

An Infinitesimal Liouville–Arnold Theorem as a Criterion of Reducibility for Variational Hamiltonian Equations

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Abstract—We prove a criterion for the variational equation about a quasiperiodic solution of a Hamiltonian equation being reducible to a constant coefficient equation. We discuss applications of this criterion to the stability problem for lower dimensional invariant tori.

1. INTRODUCTION

The subject of investigation is a Hamiltonian vector-field H_f on a $2N$ -dimensional symplectic manifold (M, ω) , which is integrable on some invariant symplectic submanifold $\mathcal{T} \subset M$, $\dim \mathcal{T} = 2n < 2N$. So \mathcal{T} is foliated into invariant tori T_p^n depending on an n -dimensional parameter $p \in P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, and the flow on every torus T_p^n is of the form $\dot{q} = \nabla_p f_0(p)$ (f_0 is a restriction of the Hamiltonian f to \mathcal{T}). Let $(T\mathcal{T})^\perp \subset T\mathcal{T}M \equiv \bigcup_{m \in \mathcal{T}} T_m M$ be the (skew-)normal bundle of \mathcal{T} . If S_t is a flow of H_f , then the normal bundle $(T\mathcal{T})^\perp$ is invariant for the tangent flow S_{t*} . We call the restriction of S_{t*} on $(T\mathcal{T})^\perp$ 'the flow of the normal variational equation (NVE) of H_f along \mathcal{T} ', and study the question: under what conditions is this flow reducible to the flow of a linear equation with coefficients independent of the point $q \in T_p^n$ (so-called reducibility problem; see e.g. [1]). If such reducibility occurs then in the 'nondegenerate case' \mathcal{T} is 'KAM-stable'. That is most of the tori T_p^n , $p \in P$, survive after a small Hamiltonian perturbation of the system (this results from a perturbation theorem for lower-dimensional invariant tori of a linear system, see [2–4]).

It is known that if no additional conditions are imposed then the NVE may be non-reducible (see e.g. [5]). On the other hand, if in a neighborhood of \mathcal{T} the conditions of the 'degenerate Liouville–Arnold theorem' are fulfilled, then the vector-field H_f is integrable in the vicinity of \mathcal{T} and NVE is trivially reducible (for the degenerate Liouville–Arnold theorem see [2] and its bibliography).

Our aim in this paper is to obtain some criterion of reducibility of the NVE, which is a rather straightforward infinitesimal version of the Liouville–Arnold theorem. In the important case of codimension 1 ($N = n + 1$) this criterion gives as a test for reducibility some zero-curvature equation.

We are most interested in elliptic invariant submanifolds \mathcal{T} . For such a \mathcal{T} with reducible flow of the NVE we give a definition of a frequency spectrum of the flow and formulate the nondegeneracy condition sufficient for KAM-stability of \mathcal{T} in terms of this spectrum.

When a previous version of this paper was done, I was informed that a result similar to

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theorem 1 had been proved by Ju. Vorobjov. See [6] for the statement of the result and its applications to the quantization problem.

2. CRITERION OF REDUCIBILITY

We shall formulate the results in an analytic case. So all the manifolds and the mappings are supposed to be analytic. Let the symplectic manifold (M, ω) be provided with Riemann metric dm (this is not a restriction due to the Grauert embedding theorem) and the submanifold \mathcal{J} is symplectomorphic to $(\mathbb{T}^n \times P, dp \wedge dq)$, $\mathbb{T}^n = \{q\}$. That is, $\mathcal{J} = \Sigma_0(\mathbb{T}^n \times P)$ for an (analytic) map

$$\Sigma_0 : \mathbb{T}^n \times P \rightarrow M, \Sigma_0^* \omega = dp \wedge dq.$$

Below we identify \mathcal{J} with $\mathbb{T}^n \times P$.

If S_t is the flow of the Hamiltonian vector field H_f , then the subbundles $T_{\mathcal{J}}M = \cup_{m \in \mathcal{J}} T_m M \subset TM$, $T\mathcal{J} \subset T_{\mathcal{J}}M$ and $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp \subset T_{\mathcal{J}}M$ (the skew-normal bundle to $T\mathcal{J}$ in $T_{\mathcal{J}}M$) are invariant for the tangent flow S_{t*} .

Definition 1. The flow S_{t*} of the NVE of the vector-field H_f along \mathcal{J} (together with the underlying normal bundle $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp$) is called reducible if

- (1) there exist a symplectic trivialization of the bundle $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp$,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{T}^n \times P \times Y & \xrightarrow{\Phi} & (T\mathcal{J})^\perp \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & \mathcal{J} & \end{array} \quad (2.1)$$

where the fiber $Y = \mathbb{R}_y^{2m} = \mathbb{R}_{y_+}^m \times \mathbb{R}_{y_-}^m$, $m = N - n$, has the usual symplectic structure with the form $dy_+ \wedge dy_-$.

- (2) There exists an analytic symmetric $2m \times 2m$ -matrix $A(p)$ such that under this trivialisation the flow S_{t*} on $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp$ corresponds on $\mathbb{T}^n \times P \times Y$ to the flow of the equation

$$\dot{q} = \nabla f_0(p), \dot{p} = 0, \dot{y} = JA(p)y \quad (2.2)$$

where $J(y_+, y_-) = (-y_-, y_+)$ (we use the same notation for operators and their matrices).

In the situation of the definition 1, we will say (with some abuse of language) that the NVE is reducible.

Definition 2. The flow S_{t*} is called complex-reducible if its complexification in the bundle $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ is reducible in the category of complex symplectic bundles, with some symmetric complex matrix $A(p)$.

Proposition 1. If the bundle $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp$ can be trivialized [i.e. if there exists an isomorphism Φ as in (2.1)], then some neighborhood of \mathcal{J} in M is symplectomorphic to a neighborhood O of $\mathcal{J}_0 = \mathbb{T}^n \times P \times \{0\}$ in $\mathbb{T}^n \times P \times Y$ with 2-form $dp \wedge dq + dy_+ \wedge dy_-$.

Proof. Let us consider the restriction on $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp$ of the time-one shift along the geodesic flow on TM and take its M -projection:

$$\Xi : (T\mathcal{J})^\perp \rightarrow M, (x, \xi) \rightarrow \exp_x \xi,$$

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for $x \in M$, $\xi \in (T\mathcal{J})_x^\perp$. Let $(T\mathcal{J})_0^\perp$ be the zero-section of $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp$. Then for arbitrary $(x, 0) \in (T\mathcal{J})_0^\perp$ the tangent map

$$\Xi_*(x, 0) : T_{(x,0)}(T\mathcal{J})^\perp \cong T_x\mathcal{J} \oplus (T_x\mathcal{J})^\perp \rightarrow T_xM \tag{2.3}$$

is a linear symplectomorphism. So by inverse function theorem the restriction of the map $\Xi \circ \Phi$ on some neighborhood O^1 of \mathcal{J}_0 in $\mathbb{T}^n \times P \times \mathbb{R}^n$ defines an isomorphism and

$$(\Xi \circ \Phi)^*\omega|_{\mathcal{J}_0} = dp \wedge dq + dy_+ \wedge dy_-.$$

Now by the relative Darboux theorem (see [7-9]) in a smaller neighborhood O of $\mathbb{T}^n \times P \times \{0\}$ there exists a change of coordinates V such that

$$V_*|_{T\mathcal{J}(M)} = \text{id} \tag{2.4}$$

and $(\Xi \circ \Phi \circ V)^*\alpha = dp \wedge dq + dy_+ \wedge dy_-$. ■

Proposition 2. If the NVE for H_f along \mathcal{J} is reducible, then in the symplectic coordinates (q, p, y) from proposition 1

$$f(q, p, y) = f_0(p) + \frac{1}{2} \langle A(p)y, y \rangle + O(|y|^3). \tag{2.5}$$

Proof. Let us write $f(q, p, y)$ as a series in y :

$$f = f^0(q, p) + \langle f^1(q, p), y \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle f^2(q, p)y, y \rangle + O(|y|^3). \tag{2.6}$$

Here f^1 is a vector in \mathbb{R}^{2m} and f^2 is a symmetric linear operator. As the manifold $\mathcal{J} = \{y = 0\}$ is invariant for the vector-field H_f , we have $f^1 \equiv 0$; as the restriction of H_f on \mathcal{J} is the Hamiltonian system with the Hamiltonian $f_0(p)$, we also have $f^0 = f_0(p)$. Then the flow of the NVE along \mathcal{J}_0 for the system with Hamiltonian (2.5) is the one of equations

$$\dot{q} = \nabla f_0(p), \dot{p} = 0, \dot{y} = Jf^2(q, p)y. \tag{2.7}$$

As $\Xi_*(x, 0)|_{(T_x\mathcal{J})^\perp}$ is identical map $\forall x \in \mathcal{J}$ and $V_*(m)$ is identical $\forall x \in \mathcal{J}$, then the map Φ transforms solutions of the system (2.7) into trajectories of the flow $S_{t*}|_{(T\mathcal{J})^\perp}$. So by the item (2) of definition 1 the set of solutions of equations (2.7) is equal to the one of the equation (2.2). Thus $f^2(q, p) \equiv A(p)$. ■

In what follows for an analytic function g on M we write $g(m) = o(\text{dist}(m, \mathcal{J}))^p$, $p \in \mathbb{Z}$, $p \geq 0$, if in every local chart Q on M with coordinates (x_1, \dots, x_{2N}) we have:

$$\left| \frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial x^\alpha} g(x) \right| = o(\text{dist}(x, \mathcal{J} \cap Q)^{p-|\alpha|}) \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}^{2N}, |\alpha| \leq p.$$

Theorem 1. Let f_1, \dots, f_n be analytic functions in some neighborhood of \mathcal{J} such that $f_1 = f$ and

$$(a) \quad [f_j, f_k](m) = o(\text{dist}(m, \mathcal{J}))^2 \quad \forall j, k, \tag{2.8}$$

(b) $\forall \tilde{q} \in \mathbb{T}^n, \tilde{p} \in P$ the vectors $H_{f_1}(\tilde{q}, \tilde{p}), \dots, H_{f_n}(\tilde{q}, \tilde{p})$ are linearly independent and are tangent to $T_{\tilde{p}}^n = \{(q, p) \in \mathcal{J} | p = \tilde{p}\}$.

Then $\forall p_0 \in P$ there exists a neighborhood P_0 of p_0 such that the NVE for H_f along $\mathcal{J}_0 = \mathbb{T}^n \times P_0$ is complex-reducible.

Remark 1. The assumption (b) of the theorem results from (a) and the following three assumptions:

- (i) $f_j(m) = o(\text{dist}(m, \mathcal{T})) \forall j$,
- (ii) $\text{Hess } f(p) \neq 0$,
- (iii) $\forall \tilde{q}, \tilde{p}$ the vectors $H_{f_1}(\tilde{q}, \tilde{p}), \dots, H_{f_n}(\tilde{q}, \tilde{p})$ are linearly independent.

Indeed, by (i) the submanifold \mathcal{T} is invariant for the flows S_t^j of H_{f_j} for all j and these flows commute on \mathcal{T} by (a) (see lemma 1 below). So a set $M_{\tilde{q}, \tilde{p}} = \cup_{t_1, \dots, t_n} S_{t_1}^1 \circ \dots \circ S_{t_n}^n(\tilde{q}, \tilde{p})$ is invariant for S_t^j for all (\tilde{q}, \tilde{p}) . This set is n -dimensional by (iii) and contains a closure of the trajectory of H_f starting from (\tilde{q}, \tilde{p}) . By (ii) the last is equal to $T_{\tilde{p}}^n$ for almost all \tilde{p} . So $M_{\tilde{q}, \tilde{p}} = T_{\tilde{p}}^n \forall \tilde{q}, \tilde{p}$ and the vector-fields H_{f_1}, \dots, H_{f_n} are tangent to $T_{\tilde{p}}^n$.

Proof of the theorem. Let $S_t^j (j = 1, \dots, n)$ be the flows of H_{f_j} and $S_{t_*}^j$ be the tangent flows on TM . By the assumption (b) of the theorem the manifold $(T\mathcal{T})^\perp$ is invariant for $S_{t_*}^j \forall j$.

Lemma 1. Restrictions of the flows $S_{t_*}^j$ on $(T\mathcal{T})^\perp, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, commute. In particular, the flows $S_{t_*}^j|_{\mathcal{T}}$ commute.

Proof. We shall prove that the restrictions of the flows $(S_t^j)_*$ on $T_{\mathcal{T}}M$ commute. The statement is local and it is enough to prove it in a local chart Q on M with coordinates (x_1, \dots, x_{2N}) . Let in this chart

$$H_{f_j} = \mathbf{V} = (V^1, \dots, V^{2N}), H_{f_k} = \mathbf{W} = (W^1, \dots, W^{2N})$$

for some $1 \leq j, k \leq n$, and $\mathbf{TV}: TM \rightarrow T(TM)$ be a vector-field of a variational equation for \mathbf{V} . Let $(x_1, \dots, x_{2N}, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_{2N})$ be coordinates on TQ . Then $\mathbf{TV}(x, \xi) = (\mathbf{V}(x), \sum \partial/\partial x_e \mathbf{V}(x) \xi_e)$ and the commutator $[\mathbf{TV}, \mathbf{TW}]$ of the vector-fields \mathbf{TV}, \mathbf{TW} is equal to

$$[\mathbf{TV}, \mathbf{TW}] = \left(\sum \left(\mathbf{W}^k \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial x_k} - \mathbf{V}^k \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial x_k} \right), \sum \left(\frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{V}}{\partial x_j \partial x_k} \xi_j \mathbf{W}^k + \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}^j}{\partial x_k} \xi_k - \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{W}}{\partial x_j \partial x_k} \xi_j \mathbf{V}^k - \frac{\partial \mathbf{W}}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}^j}{\partial x_k} \xi_k \right) \right).$$

The right hand side of the last equality is equal to $T[\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{W}]$. So

$$[\mathbf{TV}, \mathbf{TW}] = T[\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{W}] = TH_{[f_j, f_k]}$$

and

$$[\mathbf{TV}|_{T_{\mathcal{T}}M}, \mathbf{TW}|_{T_{\mathcal{T}}M}] = TH_{[f_j, f_k]}|_{T_{\mathcal{T}}M}$$

because the commutation of vector-fields is a natural operation with respect to imbedding. By the assumption (2.8) $H_{[f_j, f_k]}(m) = o(\text{dist}(m, \mathcal{T}))$. So the right hand side in the last equality is equal to zero, the restrictions of vector-fields \mathbf{TV}, \mathbf{TW} on $T_{\mathcal{T}}M$ commute and the lemma is proved. ■

Let us fix a point $q_0 \in \mathbb{T}^n, q_0 = 0 \text{ mod } 2\pi\mathbb{Z}^n$, and fix some analytic trivialization of the restriction of $(T\mathcal{T})^\perp$ on $q_0 \times P$,

$$(T\mathcal{T})^\perp|_{q_0 \times P} \simeq P \times E. \tag{2.9}$$

For $p \in P$, let $(T\mathcal{T}_p)^\perp$ be the restriction of $(T\mathcal{T})^\perp$ on the torus T_p^n . To prove the theorem, it is enough to trivialize the symplectic bundle $(T\mathcal{T}_p)^\perp$ by a map which depends on p in an analytic way, and to check that the restriction of the flow S_{t_*} on $(T\mathcal{T}_p)^\perp$ is of the form (2.2).

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Let (e_1, \dots, e_n) be the usual basis of \mathbb{Z}^n and $\chi_t^j(q, p) = (q + te_j, p)$. By lemma 1 and assumption (b) of the theorem we can see that there exists a nondegenerate analytic matrix $D_{ij}(p)$ such that

$$\prod_{l=1}^n S_{iD_{jl}}^l|_{T_p^n} = \chi_t^j \forall j \tag{2.10}$$

(this is the first step from the classical proof of Liouville–Arnold theorem, see [7, 8, 10]). Let us denote by $\chi_{t_*}^j(p)$ the flow on $(T\mathcal{J}_p)^\perp$,

$$\chi_{t_*}^j(p) = \prod_{l=1}^n (S_{iD_{jl}}^l)_*, j = 1, \dots, n.$$

These flows are well-defined by lemma 1. By (2.9) the monodromy operators $\chi_{2\pi_*}^j, j = 1, \dots, n$, define linear symplectomorphisms of $(T\mathcal{J})_{(q_0, p)}^\perp \simeq E$. By lemma A1 (see Appendix)

$$\chi_{2\pi_*}^j(p) = e^{2\pi B^j(p)} \tag{2.11}$$

with some analytic on p linear Hamiltonian operators $B^j(p)$ in the complexification $E^c = E \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ of E (that is the matrix of B^j in $E^c = \mathbb{C}_{y_+}^n \times \mathbb{C}_{y_-}^n$ is of the form $B^j = JB^{j(s)}$; here J is the matrix of the operator $J(y_+, y_-) = (-y_-, y_+)$ and $B^{j(s)}$ is a symmetric matrix). As the operators $\chi_{2\pi_*}^j, j = 1, \dots, n$, commute, their logarithms $B^j(p)$ commute as well (these results, for example, from the representation (A3) for $B^j(p)$). Now we can trivialize the bundle $(T\mathcal{J}_p)^\perp \otimes \mathbb{C}$ with the help of the map

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{T}^n \times \{p\} \times E^c &\rightarrow (T\mathcal{J}_p)^\perp \otimes \mathbb{C}, \\ (q, p, \xi) &\rightarrow \prod_{j=1}^n \chi_{q_j}^j(p) \left(0, p, \prod_{j=1}^n e^{-q_j B^j(p)} \xi \right). \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

The definition of this map is correct because the image does not change if the vector (q_1, \dots, q_n) is replaced by $q_1, \dots, q_j \pm 2\pi, \dots, q_n$. It is symplectic because every map $\exp \tau B^j(p) : E^c \rightarrow E^c$ and every flow $\chi_{t_*}^j$ are symplectic. The map (2.12) depends on p in an analytic way because matrices $B^j(p)$ are analytic. Let us define a map Φ in (2.1) in such a way that $\Phi|_{\mathbb{T}^n \times \{p\} \times E^c}$ is equal to the map (2.12).

Let us write for brevity

$$q \cdot \chi_*(p) = \prod \chi_{q_j}^j(p), \quad q \cdot \mathbf{B}(p) = \sum q_j B^j(p).$$

From (2.10) we see that

$$S_{i_*}^1 = tD_1^- \cdot \chi_* \tag{2.13}$$

here D_1^- is the first row of the inverse matrix D_{ij}^{-1} . So if under the trivialization (2.12) $(T\mathcal{J}_p)^\perp \otimes \mathbb{C} \ni \eta \simeq (q, p, \xi)$ and $S_{i_*}^1 \eta \simeq (q_1, p, \xi_1)$, i.e. if

$$\begin{aligned} \eta &\xleftarrow{\Phi} (q, p, \xi) \\ &\downarrow \\ S_{i_*}^1 \eta &\xleftarrow{\Phi} (q_1, p, \xi_1), \end{aligned}$$

then $q_1 = q + tD_1^-$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_1 &= e^{(q+tD_1^-) \cdot \mathbf{B}} \Pi_Y \circ ((-tD_1^- - q) \cdot \chi_*) \circ (tD_1^- \cdot \chi_*) \\ &\quad \circ (q \cdot \chi_*(0, p, e^{-q \cdot \mathbf{B}} \xi)) = (0, p, e^{tD_1^- \cdot \mathbf{B}} \xi) \end{aligned}$$

(here Π_Y is a projection of $(T\mathcal{J}_p)^\perp \otimes \mathbb{C}_{q_0} \simeq \mathbb{T}^n \times Y^c$ on Y^c).

So (2.2) holds with $A(p) = D_1^{-1}(p) \cdot B(p)$ and the theorem is proved. ■
 An 'almost inverse' statement to theorem 1 easily results from proposition 2:

Proposition 3. If the NVE for H_f along \mathcal{T} is reducible, $p \in P$ and P_0 is a small enough neighborhood of p in P , then in a neighborhood of $\mathcal{T}_0 = \mathbb{T}^n \times P_0$ there are n analytic functions with the properties (a), (b).

To prove the statement it is enough to write the Hamiltonian f in a form (2.5) and to choose $f_1 = f$, and for $j \geq 2$ $f_j(q, p, y) = f_j(p)$, where the vectors $\nabla f_1(p_0), \nabla f_2(p_0), \dots, \nabla f_n(p_0)$ are linearly independent. ■

For the last proposition a natural question is whether the reduction of theorem 1 can be done in the category of real bundles. This is true if in (2.11) the logarithms $B_j(p)$ of the monodromy operators can be constructed as real matrices. For lemmas A1, A2 this is true if

$$\sigma(\chi_{2\pi}^j) \cap (-\infty, 0] = \emptyset \quad \forall j \tag{2.14}$$

($\sigma =$ spectrum) or if $\chi_{2\pi}^j, j = 1, \dots, n$ are replaced by their squares. The last takes place if the tori T_p^n are replaced by their 2^n -sheets covering 'doubled tori'

$$T_p^n \rightarrow T_p^n, q \mapsto 2q.$$

This covering induces a bundle $(T\mathcal{T})_{\text{ind}}^\perp$ with the induced flow $(S_{t*})_{\text{ind}}$ in it.

Corollary 1. Under the assumptions of theorem 1, the bundle $(T\mathcal{T})_{\text{ind}}^\perp$ can be trivialized as a real bundle. For this trivialization the flow $(S_{t*})_{\text{ind}}$ is of the form (2.2).

To realize the first possibility let us mention that (2.14) holds if

$$\sigma(\chi_{2\pi}^j) \in i\mathbb{R} \quad \forall j. \tag{2.15}$$

Definition 3. An invariant manifold \mathcal{T} is called linearly stable for a vector-field H_f , if all the Liapunov exponents of every solution of H_f on \mathcal{T} are equal to zero.

Lemma 2. Under the conditions of theorem 1 the assumption (2.15) holds if and only if the invariant manifold \mathcal{T} is linearly stable for every vector-field $H_{f_j}, (j = 1, \dots, n)$.

Proof. Let us suppose that \mathcal{T} is linearly stable $\forall H_{f_j}, j = 1, \dots, n$. Then by the definition of the flows $\chi_{t*}^j(p)$ for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists C_ε such that

$$\|\chi_{\pm 2\pi n}^j(p)\| \leq C_\varepsilon e^{\varepsilon n} \tag{2.16}$$

and so (2.15) is true.

Let us suppose that (2.15) holds. Then (2.16) is true $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ with some C_ε . By (2.13), (2.16) we see that $\|S_{n*}^1\| \leq C_\varepsilon e^{\varepsilon n}$ and the same is true for all S_{n*}^j . So \mathcal{T} is linearly stable for all H_{f_j} . ■

Theorem 2. Suppose the invariant manifold \mathcal{T} is linearly stable for H_f and for some $p_0 \in P, H_f(p_0) \neq 0$. Then the NVE of H_f along $\mathcal{T}_0 = \mathbb{T}^n \times P_0$ (P_0 is a small enough neighborhood of p_0 in P) is reducible if and only if there are analytic functions f_1, \dots, f_n such that $f_1 = f$ and the assumptions (a), (b) of theorem 1 are fulfilled for $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_0$, together with

(c) \mathcal{T}_0 is linearly stable for all $H_{f_j}, j = 1, \dots, n$.

In such a case the spectrum of the operator $JA(p)$ is pure imaginary.

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Proof. If the NVE is reducible then we can construct the functions f_2, \dots, f_n as in proposition 3. The manifold \mathcal{T}_0 is linearly stable for all H_{f_i} trivially.

Suppose now that the assumptions (a)–(c) are fulfilled. Then by lemma 2 the assumption (2.15) holds and by lemma A1 the matrices $B_j(p)$ (and, so, the trivialization Φ) can be chosen real. The last statement of the theorem is trivial because a system of the form (2.2) is linearly stable if and only if the spectrum of $JA(p)$ is pure imaginary. ■

Remarks 2. Propositions 1, 2 and theorems 1, 2 have direct smooth versions with the same proofs.

3. Our proof of theorems 1, 2 (but not of lemmas A1, A2) does not use the finite dimensionality of the fibers of the bundle $(T\mathcal{T})^\perp$. If in (2.9) $\dim Y = \infty$ and we have sufficient spectral information on the flows S_t^j and can construct ‘regular’ logarithms $B_j(p)$ of the monodromy operators $\chi_{2\pi}^j$ [see (2.11)], then our proof is valid.

4. The reducibility of the NVE along \mathcal{T}_0 was proved via its reducibility along the tori $\{(q, p) \in \mathcal{T} | p = \text{const}\}$. So the proof can be used for proving the reducibility of a linear Hamiltonian equation

$$\dot{q} = \omega, \dot{y} = JA(q)y \quad (q \in \mathbb{T}^n, y \in Y)$$

to a constant-coefficient Hamiltonian equation $\dot{y} = J\bar{A}y$ by means of symplectic transformation $y = C(q)y$. This reduction is possible if in the phase space $\mathbb{T}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \times Y$ there are functions $f_j(q, p, y)$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, n$) of the form $f_j = \omega_j \cdot p + \frac{1}{2} \langle A_j(q)y, y \rangle$ such that $\omega_1 = \omega, A_1 = A, \omega_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \omega_n \neq 0$ and $\forall j, k$

$$\frac{1}{2} (\omega_j \cdot \nabla) A_k(q) - \frac{1}{2} (\omega_k \cdot \nabla) A_j(q) + A_k(q)JA_j(q) - A_j(q)JA_k(q) \equiv 0.$$

5. In the special case $n = 1$ we need no ‘infinitesimal integrals’ other than $f_1 = f$, and the assumptions (a), (b) of theorem 1 are fulfilled in a trivial way. For $n = 1$ theorem 1 and corollary 1 coincide with the Floquet theorem (see [7]). For a less trivial example, see Section 4 below.

3. ELLIPTIC CASE

Definition 4. The invariant manifold \mathcal{T} is called weakly elliptic if the NVE of H_f along \mathcal{T} is reducible and operator $JA(p)$ in (2.2) has pure imaginary spectrum $\{\pm i\lambda_j(p)\}$. \mathcal{T} is called elliptic if it is weakly elliptic and operator $JA(p)$ is complex-diagonalizable $\forall p \in P$.

One can treat theorem 2 as a weak ellipticity criterion.

Clearly, submanifold \mathcal{T} is elliptic if it is weakly elliptic and $\lambda_j(p) \neq \lambda_k(p)$ for $j \neq k$.

Remark 6. Finite-dimensional elliptic invariant submanifolds of infinite codimension appear in the study of nonlinear partial differential equations which are integrable in terms of theta-functions. See [3], section 4.

For an elliptic invariant submanifold \mathcal{T} the spectrum $\{\pm i\lambda_j(p)\}$ is not defined in an unique way:

Proposition 4. Let the submanifold \mathcal{T} be elliptic and the flow $S_t|_{\mathcal{T}}$ be nondegenerate:

$$\det \partial \omega / \partial p \neq 0, \omega(p) = \nabla f_0(p). \tag{3.1}$$

Let us consider some another trivialisation of S_{t^*} with Φ' and A' in (2.1) and (2.2) instead of Φ and A . Let $\sigma(JA'(p)) = \{\pm i\mu_j(p)\}$. Then for every j there exist $k = k(j), s = s(j) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ such that

$$\mu_j(p) = \pm \lambda_k(p) + s \cdot \omega(p) \quad \forall p. \tag{3.2}$$

Moreover, every n numbers of the form $\mu_j(p) = \lambda_j(p) + s_j \cdot \omega(p)$, $s_j \in \mathbb{Z}^n$, may be achieved as a spectrum of a Hamiltonian operator $JA'(p)$ for some trivialisation Φ' .

Proof. Let $\{\varphi_j^\pm(p)\}$, $\varphi_j^-(p) = \overline{\varphi_j^+(p)}$, by symplectic basis of Y^c such that $JA(p)\varphi_j^\pm = \pm i\lambda_j(p)\varphi_j^\pm$. Then the mapping $\Phi': \mathbb{T}^n \times P \times Y \rightarrow (T_{\mathcal{T}})^\perp$, which maps (q, p, φ_j^\pm) to $\exp(\mp s_j \cdot q)\varphi_j^\pm$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, transforms the flow S_{t*} into a flow of an equation (2.2) with an operator $A'(p)$ such that

$$JA'(p)\varphi_j^\pm = \pm i(s_j \cdot \omega(p) + \lambda_j(p))\varphi_j^\pm \quad \forall j.$$

Thus the second statement is proved.

To prove the first one let us mention that $\Phi^{-1} \circ \Phi'(q + \omega t, p, e^{i\mu t} \varphi_j^+)$ is a solution of (2.2) (here $JA' \varphi_j^\pm = \pm i\mu_j \varphi_j^\pm$). Let $\Phi^{-1} \circ \Phi'(q, p, \varphi_j^\pm) = \sum x_k^\pm(q, p)\varphi_k^\pm$. Then the solution may be rewritten as $\exp(i\mu_j t) \sum x_k^\pm(q + \omega t, p)\varphi_k^\pm$. So

$$i\mu_j x_k^\pm + \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega} x_k^\pm = \pm i\lambda_k x_k^\pm \quad \forall k. \tag{3.3}$$

Among the functions x_k^\pm there are nonzero ones. Let us suppose that $x_{k_0}^+(q, p) \neq 0$. By (3.1) the components of the vector $(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n)$ are rationally independent for almost all $p \in P$. Then by (3.3) $x_{k_0}^+ = C(p) \exp i s \cdot q$ for some $s \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ and $\mu_j = \pm \lambda_{k_0} - s \cdot \omega$. Thus the first assertion is proved, too. ■

Let us consider a family of subgroups of additive group \mathbb{Z} of a form $\omega(p) \cdot \mathbb{Z}^n$, $p \in P$, and corresponding factor groups $G(p) = \mathbb{Z}/\omega(p) \cdot \mathbb{Z}^n$. For a weakly elliptic submanifold \mathcal{T} let us define elements $\Lambda_1(p), \dots, \Lambda_n(p)$ of $G(p)$ as follows:

$$\Lambda_j(p) = \lambda_j(p) + \omega(p) \cdot \mathbb{Z}^n \in G(p). \tag{3.4}$$

The following definition is motivated by proposition 4.

Definition 5. If \mathcal{T} is a weakly elliptic invariant submanifold, then depending on the $p \in P$ set

$$\Lambda(p) = \{\pm \Lambda_1(p), \dots, \pm \Lambda_n(p)\} \subset G(p)$$

is called the frequency spectrum of NVE.

The important reason to prove the reducibility of the NVE is proposition 2 which provide a Hamiltonian $f(q, p, y)$ with the useful normal form (2.5). For nondegenerate Hamiltonians of the form (2.5) (see the condition (3.5) below) one can prove that the family $\mathcal{T} = \Sigma_0(\mathbb{T}^n \times P)$ of invariant tori $\Sigma_0(\mathbb{T}^n \times \{p\})$, $p \in P$, is KAM-stable in the following sense:

Definition 6. A family of invariant tori $\mathcal{T} = \Sigma_0(\mathbb{T}^n \times P)$ of the Hamiltonian vector-field H_f is called KAM-stable if for an arbitrary analytic function \tilde{f} and for ε small enough, the vector-field $H_{f+\varepsilon\tilde{f}}$ has an invariant set $\mathcal{T}_\varepsilon = \Sigma_\varepsilon(\mathbb{T}^n \times P_\varepsilon)$. Here

(1) P_ε is a Cantor-set in P and

$$\text{mes}(P \setminus P_\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0),$$

(2) the map $\Sigma_\varepsilon: \mathbb{T}^n \times P_\varepsilon \rightarrow M$ is Lipschitz and

$$\text{dist} \left(\Sigma_\varepsilon(\mathbb{T}^n \times \{p\}), \Sigma_0(\mathbb{T}^n \times \{p\}) \right) \leq d(\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0)$$

for all $p \in P_\varepsilon$;

(3) the tori $\Sigma_\varepsilon(\mathbb{T}^n \times \{p\})$, $p \in P_\varepsilon$, are invariant for the vector-field $H_{f+\varepsilon\mathcal{J}}$.

To prove the KAM-stability of \mathcal{J} one has to apply a theorem on perturbation of a linear system (see [2–4]) to the vector-field H_f with f in the form (2.5) after a simple space-dilation (see [3], Section 1). In such a way the following result may be obtained.

Theorem 3. Suppose the invariant manifold \mathcal{J} is weakly elliptic for the NVE of H_f and for the frequency spectrum of NVE we have

$$\det \partial\omega/\partial p \neq 0, \Lambda_j(p) \neq 0 \forall j, \pm \Lambda_j(p) \neq \Lambda_k(p) \forall j \neq k. \tag{3.5}$$

Then \mathcal{J} is KAM-stable.

Remark 7. There is a natural smooth version of theorem 3. In order to prove it one has to write down a smooth version of the perturbation theorem for lower-dimensional invariant tori using the usual smoothing techniques of J. Moser. Clearly it is possible but this work still has not been done.

Remark 8. In order to prove KAM-stability of \mathcal{J} via a smooth version of the arguments (see remark 7) it is enough to prove ‘KAM-reducibility’ of NVE. That is, for every $\delta > 0$ we must be able to find a smooth trivialisation (2.1) such that in the equation (2.2) the matrix $A(p)$ does not depend on q if p lies out of some Cantor set of measure δ .

Remark 9. In [1] the hyperbolic situation was considered. It was proved that if the normal bundle $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp$ is trivial and the flow S_{t*} has full Sacker–Sell spectrum then NVE is KAM-reducible and \mathcal{J} as a family of ‘doubled tori’ (see corollary 1 above) is KAM-stable.

4. EXAMPLE

Let $N = n + 1$ and suppose the symplectic Riemann manifold M is polarizable. Then the bundles TM and $T\mathcal{J}$ are trivial and so the bundle $(T\mathcal{J})^\perp$ is also trivial. This results from the fact that the symplectic bundles $TM, T\mathcal{J}, (T\mathcal{J})^\perp$ can be given complex structures (see [7, 10]) and that a one-dimensional complex bundle which is a factor-bundle of a trivial complex bundle is trivial (see [11]). So by the proposition 1, in a neighborhood of \mathcal{J} in M there are symplectic coordinates (q, p, y) ($q \in \mathbb{T}^n, p \in P \subset \mathbb{R}^n, y = (y_+, y_-) \in O \subset \mathbb{R}^2$) and $\mathcal{J} = \{y = 0\}$. In this coordinates the Hamiltonians f_1, \dots, f_n we are looking for, can be written in the form

$$f_j(q, p, y) = f_j^0(p) + \frac{1}{2} \langle A_j(q, p)y, y \rangle + O(|y|^3).$$

So $[f_j, f_k] = \langle c\mathcal{A}_{jk}(q, p)y, y \rangle + O(|y|^3)$ with

$$c\mathcal{A}_{jk} = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_p f_j^0 \cdot \nabla_q A_k - \nabla_p f_k^0 \cdot \nabla_q A_j) + A_k J A_j - A_j J A_k.$$

Let us denote

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_p f_j^0 &= \omega_j(p) = (\omega_{j,1}, \dots, \omega_{j,n}) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \\ c\mathcal{A}_j(p) &= J A_j(p) \in sl(2) = sl(2, \mathbb{R}). \end{aligned}$$

The assumptions of theorem 1 are fulfilled if we can construct the functions f_1, \dots, f_n and the matrices $c\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, c\mathcal{A}_n \in sl(2)$ in such a way that $f_1 = f_0$ and $c\mathcal{A}_1 = J A_0$ (f_0, A_0 are given), for every $p \in P$ the vectors $\omega_1(p), \dots, \omega_n(p)$ span \mathbb{R}^n (i.e. $\omega_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \omega_n \neq 0$), and

$$Jc\mathcal{A}_{jk} = (\omega_j \cdot \nabla_q)c\mathcal{A}_k - (\omega_k \cdot \nabla_q)c\mathcal{A}_j + [c\mathcal{A}_k, c\mathcal{A}_j] \equiv 0 \quad (4.1)$$

$$\forall j, k = 1, \dots, n.$$

Let us suppose that $\text{Hess } f_0(p_0) \neq 0$ and, so, near p_0 the map $p \mapsto \omega = \nabla f_0(p)$ is invertible. Then to prove KAM-reducibility of NVE (see remark 8), by remark 4 we have to construct smooth vectors $\omega_j = \omega_j(\omega)$ and smooth matrices $c\mathcal{A}_j(q, \omega)$ ($j = 2, \dots, n$) which solve equations (4.1) with $\omega_1 = \omega$, $c\mathcal{A}_1 = c\mathcal{A}_1(q, p)$, $\nabla f_0(p) = \omega$, for ω out of a set of small measure δ in such a way that

$$\omega_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \omega_n \neq 0. \quad (4.2)$$

In particular, if $n = 2$, then we have to find a vector ω_2 and a matrix $c\mathcal{A}_2(q) \in sl(2)$ such that

$$(\omega_1 \cdot \nabla_q)c\mathcal{A}_2 - (\omega_2 \cdot \nabla_q)c\mathcal{A}_1 + [c\mathcal{A}_2, c\mathcal{A}_1] = 0, \quad \omega_1 \wedge \omega_2 \neq 0 \quad (4.3)$$

(the last relation excludes the trivial solution $c\mathcal{A}_2 = \lambda c\mathcal{A}_1$, $\omega_2 = \lambda \omega_1$).

The equation (4.3) is the equation of zero curvature (see [12]) with non-standard periodicity conditions (that is, the periodicity is not with respect to the directions ω_1, ω_2 , but to some other directions). Well-known gauge transformations [12]

$$c\mathcal{A}_2 \rightarrow (\omega_2 \cdot \nabla_q)GG^{-1} + Gc\mathcal{A}_2G^{-1}$$

$$c\mathcal{A}_1 \rightarrow (\omega_1 \cdot \nabla_q)GG^{-1} + Gc\mathcal{A}_1G^{-1}$$

($G = G(q)$ is an analytic symplectic matrix) transform solutions of (4.3) into new ones. It provides a means to construct new solutions of (4.3) from the trivial ones.

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APPENDIX: ON LOGARITHMS OF ANALYTIC SYMPLECTIC MATRICES.

Let $C_p, p \in P$, be a symplectic matrix of order $2m$ analytic on p . Let for some $p_0 \in P$ the matrix C_{p_0} be invertible.

Lemma A1. There exist a neighborhood P_0 of p_0 and an analytic complex matrix $B_p, p \in P_0$, which is a branch of $\text{Ln } C_p$:

$$\exp B_p = C_p. \tag{A1}$$

The matrix is Hamiltonian

$$(JB_p) = (JB_p)^t \tag{A2}$$

and may be chosen real if the spectrum $\sigma(C_{p_0})$ contains no real negative points.

Proof. As $\sigma(C_{p_0}) \not\ni 0$, there exists a contour $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{C}$ such that $\sigma(C_{p_0})$ lies inside Γ and 0 lies outside Γ . The same is true for $\sigma(C_p), p \in P_0$ if P_0 is small enough. For $\lambda \in \Gamma$ let us fix some branch $\text{Ln } \lambda$ of $\text{Ln } \lambda$ and set

$$B_p = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{\text{Ln } \lambda}{C_p - \lambda} d\lambda. \tag{A3}$$

Then $\exp B_p = C_p$ (see [13], Ch. VII) and so (A1) is proved. To prove (A2) let us mention that:

- (1) the operator B_p in (A3) depends on C_p in a continuous way;
- (2) single-spectrum symplectic matrices are dense among symplectic matrices (e.g. because symplectic matrices form a connected analytical manifold [7, 10] and double-spectrum matrices form there a nontrivial analytical subset);
- (3) a single-spectrum symplectic matrix is diagonal in some symplectic basis and for it (A2) is evident.

So it remains to prove the last statement. It is well-known [7, 10], that for an invertible symplectic matrix C , the spectrum $\sigma(C)$ consists of pairs of points $\lambda, \lambda^{-1} (\lambda \in \mathbb{R})$; pairs of points $\lambda, \bar{\lambda} (|\lambda| = 1)$ and quadruples $\lambda, \bar{\lambda}, \lambda^{-1}, \bar{\lambda}^{-1} (\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}, |\lambda| \neq 1)$. So in the present situation $\sigma(C_{p_0}) = S_1 \cup (S_2 \cup \bar{S}_2)$, where $S_1 = \{\lambda_j\} \subset \mathbb{R}_+$, $S_2 = \{\mu_j\} \subset \{\lambda | \text{Im } \lambda > 0\}$. Let us take a (nonconnected) contour Γ_0 of the form $\Gamma_0 = \cup_{\lambda_j} \Gamma(\lambda_j) \cup \cup_{\mu_j} [\Gamma(\mu_j) \cup -\Gamma(\mu_j)]$. Here $\Gamma(\lambda_j), \Gamma(\mu_j)$ are small circles centered at λ_j, μ_j (thus $\Gamma(\lambda_j) = -\bar{\Gamma}(\lambda_j) \forall \lambda_j$). We can do it in such a way that $\Gamma_0 \cap (-\infty, 0] = \emptyset$, and so we can take for $\text{Ln } z$ a branch of $\text{Ln } z$ which is real for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$. With such a choice of Γ in (A3) one can see in a trivial way that $B_p = \bar{B}_p$. ■

Lemma A2. Under the assumptions of lemma A1 there exists an analytic real Hamiltonian matrix $\bar{B}_p, p \in P_0$ such that $\exp \bar{B}_p = C_p^2, p \in P_0$.

Proof. Let $\tilde{\Gamma} \subset \mathbb{C}$ be a contour containing all negative eigenvalues of C_p and no other eigenvalues. Then for $p \in P_0$ (P_0 is small enough) there exists a smooth splitting \mathbb{R}^{2m} into two invariant for C_p symplectic subspaces, $\mathbb{R}^{2m} = E_1 \oplus E_2$, such that the spectrum of $C_p|_{E_1}$ is negative and lies inside $\tilde{\Gamma}$ and the spectrum of $C_p|_{E_2}$ lies outside $\tilde{\Gamma}$ and out of $(-\infty, 0]$. Then by lemma A1 $C_p|_{E_2} = \exp B_p^{(2)}$ for some real Hamiltonian operator $B_p^{(2)}$, and $(C_p|_{E_1})^2 = \exp B_p^{(1)}$. Now we can take $B_p = B_p^{(1)} \oplus 2B_p^{(2)}$. This operator has all the properties we need. ■