962-35-312 Mark Agranovsky (agranovs@macs.biu.ac.il), Bar Ilan University, Ramat Gan, ISRAEL, and Eric Todd Quinto* (equinto@tufts.edu), Tufts University, Medford, MA, USA. Geometry of Stationary Sets for the Wave Equation in Rⁿ. The Case of Finitely Supported Initial Data.

We consider the Cauchy problem for the wave equation in the whole space \mathbb{R}^n , with initial data which are distributions supported on finite sets. The main result is a precise description of the geometry of the sets of stationary points of the solutions to the wave equation. Properties of harmonic polynomials and a support theorem for a spherical Radon transform are keys to the proof. (Received September 08, 2000)