,\xi) = \sum_{\ell,m} a_{\ell m}(x,t)\xi_{\ell}\xi_{m} - p(x,t)\xi_{n+1}^{2}$$

for $\xi = (\xi_1, ..., \xi_{n+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$.

First we will verify

$$(A\nabla'\psi,\nabla'\psi) - p|\partial_t\psi|^2 > 0, \qquad (x,t) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [-T,T].$$
(A1)

In fact,

$$(A\nabla'\psi,\nabla'\psi) - p|\partial_t\psi|^2 \ge \alpha_0 |\nabla'\psi|^2 - \|p\|_{C(\overline{\Omega}\times[-T,T])}T^2$$
$$\ge \alpha_0 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2\kappa}\right)^2 + |x'|^2\right) - \|p\|_{C(\overline{\Omega}\times[-T,T])}T^2 \ge \alpha_0 \left(\frac{1}{2\kappa}\right)^2 - \|p\|_{C(\overline{\Omega}\times[-T,T])}T^2 > 0$$

by (12).

Now, for the proof of the theorem, it is sufficient to verify the positivity of $J(x, t, \xi)$ for $(x, t, \xi) \in \overline{\Omega} \times [-T, T] \times (\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\})$ satisfying (A2) and (A3) (e.g., Theorem 3.2.1' (p.52) in Isakov [8]):

$$J(x,t,\xi) = \sum_{j,k=1}^{n+1} \left\{ \left(\partial_k \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_j} \right) \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_k} - (\partial_k P) \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial \xi_j \partial \xi_k} \right\} \partial_j \psi + \sum_{j,k=1}^{n+1} (\partial_j \partial_k \psi) \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_j} \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_k}$$
$$\equiv J_1 + J_2.$$

$$p\xi_{n+1}\partial_t\psi = \sum_{j,k} a_{kj}(\partial_k\psi)\xi_j.$$
 (A2)

$$p\xi_{n+1}^2 = (A\xi', \xi').$$
 (A3)

We calculate J_1 and J_2 . First we have

$$\partial_k P = \sum_{\ell,m} (\partial_k a_{\ell m}) \xi_\ell \xi_m - (\partial_k p) \xi_{n+1}^2, \qquad 1 \le k \le n$$
$$\partial_{n+1} P = \partial_t P = \sum_{\ell,m} (\partial_t a_{\ell m}) \xi_\ell \xi_m - (\partial_t p) \xi_{n+1}^2,$$
$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_j} = 2 \sum_{\ell} a_{j\ell} \xi_\ell, \qquad \partial_k \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_j}\right) = 2 \sum_{\ell} (\partial_k a_{j\ell}) \xi_\ell, \quad 1 \le j \le n, \ 1 \le k \le n+1,$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{n+1}} = -2p\xi_{n+1}, \qquad \partial_k \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{n+1}}\right) = -2(\partial_k p)\xi_{n+1}, \qquad 1 \le k \le n+1,$$
$$\frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial \xi_j \partial \xi_k} = 2a_{jk}, \qquad 1 \le j, k \le n,$$
$$\frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial \xi_j \partial \xi_{n+1}} = 0, \quad 1 \le j \le n, \qquad \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial \xi_{n+1}^2} = -2p.$$

Then we have

$$J_{1} = \sum_{j,k} \left\{ \left(\partial_{k} \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{j}} \right) \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{k}} - (\partial_{k}P) \frac{\partial^{2}P}{\partial \xi_{j} \partial \xi_{k}} \right\} \partial_{j} \psi$$

+
$$\sum_{k} \left\{ \left(\partial_{k} \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{n+1}} \right) \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{k}} - (\partial_{k}P) \frac{\partial^{2}P}{\partial \xi_{n+1} \partial \xi_{k}} \right\} \partial_{n+1} \psi$$

+
$$\sum_{j} \left\{ \left(\partial_{n+1} \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{j}} \right) \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{n+1}} - (\partial_{n+1}P) \frac{\partial^{2}P}{\partial \xi_{j} \partial \xi_{n+1}} \right\} \partial_{j} \psi$$

+
$$\left\{ \partial_{n+1} \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{n+1}} \right) \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi_{n+1}} - (\partial_{n+1}P) \frac{\partial^{2}P}{\partial \xi_{n+1}^{2}} \right\} \partial_{n+1} \psi$$

=
$$J_{11} + J_{12} + J_{13} + J_{14}.$$

First we obtain

$$\begin{split} J_{11} &= \sum_{j,k} \left\{ 4 \sum_{\ell,m} a_{km} (\partial_k a_{j\ell}) \xi_{\ell} \xi_m - 2 \sum_{\ell,m} a_{jk} (\partial_k a_{\ell m}) \xi_{\ell} \xi_m + 2 a_{jk} (\partial_k p) \xi_{n+1}^2 \right\} \partial_j \psi \\ &= - \left[\sum_{k,\ell,m} \left\{ 4 a_{km} (\partial_k a_{1\ell}) - 2 a_{1k} (\partial_k a_{\ell m}) \right\} \xi_{\ell} \xi_m + 2 \sum_k a_{1k} (\partial_k p) \xi_{n+1}^2 \right] \frac{1}{2\kappa} \\ &- \sum_{j=2}^n \left[\sum_{k,\ell,m} \left\{ 4 a_{km} (\partial_k a_{j\ell}) - 2 a_{jk} (\partial_k a_{\ell m}) \right\} \xi_{\ell} \xi_m + 2 \sum_k a_{jk} (\partial_k p) \xi_{n+1}^2 \right] x_j, \\ &J_{12} = \sum_k -2 (\partial_k p) \xi_{n+1} \left(2 \sum_\ell a_{k\ell} \xi_\ell \right) (-t) = 4t \sum_{k,\ell} (\partial_k p) a_{k\ell} \xi_{\ell} \xi_{n+1}, \\ &J_{13} = \sum_j \left(2 \sum_\ell (\partial_t a_{j\ell}) \xi_\ell \right) (-2p\xi_{n+1}) \partial_j \psi = -4p \sum_{j,\ell} (\partial_t a_{j\ell}) \xi_\ell \xi_{n+1} \partial_j \psi \\ &= \frac{4p}{2\kappa} \sum_\ell (\partial_t a_{1\ell}) \xi_\ell \xi_{n+1} + 4p \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_\ell (\partial_t a_{j\ell}) \xi_\ell \xi_{n+1} x_j \end{split}$$

and

$$J_{14} = \left\{ 2p \sum_{\ell,m} (\partial_t a_{\ell m}) \xi_\ell \xi_m - 2p(\partial_t p) \xi_{n+1}^2 + 4p(\partial_t p) \xi_{n+1}^2 \right\} (-t).$$

Hence

$$J_{1} = \left[\sum_{k,\ell,m} \{ 2a_{1k}(\partial_{k}a_{\ell m}) - 4a_{km}(\partial_{k}a_{1\ell}) \} \xi_{\ell}\xi_{m} - 2\sum_{k} a_{1k}(\partial_{k}p)\xi_{n+1}^{2} \right]$$

$$+4p \sum_{\ell} (\partial_{t}a_{1\ell})\xi_{\ell}\xi_{n+1} \left] \frac{1}{2\kappa}$$

$$+\sum_{j=2}^{n} \left[\sum_{k,\ell,m} \{ 2a_{jk}(\partial_{k}a_{\ell m}) - 4a_{km}(\partial_{k}a_{j\ell}) \} \xi_{\ell}\xi_{m} - \sum_{k} 2a_{jk}(\partial_{k}p)\xi_{n+1}^{2} \right] x_{j}$$

$$+4t \sum_{k,\ell} (\partial_{k}p)a_{k\ell}\xi_{\ell}\xi_{n+1} + 4p \sum_{j=2}^{n} \sum_{\ell} (\partial_{t}a_{j\ell})\xi_{\ell}\xi_{n+1}x_{j} - t \left\{ 2p \sum_{\ell,m} (\partial_{t}a_{\ell m})\xi_{\ell}\xi_{m} + 2p(\partial_{t}p)\xi_{n+1}^{2} \right\}.$$

Moreover we obtain

$$J_{2} = \sum_{j,k=1}^{n+1} (\partial_{j}\partial_{k}\psi) \frac{\partial P}{\partial\xi_{j}} \frac{\partial P}{\partial\xi_{k}} = \sum_{k=2}^{n+1} (\partial_{k}^{2}\psi) \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial\xi_{k}}\right)^{2}$$
$$= -4\sum_{k=2}^{n} \left(\sum_{j} a_{kj}\xi_{j}\right)^{2} - 4p^{2}\xi_{n+1}^{2} = -4\sum_{k=2}^{n} |[A\xi']_{k}|^{2} - 4p^{2}\xi_{n+1}^{2}.$$

By (A3) we have

$$\xi_{n+1}^2 = \frac{(A\xi',\xi')}{p}$$

and

$$2|\xi_{\ell}\xi_{n+1}| \le \xi_{\ell}^2 + \xi_{n+1}^2 = \xi_{\ell}^2 + \frac{(A\xi',\xi')}{p}.$$

Consequently

$$J \ge \mu_0(x, t, \xi') \frac{1}{2\kappa} - \mu_1(x, t, \xi').$$

Recall that μ_0 and μ_1 are defined by (6) and (10).

By (6), (11) and (12), we have

$$J \ge \left(\theta_0 \frac{1}{2\kappa} - \theta_1\right) |\xi'|^2 > 0.$$

Finally we note that (A2) is equivalent to (7). Thus the proof of Theorem 1 is complete.

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