## On the poles of the scattering matrix for two strictly convex obstacles: An addendum

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## §1. Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to improve the second part of Theorem 1 of the previous paper [2]. Namely, we like to give a more precise information on the existence of the poles of the scattering matrix  $\mathscr{S}(z)$ . The result we want to show in this paper is

**Theorem 1.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{O}$  satisfies the same conditions as in Theorem 1 of [2]. Then there exists at least a pole of  $\mathscr{S}(z)$  in  $\{z; |z-z_j| \leq C(|j|+1)^{-1/2}\}$  for all large |j|.

As remarked in [2], in order to show Theorem 1 it suffices to prove

**Theorem 2.** The operator  $U(\mu)$  which is defined in Theorem 2 of [2] has at least a pole in  $\{\mu; |\mu - \mu_i| \leq C(|j| + 1)^{-1/2}\}$  for all large |j|.

The plan of the proof of Theorem 2 is as follows. First we shall construct an asymptotic solution u(x, t; k) of the problem

(1.1)  $\begin{cases} \Box u = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times \mathbf{R} \\ u = m(x, t; k) & \text{on } \Gamma \times \mathbf{R} \\ \text{supp } u \subset \overline{\Omega} \times \{t; t > 0\} \end{cases}$ 

for an oscillatory boundary data

(1.2) 
$$m(x, t; k) = e^{ik(\varphi_{\infty}(x) - t)} g(x)m(t)$$

following the process of [2], where  $\varphi_{\infty}$  is a phase function introduced in §3 of [2], and  $g(x) \in C_0^{\infty}(\Gamma_1)$ ,  $m(t) \in C_0(\mathbb{R})$ . Then the Laplace transform  $\hat{u}(x, \mu; k)$  of u(x, t; k) becomes an approximation of  $\hat{m}(\mu + ik)U(\mu)(e^{ik\varphi_{\infty}(\cdot)}g(\cdot))(x)$ , and we estimate  $\Delta_{C_j}\hat{u}(A(l_0), \mu; k_j)$  for  $A(l_0)$  a point on the segment  $a_1a_2, C_j = \{\mu; |\mu - \mu_j| = \eta\}$  $(\eta > 0)$  and  $k_j = -j\pi/d$ , where  $\Delta_C \hat{u}$  denotes the variation of arg  $\hat{u}$  along the contour C.