

Pf of Thm 10: It is clear that we only need to show

the cases of  $K=0, +1, -1$ . And we may assume

$$M = \mathbb{R}^n, S^n \text{ or } H^n.$$

Case 1 :  $K=0 \text{ or } -1$ .

Since  $K \leq 0$ , Cartan-Hadamard  $\Rightarrow$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \exp_x^M : T_x M \rightarrow M \\ \exp_y^N : T_y N \rightarrow N \end{array} \right. \quad \text{are diffeomorphisms.}$$

Let  $\phi : T_x M \rightarrow T_y N$  be the unique isometry between  
the inner product spaces  $T_x M$  &  $T_y N$  s.t.

$$\underline{\Phi}(e_i) = \varepsilon_i \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n.$$

Define  $\varphi: M \rightarrow N$  by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_x M & \xrightarrow{\underline{\Phi}} & T_y N \\ \exp_x^M \downarrow & & \downarrow \exp_y^N \\ M & \longrightarrow & N \end{array}$$

$$\varphi = \exp_y^N \circ \underline{\Phi} \circ (\exp_x^M)^{-1}$$

Clearly  $\varphi$  is a diffeomorphism. We need to show that  $\varphi$  is an isometry.

i.e.  $\forall z \in M$  and  $x \in T_z M$ , we have

$$|d\varphi(x)|_N = |x|_M.$$

By Cartan-Hadamard ,

$$\exists \quad T \in T_x M \quad \text{and} \quad w \in T_T(T_x M) \cong T_x M \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$z = \exp_x^M(T) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{z} = (\operatorname{dexp}_x^M)_T(w).$$

By the identification  $T_T(T_x M) \cong T_x M$  , we can define a  
1-parameter family of geodesics

$$\gamma_u(t) = \exp_x^M [t(T + uw)].$$

Let  $U(t)$  = transversal vector field of  $\gamma_u$  along  $\gamma_0$ .

Then (from the fact (B) in the proof of Cartan-

Hadamard ),  $\mathcal{U}(t)$  is a Jacobi field s.t.

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{U}(0) = 0 \\ \mathcal{U}'(0) = w \end{cases}$$

and further  $\mathcal{U}(1) = (\underset{T}{d\exp_x^M})(w) = \underline{x}$ .

In  $N$ , we define correspondingly

$$\gamma_u^N(t) = \exp_y^N [t(\Phi(T) + u\Phi(w))]$$

&  $\mathcal{U}^N(t)$  = transversal vector field of  $\{\gamma_u^N\}$   
along  $\gamma_0^N$ .

Then  $\mathcal{U}^N$  is a Jacobi field along  $\gamma_0^N \subset N$

$$\text{S.t.} \quad \begin{cases} U^N(0) = 0 \\ (U^N)'(0) = \Phi(w) . \end{cases}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\gamma_u(t)) &= \exp_y^N \circ \underline{\Phi} \circ (\exp_x^M)^{-1} (\exp_x^M [t(T+uw)]) \\ &= \exp_y^N \circ \underline{\Phi} (t(T+uw)) \\ &= \exp_y^N [t(\underline{\Phi}(T)+u\underline{\Phi}(w))] \\ &= \gamma_u^N(t) . \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow d\varphi(U(t)) = U^N(t) \quad (\text{by differentiation})$$

$$\Rightarrow U^N(1) = d\varphi(U(1)) = d\varphi(X) .$$

Therefore, what we need to show is

$$|\mathcal{U}^N(t)| = |\mathcal{U}(t)|.$$

To see this, we use parallel orthonormal frames

$\{e_1(t), \dots, e_n(t)\}$  &  $\{\varepsilon_1(t), \dots, \varepsilon_n(t)\}$  along  $\gamma_0$  and  $\gamma_0^N$  respectively s.t.

$$\begin{cases} e_i(0) = \varepsilon_i & \forall i=1, \dots, n. \\ \dot{e}_i(0) = \dot{\varepsilon}_i \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{U}(t) = \sum_i f_i(t) e_i(t) & \text{for some functions} \\ \mathcal{U}^N(t) = \sum_i g_i(t) \varepsilon_i(t) & f_i(t) \& g_i(t). \end{cases}$$

Let  $V_0(t) = \frac{\gamma'_0(t)}{|\gamma'_0(t)|}$ , then

$$R_{\gamma'_0(t) U(t)} \gamma'_0(t) = |\gamma'_0(t)|^2 R_{V_0(t) U(t)} V_0(t)$$

$$(\text{Lemma 12}) = |\gamma'_0(t)|^2 K \left[ U(t) - \langle U(t), V_0(t) \rangle V_0(t) \right]$$

$$\text{Since } \langle \gamma'_0(t), \gamma'_0(t) \rangle = \langle \gamma'_0(0), \gamma'_0(0) \rangle = |T|^2$$

$$\langle \gamma'_0(t), e_i(t) \rangle = \langle T, e_i \rangle,$$

we have

$$U''(t) + R_{\gamma'_0(t) U(t)} \gamma'_0(t) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum f_i'' e_i + |\gamma_0'|^2 K \left[ \sum f_i e_i - \frac{\langle \sum f_i e_i, \gamma_0' \rangle \gamma_0'}{|\gamma_0'|^2} \right] = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum (f_i'' + |\tau|^2 K f_i) e_i - K \sum_i f_i \langle e_i, \gamma_0' \rangle \gamma_0' = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum (f_i'' + |\tau|^2 K f_i) e_i - K \sum_i f_i \langle e_i, \tau \rangle \sum_j \langle e_j, \gamma_0' \rangle e_j = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_i (f_i'' + |\tau|^2 K f_i) e_i - K \sum_{i,j} f_i \langle e_i, \tau \rangle \langle e_j, \tau \rangle e_j = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_i \left[ f_i'' + |\tau|^2 K f_i - K \sum_j f_j \langle e_j, \tau \rangle \langle e_i, \tau \rangle \right] e_i = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f_i'' + \sum_j f_j K [|\tau|^2 \delta_{ij} - \langle \tau, e_i \rangle \langle \tau, e_j \rangle] = 0, \quad \forall i=1 \dots n.$$

Furthermore  $\nabla(0) = 0$  &  $\nabla'(0) = w \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} f_i(0) = 0 \\ f'_i(0) = \langle w, e_i \rangle \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \begin{cases} f''_i + \sum_j f_j K [|\mathbf{T}|^2 \delta_{ij} - \langle \mathbf{T}, e_i \rangle \langle \mathbf{T}, e_j \rangle] = 0, \\ f_i(0) = 0 \\ f'_i(0) = \langle w, e_i \rangle \end{cases}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{cases} g''_i + \sum_j g_j K [|\Phi(\mathbf{T})|^2 \delta_{ij} - \langle \Phi(\mathbf{T}), \varepsilon_i \rangle \langle \Phi(\mathbf{T}), \varepsilon_j \rangle] = 0, \\ g_i(0) = 0 \\ g'_i(0) = \langle \Phi(w), \varepsilon_i \rangle \end{cases}$$

Using the fact  $\Phi$  is an isometry (between inner product spaces  $T_x M \times T_y N$ ) we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\Phi(T)|^2 = |T|^2 \\ \langle \Phi(T), e_i \rangle = \langle \Phi(T), \Phi(e_i) \rangle = \langle T, e_i \rangle \\ \langle \Phi(w), e_i \rangle = \langle w, e_i \rangle. \end{array} \right.$$

$\therefore \{f_i\}$  &  $\{g_i\}$  satisfy the same IVP of an ODE system.

$$\Rightarrow f_i = g_i, \quad \forall i, \quad i=1, \dots, n.$$

Therefore  $|\Sigma^N(1)|^2 = \sum_i g_i(1)^2 = \sum_i f_i(1)^2 = |\Sigma(1)|^2$

This completes the proof of the case that  $k=0 \text{ or } 1$ .

Case of  $K=+1$

We may assume  $M = S^n$ .

If  $\bar{x} = -x$  (the antipodal point of  $x$ ), then

$(\exp_x^M)^{-1}: S^n \setminus \{\bar{x}\} \rightarrow T_x S^n$  is well-defined.

Therefore, we can define similarly the map

$$\varphi = \exp_y^N \circ \Phi \circ (\exp_x^M)^{-1}: S^n \setminus \{\bar{x}\} \rightarrow N.$$

Similar argument shows that  $\varphi$  is a local isometry  
(not necessary global yet.)

Observe that  $\forall z \in S^n \setminus \{x, \bar{x}\}$ , we still have

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \overline{T_z S^n} & \xrightarrow{d\varphi} & T_{\varphi(z)} N \\
 (\exp_z^M)^{-1} \uparrow & \quad ? \quad & \downarrow \exp_{\varphi(z)}^N \\
 S^n \setminus \{\bar{x}, \bar{z}\} & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & N
 \end{array}$$

as  $\varphi$  is a local isometry.

Note that  $d\varphi|_{T_z S^n}: \overline{T_z S^n} \rightarrow T_{\varphi(z)} N$  is an inner product space isometry, same argument above implies that

$$\psi: S^n \setminus \{\bar{z}\} \rightarrow N$$

defined by  $\psi = \exp_{\varphi(z)}^N \circ d\varphi|_{T_z S^n} \circ (\exp_z^{S^n})^{-1}$

is a local isometry. By the above commutative diagram,  $\forall p \in S^n \setminus \{\bar{x}, \bar{z}\}$

$$\varphi(p) = (\exp_{\varphi(z)}^N) \circ d\varphi \circ (\exp_z^{S^n})^{-1}(p)$$

$$= (\exp_{\varphi(z)}^N) \circ d\varphi|_{T_z S^n} \circ (\exp_z^{S^n})^{-1}(p)$$

$$= \psi(p)$$

Therefore, we can extend  $\varphi$  to define on  $S^n$  by setting

$$\varphi(\bar{x}) = \psi(\bar{x}).$$

Then by construction  $\varphi: S^n \rightarrow N$  is a local isometry.  
*Similarly argument as in*

~~Hence~~ Lemma 8  $\Rightarrow \varphi$  is a covering map. Since

$N$  is simply-connected,  $\varphi$  has to be an isometry.

It is clear from the construction,  $d\varphi(e_i) = \varepsilon_i, \forall i=1;\dots;n$ .

So we've proved the existence part of Thm 10.

Finally, the uniqueness follows from:

Lemma 13: Let  $\varphi_i: M \rightarrow N, i=1,2$  be 2 local isometries

between complete Riem. mfd's  $M$  &  $N$  s.t. for some

$x \in M$ ,  $\varphi_1(x) = \varphi_2(x)$  (in  $N$ ) and

$$d\varphi_1|_{T_x M} = d\varphi_2|_{T_x M}.$$

Then  $\varphi_1 = \varphi_2$ .

Pf : Let  $S = \{z \in M : \varphi_1(z) = \varphi_2(z) \text{ & } d\varphi_1|_{T_z M} = d\varphi_2|_{T_z M}\}$ .

- By assumption,  $x \in S \therefore S \neq \emptyset$ .
- It is clearly that  $S$  is closed by continuity.
- If  $z \in S$ , take  $\delta > 0$  s.t.

$\exp_z^M : B(\delta) \rightarrow M$  is a diffeo. injection,

(where  $B(\delta) = \{x \in T_x M : |x| < \delta\}$  ).

Recall that we have commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_x M & \xrightarrow{d\varphi} & T_{\varphi(x)} N \\ \exp_x^M \downarrow & & \downarrow \exp_{\varphi(x)}^N \\ M & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & N \end{array}$$

A local isometry  $\varphi$ .

Applying this to  $\varphi_1$  &  $\varphi_2$ , we have

$$\exp_x^M(B(\delta)) \subset S. \quad (\text{Ex!})$$

$\Rightarrow S$  is open.

Therefore, by connectedness of  $M \Rightarrow S = M$  ~~✓~~

This complete the proof of Thm 10. ~~✓~~

Cor 14 : Let  $M$  = complete simply-connected Riem. mfd of  $\dim = n$ .

Then  $M$  is a space form

$\Leftrightarrow \forall x, y \in M$  and

$\forall$  orthonormal bases  $\{e_i\}$  of  $T_x M$  &  $\{\varepsilon_i\}$  of  $T_y M$ ,

$\exists$  isometry  $\varphi : M \rightarrow M$  s.t.  $\varphi(x) = y$  and  $d\varphi(e_i) = \varepsilon_i \quad \forall i$ .

(Pf = Immediately from Thm 10)

Note : Ca 14 proves that simply-connected space form  
is homogeneous. In fact, we have more

Ca 15 : Simply-connected space forms are two-points  
homogeneous.

Def :  $M$  is called two-points homogeneous if

$\forall p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2 \in M$  with  $d(p_1, p_2) = d(q_1, q_2)$ ,

$\exists$  an isometry  $\varphi: M \rightarrow M$  s.t.

$$\varphi(p_1) = q_1 \quad \& \quad \varphi(p_2) = q_2 .$$

Pf of Cor 15 :

Let  $p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2$  be points in a simply-connected space from  $M$  s.t.  $d(p_1, p_2) = d(q_1, q_2) = \alpha$ .

Let  $\xi, \zeta : [0, \alpha] \rightarrow M$  be normalized geodesics s.t.

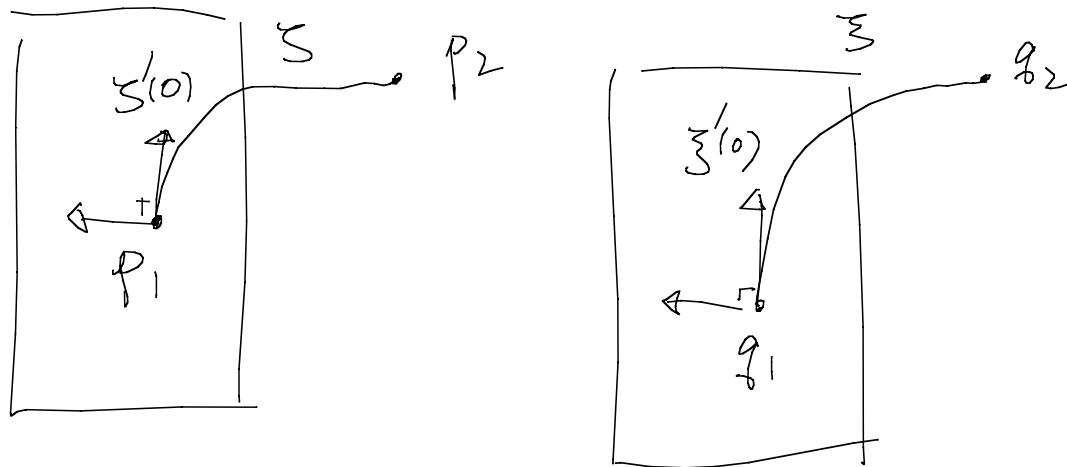
$$\xi(0) = p_1, \quad \xi(\alpha) = p_2$$

$$\zeta(0) = q_1, \quad \zeta(\alpha) = q_2$$

Choose orthonormal bases

$\{e_i\}$  on  $T_{p_1}M$  s.t.  $e_1 = \xi'(0)$  &

$\{\varepsilon_i\}$  on  $T_{q_1}M$  s.t.  $\varepsilon_1 = \zeta'(0)$



Then Thm 10 (or Cor 14)  $\Rightarrow \exists$  isometry  $\varphi: M \rightarrow M$

$$\text{s.t. } \varphi(p_i) = q_i \quad \& \quad d\varphi(e_i) = \xi_i$$

$\Rightarrow \varphi \circ \sigma \& \xi$  are geodesics with same initial data, hence  $\varphi \circ \sigma = \xi$ .

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(p_2) = q_2 . \quad \times$$

## Ch 7 The 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> variation formula

Let •  $M = \text{complete Riem. mfd}$

- $\gamma(t, u) : [a, b] \times [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon] \rightarrow M$  a  $C^\infty$  map,
- $\{\gamma_u(t)\}$  corresponding 1-parameter family of curves

with base curve  $\gamma_0$  equal to a given curve

$\gamma(t)$  parametrized by arc-length, i.e.  $|\gamma'(t)| = 1$ .

- $\mathcal{U}$  = transversal vector field of  $\{\gamma_u\}$
- $T$  = tangent vector field along  $\{\gamma_u\}$ .

Then the length of  $\gamma_u(t)$  is

$$L(u) = \int_a^b |\gamma'_u(t)| dt = \int_a^b |T| dt$$

$$\therefore \frac{dL}{du}(u) = \int_a^b \frac{d}{du} |T| dt$$

$$= \int_a^b \nabla \sqrt{\langle T, T \rangle} dt$$

$$= \int_a^b \frac{\langle T, D_u T \rangle}{|T|} dt$$

$$= \int_a^b \frac{1}{|T|} \langle T, D_T U \rangle dt \quad \text{since } [T, U] = 0$$

Putting  $u=0$ ,

$$\frac{dL}{du}(0) = \int_a^b \langle \gamma'(t), D_{\gamma'(t)} U \rangle dt$$

$$= \int_a^b \left[ \frac{d}{dt} \langle \gamma'(t), U \rangle - \langle D_{\gamma'(t)} \gamma'(t), U \rangle \right] dt$$

where  $U(t) = U(t, 0)$  is the transversal vector field along  $\gamma$ .

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dL}{du}(0) = \left. \langle \gamma'(t), U(t) \rangle \right|_a^b - \int_a^b \langle D_{\gamma'(t)} \gamma'(t), U(t) \rangle dt}$$

which is the 1<sup>st</sup> variation formula for arc-length.

Lemma 1: A curve  $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow M$  is a geodesic if and only if it is a critical point of the arc-length functional with

(all)  
respect to normal variations  $\{\gamma_n\}$  (i.e.  $\forall n$ ,

$$\gamma_n(a) = \gamma(a) \quad \& \quad \gamma_n(b) = \gamma(b). \quad )$$

Pf : For normal variations,  $\mathcal{U}(a) = \mathcal{U}(b) = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{dL}{du}(0) = - \int_a^b \langle D_{\gamma'} \gamma', \mathcal{U} \rangle dt$$

$\forall \mathcal{U}$  with  $\mathcal{U}(a) = \mathcal{U}(b) = 0$ .

$$\therefore 0 = \frac{dL}{du}(0) \Leftrightarrow D_{\gamma'} \gamma' = 0 \quad (\text{Ex!})$$

~~with  $\mathcal{U}(a) = \mathcal{U}(b) = 0$~~

Lemma 2 : Let •  $N$  = closed submanifold of  $M$

- $x \notin N$
- $y \in N$  s.t.

$$d(x, y) = d(x, N) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \inf \{d(x, y) : y \in N\}$$

- $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow M$  shortest geodesic joining  $x$  to  $y$ .

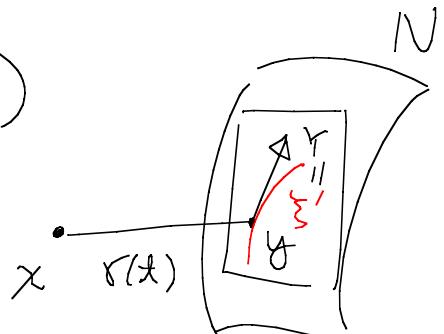
Then  $\gamma$  is normal to  $N$  (ie.  $\gamma'(b) \perp T_y N$ ).

Pf: Let  $Y \in T_y N$ . We need to show that  $\langle \gamma'(b), Y \rangle = 0$ .

For this, take a  $C^\infty$  curve  $\xi: [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon] \rightarrow N$  s.t.

$$\xi'(0) = Y \quad (\xi(0) = y)$$

Let  $\{\gamma_u\}$  be a 1-parameter family of curves given by



$\gamma(t, u) = [a, b] \times [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon] \rightarrow M$  with

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_0(t) = \gamma(t), & \forall t \in [a, b] \\ \gamma_u(a) = x, & \forall u \\ \gamma_u(b) = \xi(u). \end{cases}$$

By assumption

$$L(0) = d(x, y) \leq d(x, \xi(u)) \leq L(u), \quad \forall u \in [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dL}{du}(0) = 0.$$

1<sup>st</sup> variation formula  $\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \langle \gamma'(t), U(t) \rangle \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b \cancel{\langle D_t \gamma', U \rangle} dt \\ &= \langle \gamma'(b), U(b) \rangle - \langle \gamma'(a), U(a) \rangle \quad (\text{since } \gamma \text{ is a geodesic}) \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$U(a) = 0 \quad &$$

$$U(b) = \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \right|_{u=0} \gamma_u(b) = \left. \frac{d}{du} \right|_{u=0} \xi(u) = \xi'(0) = Y.$$

$$\therefore \langle \gamma'(b), Y \rangle = 0 \quad \times$$

Now suppose that  $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow M$  is a normalized geodesic.

We would like to calculate  $\frac{d^2 L}{du^2}(0)$  for the family  $\{\gamma_u\}$ .

We've proved that

$$\frac{dL}{du}(u) = \int_a^b \frac{1}{|\gamma'|} \langle T, D_T U \rangle dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 L}{du^2}(u) &= \int_a^b \frac{d}{du} \left[ \frac{1}{|T|} \langle T, D_T U \rangle \right] dt \\
 &= \int_a^b \left\{ -\frac{1}{|T|^3} \langle T, D_T U \rangle^2 + \frac{1}{|T|} U \langle T, D_T U \rangle \right\} dt \\
 &= \int_a^b \left\{ -\frac{1}{|T|^3} \langle T, D_T U \rangle^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{|T|} \langle D_U T, D_T U \rangle + \frac{1}{|T|} \langle T, D_U D_T U \rangle \right\} dt \\
 &= \int_a^b \left\{ -\frac{1}{|T|^3} \langle T, D_T U \rangle^2 + \frac{1}{|T|} |D_T U|^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{|T|} \langle T, D_T D_U U + R_{TU} U \rangle \right\} dt \\
 &\quad (\text{since } [U, T] = 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_a^b \left\{ -\frac{1}{|T|^3} [T \langle T, U \rangle - \langle D_T T, U \rangle]^2 + \frac{1}{|T|} |D_T U|^2 + \frac{1}{|T|} \langle T, D_T D_U U \rangle - \frac{1}{|T|} \langle R_{U T} U, T \rangle \right\} dt$$

Note that at  $u=0$ ,  $D_T T = D_r \gamma' = 0$

$$|T| = |\gamma'| = 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 L}{du^2}(0) = \int_a^b \left\{ - \left[ \frac{d}{dt} \langle \gamma', U \rangle \right]^2 + |U'|^2 + \langle \gamma', D_r D_U U \rangle - \langle R_{U \gamma}, U, \gamma' \rangle \right\} dt$$

where  $U' = D_r U$ .

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 L}{du^2}(0) = \int_a^b \left\{ - \left[ \frac{d}{dt} \langle \gamma', U \rangle \right]^2 + \frac{d}{dt} \langle \gamma', D_U U \rangle + |U'|^2 - \langle R_{U \gamma}, U, \gamma' \rangle \right\} dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d^2L}{du^2}(0) = \left\langle \gamma', D_\gamma U \right\rangle \Big|_a^b + \int_a^b \left\{ (|U'|^2 - \left[ \frac{d}{dt} \langle \gamma', U \rangle \right]^2) - \langle R_{U\gamma} U, \gamma' \rangle \right\} dt}$$

which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> variation formula.

Let  $U^\perp = U - \langle U, \gamma' \rangle \gamma'$  the normal component of  $U$ ,  
 then the 2<sup>nd</sup> variation formula can be written as

$$\boxed{\frac{d^2L}{du^2}(0) = \left\langle \gamma', D_\gamma U \right\rangle \Big|_a^b + \int_a^b \left\{ |D_\gamma U^\perp|^2 - \langle R_{U^\perp} U^\perp, \gamma' \rangle \right\} dt}$$

(Ex!)

Note: If  $\{\gamma_u\}$  is normal in the sense that

$$\gamma_u(a) = \gamma(a), \quad \gamma_u(b) = \gamma(b),$$

then  $\langle \gamma', D_v U \rangle(a) = \langle \gamma', D_v U \rangle(b) = 0$ .

- If  $\{\gamma_u\}$  is a 1-parameter of (smooth) closed curves,

then  $\langle \gamma', D_v U \rangle \Big|_a^b = 0$

- The interior term  $\int_a^b \left[ |D_{\gamma} U^\perp|^2 - \langle R_{U^\perp} U^\perp, \gamma' \rangle \right] dt$

$$= \int_a^b \left[ |D_{\gamma} U^\perp|^2 - \langle R_{U^\perp} \gamma', U^\perp \rangle \right] dt$$

is related to the Jacobi Operator on  $U^\perp$  (provided a right bdy condition)  
(Ex!)