

# DYNAMICS OF FAMILIES OF MAPS TANGENT TO THE IDENTITY

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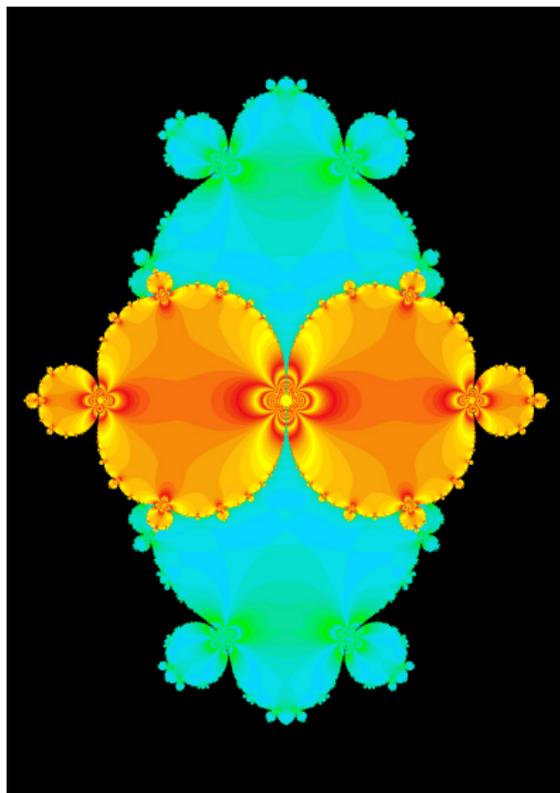
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**Goal:** to describe (at least topologically) the dynamics in a full neighborhood of the origin.

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A parabolic curve  $\varphi$  is **tangent** to  $[v] \in \mathbb{P}^{n-1}(\mathbb{C})$  if  $[\varphi(\zeta)] \rightarrow [v]$  as  $\zeta \rightarrow 0$ .

A **Fatou flower** is a set of  $\nu$  disjoint parabolic curves tangent to the same direction  $[v]$ , where  $\nu + 1$  is the order of  $f$ .

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But even when  $k = n$  these techniques are not enough for describing the dynamics in a full neighborhood of the origin; new techniques are needed.

## BLOWING UP

Let  $\pi: (M, S) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^n, \mathcal{O})$  be the blow-up of the origin in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . The exceptional divisor  $S = \pi^{-1}(\mathcal{O})$  can be identified with  $\mathbb{P}^{n-1}(\mathbb{C})$ .

Any germ  $f_o: (\mathbb{C}^n, \mathcal{O}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^n, \mathcal{O})$  tangent to the identity can be lifted to a holomorphic self-map  $f: (M, S) \rightarrow (M, S)$  fixing pointwise the exceptional divisor.

To study the dynamics of  $f_o$  in a neighborhood of the origin is equivalent to study the dynamics of  $f$  in a neighborhood of  $S$ ; e.g., (characteristic) directions for  $f_o$  becomes (special) points in  $S$ .

## ORDER OF CONTACT

Let  $f: M \rightarrow M$  be a holomorphic self-map of a complex  $n$ -dimensional manifold  $M$  leaving a complex smooth hypersurface  $S \subset M$  pointwise fixed (actually, it suffices having  $f$  defined in a neighborhood of  $S$ ).

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$$\nu_f(h; p) = \max \{ \mu \in \mathbb{N} \mid h \circ f - h \in \mathcal{I}_{S,p}^\mu \} .$$

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$$\nu_f = \begin{cases} \nu & \text{if } f_o \text{ is non-dicritical,} \\ \nu + 1 & \text{if } f_o \text{ is dicritical.} \end{cases}$$

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The  $g^j$ 's depend on the local coordinates. However, if we set

$$\tilde{X}_f = \sum_{j=1}^n g^j \frac{\partial}{\partial z^j} \otimes (dz^1)^{\otimes \nu_f}$$

then  $X_f = \tilde{X}_f|_S$  is **independent** of the local coordinates, and defines a *global canonical section* of the bundle  $TM|_S \otimes (N_S^*)^{\otimes \nu_f}$ , where  $N_S$  is the normal bundle of  $S$  in  $M$ , and thus a **canonical morphism**  $X_f: N_S^{\otimes \nu_f} \rightarrow TM|_S$ .

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## PROPOSITION

*If  $f$  is tangential and  $p \in S^o$  is not singular, then no infinite orbit of  $f$  can stay close to  $p$ , that is there is a neighborhood  $U \subset M$  of  $p$  such that for every  $z \in U$  there exists  $k_0 > 0$  such that  $f^{k_0}(z) \notin U$  or  $f^{k_0}(z) \in S$ .*

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When  $n = 2$ ,  $S$  is a Riemann surface; so the canonical foliation reduces to the data of its singular points. This is the reason why (as we'll see) the dynamics in dimension 2 is substantially simpler to study than the dynamics in dimension  $n \geq 3$ .

## PARTIAL MEROMORPHIC CONNECTIONS

Assume we have a complex vector bundle  $F$  on a complex manifold  $S$ , and a morphism  $X: F \rightarrow TS$ . Let  $E$  be another complex vector bundle on  $S$ , and denote by  $\mathcal{E}$  (respectively,  $\mathcal{F}$ ) the sheaf of germs of holomorphic sections of  $E$  (respectively,  $F$ ).

A **partial meromorphic connection** on  $E$  **along**  $X$  is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map  $\nabla: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^* \otimes \mathcal{E}$  satisfying the Leibniz condition

$$\nabla(hs) = (dh \circ X) \otimes s + h\nabla s$$

for every  $h \in \mathcal{O}_S$  and  $s \in \mathcal{E}$ . In other words, we can differentiate the sections of  $E$  only along directions in  $X(F)$ . The **poles** of the connection are the points where  $X$  is not injective.

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where:  $s \in \mathcal{N}_S$ ;  $u \in \mathcal{N}_S^{\otimes \nu_f}$ ;  $\pi: \mathcal{T}_{M,S} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_S$  is the canonical projection;  $\tilde{s}$  is any element in  $\mathcal{T}_{M,S}$  such that  $\pi(\tilde{s}) = s$ ; and  $\tilde{u}$  is any element of  $\mathcal{T}_{M,S}^{\otimes \nu_f}$  such that  $\pi(\tilde{u}) = u$ . Small miracle:  $\nabla$  is **independent** of all the choices.

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$$\eta = -\nu_f \frac{1}{g^2} \frac{\partial g^1}{\partial z^1} \Big|_S dz^2,$$

while  $\nabla^o$  is represented by the meromorphic 1-form

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The **geodesic field**  $G$  on the total space of  $N_S^{\otimes \nu_f}$  is given by

$$G = \sum_{p=2}^n g^p|_S v \frac{\partial}{\partial z^p} + \nu_f \left. \frac{\partial g^1}{\partial z^1} \right|_S v^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial v} ,$$

where  $(z^2, \dots, z^n; v)$  are local coordinates on  $N_E^{\otimes \nu_f}$ . It is globally defined!

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We have examples of case (5) when  $R$  is a torus, and examples of case (6) when  $R = \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ . We do not know whether (6) implies (5). If  $R = \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$  then (5) might happen only in case (6).

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Main tools for the proof:

- $\nabla^o$  is flat;
- Gauss-Bonnet theorem relating geodesics and residues;
- a Poincaré-Bendixson theorem for smooth flows.

# A POINCARÉ-BENDIXSON THEOREM

**THEOREM (A.-TOVENA, 2011,  $R = \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ ; A.-BIANCHI, 2016, ANY  $R$ )**

*Let  $\sigma: [0, T) \rightarrow R \setminus \{\text{poles}\}$  be a maximal geodesic for a meromorphic connection  $\nabla^o$  on a compact Riemann surface  $R$ . Then:*

- ①  $\sigma$  tends to a pole  $p_0$  of  $\nabla^o$ ; or
- ②  $\sigma$  is closed or accumulates the support of a closed geodesic; or
- ③  $\sigma$  accumulates a boundary graph of saddle connections; or
- ④ the  $\omega$ -limit set of  $\sigma$  has non-empty interior and non-empty boundary consisting of boundary graphs of saddle connections; or
- ⑤  $\sigma$  is dense in  $R$ ; or
- ⑥  $\sigma$  self-intersects infinitely many times.

## COROLLARY

*If  $\gamma$  is a recurrent integral curve of a homogeneous vector field then  $\gamma$  is periodic or  $[\gamma]$  intersects itself infinitely many times.*

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*Local holomorphic classification of apparent and Fuchsian singularities, and formal classification of irregular singularities.*

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- for an open half-plane of initial directions the geodesic issuing from  $p$  tends to  $p_0$ ;
- for the complementary open half-plane of initial directions the geodesic issuing from  $p$  escapes;
- for a line of initial directions the geodesic issuing from  $p$  is periodic.

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Furthermore, if  $Q$  is a homogeneous vector field having a characteristic leaf  $L_v$  such that  $[v]$  is an apparent singularity with  $\mu = 1$ :

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- there is an open set of initial conditions whose integral curves tend to a non-zero point of  $L_v$ ;
- $Q$  admits periodic integral curves of arbitrarily long periods accumulating at the origin.

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- if  $\text{Re } \rho = 0$  then issuing from  $p$  there are closed geodesics (with “speed” converging either to 0 or to  $+\infty$ ), geodesics accumulating the support of a closed geodesic, and escaping geodesics.

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- if  $\operatorname{Re} \rho = 0$  then there are integral curves converging to  $O$  without being tangent to any direction.

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Non-dicritical quadratic ( $\nu = 1$ ) homogeneous vector fields can have at most 3 distinct characteristic directions. Up to holomorphic conjugation there are:

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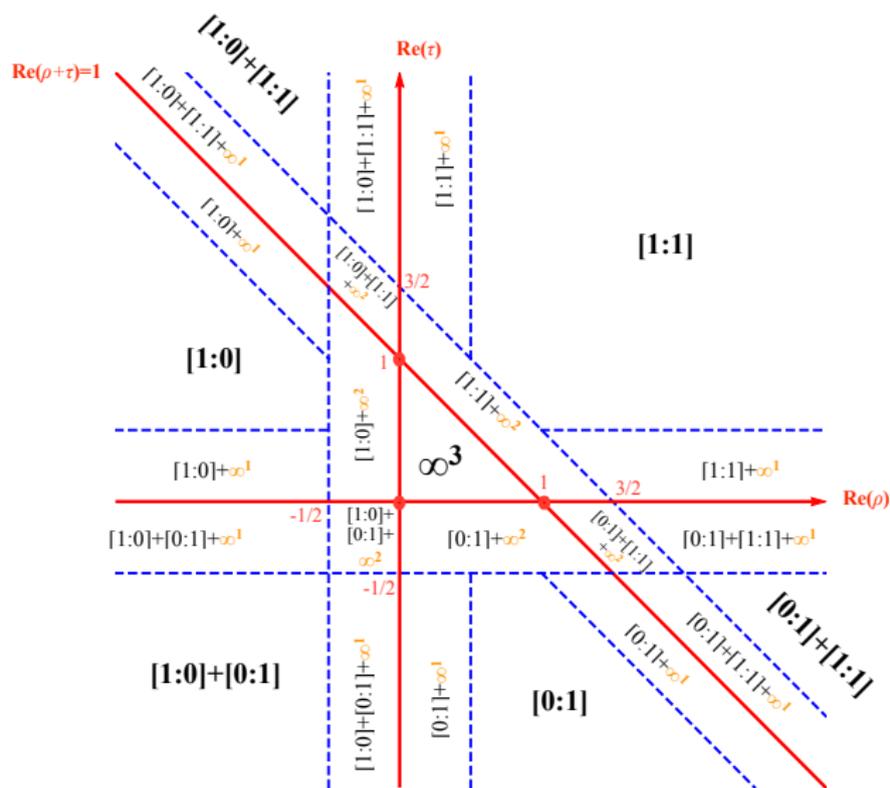
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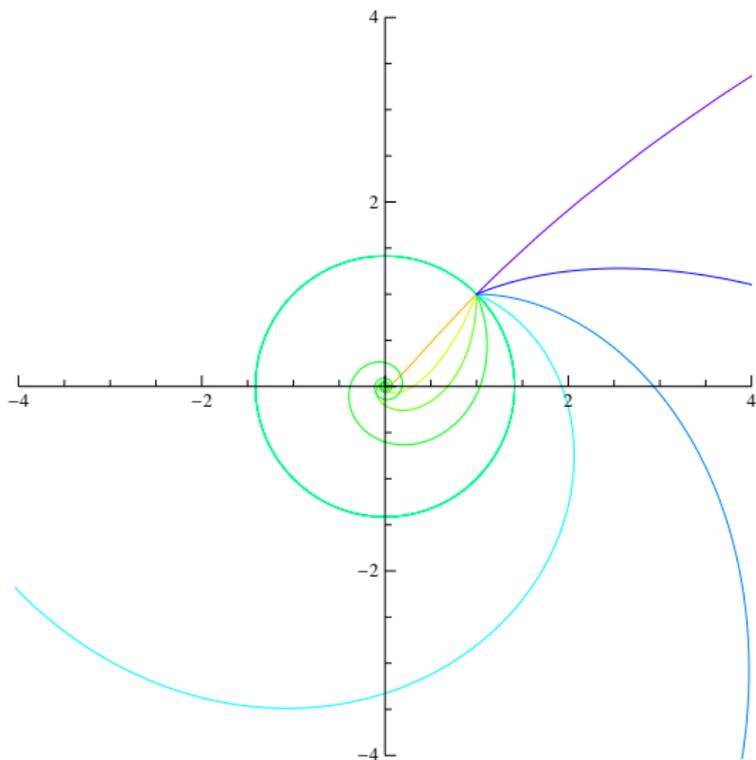
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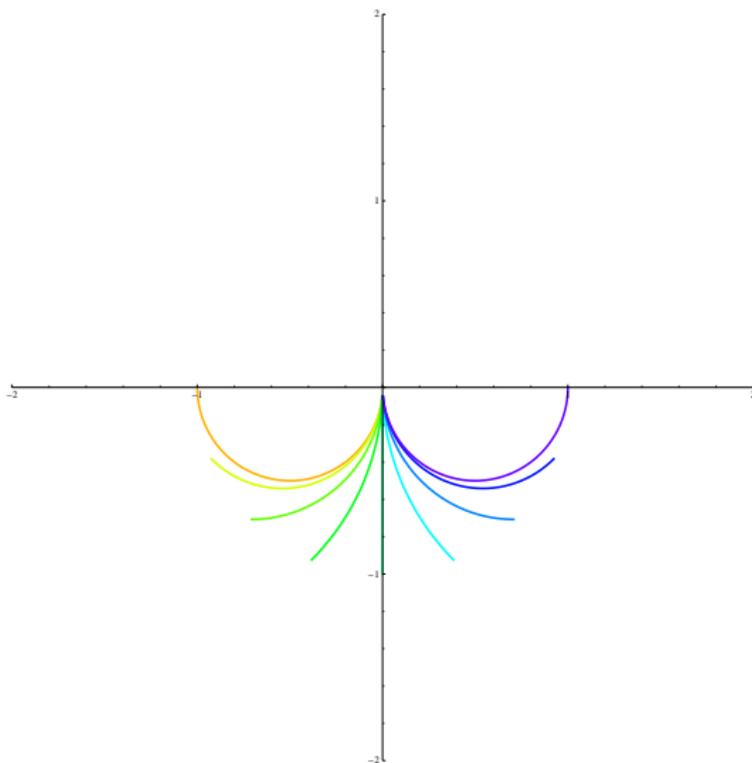
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Movies!  
(If there is time...)

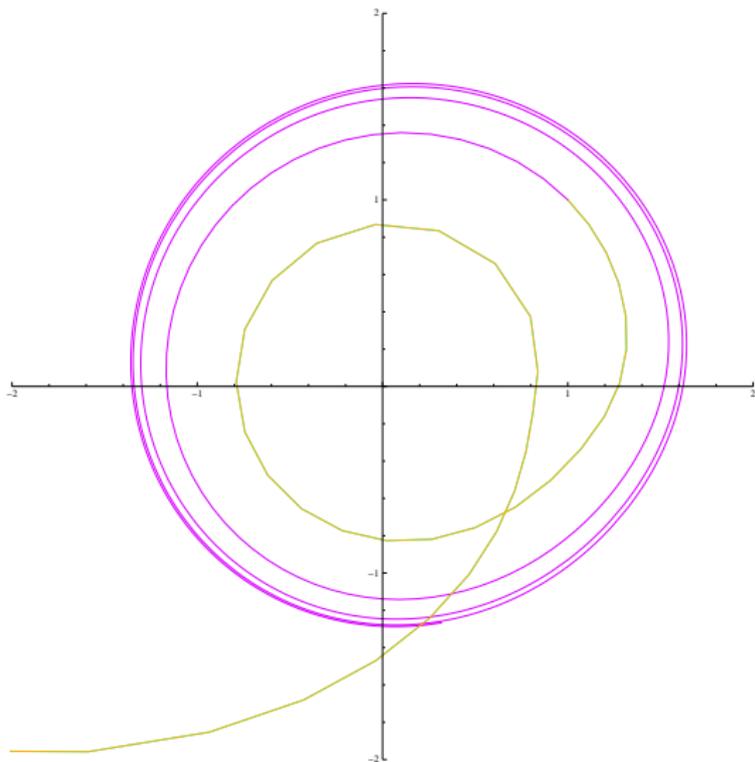
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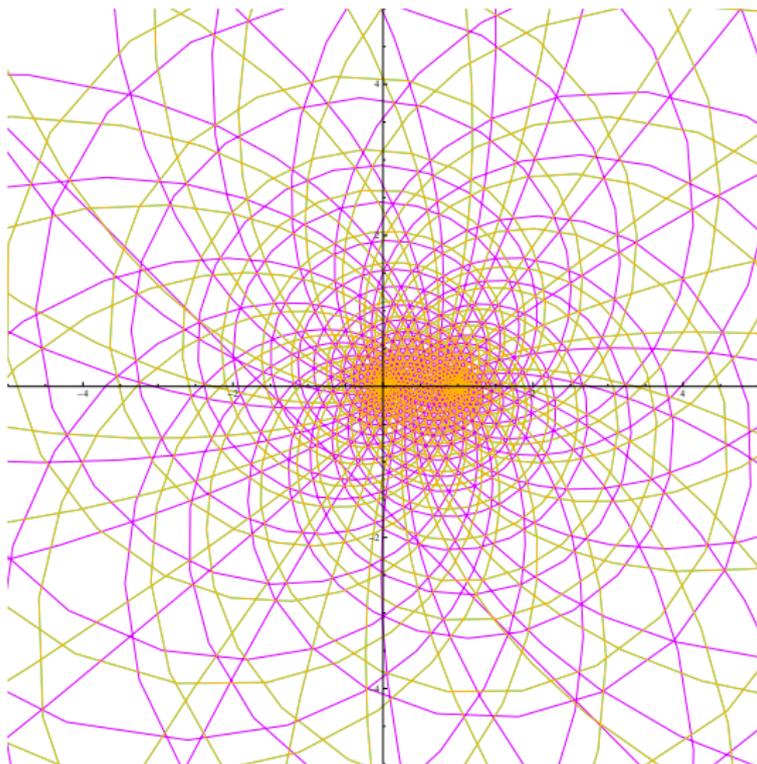
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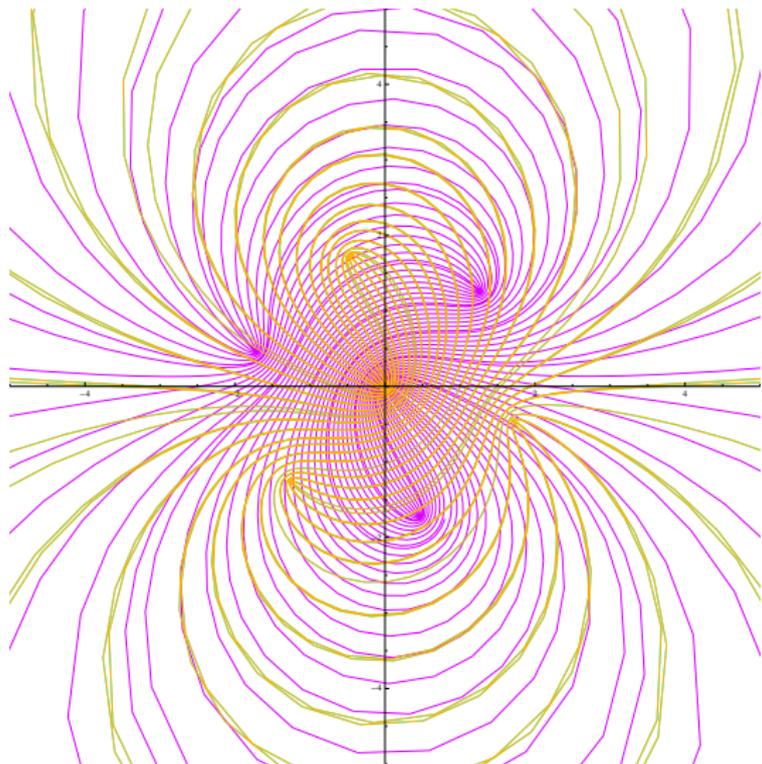
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