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1003-44-1080 Karthik Ramaseshan\* (karthik@math.rochester.edu), Department of Mathematics, Hylan Building, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY 14627. Geodesic X-ray transform on manifolds with conjugate points.

Let M be a 2-dimensional Riemannian manifold on which the geodesic X-ray transform for compactly supported distributions is well defined:

$$\mathcal{R}f(\gamma) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(\gamma(t)) dt$$

where  $\gamma$  is a geodesic on M. We study the microlocal properties of the associated normal operator  $\mathcal{R}^t \mathcal{R}$  for metrics with conjugate points, with particular reference to the case of fold singularities for the Riemannian exponential map. (Received October 03, 2004)