

Scenario of a mildly stable transition from codimensional one Anosov diffeomorphism to a DA-diffeomorphism

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Abstract

Smale proposed to modify the hyperbolic automorphism of the n -torus of codimension 1 in the neighbourhood of a fixed point by surgical operation to obtain the so-called DA-diffeomorphism. However, the corresponding arc of diffeomorphisms is not even mildly stable. The hypothesis of constructing a mildly stable arc between the Anosov diffeomorphism and the DA diffeomorphism was formulated by Newhouse *et al.* A detailed construction of such an arc is carried out in this paper.

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1. Introduction and formulation of the results

Let $\text{Diff}(M^n)$ be the space of diffeomorphisms on a closed n -dimensional manifold M^n endowed with the C^∞ -topology. A *smooth arc* in the space of $\text{Diff}(M^n)$ is C^∞ -smooth map $\varphi : M^n \times [0, 1] \rightarrow M^n$ such that for each fixed $t \in [0, 1]$ the map $\varphi_t = \varphi|_{M^n \times \{t\}} \in \text{Diff}(M^n)$. We say that the arc $\varphi_t, t \in [0, 1]$, *connects diffeomorphisms* φ_0, φ_1 .

Following Newhouse *et al* [10] an arc φ_t is called *mildly stable* if it is an inner point of the equivalence class with respect to the following relation: two arcs φ_t, φ'_t are called

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mildly conjugate if there are homeomorphisms $h : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1], H_t : M \rightarrow M$ such that $H_t \varphi_t = \varphi'_{h(t)} H_t, t \in [0, 1]$. If H_t depends continuously on t also then the arcs φ_t, φ'_t are called *conjugate*, and the arc φ_t is called *stable*.

The arc connecting two structurally stable diffeomorphisms φ_0, φ_1 is called *arc with a finite number of bifurcations* if there are a finite number of values $0 < t_1 < \dots < t_q < 1$ such that the diffeomorphisms φ_{t_j} are not structurally stable and the diffeomorphisms φ_t, φ_τ are topologically conjugate if t, τ belong to the same connected component of the set $[0, 1] \setminus \{t_1, \dots, t_q\}$.

The problem of the existence of an arc with a finite number of bifurcations connecting structurally stable systems was included in the list of 50 most important problems of dynamical systems published by Palis and Pugh [16]. On manifolds of any dimension $n \geq 1$ there is an impressive number of counterexamples to the existence of a stable or mildly stable arc with a finite number of bifurcations between structurally stable diffeomorphisms constructed by Matsumoto [8], Blanchard [1], Grines et al [4, 11–14] (see also the review [9]).

Smale [21] showed that some *Anosov diffeomorphisms* (diffeomorphisms with a hyperbolic supporting manifold) on the n -torus \mathbb{T}^n can be modified into DA-diffeomorphisms. DA-diffeomorphisms are called structurally stable diffeomorphisms whose basic sets consist of a $(n - 1)$ -dimensional expanding attractor Λ ($\dim W_x^u = n - 1, x \in \Lambda$) and an isolated source orbit. Williams [23] showed later that the modification can be implemented by the arc with one pitchfork bifurcation. However such an arc is neither stable nor mildly stable [10]. In the present paper we implement the transition from the Anosov diffeomorphism to the DA-diffeomorphism by the mildly stable arc with the single saddle-node bifurcation.

Let us fix our setting:

- $A \in GL(n, \mathbb{Z})$ is an integer unimodular matrix with all the eigenvalues, except for one value $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, have absolute values larger than one;
- $\bar{A} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is linear map defined by the matrix A ;
- $p : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^n$ is the cover map given by the formula $p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (e^{i2\pi x_1}, \dots, e^{i2\pi x_n})$;
- $\hat{A} : \mathbb{T}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^n$ is algebraic automorphism (Anosov diffeomorphism of codimension 1) defined by the formula $pA = \hat{A}p$.

The main result of the paper is the proof of the following theorem.

Theorem 1. *There exists a mildly stable arc with a single saddle-node bifurcation that connects the \hat{A} diffeomorphism with a DA-diffeomorphism.*

2. Necessary concepts and facts

Let M^n be a connected closed smooth riemannian manifold of dimension $n > 1$ with the norm $\|\cdot\| : TM^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and the induced metric $d : M^n \times M^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$.

Let $f : M^n \rightarrow M^n$ be a diffeomorphism. The set $X \subset M^n$ is called *f-invariant* if $f(X) = X$.

The diffeomorphisms $f, f' : M^n \rightarrow M^n$ are called *topologically conjugate* if there exists a homeomorphism $h : M^n \rightarrow M^n$ such that $h \circ f = f' \circ h$.

f -invariant compact set $\Lambda \subset M^n$ is called *hyperbolic* if there is a continuous Df -invariant decomposition of the tangent bundle $T_\Lambda M^n$ into *stable* and *unstable* subbundles

$$E_\Lambda^s \oplus E_\Lambda^u, \dim E_x^s + \dim E_x^u = n, x \in \Lambda$$

such that for a some Riemann metric $\|\cdot\|$, which is called *Lyapunov*, some constants $0 < \lambda < 1 < \mu$ and any $k \in \mathbb{N}$ the following inequalities are valid:

$$\begin{aligned} \|Df^k(v)\| &\leq \lambda^k \|v\|, & \forall v \in E_\Lambda^s, \\ \|Df^{-k}(w)\| &\leq \mu^{-k} \|w\|, & \forall w \in E_\Lambda^u. \end{aligned}$$

For any point x of the hyperbolic set Λ there exists an injective immersion $J_x^s : \mathbb{R}^{q_s} \rightarrow M^n$ the image $W_x^s = J_x^s(\mathbb{R}^{q_s})$ is called a *stable manifold of the point x* such that the following properties hold:

- 1) $T_x W_x^s = E_\Lambda^s$;
- 2) the points $x, y \in M^n$ belong to the same manifold W_x^s if and only if $d(f^n(x), f^n(y)) \rightarrow 0$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$;
- 3) $f(W_x^s) = W_{f(x)}^s$;
- 4) if $x, y \in \Lambda$ then either $W_x^s = W_y^s$ or $W_x^s \cap W_y^s = \emptyset$;
- 5) if the points $x, y \in \Lambda$ are close on M^n then W_x^s, W_y^s are C^1 -close on compact sets.

An *unstable manifold* W_x^u of the point $x \in \Lambda$ is defined as a stable manifold with respect to the diffeomorphism f^{-1} . Unstable manifolds have similar properties, as the stable ones. Stable and unstable manifolds are also called *invariant manifolds*. A path connected component of the sets $W_x^u \setminus x, W_x^s \setminus x$ is called *separatrix*.

If the entire supporting manifold M^n of the diffeomorphism f is a hyperbolic set, then f is called to be *Anosov diffeomorphism*.

Recall that ε -chain of length $m \in \mathbb{N}$ joining points $x, y \in M^n$ for f is a set of points $x = x_0, \dots, x_m = y$ such that $d(f(x_{i-1}), x_i) < \varepsilon$ for $1 \leq i \leq m$. A point $x \in M^n$ is called *chain recurrent* for f if for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a natural number m depending on $\varepsilon > 0$ and ε -chain of length m joining x with itself. The set of all chain recurrent points is called *chain recurrent set* and is denoted by \mathcal{R}_f .

It follows from the results of [2, 15, 20, 22] that the hyperbolicity of the set \mathcal{R}_f is equivalent to Ω -stability f . Recall that f is called Ω -stable if its C^1 -small perturbations preserve the structure of a chain recurrent set up to topological conjugacy. The set \mathcal{R}_f in this case consists of a finite number of pairwise disjoint subsets called *basic*, each is compact invariant and is *topologically transitive* (contains an everywhere dense orbit) [21]. If the basic set is a periodic orbit then it is called *trivial*. Otherwise, the basic set is called *nontrivial*.

A basic set Λ of Ω -stable diffeomorphism f is called an *attractor* if it has a closed trapping neighborhood $U_\Lambda \subset M^n$ such that

$$f(U_\Lambda) \subset \text{int } U_\Lambda, \bigcap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} f^k(U_\Lambda) = \Lambda.$$

In this case (see, for example, [17])

$$\Lambda = \bigcup_{x \in \Lambda} W_x^u.$$

If $\dim \Lambda = \dim W_x^u$, then the attractor Λ is called *expanding*. *Repeller* is defined as an attractor for the map f^{-1} .

By theorem 3 in [17] any basic set Λ of codimension one Ω -stable diffeomorphism $f : M^n \rightarrow M^n$ is either an attractor or a repeller.

A diffeomorphism f is called *structurally stable* if there exists its neighborhood in the space $\text{Diff}(M^n)$ with C^1 -topology such that any diffeomorphism from this neighborhood is topologically conjugate to the diffeomorphism f . Due to the results of [7, 19] a diffeomorphism f is structurally stable if and only if 1) it is a Ω -stable diffeomorphism and 2) it satisfies the *strong*

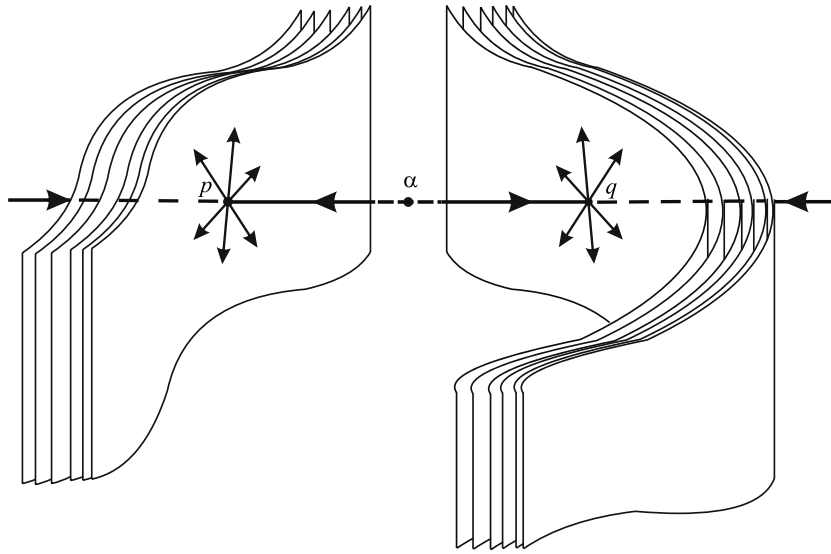


Figure 1. 2-bunch b of the two-dimensional expanding attractor Λ with boundary points p, q .

transversality condition. The latter means that $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{R}_f$ of the manifolds W_x^s and W_y^u intersect *transversely*, that is the sum of the tangent spaces to these manifolds coincides with the entire tangent space at their intersection points.

Any expanding attractor Λ of codimension 1 divides its basin W_Λ^s by a finite number of connected components. Each such a component of B defines a *bunch* b as the union of all unstable manifolds of all periodic points from Λ such that at least one of the stable separatrix of each belongs to B . The number k_b of such *boundary points* is finite and is called the *degree of the bunch* b and b is called the k_b -*bunch* with the *basin* B (see figure 1).

If $n \geq 3$ then according to [18, theorem 2.1] any expanding attractor of codimension 1 has only 1- or 2-bunches. In this case 1-bunches can be on non-orientable manifolds only.

A structurally stable diffeomorphism f is called a DA-diffeomorphism if its chain recurrent set consists of a single expanding attractor of codimension 1 and isolated sources.

3. Construction of the arc

Let us fix our setting for an integer unimodular matrix G :

- $\bar{G}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is the linear map defined by G , that is $\bar{G}(x) = Gx$;
- $\hat{G}: \mathbb{T}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^n$ is algebraic automorphism defined by G , that is $\hat{G}(x \pmod{1}) = Gx \pmod{1}$.

Let A be an integer unimodular matrix with all the eigenvalues, except for one value $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, have absolute values larger than one. According to the Jordan normal form theorem for the matrix A there exists a square non-singular matrix C such that given by the matrix $J = C^{-1}AC$ linear map \bar{J} has the form

$$\bar{J}(x, y) = (\lambda x, \bar{B}(y)) \tag{1}$$

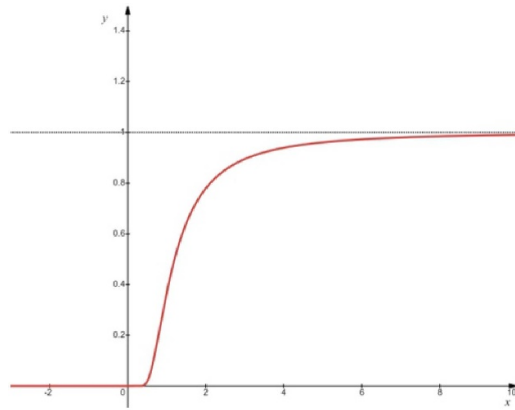


Figure 2. Graph of the function $g(x)$.

in coordinates $x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$. Here $\bar{B} : \mathbb{R}^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ is the linear map defined by the matrix B . Absolute values of all eigenvalues of B are greater than one and there is $\mu > 1$ such that

$$\|B^{-k}y\| < \mu^{-k}\|y\|, \forall y \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}. \tag{2}$$

Let

$$V = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-1} : 0 \leq x \leq r, \|y\| \leq \delta\}, \tag{3}$$

for any $r > 0, \delta > 0$ where the constants r, δ are chosen so that the cover p is a homeomorphism on the set $\bar{V} = \bar{C}(V)$.

Next we describe how to construct the function $\varphi(x)$ so that the diffeomorphism $\lambda x + \varphi(x)$ coincides with the linear contraction outside the segment $[0, r]$ and has two hyperbolic fixed points on the interval $(0, r)$ which are a source and a sink. In addition this function requires described below in the lemma 3.1 properties allowing to construct the desired arc based on it. To do this we define C^∞ -smooth function $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by the formula (see figure 2)

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq 0, \\ e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}}, & x > 0. \end{cases}$$

We define C^∞ -smooth function $\sigma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by the formula (see figure 3)

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{g(x+1)}{g(x+1) + g(1-x)}.$$

It is directly verified that the function $\sigma(x)$ increases monotonously from 0 to 1 on the interval $(-1, 1)$, it is constant outside $(-1, 1)$ and (see figure 4)

$$\sigma'(x) < \frac{9}{8}, x \in \mathbb{R}. \tag{4}$$

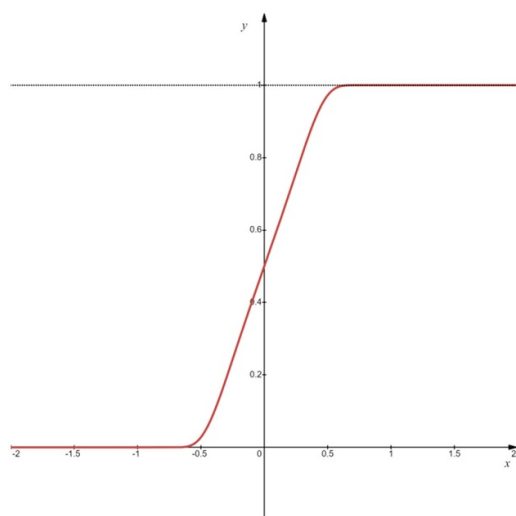


Figure 3. Graph of the function $\sigma(x)$.

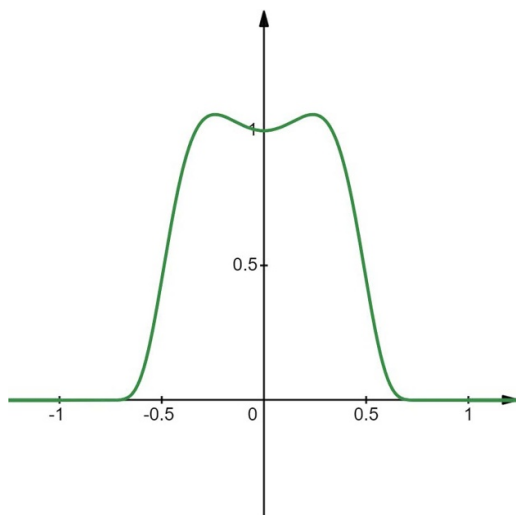


Figure 4. Graph of the function $\sigma'(x)$.

Let $h_-, h_+ : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are C^∞ -smooth functions and let $h_-(x_0) = h_+(x_0)$ and the function $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by the formula

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} h_-(x), & x \leq x_0, \\ h_+(x), & x > x_0. \end{cases}$$

Let the function $h(x)$ is not smooth at the point x_0 . We say C^∞ -smooth function

$$\tilde{h}(x) = \left(1 - \sigma\left(\frac{x - x_0}{\varepsilon}\right)\right) h_-(x) + \sigma\left(\frac{x - x_0}{\varepsilon}\right) h_+(x)$$

to be *smoothing of the function $h(x)$ at the point x_0* for any $\varepsilon > 0$ (see figure 5).

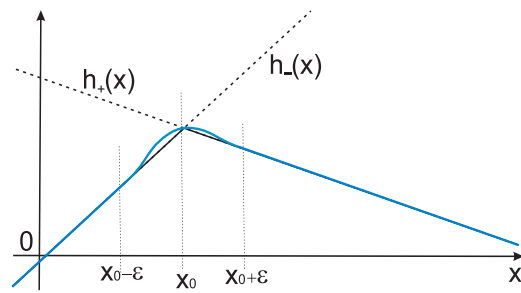


Figure 5. Graph of the smoothing $\tilde{h}(x)$ of the function $h(x)$ at the point x_0 .

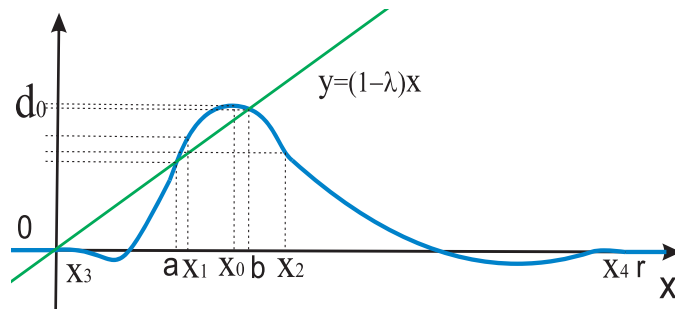


Figure 6. Graph of the function $\varphi(x)$.

By construction $\tilde{h}(x)$ differs from $h(x)$ only in ε -neighborhood of the point x_0 and

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\max_{x \in [x_0 - \varepsilon, x_0 + \varepsilon]} |\tilde{h}(x) - h(x)| \right) = 0. \tag{5}$$

Concept of smoothing is naturally generalized to continuous functions composed by a finite number of smooth parts.

Let

$$\theta = \frac{\mu - 1}{1 - \lambda} > 0, \tag{6}$$

$$c_0 = \left(1 + \frac{\theta}{4} \right) (1 - \lambda). \tag{7}$$

Lemma 3.1. *There is a C^∞ -smooth function $\varphi(x)$ (see figure 6), having the following properties for some values*

$$0 < x_3 < a < x_1 < x_0 < b < x_2 < x_4 < r :$$

- 1) $\varphi(x) \equiv 0$ outside the segment $[x_3, x_4]$;
- 2) $|\varphi(x)| \leq \varphi(x_0) = d_0$ and $x_0(1 - \lambda) < d_0 < x_0 c_0$;
- 3) $-\frac{\lambda}{2} < \varphi'(x) < (1 + \frac{\theta}{2})(1 - \lambda)$ and $\varphi'(x_1) > \frac{\varphi(x_1)}{x_1}$;
- 4) $\varphi(x) \equiv -d_1(x - x_0)^2 + d_0$ on the segment $[x_1, x_2]$ where $d_1 > 0$;
- 5) The equation $\varphi(x) = (1 - \lambda)x$ for $x > 0$ has exactly two solutions $x = a, x = b$ such that $\varphi'(a) > 1 - \lambda, \varphi'(b) < 0$.

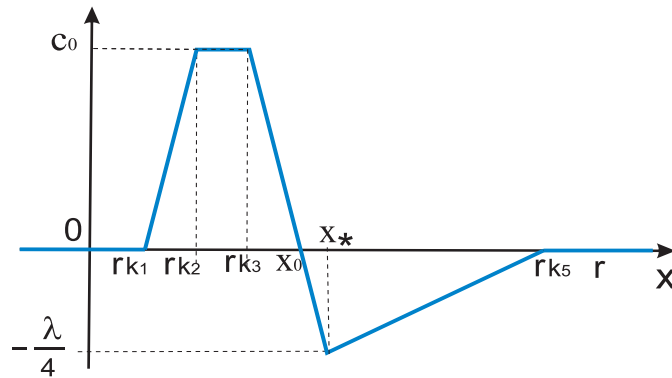


Figure 7. Graph of the function $\psi(x)$.

Proof. We will find a function $\varphi(x)$, satisfying the conditions 1)-5), in the form

$$\varphi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \tilde{\psi}(s) ds,$$

where $\tilde{\psi}$ is a C^∞ -smoothing of a piecewise linear function ψ . For this aim let us define a piecewise linear function $\psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, depending on the parameters $0 < k_1 < k_2 < k_3 < k_4 < k_5 < 1$, by its graph on figure 7 (here $x_0 = rk_4$, $x_* = \psi^{-1}(-\frac{\lambda}{4})$). Let

$$\bar{\varphi}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \psi(s) ds.$$

To prove the present lemma it is enough to show that there are such constants k_i , $i \in \{1, \dots, 5\}$ that the function $\bar{\varphi}(x)$ has the following properties:

- 1) $\bar{\varphi}(x) \equiv 0$ outside the segment $[rk_1, rk_5]$;
- 2) $|\bar{\varphi}(x)| \leq \bar{\varphi}(x_0) = \bar{d}_0$ and $x_0(1 - \lambda) < \bar{d}_0 < x_0 c_0$;
- 3) $-\frac{\lambda}{2} < \bar{\varphi}'(x) < (1 + \frac{\theta}{2})(1 - \lambda)$ and $\bar{\varphi}'(rk_3) > \frac{\bar{\varphi}(rk_3)}{rk_3}$;
- 4) $\bar{\varphi}(x) \equiv -\bar{d}_1(x - x_0)^2 + \bar{d}_0$ on the segment $[rk_3, x_*]$ where $\bar{d}_1 > 0$;
- 5) the equation $\bar{\varphi}(x) = (1 - \lambda)x$ for $x > 0$ has exactly two solutions $x = \bar{a}$, $x = \bar{b}$ where $rk_2 < \bar{a} < x_0 < \bar{b} < rk_5$ at the same time $\bar{\varphi}'(\bar{a}) > 1 - \lambda$, $\bar{\varphi}'(\bar{b}) < 0$.

1) The condition $\bar{\varphi}(x) \equiv 0$ outside the segment $[rk_1, rk_5]$ is equivalent to the equality of the areas of the trapezoid above the Ox axis and the triangle under the Ox axis, which is expressed by the following equality

$$(k_4 - k_1 + k_3 - k_2) \left(1 + \frac{\theta}{4}\right) (1 - \lambda) = (k_5 - k_4) \frac{\lambda}{4}. \tag{8}$$

2) The property $|\bar{\varphi}(x)| \leq \bar{\varphi}(x_0)$ is an immediate consequence of the fact that the function $\psi(x)$ changes the sign from + to - at the point x_0 . Note that $\bar{d}_0 = \bar{\varphi}(x_0)$ is equal to the area of

the trapezoid located above the Ox axis so $\bar{d}_0 < x_0 c_0$. Fulfilling the condition $\bar{d}_0 > x_0(1 - \lambda)$ is equivalent to inequality

$$(k_4 - k_1 + k_3 - k_2) \left(1 + \frac{\theta}{4}\right) > 2k_4. \tag{9}$$

3) The property $-\frac{\lambda}{2} < \bar{\varphi}'(x) < (1 + \frac{\theta}{2})(1 - \lambda)$ follows directly from the inequality

$$-\frac{\lambda}{4} \leq \psi(x) \leq \left(1 + \frac{\theta}{4}\right)(1 - \lambda).$$

Property $\bar{\varphi}'(rk_3) > \frac{\bar{\varphi}(rk_3)}{rk_3}$ is executed because $\varphi(rk_3)$ is the area of a trapezoid located above the Ox axis and having a lower base $[rk_1, rk_3]$, $\bar{\varphi}'(rk_3) = \psi(rk_3) = c_0$ and therefore

$$\bar{\varphi}(rk_3) = r(2k_3 - (k_1 + k_2)) \frac{c_0}{2} < c_0 rk_3.$$

4) Since the function $\psi(x)$ on the segment $[rk_3, x_*]$ is a straight line with a negative slope then the function $\bar{\varphi}(x)$ on this segment is a quadratic function with a negative coefficient at x^2 . It follows from point 2) that the vertex of the parabola is at the point (x_0, \bar{d}_0) and, therefore,

$$\bar{\varphi}(x) \equiv -\bar{d}_1(x - x_0)^2 + \bar{d}_0$$

on the segment $[rk_3, x_*]$ where $\bar{d}_1 > 0$.

5) The function $\bar{\varphi}(x)$ on the segment $[rk_3, x_*]$ coincides with the parabola $y = -\bar{d}_1(x - x_0)^2 + \bar{d}_0$ whose vertex lies above the straight line $y = (1 - \lambda)x$ and coincides with a straight line with a slope c_0 on the segment $[rk_2, rk_3]$ by construction. Then to prove the property of 5) it is enough to achieve the condition

$$\bar{\varphi}(rk_2) < (1 - \lambda)rk_2. \tag{10}$$

Note that $\bar{\varphi}(rk_2)$ is equal to the area of a located above the Ox axis and having a base of $[rk_1, rk_2]$ triangle. Therefore the condition (10) is equivalent to inequality

$$(k_2 - k_1) \left(1 + \frac{\theta}{4}\right) < 2k_2. \tag{11}$$

Let us show how to choose constants k_i satisfying all the described conditions. Indeed, let

$$\ell = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\theta}{4}}$$

and represent the constants $k_i - k_{i-1}, i \in \{1, \dots, 5\}, k_0 = 0$ as

$$k_i - k_{i-1} = \ell_i k_4.$$

Then the inequalities (9) and (11) have the following forms

$$(2\ell_3 + \ell_2 + \ell_4) > 2\ell, \tag{12}$$

$$\ell_2 < 2(\ell_1 + \ell_2)\ell. \tag{13}$$

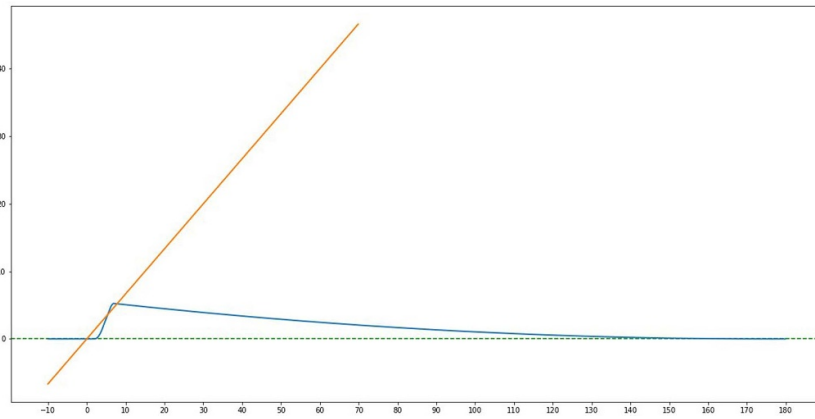


Figure 8. Graph of the function $\bar{\varphi}(x)$ for $\theta = 4, \lambda = \frac{1}{4}, r = 10$.

To achieve the inequality (12) let us put

$$l_3 = l,$$

and for the inequality (13) let

$$l_1 = \frac{l(1-l)}{1+l}, l_2 = l_1 l.$$

The constant l_4 is calculated from the condition

$$l_1 + l_2 + l_3 + l_4 = 1$$

and therefore

$$l_4 = (1-l)^2.$$

The equality (8) in the entered variables has the following form

$$4(2l_3 + l_2 + l_4)(1-\lambda) = l_5 \lambda l. \tag{14}$$

We find l_5 from (14). Since $k_5 = (1+l_5)k_4 < 1$ then k_4 can be taken as any value satisfying the inequality

$$k_4 < \frac{1}{1+l_5}.$$

As illustration we calculate all values l_i, k_i for $\theta = 4, \lambda = \frac{1}{4}, r = 10$ and plot the graph of the function $\bar{\varphi}(x)$ using a computer (see figure 8). \square

We define a C^∞ -smooth function $\varphi_t : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ for $t \in [0, 1]$ by the formula

$$\varphi_t(x) = \sigma(2t-1)\varphi(x). \tag{15}$$

Lemma 3.2. *The functions $\varphi_t(x)$ for $x > 0$ have the following properties:*

- 1) *there is a unique value $t_0 \in (0, 1)$ such that $\varphi_{t_0}(x) < (1 - \lambda)x$ for any $x > 0$, excepted a unique point $x = q_0 \in (x_1, x_0)$, where $\varphi_{t_0}(q_0) = (1 - \lambda)q_0$ é $\varphi'_{t_0}(q_0) = (1 - \lambda)$;*
- 2) *$\varphi_t(x) < (1 - \lambda)x$ for any $t \in [0, t_0)$;*
- 3) *for any $t \in (t_0, 1]$ the equation $\varphi_t(x) = (1 - \lambda)x$ has exactly two solutions $x = a_t, x = b_t$ where $x_1 < a_t < b_t < r$ and $\varphi'_t(a_t) > 1 - \lambda, \varphi'_t(b_t) < 1 - \lambda$.*

Proof. It follows from the definition of the function σ that $\varphi_0(x) \equiv 0$ and $\varphi_1(x) \equiv \varphi(x)$. It is obviously that the function $\varphi_1(x)$ has property 3) by lemma 3.1. The intersection points of the graph of the function $\varphi_t(x)$ with the line $y = (1 - \lambda)x$ for any $t \in (0, 1)$ are exactly the intersection points of the graph of the function $\varphi(x)$ with the line $y = \nu_t x$ where

$$\nu_t = \frac{1 - \lambda}{\sigma(2t - 1)}.$$

It follows from item 5) of lemma 3.1 that if such points exist then they belong to the segment $[a, b]$. Since ν_t accepts any values greater than $1 - \lambda$, there exists a value $t_* \in (0, 1)$ such that $\nu_{t_*} = \frac{\varphi(x_1)}{x_1}$. According to item 4) of lemma 3.1 the function $\varphi(x)$ coincides with the parabola $y = -d_1(x - x_0)^2 + d_0$ on the segment $[x_1, x_2]$ therefore the desired intersection points are exactly solutions of the equation

$$-d_1(x - x_0)^2 + d_0 = \nu_t x \tag{16}$$

for any $t \leq t_*$. Let the discriminant of the quadratic equation (16) equals 0 at $t = t_0$. Then this equation has exactly two solutions a_t, b_t for $t_0 < t \leq t_*$, one solution q_0 for $t = t_0$ and has no any solutions for $t < t_0$. The point q_0 is the tangent point of the graph of the function $\varphi_{t_0}(x)$ and the straight line $y = (1 - \lambda)x$, hence $\varphi'_{t_0}(q_0) = (1 - \lambda)$. The graph of the function $\varphi_{t_0}(x)$ intersects transversely the line $y = (1 - \lambda)x$ at the point a_t with a slope $\varphi'_t(a_t) > 1 - \lambda$ and at the point b_t with a slope $\varphi'_t(b_t) < 1 - \lambda$.

As $\varphi'_t(x) = \sigma(2t - 1)\varphi'(x)$ then its values on the segment $[a, x_1]$ are not less than $\sigma(2t - 1)\varphi'(x_1)$ for $t \in (t_*, 1)$. Therefore the smallest value of the derivative is $\sigma(2t_* - 1)\varphi'(x_1)$. Since t_* is a solution of the equation

$$\sigma(2t_* - 1)\varphi(x_1) = (1 - \lambda)x_1,$$

and, by item 2) of lemma 3.1,

$$\varphi(x_1) < x_1\varphi'(x_1),$$

then

$$\sigma(2t_* - 1)\varphi(x_1) > 1 - \lambda.$$

Since the function $\varphi_t(x)$ is monotonously decreasing on the segment $[a, x_1]$ then its graph has a unique intersection point a_t with the line $y = (1 - \lambda)x$ on this segment and $\varphi'_t(a_t) > 1 - \lambda$. Since the function $\varphi_t(x)$ coincides on the segment $[x_1, x_2]$ with a parabola whose branches are directed downward and the vertex lies to the right of the point x_1 then there is exactly one more intersection point $b_t > x_1$ of the graph of the function $\varphi_t(x)$ with a straight line $y = (1 - \lambda)x$ and $\varphi'_t(b_t) < 1 - \lambda$. □

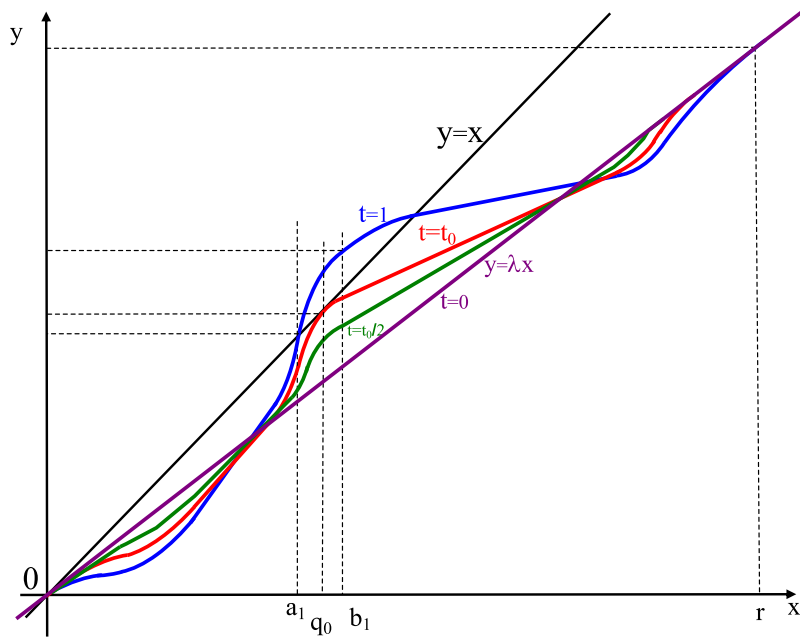


Figure 9. Graphs of the functions $\gamma_t(x)$ for $t = 0, t = \frac{t_0}{2}, t = t_0, t = 1$.

Note that by lemma 3.2, the graphs of the functions $\gamma_t(x) = \lambda x + \varphi_t(x)$ have the form shown in figure 9.

Let

$$\vartheta(y) = \left(1 - \sigma \left(\frac{4\|y\| - 2\delta}{\delta} \right) \right) \tag{17}$$

for $y \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$, where $\|y\| < \delta$. It follows directly from the formula (4) that

$$|\vartheta'(y)| < \frac{9}{2\delta}. \tag{18}$$

We define C^∞ -smooth map $\phi_t : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by the formula

$$\phi_t(x, y) = \vartheta(y) \varphi_t(x), \tag{19}$$

and define C^∞ -smooth map $\Phi_t : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ by the formula

$$\Phi_t(x, y) = (\phi_t(x, y), 0). \tag{20}$$

Notice, that by construction $\Phi_t(x, y) = (0, 0)$ if $(x, y) \in \partial V$. Let

$$\bar{\Phi}_t = \bar{C}\Phi_t\bar{C}^{-1} : \bar{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Then the map $\bar{\Phi}_t$ can be continued on \mathbb{R}^n so that the following properties are met in coordinates $\bar{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with the origin $\bar{0} = (0, \dots, 0)$

- $\bar{\Phi}_t(\bar{x}) = \bar{0}$ outside of all integer shifts of the set \bar{V} ;
- $\bar{\Phi}_t(\bar{x})$ is 1-periodical function on the vector argument \bar{x} .

We define a smooth arc $\bar{f}_t : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ by the formula

$$\bar{f}_t(\bar{x}) = \bar{A}(\bar{x}) + \bar{\Phi}_t(\bar{x})$$

and a smooth arc $f_t : \mathbb{T}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^n$ from the formula

$$p\bar{f}_t = f_t p. \tag{21}$$

The above construction holds for any $r > 0, \delta > 0$ and admits an obvious generalization to the case of modification of the Anosov diffeomorphism in the neighbourhood of any number of periodic orbits. For simplicity we prove theorem 1 for the constructed arc f_t in the next section.

4. Mild stability of the arc f_t

Lemma 4.1. *There are parameters $r > 0, \delta > 0$ such that the arc f_t , defined by the formula (21), is mildly stable and joints the diffeomorphism $f_0 = \hat{A}$ with a DA-diffeomorphism f_1 .*

Proof.

I. Mild stability of the arc. For any point $x \in \mathbb{T}^n$ we denote by \mathcal{F}_x^s and \mathcal{F}_x^u the leaves of stable \mathcal{F}^s , and unstable \mathcal{F}^u foliations of the Anosov diffeomorphism \hat{A} passing through the point x respectively. By construction, the diffeomorphism f_t for any $t \in [0, 1]$ preserves the invariant foliation \mathcal{F}^s . Note that in a general case the foliation \mathcal{F}^u is not invariant with respect to the diffeomorphism f_t . However, every diffeomorphism f_t has a fixed saddle point $O = p(\bar{0})$. Moreover the diffeomorphism f_t coincides with the diffeomorphism \hat{A} in some neighborhood of the point O .

To prove the mild stability of the arc f_t , by [10], it is enough to achieve the following its properties:

- 1) any diffeomorphism $f_t, t \in [0, t_0)$ is an Anosov diffeomorphism;
- 2) the arc f_t *unfolds generically* at the saddle-node point (q, t_0) , where $q = p(\bar{C}(q_0, 0))$, that is the arc f_t undergoes a bifurcation at the saddle-node, whose strongly unstable foliation is transversal to the foliation \mathcal{F}^s ;
- 3) any diffeomorphism $f_t, t \in (t_0, 1]$ is a structurally stable diffeomorphism whose chain recurrent set consists of a $(n - 1)$ -dimensional expanding attractor Λ_t with two boundary points $\beta_0 = p(\bar{C}(0, 0)), \beta_t = p(\bar{C}(b_t, 0))$ and an isolated source $\alpha_t = p(\bar{C}(a_t, 0))$.

Recall that an arc f_t *undergoes a saddle-node bifurcation* at a point (q, t_0) , if the arc f_t is conjugate to the arc

$$\tilde{f}_t(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \left(x_1 - \frac{x_1^2}{2} + \tilde{t}, \pm 2x_2, 2x_3, \dots, 2x_n \right), \tag{22}$$

where $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n, |x_i| < 1/2, |\tilde{t}| < 1/10$ in some neighborhood of this point (see figure 10).

In local coordinates $(x_1, \dots, x_n, \tilde{t})$ the bifurcation occurs at the time $\tilde{t} = 0$, the coordinates origin $O \in \mathbb{R}^n$ being the saddle-node. Here

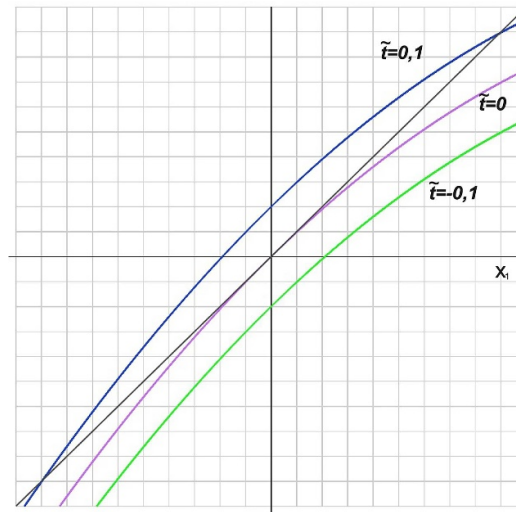


Figure 10. Graphs of the map $x_1 - \frac{x_1^2}{2} + \tilde{t}$ for $\tilde{t} = -0,1; \tilde{t} = 0$ and $\tilde{t} = 0,1$.

- Ox_1 —the *central manifold*;
- $W_O^s = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n : x_1 \geq 0, x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0\}$ —the *stable manifold* of O ;
- $W_O^u = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n : x_1 \leq 0\}$ —the *unstable manifold* of O ;
- $\mathcal{F}_O^{uu} = \bigcup_{c>0} \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n : x_1 = c\}$ —the *strongly unstable foliation*.

If q is the saddle-node of the diffeomorphism f_{t_0} then, by [5], there is a unique f_{t_0} -invariant *strongly unstable foliation* \mathcal{F}_q^{uu} with smooth leaves (see Fig 11) such that ∂W_q^u is a leaf of this foliation.

II. The existence of cones. Let

$$F_t = \bar{C}^{-1} \tilde{f}_t \bar{C} : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-1}.$$

Then the diffeomorphism $F_t|_V$ has a form

$$F_t(x, y) = (\Gamma_t(x, y), \bar{B}(y)), \tag{23}$$

where $\Gamma_t : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the map defined by the formula

$$\Gamma_t(x, y) = \lambda x + \Phi_t(x, y). \tag{24}$$

It follows from formulas (19) and (20) that the Jacobi matrix $Y_{F_t}(x, y)$ of the map $F_t(x, y)$ has the form

$$Y_{F_t}|_{(x,y)} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda + L_t(x, y) & M_t(x, y) \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}, \tag{25}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} L_t(x, y) &= \vartheta(y) \varphi_t'(x), \\ M_t(x, y) &= \vartheta'(y) \varphi_t(x). \end{aligned}$$

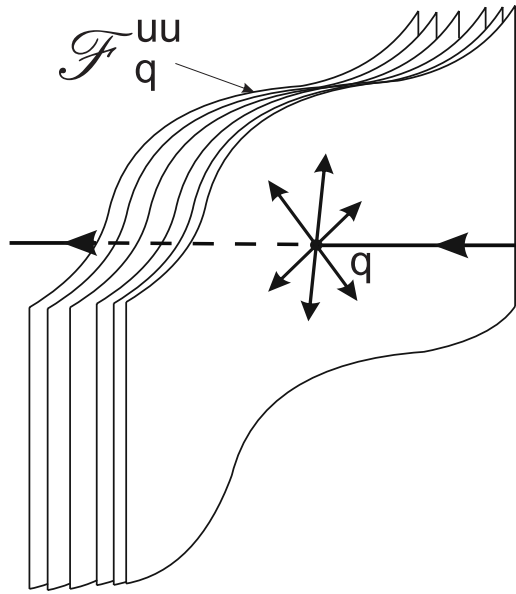


Figure 11. Strongly unstable lamination of the saddle node q .

Then the differential DF_t of the map F_t in coordinates $v \in E_v \cong \mathbb{R}$, $w \in E_w \cong \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ of the tangent bundle has the form

$$DF_t(v, w) = ((\lambda + L_t)v + M_t w, Bw) = (v', w'). \tag{26}$$

Directly from lemmas 3.1, 3.2 and formulas (18), (17) we obtain the following estimates

$$\frac{\lambda}{2} < \lambda + L_t < \frac{\mu + 1}{2}. \tag{27}$$

$$|M_t| < \frac{9rc_0}{2\delta}. \tag{28}$$

We choose the values of r , δ so that

$$|M_t| < \frac{\mu - 1}{4} \sqrt{\mu^2 - 1} = m_0. \tag{29}$$

Let

$$\gamma = \frac{\sqrt{\mu^2 - 1}}{2} \tag{30}$$

and

$$K_\gamma = \{(v, w) : \|v\| \leq \gamma \|w\|\}.$$

We show that for any $(v, w) \in K_\gamma$ the inequalities

$$\|v'\| < \gamma \|w'\|, \tag{31}$$

$$v'^2 + w'^2 > v^2 + w^2 \tag{32}$$

are valid. Indeed, we get (31) from the following chain of inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \|v'\| &= \|(\lambda + L_t)v + M_t w\| \leq \|(\lambda + L_t)v\| + \|M_t w\| < \\ &< \frac{\mu + 1}{2} \|v\| + m_0 \|w\| \leq \left(\frac{\mu + 1}{2} \gamma + m_0\right) \frac{\|w'\|}{\mu} < \\ &< \frac{\sqrt{\mu^2 - 1}}{2} \|w'\| = \gamma \|w'\|. \end{aligned}$$

We get (32) from the following chain of inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} v'^2 + w'^2 &= \|(\lambda + L_t)v + M_t w\|^2 + \|w'\|^2 \geq \mu^2 \|w\|^2 \\ &\geq v^2 + w^2 + \left(\frac{\mu^2 - 1}{\gamma^2} - 1\right) v^2 > v^2 + w^2. \end{aligned}$$

III. Fulfilling the properties 1)-3) of a mildly stable arc. Due to the criterion of cones (see, for example, [6, Corollary 6.4.8]), constructed in the previous section the cone K_γ guarantees the existence of a continuous DF_t -invariant decomposition of the tangent bundle into sub-bundles

$$E_v \oplus E^u, \dim E^u = n - 1 \tag{33}$$

such that for some constant $\mu_t > 1$ and any $k \in \mathbb{N}$ the inequality holds

$$\|DF_t^{-k}(u)\| \leq \mu_t^{-k} \|u\|, \quad \forall u \in E^u.$$

1) If $t \in [0, t_0)$ then according to lemma 3.2

$$0 < \lambda + L_t < \lambda_t < 1,$$

and for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$ the inequality

$$\|DF_t^k(v)\| \leq \lambda_t^k \|v\|, \quad \forall v \in E_v$$

is valid. Thus f_t is an Anosov diffeomorphism.

2) It follows from lemma 3.2 that the arc $\gamma_t(x) = \lambda x + \varphi_t(x)$ is conjugate to the arc $x_1 - \frac{x_1^2}{2} + \tilde{t}$ in a neighborhood of the point (q_0, t_0) . Since the map \bar{B} is a linear hyperbolic extension then (see, for example, [15, theorem 5.5]) the arc f_t is conjugate to the arc \bar{f}_t in some neighborhood of the point $(q, t_0) \in \mathbb{T}^n \times [0, 1]$. Thus, the saddle-node bifurcation unfolds generically on the arc \bar{f}_t at the point (q, t_0) where $q = p(\bar{C}(q_0, 0))$.

3) For any $t \in (t_0, 1]$, the diffeomorphism $\gamma_t(x) = \lambda x + \varphi_t(x)$ has exactly three fixed points: hyperbolic sinks $x = 0, x = a_t$ and hyperbolic source $x = b_t$. In this case the point a_t is an isolated source of the diffeomorphism F_t and the point $\alpha_t = p(\bar{C}(a_t, 0))$ is an isolated source of the diffeomorphism \bar{f}_t .

We show that $\mathbb{T}^n \setminus W_{\alpha_t}^u$ is a hyperbolic set. To do this it is enough to show that the set $U = \{(x, y) \in V : \lambda + L_t(x, y) \geq 1\}$ is a subset of the unstable manifold $W_{a_t}^u$.

Note that the diffeomorphism $F_t(x, y)$ has the form

$$F_t(x, y) = (\lambda + \varphi_t(x, y), \bar{B}(x, y)).$$

on the set $G = [0, b_t] \times [-\frac{\delta}{4}, \frac{\delta}{4}]$. It follows from the properties of the diffeomorphism φ_t that $(U \cap G) \subset W_{a_t}^u$ and therefore $F_t^{-1}(U \cap G) \subset \text{int}(U \cap G)$. Let $U_y = U \cap \mathbb{R} \times \{y\}$. Since $\vartheta(y)$ decreases monotonously from 1 to 0 with respect to the variable $\|y\|$ then $F_t^{-1}(U_y) \subset U_{\bar{B}^{-1}(y)}$ and therefore $U \subset W_{a_t}^u$.

Let $\Lambda_t = \mathcal{R}_{f_t} \setminus a_t$. We prove that Λ_t is a $(n-1)$ -dimensional expanding attractor.

To do this we first show that $W_O^u \subset \Lambda_t$. Since $f_t = \widehat{A}$ in some neighborhood of the point O then $O \notin W_{a_t}^u$ and therefore $W_O^u \subset \Lambda_t$. In addition $\text{cl}(W_O^s \cap W_O^u) = W_O^u$, that directly implies that all points of W_O^u are chain recurrent. Since $\Lambda_t \subset (\mathbb{T}^n \setminus W_{a_t}^u)$ then Λ_t is a hyperbolic set and therefore periodic points are dense in it.

Let us show that $\text{cl} W_O^u = \Lambda_t$.

Indeed there is a periodic point p of the period m_p in any neighborhood of U_a of any point $a \in \Lambda_t$. Then $f_t^{m_p}(\mathcal{F}_p^s) = \mathcal{F}_p^s$. Since the leaf \mathcal{F}_p^s is everywhere dense on the torus \mathbb{T}^n , then there is a point $q \in (\mathcal{F}_p^s \cap W_O^u)$. Then $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(f_t^{m_p k}(q), p) = 0$ and therefore $U_a \cap W_O^u \neq \emptyset$.

Thus Λ_t is a basic set. Its topological dimension is less than n since otherwise it would coincide with the entire torus \mathbb{T}^n (see, for example, [3, Lemma 8.1]). On the other hand $\dim W_x^u = n-1$, $x \in \Lambda_t$ which means $\dim \Lambda_t = n-1$ and therefore Λ_t is a $(n-1)$ -dimensional expanding attractor. \square

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