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**§0. Introduction**

Let  $X$  be a compact metric space and assume that  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is a continuous map. Denote by  $\Omega$  the nonwandering set of  $f$ . An interesting and a nontrivial invariant of  $f$  is  $HD(\Omega)$ -the Hausdorff dimension of  $\Omega$ . It is usually a highly nontrivial problem to find  $HD(\Omega)$ . The seminal work of Bowen [**Bow2**] gives  $HD(\Omega)$  as the solution to  $P(t\phi) = 0$  for some special expanding maps. Here  $P(g)$  denotes the topological pressure. See also [**Rue2**] and the recent works [**Bar**] and [**Fri2**]. Denote by  $\mathcal{E}$  the set of all  $f$ -invariant ergodic probability Borel measures on  $M$ . Let  $HD(\mu), \mu \in \mathcal{E}$  be the Hausdorff dimension of  $\mu$

$$HD(\mu) = \inf_{Y, \mu(Y)=1} HD(Y).$$

It is known that  $HD(\mu)$  is easy to compute in many general cases. See for example [**Man**], [**You**], [**L-Y**] and [**Fri**, 1-2]. In the above references  $HD(\mu)$  is given in terms of entropy of  $f$  (along a foliation) and the Lyapunov exponents. As the support of  $\mu$  lies in  $\Omega$  it follows that  $HD(\Omega) \geq HD(\mu)$ . Hence

$$HD(\Omega) \geq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}} HD(\mu), \quad (0.1)$$

In fact in the examples studied in [**Bow2**] and [**Rue2**] one has the equality in (0.1). In these cases  $HD(\Omega) = HD(\mu^*)$  and  $\mu^*$  is a unique Gibbs measure given by thermodynamics formalism which is equivalent (absolutely continuous) to the Hausdorff measure on  $\Omega$ . See also [**Fri2**]. In general a strict inequality holds in (0.1). To motivate our results consider the following example.

Let  $M$  be a compact surface equipped with a Riemannian metric. Assume that  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is smooth diffeomorphism, i.e.  $f \in \text{Diff}^{1+\alpha}(M), \alpha > 0$ . For  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$  let  $h(\mu), \lambda_1(\mu) \geq \lambda_2(\mu)$ , be the measure (metric) entropy and the corresponding Lyapunov exponents of  $f$ . Assume that  $h(\mu) > 0$ . Then Young's theorem [**You**] claims

$$HD(\mu) = \frac{h(\mu)}{\lambda_1(\mu)} + \frac{h(\mu)}{-\lambda_2(\mu)}. \quad (0.2)$$

Assume that  $f$  is an Axiom A diffeomorphism. Then  $\Omega$  is a finite union of basic hyperbolic sets. Assume for simplicity that  $f|_{\Omega}$  is topologically transitive, i.e.  $\Omega$  consists of one basic set. The result of McCluskey-Manning [**M-M**] is equivalent to.

$$HD(\Omega) = \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{h(\mu)}{\lambda_1(\mu)} + \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{h(\mu)}{-\lambda_2(\mu)}. \quad (0.3)$$

The corresponding suprema are achieved for the Gibbs measures  $\mu^u, \mu^s$ . Usually  $\mu^u \neq \mu^s$ , i.e. (0.1) is not sharp.

Our paper is divided roughly to three parts. In the first part (§1-§2) we give sufficient conditions on an Axiom A surface diffeomorphism for which  $\mu^u = \mu^s := \mu^*$ . We show that these conditions are satisfied by certain area-preserving Hénon maps.

The second part (§3-§4) introduces the notion of a Strong Axiom A diffeomorphisms of manifolds  $M$  with  $n = \dim M > 2$ . An Axiom A diffeomorphism  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is strongly hyperbolic if the tangent space  $T(x)$  splits to

$$T(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \oplus E_i(x), \quad x \in \Omega,$$

where each  $E_i(x)$  depends continuously on  $x$ . Furthermore, possible rates of growth of  $Df(u)$ ,  $u \in E_i(x)$  are located in a closed interval  $I_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $I_i \cap I_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ . In particular, for any  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$   $f$  has  $n$  distinct Lyapunov exponents.

$$\lambda_1(\mu) > \dots > \lambda_n(\mu).$$

Let  $r^u, r^s$  be the dimensions of the unstable manifold and stable manifold respectively. The results of Ledrappier and Young [L-Y, I-II] and Barreira, Pesin and Schmeling [B-P-S] yield:

$$HD(\mu) = \sum_{i=1}^{r^u} \frac{h_i^+(\mu)}{\lambda_i(\mu)} - \sum_{i=1}^{r^s} \frac{h_i^-(\mu)}{\lambda_{r^u+i}(\mu)}.$$

Here  $h_i^+(\mu), h_j^-(\mu)$  is the entropy of  $f$  along the unstable and stable manifolds corresponding to the  $i$ -th,  $j$ -th expanding and contracting direction.

We show that the notion of strong hyperbolicity is structurally stable. Hence a small neighborhood of a Strong Axiom A diffeomorphism  $f : M \rightarrow M$  consists of Strong Axiom A diffeomorphisms. A simple way to find such  $f$  is as follows. Let  $f_i : M_i \rightarrow M_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , be  $k$  Axiom A surface diffeomorphisms. Assume furthermore that the rates of expansions and contractions of any pair  $f_i, f_j$  lie in nonintersecting closed intervals. Then  $f_1 \times \dots \times f_k : M_1 \times \dots \times M_k \rightarrow M_1 \times \dots \times M_k$  is a Strong Axiom A diffeomorphism.

The last part of this paper (§5-§6) applies the above ideas to the study of the dynamics of some proper polynomial maps  $f : \mathbf{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^2$  which extend to holomorphic self-maps of  $\mathbf{CP}^2$ . More precisely let  $J(f)$  be the closure of all repelling periodic points of  $f$ . In one complex variables  $J(f)$  is exactly the Julia set of  $f$ . Using the known structural stability results for hyperbolic sets of endomorphisms (in particular for repellers) we show that  $J(f)$  has many properties like the standard Julia set for small neighborhoods of certain  $f$  which basically have the structure of  $f_1 \times f_2$ . We prove the  $\Omega$ -orbit stability theorem for the above classes of polynomial maps in  $\mathbf{C}^2$ .

## §1. Equilibrium measures for surface diffeomorphisms

Let  $N$  be a compact smooth manifold of dimension  $n$ . Assume that  $g : N \rightarrow N$  is a  $C^1$  diffeomorphism. For  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$  we denote by  $h(\mu)$  the  $\mu$ -entropy of  $g$  and

$$\lambda_1(\mu) \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n(\mu)$$

denote the  $n$  Lyapunov exponents of  $g$ . A map  $g$  satisfies Axiom A if  $\Omega(g)$  is a hyperbolic set, i.e. for each  $x \in \Omega(g)$  the tangent bundle  $T_x N$  splits as a direct sum of the contracting and expanding bundles-  $E^s(x) \oplus E^u(x)$  and this decomposition is continuous in  $x \in \Omega(g)$ . Furthermore, the set of periodic points of  $g$  is dense in  $\Omega$ . It is known that

$$\Omega(g) = \cup_{i=1}^k \Lambda_i, \tag{1.1}$$

where each  $\Lambda_i$  is a closed  $g$ -invariant set. Moreover,  $g|_{\Lambda_i}$  is topologically transitive and  $g : \Lambda_i \rightarrow \Lambda_i$  is homeomorphic to a subshift of finite type (SFT) with respect some Markov partition.  $\Lambda_i$  is called a basic set. Let  $\mathcal{E}_i$  be the set of all  $g$ -invariant ergodic measures supported on  $\Lambda_i$ . Then  $\mathcal{E} = \cup_{i=1}^k \mathcal{E}_i$  is the set of all  $g$ -invariant ergodic measures.

Let  $M$  be a compact real surface and  $f \in \text{Diff}^1(M)$ . Assume that  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$ . Denote by  $h(\mu)$  the measure (metric) entropy of  $f$ . Let  $\lambda_1(\mu) \geq \lambda_2(\mu)$  be the corresponding Lyapunov exponents. Assume that  $h(\mu) > 0$ . Then Margulis-Ruelle inequality gives

$$\lambda_1(\mu) \geq h(\mu) > 0 > -h(\mu) \geq \lambda_2(\mu).$$

The fundamental result of L. Young [You] claims that (0.2) holds.

Suppose furthermore that  $f$  is an Axiom A diffeomorphism. Then  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_i, \text{supp}(\mu) \subset \Lambda_i$  for some  $1 \leq i \leq k$ . Denote by  $\Lambda_i^+(\mu), \Lambda_i^-(\mu)$  the future and the past  $\mu$ -generic points. ( $x \in M$  is called the future (past) generic point if for any continuous function  $\phi : M \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  the average of  $\phi$  on the  $f$ -forward (backward)

orbit of  $x$  converges to  $\int \phi d\mu$ .) It was proved by Manning [Man] that  $\frac{h(\mu)}{\lambda_1(\mu)}, \frac{h(\mu)}{-\lambda_2(\mu)}$  are the Hausdorff dimension of  $W^u(x) \cap \Lambda_i^+(\mu), W^s(x) \cap \Lambda_i^-(\mu)$  for any  $x \in \Lambda_i$ . ( $W^u(x), W^s(x)$  denote the unstable and the stable manifold through  $x \in \Omega$ .) any unstable manifold and the stable manifolds with respect to  $\mu$ . See [Man]. The results of McCluskey-Manning [M-M] implies the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $M$  be a compact surface. Assume that  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is a  $C^1$  Axiom A diffeomorphism where  $\Omega = \Omega(f)$  has decomposition (1.1) to the basic sets. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_i^u &= \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}_i} \frac{h(\mu)}{\lambda_1(\mu)} = \frac{h(\mu_i^u)}{\lambda_1(\mu_i^u)}, \\ \delta_i^s &= \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}_i} \frac{h(\mu)}{-\lambda_2(\mu)} = \frac{h(\mu_i^s)}{\lambda_2(\mu_i^s)}, \\ HD(W^u(x) \cap \Lambda_i) &= \delta_i^u, \quad HD(W^s(x) \cap \Lambda_i) = \delta_i^s, \quad x \in \Lambda_i, \\ HD(\Lambda_i) &= \delta_i^u + \delta_i^s, \quad i = 1, \dots, k, \\ HD(\Omega) &= \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} \delta_i^u + \delta_i^s. \end{aligned} \tag{1.3}$$

Assume furthermore that  $f \in \text{Diff}^{1+\alpha}(M), \alpha > 0$ . Then the measures  $\mu_i^u, \mu_i^s$  are unique Gibbs measure for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ .

We now discuss the conditions which yield the equalities

$$\mu_i^u = \mu_i^s, i = 1, \dots, k.$$

A simple sufficient condition is

$$\lambda_1(\mu) + \lambda_2(\mu) = 0, \quad \mu \in \mathcal{E}. \tag{1.4}$$

In that case

$$\begin{aligned} HD(\mu) &= \frac{2h(\mu)}{\lambda_1(\mu)}, \\ \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{h(\mu)}{\lambda_1(\mu)} + \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{h(\mu)}{-\lambda_2(\mu)} &= \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}} HD(\mu). \end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

**Lemma 1.6.** *Let  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be a  $C^1$  Axiom A diffeomorphism of a compact Riemannian manifold  $M$  of dimension  $n$ . Then the following are equivalent.*

- (a)  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(\mu) = 0, \quad \mu \in \mathcal{E}$ .
- (b)  $|\det(D(f^m(x)))| = 1, \quad f^m(x) = x$  for any periodic point  $x$  of  $f$ .

**Proof.**

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) Let  $f^m(x) = x$ . Then there exists a unique  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$  which is uniformly distributed on  $x, f(x), \dots, f^{m-1}(x)$ . The moduli of the eigenvalues of  $D(f^m(x))$  (which are independent of a basis in  $T(x)$ ) are  $e^{m\lambda_1(\mu)}, \dots, e^{m\lambda_n(\mu)}$ . Hence  $|\det(D(f^m(x)))| = e^{m \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(\mu)} = 1$ .

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) Set

$$\phi_1(x) = \log |Df(x)|_{W^u(x)}, \quad \phi_2(x) = -\log |Df(x)|_{W^s(x)}, \quad x \in \Omega.$$

Observe

$$|\det(Df(x))| = e^{\phi_1(x) - \phi_2(x)}. \tag{1.7}$$

Let  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$ . Assume that

$$\lambda_1(\mu) \geq \dots \geq \lambda_{r^+(\mu)} > 0 > \lambda_{r^+(\mu)+1} \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n(\mu).$$

It follows that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{r^+(\mu)} \lambda_i(\mu) = \int_{\Omega} \phi_1 d\mu, \quad - \sum_{i=r^+(\mu)+1}^n \lambda_i(\mu) = \int_{\Omega} \phi_2 d\mu. \tag{1.8}$$

Assume that  $f^m(x) = x$ . Let  $\mu$  be the ergodic measure equally distributed on the periodic orbit  $x, f(x), \dots, f^{m-1}(x)$ . The assumption (b) and (1.7)-(1.8) yields that

$$\int_{\Omega} \phi_1 d\mu = \int_{\Omega} \phi_2 d\mu. \quad (1.9)$$

Recall that  $\Omega$  has the decomposition (1.1) to the basic sets and  $f : \Lambda_i \rightarrow \Lambda_i$  is homeomorphic to a subshift of finite type which is topologically transitive. Hence any  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_i$  is a weak limit of convex combinations of ergodic measures supported on periodic points. As  $\phi_1(x), \phi_2(x)$  are continuous it follows that (1.9) holds for any  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$ . Use (1.8) to deduce (a).

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**Theorem 1.10.** *Let  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be a  $C^1$  Axiom A diffeomorphism of a compact surface  $M$ . Suppose that  $f$  satisfies the condition (b) of Lemma 1.6. Then any extremal measure  $\mu_i^u$  (given by (1.3)) is also an extremal measure  $\mu_i^s$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k$  and vice versa. In particular,*

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_i^u &= \delta_i^s, \\ H(\Lambda_i) &= \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}_i, h(\mu) > 0} HD(\mu), \\ H(\Omega) &= \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}, h(\mu) > 0} HD(\mu). \end{aligned}$$

Assume furthermore that  $f \in \text{Diff}^{1+\alpha}$ . Then the unique Gibbs measure  $\mu_i : \mu_i^u = \mu_i^s$  is equivalent to the Hausdorff measure on  $\Lambda_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ .

**Proof.** In view of Theorem 1.2, Lemma 1.6 and (1.5) we need to discuss only the case where  $f \in \text{Diff}^{1+\alpha}$ . Young's formula (0.2) yields that  $HD(\mu_i)$ -the  $\mu_i$ -Hausdorff dimension of  $\Lambda_i$  is equal to  $HD(\Lambda_i)$ . Moreover it is proved in [You] that  $\mu_i$  a.e.

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\log \mu_i(B(x, \epsilon))}{\log \epsilon} = \frac{h(\mu_i)}{\lambda_1(\mu_i)} + \frac{h(\mu_i)}{-\lambda_2(\mu_i)}.$$

Here

$$B(x, \epsilon) = \{y : y \in M, \text{dist}(x, y) \leq \epsilon\}.$$

Hence the  $HD(\Lambda_i)$ -Hausdorff measure of  $\Lambda_i$  exist and is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\mu_i$ . See for example [Fal].

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Another condition for  $\mu_i^u = \mu_i^s$  for the maximal  $i$  which satisfies the equality  $HD(\Omega) = \delta_i^u + \delta_i^s$  can be deduced from Pesin's formula [Pes]. Assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^{1+\alpha}$ . Suppose furthermore that  $f$  preserves a probability measure  $\nu$  which is absolutely continuous with respect to the area measure  $dv$  given by some Riemannian metric on  $M$ . Then Pesin's formula claims

$$h(\nu) = \int \lambda_1(x) dv = \int -\lambda_2(x) dv.$$

Assume that  $h(\nu) > 0$ . Consider the ergodic decomposition of  $\nu$ , e.g. [Wal]. In view of Margulis-Ruelle inequality for most of  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$  appearing in the ergodic decomposition of  $\nu$  we have the equality

$$0 < h(\mu) = \lambda_1(\mu) = -\lambda_2(\mu) \Rightarrow HD(\mu) = 2 \Rightarrow H(\Omega(f)) = 2.$$

Assume in addition that  $f$  is an Axiom A diffeomorphism. Margulis-Ruelle inequality yields that  $\delta_i^u, \delta_i^s \leq 1$ . Hence the above  $\mu$  is extremal and is equal to unique  $\mu_i^u$  and  $\mu_i^s$  for some  $i$ . It follows that there exists  $I \subset \{1, \dots, k\}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= \sum_{i \in I} \mu_i, \\ d\mu_i &= \rho_i d\mu, \quad \rho_i(1 - \rho_i) = 0, i \in I, \quad \sum_{i \in I} \rho_i = 1, \\ h(\mu_i) &> 0, HD(\mu_i) = 2, i \in I.\end{aligned}$$

Each  $\mu_i, i \in I$  is the unique Gibbs measure which is equal to  $\mu_i^u = \mu_i^s, i \in I$ .

We now give a sufficient condition which implies the conditions of Lemma 1.6. Let  $M$  be a compact Riemannian manifold and  $f : M \rightarrow M$  a continuous map. Let  $M_0 \subset M$  be an open set. Then  $f \in \text{Diff}^r(M_0)$  if  $f(M_0) = M_0$  and  $f|_{M_0}$  is  $C^r$  diffeomorphism of  $M_0$ . Assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^1(M_0)$ . We say that  $f$  is Axiom A diffeomorphism on  $M_0$  if

$$\Omega(f) = \Omega_0 \cup \Omega_1, \quad \Omega_0 \subset M_0, \quad \Omega_1 \subset M \setminus M_0, \quad \Omega_0 \cap \Omega_1 = \emptyset,$$

$f$  is hyperbolic on  $\Omega_0$  and  $\Omega_0$  is the closure of the periodic points of  $f$  (which must be in  $\Omega_0$ ). Assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^1(M_0)$ . Suppose furthermore that  $M \setminus M_0$  is a finite set. Let  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$  and assume that  $h(\mu) > 0$ . It then follows that  $\mu$  is supported on  $\Omega_0$ .

**Lemma 1.11.** *Let  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be a continuous map of a compact Riemannian manifold  $M$ . Suppose that  $M_0 \subset M$  is an open set and  $f$  is  $C^1$  Axiom A diffeomorphism of  $M_0$ . Assume furthermore that  $f$  preserves a  $\sigma$ -finite measure on  $M_0$  of the form*

$$d\nu = w dv, \quad w(x) \in C(M_0), w > 0, \quad x \in M_0, \quad (1.12)$$

where  $dv$  is the volume measure induced by the Riemannian metric. Then any ergodic measure  $\mu$  of  $f$  supported on  $\Omega_0$  satisfies the condition (a) of Lemma 1.10.

**Proof.** According to the proof of Lemma 1.6 it is enough to show that for any periodic point  $x \in \Omega_0$  the condition (b) of Lemma 1.6 holds. Clearly  $f^m$  preserves  $\mu$ . Use the form (1.12) of  $\mu$  and the assumption that  $f^m(x) = x \in \Omega_0$  to deduce that  $|D(f^m)(x)| = 1$ .

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Combine the above results to obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.13.** *Let  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be a continuous map of a compact surface  $M$ . Suppose that  $M_0 \subset M$  is an open set and  $f$  is  $C^{1+\alpha}, \alpha > 0$  Axiom A diffeomorphism of  $M_0$ . Assume furthermore that  $M \setminus M_0$  is a finite set. Let  $\Omega_0 = \cup_1^k \Lambda_i$  be the decomposition of  $\Omega_0$  to the basic sets. Then equalities (1.3) hold. Furthermore  $\mu_i^u, \mu_i^s$  are unique Gibbs measures on  $\Lambda_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ . Assume furthermore that  $f$  preserves a measure on  $M_0$  of the form (1.12). Then then  $\mu_i^u = \mu_i^s := \mu_i$  and  $\mu_i$  is equivalent to the Hausdorff measure on  $\Lambda_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ .*

## §2. Complex surfaces and Hénon maps

Let  $N$  be a compact complex manifold of complex dimension  $n$  and assume that  $g : N \rightarrow N$  is a holomorphic map. Suppose that  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$ . As the real dimension of  $N$  is  $2n$ , the complex structure of the tangent bundle  $TN$  implies the following conditions:

$$\lambda_1(\mu) = \lambda_2(\mu) \geq \dots \geq \lambda_{2n-1}(\mu) = \lambda_{2n}(\mu). \quad (2.1)$$

Suppose furthermore that  $g$  is an Axiom A diffeomorphism. Then the stable and unstable manifolds  $W^s(x), W^u(x), x \in \Omega$  are complex manifolds.

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $M$  be a compact complex surface. Assume that  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is a holomorphic Axiom A diffeomorphism where  $\Omega = \Omega(f)$  has decomposition (1.1) into the basic sets. Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_i^u &= \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}_i, h(\mu) > 0} \frac{h(\mu)}{\lambda_1(\mu)} = \frac{h(\mu_i^u)}{\lambda_1(\mu_i^u)}, \\
\delta_i^s &= \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}_i, h(\mu) > 0} \frac{h(\mu)}{-\lambda_4(\mu)} = \frac{h(\mu_i^s)}{-\lambda_4(\mu_i^s)}, \\
HD(W^u(x) \cap \Lambda_i) &= \delta_i^u, \quad HD(W^s(x) \cap \Lambda_i) = \delta_i^s, \quad x \in \Lambda_i, \\
HD(\Lambda_i) &= \delta_i^u + \delta_i^s, \quad i = 1, \dots, k, \\
HD(\Omega) &= \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} \delta_i^u + \delta_i^s.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

The measures  $\mu_i^u, \mu_i^s$  are unique Gibbs measure for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ .

Suppose furthermore that  $f$  satisfies the condition (b) of Lemma 1.6. Then  $\mu_i := \mu_i^u = \mu_i^s$  and  $\mu_i$  is equivalent to the Hausdorff measure on  $\Lambda_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$ . Then the equality (2.1) holds with  $n = 2$ . It is enough to consider the case where  $h(\mu) > 0$ . Hence  $W^u(x), W^s(x), x \in \Omega$  are real two dimensional manifolds. The arguments of [Man] yield that  $\frac{h(\mu)}{\lambda_1(\mu)}, \frac{h(\mu)}{-\lambda_4(\mu)}$  are the Hausdorff dimension of  $W^u(x) \cap \Lambda_i^+(\mu), W^s(x) \cap \Lambda_i^-(\mu)$  for any  $x \in \Lambda_i$ . Use the arguments of [M-M] to deduce (2.3). (One should replace the intervals in the arguments of [Man] and [M-M] by corresponding disks. See Verjovsky and Wu [V-W].) As  $f$  is smooth we obtain that the measures  $\mu_i^u, \mu_i^s$  are unique for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ . The last claim of the Theorem follows from Lemma 1.6 applied to this particular case.

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Theorem 2.2 is meaningful for special compact complex surfaces, as most of compact complex surfaces have a small group of automorphisms- $Aut(M)$  (complex diffeomorphisms). In most cases  $Aut(M)$  is finite. Indeed, assume first that  $M$  is a real compact Riemann surface of genus  $g$ . Suppose furthermore that  $M$  is endowed with a complex structure, i.e.  $M$  is one dimensional compact complex manifold. If  $g = 0$ , i.e.  $M$  is the Riemann sphere then  $Aut(M)$  is the group of Möbius transformations. If  $g = 1$ , i.e.  $M$  is a complex torus, then the group of translations ( $z \rightarrow z + a$  for the standard representation of  $M$  as a parallelogram in  $\mathbf{C}$ ) has a finite index in  $Aut(M)$ . Finally, if  $g > 1$  then  $Aut(M)$  is finite. (Schwarz's theorem, e.g. [F-K].) In all these cases the dynamics of an automorphism is trivial. Consider next the two dimensional complex projective plane  $\mathbf{CP}^2$ . Then  $Aut(\mathbf{CP}^2)$  is the group of invertible affine maps of  $\mathbf{C}^2 \subset \mathbf{CP}^2$ . See for example [G-H]. Again the dynamics of any automorphism is trivial. The most interesting case is the complex two dimensional torus  $\mathbf{T}^2$ . Again  $Aut(\mathbf{T}^2)$  can be classified completely by the corresponding complex affine transformations. In certain cases, e.g. when the lattice in  $\mathbf{C}^2$  defining  $\mathbf{T}^2$  coincides with the standard lattice in  $\mathbf{R}^4$  (given by the standard basis),  $Aut(\mathbf{T}^2)$  will have elements with nontrivial dynamics given by Anosov diffeomorphisms. However the dynamics of  $f \in Aut(\mathbf{T}^2)$  can be determined straightforward using the simple form of  $f$ .

We obtain interesting results when we relax the conditions of Theorem 2.2 by considering birational automorphisms of  $M$ . We now discuss this situation for the polynomial automorphisms of  $\mathbf{C}^2$ - $Aut(\mathbf{C}^2)$ . The systematical study of the dynamics of  $f \in Aut(\mathbf{C}^2)$  was initiated by Friedland and Milnor in [F-M] and continued in particular by Bedford and Smillie, e.g. [B-S, 1-3].

Let  $f \in Aut(\mathbf{C}^2)$ . Consider one point compactification of  $\mathbf{C}^2$  which is homeomorphic to the four dimensional sphere  $S^4 = \mathbf{C}^2 \cup \infty$ . Then  $f$  lifts to a homeomorphism map  $\hat{f} : S^4 \rightarrow S^4$ ,  $\hat{f}(\infty) = \infty$ . That is  $\hat{f}$  is smooth at all points of  $S^4$  except  $\infty$ . In the notation of the previous section  $\hat{f}$  is a smooth (holomorphic) diffeomorphism of  $M_0 = \mathbf{C}^2$ . The simplest example of an automorphism of  $\mathbf{C}^2$  is a (generalized) Hénon map

$$\begin{aligned}
H(x, y) &= (y, p(y) - dx), \quad x, y \in \mathbf{C}, \quad d \neq 0, \\
p(y) &= y^n + \sum_{i=2}^n a_i y^{n-i}, \quad n \geq 2.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

Note that if  $d, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbf{R}$  then  $H : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$ . Thus, the original Hénon map is the case  $n = 2, d, a_2 \in \mathbf{R}$  [**Hén1-2**]. Note that

$$\det(DH) = d.$$

Hence  $H$  is area preserving (in absolute value) iff  $|d| = 1$ . Note that the area of  $\mathbf{C}^2$  or  $\mathbf{R}^2$  is not finite. It was shown in [**F-M**] that any  $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{C}^2)$  is either conjugate to an elementary automorphism (with rather trivial dynamics) or to a composition of Hénon maps  $g = H_1 \cdots H_p$ . This product is essentially unique up to a cyclic permutation of the factors. The nonwandering set of  $\hat{f}$  is of the form  $\Omega(f) \cup \infty$ , where  $\Omega(f)$  is a compact set in  $\mathbf{C}^2$ . It was shown that in [**F-M**, §5] that given  $n$  and  $d$  there are many real Hénon maps which are  $n$ -fold horseshoes on  $\Omega(H)$ . For complex valued Hénon maps one has the following family of horseshoe maps: Fix all the parameters of (2.4) except  $a_n$ . Then there exists  $r(d, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1}) > 0$  so that for  $|a_n| \geq r(d, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1})$   $H$  is an  $n$  fold horseshoe. For these maps we deduce that  $\Omega(H)$  satisfies all the conditions of Axiom A diffeomorphism. Following [**B-S2**] we call  $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{C}^2)$  hyperbolic if  $f$  is conjugate to a product of Hénon maps and  $\Omega(f)$  is hyperbolic. That is  $T_x \mathbf{C}^2 = E^s(x) \oplus E^u(x), x \in \Omega(f)$  and this decomposition is continuous. In that case the periodic points are dense in  $\Omega(f)$  [**B-S2**, Cor. 6.13]. Assume that  $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{C}^2)$  has real coefficients.  $f$  is called real hyperbolic if  $f$  is conjugate to a product of Hénon maps,  $\emptyset \neq \Omega(f) \cap \mathbf{R}^2$  is equal to the closure of its real periodic points, and the decomposition  $T_x \mathbf{R}^2 = E^s(x) \oplus E^u(x), x \in \Omega(f) \cup \mathbf{R}^2$  is continuous. We thus can apply the results and the arguments of Theorems 1.13 and 2.2 to the corresponding automorphisms of  $\mathbf{C}^2$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbf{C}^2)$ . Assume that  $f$  is either real hyperbolic or complex hyperbolic. Let  $\Omega = \cup_1^k \Lambda_i$  be the decomposition of the nonwandering set of  $f$  into the basic sets. Then (1.3) and (2.3) respectively hold. If  $|\det(Df)| = 1$  then  $\mu_i := \mu_i^s = \mu_i^u, i = 1, \dots, k$  and each  $\mu_i$  is equivalent to the Hausdorff measure on the corresponding basic set.*

### §3. Strict and strong hyperbolicity

Let  $M$  be an  $d$ -dimensional compact Riemannian manifold. Assume that  $X \subset M$  is an invariant set of  $f \in \text{Diff}^r(M), r \geq 1$ . Then  $X$  is called a hyperbolic set if there exists a continuous splitting of the tangent bundle of  $M$  restricted to  $X$  which is  $Df$  invariant:

$$T_X M = E^s \oplus E^u; \quad Df(E^s) = E^s; \quad Df(E^u) = E^u;$$

for which there are constants  $c > 0$  and  $\rho_{+,1} > 1 > \rho_{-,1} > 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \|Df^n|_{E^s}\| &< c\rho_{-,1}^n, \quad n \geq 0, \\ \|Df^n|_{E^u}\| &< c\rho_{+,1}^n, \quad n \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Assume that  $X$  is a closed hyperbolic set for  $f$ . Then for each  $x \in X$  there exist stable and unstable manifolds

$$\begin{aligned} W^s(x) &= \{y : y \in M, \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \text{dist}(f^n(y), f^n(x)) \leq \log \rho_{-,1}\}, \\ W^u(x) &= \{y : y \in M, \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \text{dist}(f^{-n}(y), f^{-n}(x)) \leq -\log \rho_{+,1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

$W^s(x), W^u(x)$  are immersed submanifolds of  $M$  which are as smooth as  $f$  and

$$T_x W^s(x) = E^s(x), \quad T_x W^u(x) = E^u(x), \quad x \in X.$$

For  $\epsilon > 0$  set

$$W_\epsilon^s(x) = W^s(x) \cap B(x, \epsilon), \quad W_\epsilon^u(x) = W^u(x) \cap B(x, \epsilon).$$

Then there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  that

$$B(x, \epsilon) = W_\epsilon^s(x) \times W_\epsilon^u(x), \quad x \in X.$$

See for example [Shu].

Assume that  $X \subset M$  is an invariant hyperbolic set. Then  $f$  is called strictly hyperbolic if the above continuous splitting of  $T_X M$  has a further continuous splitting with the following conditions.

$$\begin{aligned} E^s &= \sum_{j=1}^{r^-} \oplus E_j^s, \quad Df(E_j^s) = E_j^s, \quad j = 1, \dots, r^-, \\ c'(\rho'_{-,j})^n &\leq \|Df^n|_{E_j^s}\| \leq c\rho_{-,j}^n, \quad n \geq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, r^-, \\ E^u &= \sum_{j=1}^{r^+} \oplus E_j^u, \quad Df(E_j^u) = E_j^u, \quad j = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ c'\rho_{+,j}^n &\leq \|Df^n|_{E_j^u}\| \leq c(\rho'_{+,j})^n, \quad n \leq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ \rho_{+,1} &> \rho'_{+,1} > \rho_{+,2} > \rho'_{+,2} > \dots > \rho_{+,r^+} > \rho'_{+,r^+} > 1, \\ 1 &> \rho_{-,1} > \rho'_{-,1} > \rho_{-,2} > \rho'_{-,2} > \dots > \rho_{-,r^-} > \rho'_{-,r^-} \geq 0, \\ c &\geq c' > 0. \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

Note that hyperbolicity of  $X$  is equivalent to (3.1) with  $r^+ = r^- = 1$ .

The finer decomposition of  $X$  implies the finer decomposition of the stable and unstable manifold.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemannian manifold and assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^r(M)$ ,  $r \geq 1$ . Let  $X \subset M$  be a closed  $f$ -invariant hyperbolic set. Suppose furthermore that (3.1) holds. Then there exist the following decompositions of stable and unstable manifolds.*

$$\begin{aligned} V_i^s &\subset W^s, \quad T_x V_i^s = E_i^s(x), \quad f(V_i^s(x)) = V_i^s(f(x)), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-, \\ W^s(x) &= V_1^s(x) \times \dots \times V_{r^-}^s(x), \\ V_i^u &\subset W^u, \quad T_x V_i^u = E_i^u(x), \quad f(V_i^u(x)) = V_i^u(f(x)), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ W^u(x) &= V_1^u(x) \times \dots \times V_{r^+}^u(x). \end{aligned}$$

Each  $V_i^s, V_j^u$  are  $C^1$  at least.

**Proof.** We first prove the decomposition of the unstable manifold. Our proof is based on the arguments given in [Shu, Appendix IV]. Let  $S(X, T_X M)$  be the space of all continuous sections on  $X$ . That is  $h \in S(X, T_X M)$  if for each  $x \in X$ ,  $h(x) \in T_x M$  and  $h(x)$  is continuous. Then  $S(X, T_X M)$  is a vector space using the pointwise addition. We let  $S(X, T_X M)$  be a Banach space by introducing the max norm

$$\|h\| = \sup_{x \in X} \|h(x)\|.$$

Here we assume that on  $T_x M$  we have the Hilbert norm induced by the Riemannian metric on  $M$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} S_i^+ &= \{h : h \in S(X, T_X M), \quad h(x) \in E_i^u(x)\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ Y_i^+ &= \sum_{l=1}^i \oplus S_l^+, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ S_i^- &= \{h : h \in S(X, T_X M), \quad h(x) \in E_i^s(x)\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-, \\ Y_i^- &= \sum_{l=i}^{r^-} \oplus S_l^+, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-. \end{aligned}$$



Clearly

$$\begin{aligned} Df(S_i^+) &= S_i^+, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ Df(S_i^-) &= S_i^-, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-, \\ S(X, T_X M) &= Y_{r^+}^+ \oplus Y_{r^-}^-, \\ Y_i^+ &= Y_{i-1}^+ \oplus S_i^+, \quad i = 2, \dots, r^+. \end{aligned}$$

We now recall briefly the proof of the existence of the unstable manifold as in [Shu, Ch.6]. In view of the above assumptions  $Df$  is strictly expanding on  $Y_{r^+}^+$  and strictly contracting on  $Y_{r^-}^-$ . Let

$$D(\epsilon) = \{h : h \in S(X, T_X M), \|h\| \leq \epsilon\}.$$

Then  $f$  induces the following Lipschitz map  $\tilde{f} : D(\epsilon) \rightarrow S(X, T_X M)$ . Since  $M$  is compact there exists  $\delta > 0$  so that the exponential map  $\exp_x : T_x M \cap C(x, \delta) \rightarrow M$  is 1-1. Here by  $C(x, \delta)$  we denote the closed ball of radius  $\delta$  in  $T_x M$  centered at 0 in the given Riemannian metric on  $M$ . We thus can identify the closure of the appropriate neighborhood of  $x \in M$  with  $T_x M \cap C(x, \delta)$ . Hence there exists  $0 < \delta_1 \leq \delta$  so that  $f$  carries the closed neighborhood of  $x \in M$  corresponding to  $T_x M \cap C(x, \delta_1)$  to a subset of the closed neighborhood of  $f(x)$  corresponding to  $T_{f(x)} M \cap C(f(x), \epsilon)$ . Let  $h \in D(\delta_1)$ . Hence  $h(x) \in T_x M \cap C(x, \delta_1)$ . We then let  $\tilde{f}(h(x)) \in T_{f(x)} M$  to be the unique solution of

$$\exp_{f(x)}(\tilde{f}(h(x))) = f(\exp_x(h(x))).$$

It is straightforward to show that since  $f \in \text{Diff}^1(M)$   $\tilde{f}$  is  $C^1$  on  $D(\delta_1)$ . In particular  $\tilde{f}$  is Lipschitz. Let 0 be the zero section in  $S(X, T_X M)$ . It then follows the  $\tilde{f}(0) = 0$ . Moreover,  $Df$  viewed as a linear operator on  $S(X, T_X M)$  is the Fréchet derivative of  $\tilde{f}$  at 0. Thus we can apply Theorem 5.2 of [Shu] as in the proof of Theorem 6.2. (We skip some of the technical details and oversimplify the ideas of the proof given in [Shu].) Set

$$\begin{aligned} S_i^+(\epsilon) &= S_i^+ \cap D(\epsilon), \quad Y_i^+(\epsilon) = Y_i^+ \cap D(\epsilon), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ S_i^-(\epsilon) &= S_i^- \cap D(\epsilon), \quad Y_i^-(\epsilon) = Y_i^- \cap D(\epsilon), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-. \end{aligned}$$

Then there exists  $0 < \epsilon < \delta_1$  and a Lipschitzian  $g : Y_{r^+}^+(\epsilon) \rightarrow Y_{r^-}^-(\epsilon)$  which gives the local unstable manifolds  $W_\epsilon^u(x), x \in X$  as follows. First  $\text{Lip}(g) \leq 1$ . Second  $g$  can be viewed using the exponential map as

$$\hat{g}_x : E^u(x) \cap C(x, \delta') \rightarrow E^s(x), \quad x \in X.$$

Here  $\hat{g}_x$  varies continuously in  $x$ . Finally  $\tilde{f}$  maps the graph  $\hat{g}_x$  into the graph of  $\hat{g}_{f(x)}$ . The exponential map of the graph of  $\hat{g}_x$  gives the local unstable manifold  $W_\epsilon^u(x)$ . The  $r$  smoothness of  $g$  and hence of  $W_\epsilon^u(x)$  is obtained from the appropriate smoothness of  $f$  as in [Shu]. Similar arguments applied for  $f^{-1}$  give the local stable manifolds  $W_\epsilon^s(x), x \in X$ . Moreover

$$B(x, \epsilon) = W_\epsilon^u(x) \times W_\epsilon^s(x), \quad x \in X.$$

Assume that  $r^+ > 1$ . We now show how to obtain the decomposition

$$W_\epsilon^u(x) = W_{r^+-1, \epsilon}^u(x) \times V_{r^+, \epsilon}^u(x), \quad x \in X.$$

Since  $\tilde{f}$  acts on the graphs of  $\hat{g}_x$  it follows that we have the following restriction

$$\tilde{f} : Y_{r^+}^+ \rightarrow Y_{r^+}^+.$$

Set  $f_1 = \tilde{f}|_{Y_{r^+}^+}$ . Again  $Df|_{Y_{r^+}^+}$  is the Fréchet derivative of  $f_1$ . Consider the decomposition  $Y_{r^+}^+ = Y_{r^+-1}^+ \oplus S_{r^+}^+$ . Note that  $Df$  expands on  $Y_{r^+-1}^+$  at the rate  $\rho'_{+, r^+-1}$  at least while  $Df$  expands on  $S_{r^+}^+$  at the rate  $\rho_{+, r^+}$  at most. Thus we can apply Theorem III.2 as in the proof of Theorem IV.1 (Center and Strong Stable Manifolds

for Invariant Sets). To be precise if we consider  $f_1^{-1}$  we then obtain  $W_{r^+-1,\epsilon}^u$  as the super stable manifold and  $V_{r^+,\epsilon}^+$  as the center unstable manifold. Hence  $W_{r^+-1,\epsilon}^u$  is  $C^r$  while  $V_{r^+,\epsilon}^+$  is  $C^1$  at least. Furthermore

$$W_\epsilon^u(x) = W_{r^+-1,\epsilon}^u(x) \times V_{r^+,\epsilon}^+(x), \quad x \in X.$$

Continue this procedure to obtain the complete decomposition of  $W_\epsilon^u$ :

$$\begin{aligned} W_{i,\epsilon}^u(x) &= W_{i-1,\epsilon}^u(x) \times V_{i,\epsilon}^+(x), \quad i = r^+, \dots, 2, \\ W_\epsilon^u(x) &= W_{r^+,\epsilon}^u(x), \quad V_{1,\epsilon}^+(x) = W_{1,\epsilon}^u(x). \end{aligned} \tag{3.3+}$$

Apply these arguments to  $f^{-1}$  to obtain the following decomposition of the stable manifold:

$$\begin{aligned} W_{i,\epsilon}^s(x) &= W_{i-1,\epsilon}^s(x) \times V_{r^--i+1,\epsilon}^-(x), \quad i = r^-, \dots, 2, \\ W_\epsilon^s(x) &= W_{r^-,\epsilon}^s(x), \quad V_{r^-,\epsilon}^-(x) = W_{1,\epsilon}^s(x). \end{aligned} \tag{3.3-}$$

Then each  $W_{i,\epsilon}^u(x), W_{j,\epsilon}^s(x)$  is  $C^r$  while each  $V_{i,\epsilon}^+(x), V_{j,\epsilon}^-(x)$  is at least  $C^1$ .

Finally to define globally  $V_i^+(x), V_j^-(x)$  we let

$$\begin{aligned} V_i^+(x) &= \cup_{n \geq 0} f^n V_{i,\epsilon}^+(f^{-n}(x)), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ V_i^-(x) &= \cup_{n \geq 0} f^{-n} V_{i,\epsilon}^-(f^n(x)), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-. \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the theorem is completed.

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It is well known that the submanifolds  $W_i^s(x), W_j^u(x)$  have the following geometric meanings:

$$\begin{aligned} W_i^s(x) &= \{y : y \in M, \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \text{dist}(f^n(y), f^n(x)) \leq \log \rho_{-,r^--i+1}\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-, \\ W_i^u(x) &= \{y : y \in M, \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \text{dist}(f^{-n}(y), f^{-n}(x)) \leq -\log \rho'_{+,i}\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+. \end{aligned}$$

See for example the arguments of [Rue1, §6]. As pointed out in [Shu, p'80], there is no special meaning of the centered unstable manifolds; thus we do not see why  $V_i^u(x), V_j^s(x)$  are unique (except those which coincide with  $W_1^u(x), W_1^s(x)$ ).

We now show that a closed strict hyperbolic set  $X$  of  $f$  satisfying the conditions (3.1) is structurally stable in the sense of [Shu, Th.8.3]:

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemannian manifold and assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^r(M), r \geq 1$ . Let  $X$  be a closed  $f$ -invariant hyperbolic set. Assume that (3.1) holds. There is a neighborhood  $U_f$  of  $f$  in  $\text{Diff}^r(M)$  and a continuous function  $\Phi : U_f \rightarrow C^0(X, M)$  such that:*

- (1)  $\Phi(f)$  is the inclusion,  $\text{inc}_X$ , of  $X$  in  $M$ .
- (2)  $\Phi(g)(X)$  is a hyperbolic set for any  $g \in U_f$ . Moreover for each  $g \in U_f$  there exists a continuous decomposition (3.1) of  $T_{\Phi(g)(X)}M$  with

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{+,1}(g) &> \rho'_{+,1}(g) > \rho_{+,2}(g) > \rho'_{+,2}(g) > \dots > \rho_{+,r^+}(g) > \rho'_{+,r^+}(g) > 1, \\ 1 &> \rho_{-,1}(g) > \rho'_{-,1}(g) > \rho_{-,2}(g) > \rho'_{-,2}(g) > \dots > \rho_{-,r^-}(g) > \rho'_{-,r^-}(g) > 0, \\ c(g) &\geq c'(g) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (3)  $\Phi(g)$  is a homeomorphism of  $X$  onto  $\Phi(g)(X)$  and topologically conjugates the restriction of  $f$  to  $X$  to the restriction of  $g$  to  $\Phi(g)(X)$ .
- (4) There is a constant  $K$  such that  $d_{C^0}(\Phi(g), \text{inc}_X) < K d_{C^0}(g, f)$ .

**Proof.** The conditions (1)-(4) except the fine decomposition (3.1) of part (2) of the theorem is proven in Theorem 8.3 of [Shu]. We now prove the fine decomposition (3.1) for any  $g \in U_f$ . To do that we have to analyze carefully the proof of (2) in [Shu]. We already know that  $\Phi(g)(X)$  is a hyperbolic set of  $g$ . We thus can use the ideas of the proof of Proposition 7.6 in [Shu]. We extend the splitting (3.1) to a neighborhood  $\mathcal{N} \supset X$ . We shall assume that  $U_f$  is chosen small enough to satisfy the perturbation conditions needed. Then

$$A(x) = (A_{ij}(x))_1^m = Df|_x, \quad B(x) = (B_{ij}(x))_1^m = Dg|_x, \quad m = r^+ + r^-, \quad x \in \Phi(g)X$$

are  $m \times m$  block matrices. Furthermore, since  $x$  is close to  $X$  and  $g$  is a perturbation of  $f$  we assume that the tangent bundles at  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are identical. Hence we have the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \rho'_{+,i} - \delta &\leq \|A_{ii}(x)\| \leq \rho_{+,i} + \delta, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ \rho'_{-,i-r^+} - \delta &\leq \|A_{ii}(x)\| \leq \rho_{-,i-r^+} + \delta, \quad i = r^+ + 1, \dots, m \\ \|A_{ij}(x)\| &\leq \delta, \quad i \neq j, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, m, \\ \|A_{ij}(x) - B_{ij}(x)\| &< \delta, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, m, \\ x &\in \Phi(g)(X). \end{aligned}$$

$\delta$  is assumed to be a positive and arbitrarily small. Set

$$\begin{aligned} L(x) &= (L_{ij}(x))_1^m, \\ L_{ii}(x) &= B_{ii}(x), \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \\ L_{ij}(x) &= 0, \quad i \neq j, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, m, \\ x &\in \Phi(g)X. \end{aligned}$$

The matrices  $L(x)$  induce the linear operator on  $S(\Phi(g)X, T_{\Phi(g)X}M)$ :

$$L(h)(g(x)) = L(x)h(x), \quad h \in S(\Phi(g)X, T_{\Phi(g)X}M), \quad x \in \Phi(g)X.$$

The above inequalities mean that the spectrum of  $L$  is concentrated on  $r^+ + r^-$  distinct annuli in the complex plane:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho'_{+,i} - 2\delta &\leq |z| \leq \rho_{+,i} + 2\delta, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ \rho'_{-,i} - 2\delta &\leq |z| \leq \rho_{-,i} + 2\delta, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore the spectrum of  $L$  has a nonvoid intersection with each annulus given above. It now follows that the spectrum of  $B$  is concentrated  $r^+ + r^-$  distinct closed annuli

$$\begin{aligned} \rho'_{+,i}(g) &\leq |z| \leq \rho_{+,i}(g), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ \rho'_{-,i}(g) &\leq |z| \leq \rho_{-,i}(g), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\Pi_1^+(L), \dots, \Pi_{r^+}^+(L), \Pi_1^-(L), \dots, \Pi_{r^-}^-(L), \quad \Pi_1^+(B), \dots, \Pi_{r^+}^+(B), \Pi_1^-(B), \dots, \Pi_{r^-}^-(B),$$

be the spectral projections corresponding to  $L$  and  $B$  respectively on the above annuli. Set

$$\begin{aligned} S_i^+(L) &= \Pi_i^+(L)S(\Phi(g)X, T_{\Phi(g)X}M), \quad S_i^+(g) = \Pi_i^+(B)S(\Phi(g)X, T_{\Phi(g)X}M), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+, \\ S_i^-(L) &= \Pi_i^-(L)S(\Phi(g)X, T_{\Phi(g)X}M), \quad S_i^-(g) = \Pi_i^-(B)S(\Phi(g)X, T_{\Phi(g)X}M), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-, \\ S(\Phi(g)X, T_{\Phi(g)X}M) &= \sum_{i=1}^{r^+} \oplus S_i^+(L) \oplus \sum_{i=1}^{r^-} \oplus S_i^-(L) = \sum_{i=1}^{r^+} \oplus S_i^+(g) \oplus \sum_{i=1}^{r^-} \oplus S_i^-(g). \end{aligned}$$

The projection of  $S_i^+(g), S_j^-(g)$  on  $T_yM, y = \Phi(g)(x), x \in X$  induces the subspaces  $E_i^u(g)(y), E_j^s(g)(y)$ . As the projection of  $S_i^+(L), S_j^-(L)$  on  $T_yM, y = \Phi(g)(x), x \in X$  have the dimensions of  $E_i^u(f), E_j^s(f)$  it follows that the dimensions of  $E_i^u(g)(y), E_j^s(g)(y)$  do not depend on  $g$ . In particular (3.1) holds. The continuity

of the decomposition (3.1) follows from the fact that each  $S_i^+(g), S_j^-(g)$  is a closed subspace of continuous sections.

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The following lemma is straightforward.

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $M_1, M_2$  be two compact Riemannian manifolds. Assume that  $f_i : M_i \rightarrow M_i$  are  $C^r, r \geq 1$ , diffeomorphisms for  $i = 1, 2$ . Suppose that each  $X_i$  is a strict hyperbolic set satisfying the assumptions (3.1) with the constants depending on  $f_i$  as in the condition (2) of Theorem 3.4. Furthermore, the integers  $r^+ = r^+(f_i), r^- = r^-(f_i)$  are functions of  $f_i$ . Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

$$\begin{aligned} [\rho'_{+,i}(f_1), \rho_{+,i}(f_1)] \cap [\rho'_{+,j}(f_2), \rho_{+,j}(f_2)] &= \emptyset, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+(f_1), \quad j = 1, \dots, r^+(f_2), \\ [\rho'_{-,i}(f_1), \rho_{-,i}(f_1)] \cap [\rho'_{-,j}(f_2), \rho_{-,j}(f_2)] &= \emptyset, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-(f_1), \quad j = 1, \dots, r^-(f_2). \end{aligned}$$

Then the set  $X_1 \times X_2$  is a strict hyperbolic set of  $C^r$  diffeomorphism  $f = f_1 \times f_2 : M_1 \times M_2 \rightarrow M_1 \times M_2$  with

$$\begin{aligned} r^+(f) &= r^+(f_1) + r^+(f_2), \quad r^-(f) = r^-(f_1) + r^-(f_2), \\ \{\rho_{+,i}(f)\}_1^{r^+(f)} &= \{\rho_{+,i}(f_1)\}_1^{r^+(f_1)} \cup \{\rho_{+,i}(f_2)\}_1^{r^+(f_2)}, \quad \{\rho'_{+,i}(f)\}_1^{r^+(f)} = \{\rho'_{+,i}(f_1)\}_1^{r^+(f_1)} \cup \{\rho'_{+,i}(f_2)\}_1^{r^+(f_2)}, \\ \{\rho_{-,i}(f)\}_1^{r^-(f)} &= \{\rho_{-,i}(f_1)\}_1^{r^-(f_1)} \cup \{\rho_{-,i}(f_2)\}_1^{r^-(f_2)}, \quad \{\rho'_{-,i}(f)\}_1^{r^-(f)} = \{\rho'_{-,i}(f_1)\}_1^{r^-(f_1)} \cup \{\rho'_{-,i}(f_2)\}_1^{r^-(f_2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 3.5 enables us to obtain strict hyperbolic sets from smaller dimension strict hyperbolic sets or even just hyperbolic sets.

**Definition 3.6.** *Let  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be a  $C^r, r \geq 1$ , diffeomorphism. Assume that  $X \subset M$  is an  $f$ -invariant hyperbolic set. Then  $X$  is called strongly hyperbolic if (3.1) holds where each  $E_i^s(x), E_j^u(x), x \in X$  is a one dimensional subspace of  $T_x M$ . That is,*

$$\dim M = r^+ + r^-.$$

*If  $M$  is a complex manifold and  $f$  is a complex diffeomorphism then  $f$  is called strongly hyperbolic if each  $E_i^s(x), E_j^u(x), x \in X$  is a one dimensional complex subspace of  $T_x M$ .*

Theorem 3.4 implies that strongly hyperbolic sets are structurally stable. Lemma 3.5 implies that  $X_1 \times X_2$  is strongly hyperbolic for  $f_1 \times f_2$  if each  $X_i$  is strongly hyperbolic for  $f_i$  and the assumptions of Lemma 3.5 hold.

Recall that  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is a  $C^r, r \geq 1$ , Axiom A diffeomorphism if  $\Omega(f)$  is hyperbolic and is the closure of its periodic points. Then  $\Omega(f)$  decomposes to  $k$  mutually disjoint basic sets  $\cup_{i=1}^k \Lambda_i$ . Each  $\Lambda_i$  is a closed  $f$ -invariant hyperbolic set.  $f|_{\Lambda_i}$  is topologically transitive and has a Markov partition. The sets  $\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_k$  have no-cycle property if there is no cycle on  $r > 1$  elements of  $1, \dots, k$  satisfying the condition.

$$W^u(\Lambda_{i_j}) \cap W^s(\Lambda_{i_{j+1}}) \neq \emptyset, \quad 1 \leq i_j \neq i_{j+1} \leq k, \quad j = 1, \dots, r, \quad i_{r+1} = i_1. \quad (3.7)$$

Assume that  $f$  is an Axiom A diffeomorphism with no cycle property. Then  $\Omega(f)$  is structurally stable. See for example [Shu, Cor. 8.24]. We say that  $f$  is a Strong Axiom A diffeomorphism if  $f$  is an Axiom A diffeomorphism and each basic set satisfies the assumptions of Definition 3.6. Theorem 3.4 implies that Strong Axiom A diffeomorphism with no-cycle property are structurally stable.

A standard example of a Strong Axiom A diffeomorphisms is the following one. Let  $M = T^n = S^1 \times \dots \times S^1$  be an  $n$ -dimensional torus. Assume that  $f : T^n \rightarrow T^n$  is represented by an  $n \times n$  unimodular matrix. Then  $f$  is a Strong Axiom A diffeomorphism iff the absolute values on the  $n$  eigenvalues of  $A$  are pairwise distinct.

We now point out the following construction of a class of Strong Axiom A diffeomorphisms. Let  $M$  be a compact surface and  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be an Axiom A diffeomorphism. Assume furthermore that

(3.8)  $f$  does not have an isolated cycle.

Since  $f$  is an Axiom A diffeomorphism it follows that (3.8) is equivalent to the assumption that each basic set of  $f$  is infinite and is a subshift of a finite type. In particular, for each  $x \in \Omega(f)$  the stable and the unstable manifolds are nonempty. Hence  $E^s(x), E^u(x)$  are one dimensional and  $f$  is a Strong Axiom A diffeomorphism. The above arguments yield the following theorem:

**Theorem 3.9.** *Let  $f_i$  be a  $C^1$  Axiom A diffeomorphism of the compact surface  $M_i$  with no-cycle property which satisfy the condition (3.8) for  $i = 1, \dots, p$ . Assume that*

$$\begin{aligned} c'(\rho'_{-,i})^n &\leq \|Df_i^n|_{E^s(f_i)}\| \leq c\rho_{-,i}^n, \quad n \geq 0, \quad 0 < \rho'_{-,i} < \rho_{-,i} < 1, \\ c'\rho_{+,i}^n &\leq \|Df_i^n|_{E^u(f_i)}\| \leq c(\rho'_{+,i})^n, \quad n \leq 0, \quad 1 < \rho'_{+,i} < \rho_{+,i}, \\ i &= 1, \dots, p. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose furthermore that

$$[\rho'_{+,i}, \rho_{+,i}] \cap [\rho'_{+,j}, \rho_{+,j}] = \emptyset, \quad [\rho'_{-,i}, \rho_{-,i}] \cap [\rho'_{-,j}, \rho_{-,j}] = \emptyset, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq p.$$

Then there exists a neighborhood  $U_f$  of  $f = f_1 \times \dots \times f_p$  in  $\text{Diff}^1(M), M = M_1 \times \dots \times M_p$  such that each  $g \in U_f$  is a Strong Axiom A diffeomorphism.

#### §4. The Hausdorff dimension of measures

Let  $M$  be a smooth  $n$ -dimensional compact Riemannian manifold. Assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^1(M)$ . For  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$  let

$$\lambda_1(\mu) = \dots = \lambda_{n_1}(\mu) > \lambda_{n_1+1}(\mu) = \dots = \lambda_{n_2}(\mu) > \dots > \lambda_{n_{r-1}+1}(\mu) = \dots = \lambda_{n_r}(\mu), \quad n_r = n$$

be the Lyapunov exponents of  $\lambda$ . Set

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_i(\mu) &= \lambda_{n_i}(\mu), \quad i = 1, \dots, r = r(\mu), \quad \chi(\mu) = \{\chi_1(\mu), \dots, \chi_r(\mu)\}, \\ \chi^+(\mu) &= \{x : x \in \chi(\mu), x > 0\}, \quad |\chi^+(\mu)| = r^+(\mu), \\ \chi^-(\mu) &= \{x : x \in \chi(\mu), x < 0\}, \quad |\chi^-(\mu)| = r^-(\mu), \\ \chi^0(\mu) &= \chi(\mu) \cap \{0\}. \end{aligned}$$

The set  $\chi$  is called the spectrum of  $\mu$ . We shall assume that  $h(\mu) > 0$  unless otherwise stated. Then the Margulis-Ruelle inequality claims

$$h(\mu) \leq \min\left(\sum_{i=1}^{r^+(\mu)} n_i \chi_i(\mu), \sum_{i=r(\mu)-r^-(\mu)+1}^{r(\mu)} -n_i \chi_i(\mu)\right).$$

Hence  $r^+(\mu), r^-(\mu) > 0$ .  $\mu$  is called hyperbolic if  $\chi^0 = \emptyset$ . According to Oseledec [Ose] there exists a Borel  $f$ -invariant set  $\Gamma \subset M, \mu(\Gamma) = 1$  with the following properties.

$$\begin{aligned} T(x) &= \sum_1^r \oplus U_i(x), \quad \dim U_i(x) = n_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, r(\mu), \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} \log \|D(f^m(x))(u)\| &= \chi_i(\mu), \quad u \in U_i(x) \setminus \{0\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r(\mu), \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} \log \|D(f^{-m}(x))(u)\| &= -\chi_i(\mu), \quad u \in U_i(x) \setminus \{0\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r(\mu), \\ x &\in \Gamma. \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

Furthermore at each  $x \in \Gamma$  we have the following filtration of the stable and the unstable manifolds

$$\begin{aligned}
W_i^s(x, \mu) &= \{y : y \in M, \limsup_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} \log \text{dist}(f^m(y), f^m(x)) \leq \chi_{r-i+1}(\mu)\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-(\mu), \\
W_1^s(x, \mu) &\subset \dots \subset W_{r^-(\mu)}^s(x, \mu) = W^s(x, \mu), \\
W_i^u(x, \mu) &= \{y : y \in M, \limsup_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} \log \text{dist}(f^{-m}(y), f^{-m}(x)) \leq -\chi_i(\mu)\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+(\mu), \\
W_1^u(x, \mu) &\subset \dots \subset W_{r^+(\mu)}^u(x, \mu) = W^u(x, \mu).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

Each  $W_i^s(x, \mu), W_j^u(x, \mu)$  is an immersed  $C^{1,\theta}$  submanifold of  $M$  passing through  $x$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
T_x W_i^s(x, \mu) &= \sum_{l=r(\mu)-i+1}^{r(\mu)} \oplus U_l(x), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-(\mu), \\
T_x W_i^u(x, \mu) &= \sum_{l=1}^i \oplus U_l(x), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+(\mu).
\end{aligned}$$

This result is basically due to [Pe1]. See also Ruelle [Rue1]. If  $\mu$  is hyperbolic then the neighborhood of each  $x \in \Gamma$  is diffeomorphic to  $W^s(x, \mu) \times W^u(x, \mu)$ . In what follows we show the existence of a finer (strict) decomposition of  $W^s(x, \mu), W^u(x, \mu)$  as in Theorem 3.2. If  $0 \in \chi(\mu)$  then at each  $x \in \Gamma$  there exists locally a center manifold  $W^c(x, \mu)$  immersed in  $M$  such that

$$T_x W^c(x, \mu) = U_{r^+(\mu)+1}(x), \quad x \in \Gamma. \tag{4.3}$$

Moreover each neighborhood of  $x \in \Gamma$  is diffeomorphic to  $W^s(x, \mu) \times W^c(x, \mu) \times W^u(x, \mu)$ . The proof of these results are along the line of the proof of Theorem 3.2. This is possible if we follow the ideas and results in [F-H-Y]. The case  $0 \in \chi(\mu)$  is handled in the same way as in the proof of the center manifold [Shu, Th. IV.1]. Since the proofs in [F-H-Y] assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^{1,\theta}(M), \theta \in (0, 1]$  we adopt this assumption.

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $M$  be a compact Riemannian manifold and assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^{1,\theta}(M), \theta \in (0, 1]$ . Suppose that  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$  and  $h(\mu) > 0$ . Let  $\chi(\mu) = \{\chi_1(\mu), \dots, \chi_r(\mu)\}, \chi_1(\mu) > \dots > \chi_r(\mu)$  be the spectrum of  $\mu$ . Assume that  $\Gamma \subset M$  is an  $f$ -invariant Borel set with  $\mu(\Gamma) = 1$  which satisfies the Oseledec decomposition (4.1). Then (4.2) holds. Furthermore for each  $x \in \Gamma$  there exist  $C^1$  stable and unstable manifolds  $V_i^-(x, \mu), V_j^+(x, \mu)$  immersed in  $M$  satisfying the following conditions.*

$$\begin{aligned}
V_{r^-(\mu)-i+1}^-(x, \mu) &\subset W_i^s(x, \mu), \quad T_x V_i^-(x, \mu) = U_{r(\mu)-r^-(\mu)+i}(x), \quad f(V_i^-(x, \mu)) = V^-(f(x), \mu), \\
i &= 1, \dots, r^-(\mu), \\
W_i^s(x, \mu) &= V_{r^-(\mu)}^-(x, \mu) \times \dots \times V_{r^-(\mu)-i+1}^-(x, \mu), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-(\mu), \\
V_i^+(x, \mu) &\subset W_i^u(x, \mu), \quad T_x V_i^+(x, \mu) = U_i(x), \quad f(V_i^+(x, \mu)) = V^+(f(x), \mu), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+(\mu), \\
W_i^u(x, \mu) &= V_1^+(x, \mu) \times \dots \times V_i^+(x, \mu), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+(\mu).
\end{aligned}$$

Assume that  $\mu$  is hyperbolic then for each neighborhood  $x \in \Gamma$  is diffeomorphic to  $W^s(x, \mu) \times W^u(x, \mu)$ . If  $0 \in \chi(\mu)$  then through each  $x \in \Gamma$  passes the center manifold  $W^c(x, \mu)$  satisfying the condition (4.3). Each neighborhood  $x \in \Gamma$  is diffeomorphic to  $W^s(x, \mu) \times W^c(x, \mu) \times W^u(x, \mu)$ .

We now recall the results of Ledrappier and Young [L-Y II]. Let  $M$  be a compact smooth manifold of dimension  $n$  and assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^2(M)$ . Let the assumptions of Theorem 4.4 hold. Then one can define  $h_i^u(\mu)$ -the local entropy of  $f$  along  $W_i^u(x, \mu)$  following [B-K]. Denote by  $\mu_{u,i}^x$  the conditional measure induced by  $\mu$  on  $W_i^u(x, \mu)$  in a small neighborhood of  $x$ . See [Rok] and the remarks in [L-Y I]. For  $y \in W_i^u(x, \mu)$  let  $d_{u,i}(x, y)$  be the distance between  $x$  and  $y$  induced by the Riemannian metric on  $W_i^u(x, \mu)$ . Set

$$B_{u,i}(x, m, \epsilon) = \{y \in W_i^u(x, \mu) : d_{u,i}(f^k(x), f^k(y)) \leq \epsilon, \quad 0 \leq k < m\}.$$

Note that  $B_{u,i}(x, 1, \epsilon)$  is the closed ball in  $W_i^u(x, \mu)$  of radius  $\epsilon$  centered in  $x$  with respect to the Riemannian metric on  $W_i^u(x, \mu)$ . It is shown in [L-Y II] that  $\mu$  a.e. one has the limit

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{m} \log \mu_{u,i}^x B_{u,i}(x, m, \epsilon) = h_i^u(\mu), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+(\mu). \quad (4.5)$$

Furthermore, the  $\mu_{u,i}^x$  Hausdorff dimension of  $W_i^u(x, \mu)$  is equal to

$$\delta_i^u(\mu) = \sum_{j=1}^i \frac{h_j^u(\mu) - h_{j-1}^u(\mu)}{\chi_j(\mu)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+(\mu). \quad (4.6)$$

Here  $h_0^u(\mu) = 0$ . More precisely  $\mu$  a.e.

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\log \mu_{u,i}^x B_{u,i}(x, 1, \epsilon)}{\log \epsilon} = \delta_i^u(\mu), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+(\mu). \quad (4.7)$$

Similarly one defines  $h_j^s(\mu), \delta_j^s(\mu), j = 1, \dots, r^-(\mu)$ .

**Theorem 4.8.** *Let the assumptions of Theorem 4.4 hold. Assume furthermore that  $f \in \text{Diff}^2(M)$ . Set*

$$\begin{aligned} h_i^+(\mu) &= h_i^u(\mu) - h_{i-1}^u(\mu), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^+(\mu), \\ h_i^-(\mu) &= h_i^s(\mu) - h_{i-1}^s(\mu), \quad i = 1, \dots, r^-(\mu). \end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

*Assume in addition that  $\mu$  is hyperbolic. Then*

$$HD(\mu) = \sum_{i=1}^{r^+(\mu)} \frac{h_i^+(\mu)}{\chi_i(\mu)} - \sum_{i=1}^{r^-(\mu)} \frac{h_i^-(\mu)}{\chi_{r^+(\mu)+i}(\mu)}. \quad (4.10)$$

**Proof.** As  $\mu$  is hyperbolic Theorem F in [L-Y II] claims that  $\mu$  a.e.

$$\limsup_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\log \mu B(x, \epsilon)}{\log \epsilon} \leq \delta_{r^+(\mu)}^u(\mu) + \delta_{r^-(\mu)}^s(\mu).$$

The recent results of Barreira, Pesin and Schmeling [B-P-S] imply  $\mu$  a.e. the inequality

$$\liminf_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\log \mu B(x, \epsilon)}{\log \epsilon} \geq \delta_{r^+(\mu)}^u(\mu) + \delta_{r^-(\mu)}^s(\mu).$$

Hence (4.10) holds.  $\diamond$

We view  $h_i^+(\mu), h_j^-(\mu)$  as  $f$ -entropies along  $V_i^+(x, \mu), V_j^-(x, \mu)$  respectively. Let  $f \in \text{Diff}^1(M)$  be an Axiom A diffeomorphism. Then any  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$  is hyperbolic. Moreover, the  $\mu$  stable and unstable manifolds which are defined for  $x \in \Omega(f)$  are equal to the stable and the unstable manifolds of  $f$ .

**Corollary 4.11.** *Let  $M$  be a smooth compact manifold and assume that  $f \in \text{Diff}^2(M)$  satisfies the Axiom A. Suppose that  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$ . Then (4.10) holds.*

Suppose that  $f \in \text{Diff}^1(M)$  is a Strict Axiom A diffeomorphism with the decomposition (3.1). It follows that for any  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}$  the partition of  $T_x M, x \in \Gamma \subset \Omega(f)$  to the Oseledec spaces (4.1) is obtained by splitting the corresponding subspaces of (3.1). Assume finally that  $f$  is a Strong Axiom A diffeomorphism.

Let  $\Omega(f) = \cup_{j=1}^k \Lambda_j$  be the decomposition to the basic sets. It then follows that (3.1) gives the Oseledec spaces. In that case

$$\begin{aligned} W_i^s(x, \mu) &= W_i^s(x), \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^-, \\ W_i^u(x, \mu) &= W_i^u(x), \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^+, \\ x &\in \Lambda_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, k. \end{aligned}$$

From the decomposition in Theorem 3.2 we obtain the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} V_i^-(x, \mu) &= V_i^-(x), \quad \mu \in \mathcal{E}_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^-, \\ V_i^+(x, \mu) &= V_i^+(x), \quad \mu \in \mathcal{E}_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^+, \\ x &\in \Lambda_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, k. \end{aligned}$$

Note that each  $V_i^-(x), V_j^+(x)$  are one dimensional.

Define on  $\Omega(f)$  the following functions

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_i^u(x) &= \log |Df|_{E_i^u}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^+, \\ \phi_i^s(x) &= -\log |Df|_{E_i^s}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^-, \\ x &\in \Lambda_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, k. \end{aligned}$$

Thus for any  $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_j$  we have the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_i(\mu) &= \chi_i(\mu) = \int \phi_i^u d\mu, \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^+, \\ \lambda_{r^++i}(\mu) &= \chi_{r^++i}(\mu) = -\int \phi_i^s d\mu, \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^-. \end{aligned}$$

As in §1 we consider the supremum

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{i,j}^+ &= \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}_j} \frac{h_i^+(\mu)}{\lambda_i(\mu)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^+, \\ \delta_{i,j}^- &= \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{E}_j} \frac{h_i^-(\mu)}{-\lambda_{r^++i}(\mu)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, r_j^-. \end{aligned}$$

We conjecture that the following equalities hold.

$$HD(\Lambda_j) = \sum_{i=1}^{r^+} \delta_{i,j}^+ + \sum_{i=1}^{r^-} \delta_{i,j}^-, \quad j = 1, \dots, k.$$

As a first step toward proving this conjecture one should consider it for the class of Strong Axiom A diffeomorphisms given by Theorem 3.9.

## §5. Strict and strong orbit hyperbolicity for endomorphisms

Let  $M$  be a compact smooth Riemannian manifold. Denote by  $\text{End}^r(M), r \geq 0$  the set of  $C^r$  endomorphisms  $f : M \rightarrow M$ . An  $f$ -invariant set:  $X \supset f(X)$  is called hyperbolic if there is a continuous decomposition  $T_X M = E^u \oplus E^s$  satisfying the standard assumptions (3.1) with  $r^- = r^+ = 1$ . It is well known that contrary to the diffeomorphism case a closed  $f$ -invariant hyperbolic set  $X$  is not structurally stable. See for example [M-P] and [Prz]. It was pointed out in [M-P] that one can use results for the hyperbolic sets of diffeomorphisms when  $f$  is a cover map by considering the lifting of  $f$  to the universal



cover. It is more convenient to consider the following construction. See for example [Q-Z] and the references therein and [Och].

Let  $X \subset M$  be a closed  $f$ -invariant set. Denote by  $X^f$  the full orbit space with the following metric:

$$\begin{aligned} X^f &= \{x = (x_i)_{-\infty}^{\infty} : x_i \in X, f(x_i) = x_{i+1}, i \in \mathbf{Z}\}; \\ \text{dist}(x, y) &= \sum_{i \in \mathbf{Z}} \frac{d(x_i, y_i)}{2^{|i|}}, \quad x, y \in X^f; \\ \pi : X^f &\rightarrow X, \quad \pi(x) = x_0, x = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbf{Z}} \in X^f. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $X^f$  is a compact space. Define

$$\begin{aligned} W^s(X) &= \{x_0 \in M : \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} d(f^m(x_0), X) = 0\}, \\ W^u(X) &= \{x_0 \in M : x_0 = \pi(x), x = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbf{Z}} \in M^f, \lim_{m \rightarrow -\infty} d(x_m, X) = 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Assume in addition that  $Y$  is a closed set  $f$ -invariant set. Then  $X^f \cup Y^f \subset (X \cup Y)^f$ . In particular for  $x \in X^f, y \in Y^f$  we can define  $\text{dist}(x, y)$  as above.

As usual let  $\sigma : X^f \rightarrow X^f$  be the shift map. Then  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is a factor of  $\pi$ , i.e.  $f\pi = \pi\sigma$ . Let  $E = \pi_X^* M$  be the pull back of the tangent bundle of  $T_X M$  by  $\pi : X^f \rightarrow X$ . Denote by

$$E_x = \pi_x^* T_X M \xleftarrow{\pi_x^*} T_{x_0} M$$

the natural isomorphism between fibres  $E_x$  and  $T_{x_0} M$ :

$$\xi = (x, v) \xleftarrow{\pi_x^*} v, \quad x \in X^f, \xi \in E_x, v \in T_{x_0} M.$$

A fibre preserving map on  $E$  with respect to  $\sigma$  is defined as

$$\pi_{\sigma(x)}^* \circ Df \circ \pi_x^* : E_x \rightarrow E_{\sigma(x)}, \quad x \in X^f.$$

By abusing the notation we denote by  $Df$  the above cocycle on  $E$ . We call  $X$  orbit hyperbolic if there exists a continuous decomposition the vector bundle  $E = E^u \oplus E^s$  over  $X^f$  invariant under  $D$  which satisfies (3.1) with  $r^+ = r^- = 1$ . Note that (3.1) yields that  $\det(Df(x)) \neq 0$ . Clearly, an  $f$ -invariant hyperbolic set  $X$  is orbit hyperbolic. As in §3 we define a strict (strong) hyperbolicity and a strict (strong) orbit hyperbolicity of  $f$  invariant set  $X$  for real or complex endomorphism  $f$  of  $M$ .

As in the case of diffeomorphisms one can show an  $f$ -invariant compact orbit hyperbolic set is structurally stable. See for example [C-H-Y], [Liu] and [Rue3]. Using the arguments of §3 for structural stability of strict (strong) hyperbolic sets we obtain.

**Theorem 5.1** *Let  $M$  be a compact smooth manifold and  $f \in \text{End}^1(M)$ . Assume that  $X \subset M$  is a compact set,  $f(X) = X$  and suppose that  $X$  is strictly (strongly) orbit hyperbolic set. Then there exists a neighborhood  $O$  of  $X$  and  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  satisfying the following conditions. For any  $0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0$  there exists an  $f$ -neighborhood  $U_{f, \epsilon} \subset \text{End}^1(M)$  such that for any  $g \in U$  there exists a unique compact set  $Y \subset O, g(Y) = Y$  with the following properties.  $g$  is strictly (strongly) hyperbolic on  $Y^g$  such that the partition of  $E(g)$  is conformal with the partition  $E(f)$ , i.e.  $r^+(X) = r^+(Y), r^-(X) = r^-(Y)$ . Moreover, there is a homeomorphism  $\phi : X^f \rightarrow Y^g$  which commutes with the corresponding shifts on  $X^f, Y^g$  such that*

$$\text{dist}(x, \phi(x)) < \epsilon, \quad x \in X^f, \phi(x) \in Y^g.$$

Recall that a compact invariant hyperbolic set  $X$  with respect to a  $C^1$ -endomorphism  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is called an expander if  $E = E^u$ . Generalizing the results of [M-P] and [Prz] it was shown by Zhang [Zha] that a compact invariant expanding set is structurally stable. We thus deduce

**Theorem 5.2** *Let  $M$  be a compact smooth manifold and  $f \in \text{End}^1(M)$ . Assume that  $X$  is a compact set,  $f(X) = X$  and suppose that  $X$  is strictly (strongly) expanding set. Then there exists a neighborhood  $O$  of  $X$  and  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  satisfying the following conditions. For any  $0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0$  there exists an  $f$ -neighborhood  $U_{f,\epsilon} \subset \text{End}^1(M)$  such that for any  $g \in U_{f,\epsilon}$  there exists a unique compact set  $Y \subset O, g(Y) = Y$  with the following properties.  $g$  is strictly (strongly) expanding on  $Y$  such that the partition of  $E(g)$  is conformal with the partition  $E(f)$ , i.e.  $r^+(X) = r^+(Y)$ . Moreover, there is a homeomorphism  $\phi : X \rightarrow Y$  which commutes with  $f|_X, g|_Y$  such that  $d(x, \phi(x)) < \epsilon, x \in X$ .*

**Definition 5.3.** *Let  $M$  be a compact smooth manifold.  $f \in \text{End}^1(M)$  is called a Strict (Strong) Axiom A endomorphism if the following conditions hold.*

- (a)  $\Omega(f) = \cup_{i=1}^k \Lambda_i, \Lambda_i \cap \Lambda_j = \emptyset, 1 \leq i < j \leq k$ , each  $\Lambda_i$  is an  $f$ -invariant closed strict (strong) orbit hyperbolic set such that  $f : \Lambda_i \rightarrow \Lambda_i$  is topologically transitive;
- (b)  $\bar{P}(f) = \Omega(f)$ .

Assume that  $f \in \text{End}^1(M)$  is an Axiom A endomorphism. Then  $f$  has no cycle property if the cycle condition (3.7) does not hold. Following [C-H-Y] and [Liu] we have the following orbit  $\Omega$ -stability result.

**Theorem 5.4** *Let  $M$  be a smooth compact manifold. Assume that  $f \in \text{End}^1(M)$  is a Strict (Strong) Axiom A endomorphism with no cycle property. Then there exists  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  so that for any  $0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0$  there exists an  $f$ -neighborhood  $U_{f,\epsilon} \subset \text{End}^1(M)$  such that any  $g \in U_{f,\epsilon}$  is an Axiom A endomorphism. There is a homeomorphism  $\phi : \Omega(f)^f \rightarrow \Omega(g)^g$  which commutes with the corresponding shifts on  $\Omega(f)^f, \Omega(g)^g$  and*

$$\text{dist}(x, \phi(x)) < \epsilon, \quad x \in \Omega(f)^f, \phi(x) \in \Omega(g)^g.$$

$g$  is strictly (strongly) hyperbolic on each basic set  $\Lambda_i(g)$  such that the partition of  $E(g)$  is conformal with the partition  $E(f)$  on  $\Lambda_i(f)$ .

## §6. Dynamics of certain polynomial maps in $\mathbf{C}^2$

The dynamics of a rational map  $f : \mathbf{CP} \rightarrow \mathbf{CP}$  is a well studied subject. The main notions here are the Julia set  $J(f)$  and the Fatou domains. Recall that the Julia set is the closure of all repelling periodic points while the number of non-repelling cycles is at most  $2\text{deg}(f) - 2$ . (Here by  $\text{deg}(f)$  we denote the degree of  $f$ .) Consult with [Bea] for a good reference on the dynamics of rational maps. Julia set  $J(f)$  is called hyperbolic if there exists  $m \geq 1$  so that

$$|Df^m(z)| \geq \rho > 1, z \in J(f).$$

A rational map  $f$  is called *hyperbolic* if  $\text{deg}(f) \geq 2$  and  $J(f)$  is hyperbolic. The following lemma is known (e.g. [Bea, Ch.7-8]).

**Lemma 6.1.** *Let  $f : \mathbf{CP} \rightarrow \mathbf{CP}$  be a rational hyperbolic map. Then*

- (a) All  $\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_l$  ( $l \leq 2\text{deg}(f) - 2$ ) non-repelling cycles are attracting;
- (b)  $\mathbf{CP} \setminus \cup_{i=0}^l \Lambda_i$  is the domain of attraction of the cycles  $\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_l$ .

Let  $d \geq 2$  be an integer and denote by  $\mathcal{U}^d$  the space of all rational maps of degree  $d$ . Note that  $\mathcal{U}^d = \mathbf{CP}^{2d+1} \setminus V$  where  $V$  corresponds to the variety to rational maps of degree less than  $d$ .

**Theorem 6.2.** *Let  $f : \mathbf{CP} \rightarrow \mathbf{CP}$  be a rational hyperbolic map. Then  $\Omega(f) = \cup_{i=0}^l \Lambda_i(f)$  and  $\Lambda_0(f), \dots, \Lambda_l(f)$  satisfy the no cycle condition. There exists  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  so that for any  $0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0$  there exists an  $f$ -neighborhood  $U_{f,\epsilon} \subset \mathcal{U}^d$  such that any  $g \in U_{f,\epsilon}$  is a rational hyperbolic map with  $\Omega(g) = \cup_{i=0}^l \Lambda_i(g)$ . Moreover, there is a homeomorphism  $\phi : \Omega(f) \rightarrow \Omega(g)$  which commutes with  $f|_{\Omega(f)}, g|_{\Omega(g)}$  such that  $d(x, \phi(x)) < \epsilon, x \in \Omega(f)$ .*

**Proof.** The following equalities imply straightforward that  $\Lambda_0(f), \dots, \Lambda_l(f)$  satisfy the no cycle condition.

$$\begin{aligned} W^s(\Lambda_0(f)) &= \Lambda_0(f), \\ W^u(\Lambda_i(f)) &= \Lambda_i(f), \quad i = 1, \dots, l. \end{aligned}$$

We now show  $\Omega$ -stability of  $f$ . Choose an  $f$  neighborhood  $U \subset \mathcal{U}^d$  so that for any  $g \in U$   $g$  has  $l$  attracting cycles  $\Lambda_1(g), \dots, \Lambda_l(g)$  which are perturbation of the attracting cycles  $\Lambda_1(f), \dots, \Lambda_l(f)$ . Furthermore, there exists a neighborhood  $O$  of  $J(f)$  such that  $\mathbf{CP} \setminus O$  is in the domain of attraction of  $\Lambda_1(g), \dots, \Lambda_l(g)$ . By choosing  $U$  small enough  $O$  can be chosen as small as needed. Theorem 5.2 implies the existence of a sufficiently small neighborhood  $O \supset J(f)$  that contains every  $J(g), g \in U_{f, \epsilon}$ , which will repel any point  $x \in O \setminus J(g)$  outside  $O$ . Combine the above facts with Theorem 5.2 to deduce the theorem.  $\diamond$

We now consider a polynomial map  $f : \mathbf{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^2$ . The dynamics of a general polynomial map is terra incognita. Note that contrary to the one dimensional case there exist nonconstant polynomial maps of  $\mathbf{C}^2$  which are not proper. Assume that  $f$  is proper. Then the study of the dynamics of  $f$  is divided into two categories. The first one is when  $f$  is a polynomial automorphism of  $\mathbf{C}^2$ . We discussed some of the dynamical properties of these maps in §2. See [F-M] and [B-S, 1-3] and the references there. We are not going to discuss this case here. The other case which was studied is when  $f$  lifts to a holomorphic map  $\tilde{f} : \mathbf{CP}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{CP}^2$ . See for example [F-S], [H-P] and [Hei]. Recall that  $\tilde{f}$  is holomorphic iff  $f(z_1, z_2) = (f_1(z_1, z_2), f_2(z_1, z_2))$  satisfy the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(z_1, z_2) &= g_1(z_1, z_2) + h_1(z_1, z_2), \quad g_1 = \prod_{i=1}^d (\alpha_i z_1 + \beta_i z_2), \quad d = \deg(g_1) > \deg(h_1), \\ f_2(z_1, z_2) &= g_2(z_1, z_2) + h_2(z_1, z_2), \quad g_2 = \prod_{i=1}^d (\gamma_i z_1 + \delta_i z_2), \quad d = \deg(g_2) > \deg(h_2), \\ \frac{\alpha_i z_1 + \beta_i z_2}{\gamma_j z_1 + \delta_j z_2} &\neq \text{Constant}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, d. \end{aligned} \tag{6.3}$$

This claim follows quite straightforward if one recalls that  $\mathbf{C}^2$  have projective coordinates  $(z_0, z_1, z_2)$  so that  $\mathbf{C}^2$  is given by the coordinates  $(1, z_1, z_2)$ . The line at infinity  $\mathbf{CP}$  (the Riemann sphere) is given by the projective coordinates  $(0, z_1, z_2)$ . Then the restriction of  $\tilde{f}$  to the line at infinity is given by the rational map:

$$q(z) = \frac{g_1(z, 1)}{g_2(z, 1)}, \quad z \in \mathbf{C}. \tag{6.4}$$

We now discuss briefly a few possible definitions of the Julia set  $J(f) \subset \mathbf{C}^2$  of a polynomial map  $f$  which satisfies conditions (6.3). The first natural definition follows the one dimensional case [F-S]. Let  $J_1(\tilde{f}) \subset \mathbf{CP}^2$  be the closed set where the sequence  $\tilde{f}^m, m = 1, \dots$ , is not normal. According to [F-S]  $J_1(\tilde{f})$  is always connected. Consider the map  $Q = (z_1^2, z_2^2)$ . It is not hard to show in the homogeneous coordinates we have the following characterization of  $J_1(Q)$ :

$$J_1(Q) = \{z : z = (z_0, z_1, z_2) \in \mathbf{CP}^2, \quad z_p = |z_q| = 1 > |z_r|, \quad \{p, q, r\} = \{0, 1, 2\}\}.$$

In particular  $J_1(Q) \cap \mathbf{C}^2 \supset J(z_1^2) \times J(z_2^2) = S^1 \times S^1$ . Since  $J_1(\tilde{f})$  is connected and as  $J_1(\tilde{f})$  must always contain the one-dimensional Julia set of  $q(z_1)$  it follows that  $J_1(f) = J_1(\tilde{f}) \cap \mathbf{C}^2$  will be an unbounded set. We expect the Julia set of  $f$  to be bounded. Moreover we want:

$$J(f) = J(f_1) \times J(f_2), \quad f(z_1, z_2) = (f_1(z_1), f_2(z_2)), \quad \deg(f_1) = \deg(f_2) > 1. \tag{6.5}$$

Let  $S^4 = \mathbf{C}^2 \cup \infty$  be a one point compactification of  $\mathbf{C}^2$ . Then  $f$  lifts to a continuous map  $\hat{f} : S^4 \rightarrow S^4$  where  $\hat{f}(\infty) = \infty$ . In fact  $\infty$  is a superattracting point of  $\hat{f}$ . Let  $A(f, \infty) \subset \mathbf{C}^2$  be the domain of attraction of  $\infty$ . It follows that  $\partial A(f, \infty)$  is a compact totally invariant set of  $f$ :

$$f(A(f, \infty)) = A(f, \infty) = f^{-1}(A(f, \infty)).$$

Moreover, in one dimensional case  $\partial A(f, \infty) = J(f)$ . It is easy to see that  $\partial A(Q, \infty)$  is much bigger than  $S^1 \times S^1 = J(Q_1) \times J(Q_2)$ .

As in [H-P] one can construct certain invariant currents or measure, e.g. the equilibrium measure of  $A(f, \infty)^c = \mathbf{C}^2 \setminus A(f, \infty)$ , and declare that their support (which is contained in  $\partial A(f, \infty)$ ) to be the Julia set of  $f$ . (This definition was suggested by J. Hubbard). It takes some work to show that (6.5) holds in this case.

Another approach was suggested in [Hei]. One defines the Julia set by the nonnormality of iterations  $f^m, m = 1, \dots$ , restricted to any possible one dimensional foliation of a neighborhood of  $x \in \mathbf{C}^2$ . It is shown in [Hei] that this definition satisfies the property (6.5). Yet Heinemann definition seems to be unconstructive. We are looking for a simple dynamic definition of the Julia set of  $f$ . Let  $z \in \mathbf{C}^2$  be a periodic point of  $f$  of period  $m$ . Then  $z, f(z), \dots, f^{m-1}(z)$  is called a repelling cycle if the two eigenvalues of  $Df^m(z)$  are outside the closed unit disk in  $\mathbf{C}$ .

**Definition 6.6.** *Let  $f$  be a polynomial map of  $\mathbf{C}^2$  of the form (6.3). Then  $J(f)$ -the Julia set of  $f$  is defined to be the closure of all periodic repelling points.*

It can be easily shown that  $J(f)$  must be contained in the Julia set defined in [Hei]. It is nontrivial to show that  $J(f)$  is an infinite set and  $J(f) \subset \partial A(f, \infty)$ . Using the structural stability results of §5 we will exhibit an open set of polynomial maps  $g$  for which  $J(g)$  is a homeomorphic to  $J(f)$  given by (6.5).

Fix an integer  $d > 1$ . Consider all polynomial maps  $f$  of  $\mathbf{C}^2$  satisfying  $f = (f_1, f_2), \deg(f_1), \deg(f_2) \leq d$ . Then the space of these polynomials is a linear space  $L(d)$  isomorphic to  $\mathbf{C}^{r(d)}$ . Denote by  $L_1(d) \subset L(d)$  the set of all polynomials  $f$  satisfying the conditions (6.3). It is straightforward to show that  $L(d) \setminus L_1(d)$  is an algebraic variety of  $L(d)$ . Hence  $L_1(d)$  is an open dense set in  $L(d)$ . Assume that  $f \in L_1(d)$ . Then by an  $f$  neighborhood  $U \subset L_1(d)$  we will mean an open neighborhood of  $f$  in the standard topology of  $\mathbf{C}^{r(d)}$ .

**Theorem 6.7.** *Let  $f_1, f_2 : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  be two polynomial maps of degree  $d > 1$ . Assume that  $J(f_1), J(f_2)$  are hyperbolic. Consider  $f(z_1, z_2) = (f_1(z_1), f_2(z_2))$ . Then there exists a neighborhood  $O \supset J(f_1) \times J(f_2)$  and  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  so that the following conditions hold. For any  $0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0$  there exists an  $f$ -neighborhood  $U_{f, \epsilon} \subset L_1(d)$  so that for any  $g \in U_{f, \epsilon}$  there exists a unique closed set  $X(g) \subset O, X \subset J(g)$ , such that  $g(X(g)) = g^{-1}(X(g)) = X(g)$ .  $g$  is expanding on  $J(g)$ . Moreover, there is a homeomorphism  $\phi : J(f) \rightarrow X(g)$  which commutes with  $f|J(f), g|X(g)$  such that  $d(x, \phi(x)) < \epsilon, x \in J(f)$ .*

*Suppose furthermore that*

$$\Omega(f_i) = \bigcup_{j=0}^{l_i} \Lambda_j(f_i), \quad \Lambda_0(f_i) = J(f_i), \quad \Lambda_{l_i}(f_i) = \infty, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

*such that none of  $\Lambda_j(f_i), j = 1, \dots, l_{i-1}, i = 1, 2$ , are super-attractive. Then  $X(g) = J(g), g \in U_{f, \epsilon}$  and*

$$\Omega(\hat{f}) = \{\infty\} \cup_{i,j=0}^{l_1-1, l_2-1} \Lambda_i(f_1) \times \Lambda_j(f_2).$$

*For any  $g \in U_{f, \epsilon}$ ,  $\Omega(\hat{g})$  has  $1 + l_1 \times l_2$  basic sets.  $1 + (l_1 - 1) \times (l_2 - 1)$  attracting cycles (including  $\infty$ ), one expanding set  $J(g)$  and  $l_1 + l_2 - 2$  orbit hyperbolic sets with one expanding and one contracting direction. Finally, there is a homeomorphism  $\phi : \Omega(\hat{f})^{\hat{f}} \rightarrow \Omega(\hat{g})^{\hat{g}}$  such that  $\text{dist}(x, \phi(x)) < \epsilon$ .*

**Proof.** Observe first that  $J(f) = J(f_1) \times J(f_2)$  is a compact forward and backward  $f$ -invariant set. Use Theorem 5.1 to deduce that  $J(f)^f$  is orbit stable. Since  $\deg(g) = d^2, g \in L_1(d)$ , it follows that for  $g \in U_{f, \epsilon}$  the set  $X(g)$  is backward and forward  $g$ -invariant. Use Theorem 5.2 to deduce the existence of the homeomorphism  $\phi : J(f) \rightarrow X(g)$  so that  $d(x, \phi(x)) < \epsilon, x \in J(f)$ . As  $J(f)$  is the closure of  $f$ -periodic points it follows that  $X(g)$  is the closure of  $g$ -periodic points in  $X(g)$ . Clearly, every periodic point in  $X(g)$  is repelling. Hence  $X(g) \subset J(g)$ .

Assume now that  $f_1, f_2$  are hyperbolic polynomial maps. Then  $\hat{f}$  has an attractive point at  $\infty$  and  $(l_1 - 1) \times (l_2 - 1)$  attracting cycles  $\Lambda_i(f_1) \times \Lambda_j(f_2), i = 1, \dots, l_1 - 1, j = 1, \dots, l_2 - 1$ . Moreover any  $x \in \mathbf{C}^2 \setminus \bigcup_{i,j=0}^{l_1-1, l_2-1} \Lambda_i(f_1) \times \Lambda_j(f_2)$  is in the domain of the attraction of the attracting cycles. Hence there exists a neighborhood  $U \subset L_1(d)$  so that any  $g \in U$  the map  $\hat{g}$  has an attracting fixed point  $\infty$  and  $(l_1 - 1) \times (l_2 - 1)$

attracting cycles which are the corresponding perturbations of the attracting cycles of  $\hat{f}$  in  $\mathbf{C}^2$ . Thus, there exists open neighborhoods

$$\begin{aligned} O_0 &\supset J(f_1) \times J(f_2), \\ O_{1,j} &\supset J(f_1) \times \Lambda_j(f_2), \quad j = 1, \dots, l_2 - 1, \\ O_{2,j} &\supset \Lambda_j(f_1) \times J(f_2), \quad j = 1, \dots, l_1 - 1, \end{aligned} \tag{6.8}$$

so that any  $x \in \mathbf{C}^2 \setminus O_0 \cup_{j=1}^{l_2-1} O_{1,j} \cup_{j=1}^{l_1-1} O_{2,j}$  is in the domain of the attraction of the above  $1 + (l_1 - 1) \times (l_2 - 1)$  attracting cycles of  $\hat{g}$ . Choosing  $U$  small enough we can make the neighborhoods (6.8) as small as needed. Suppose that all the finite attracting cycles of  $f_1, f_2$  are not super attracting. Then all the closed sets  $J(f_1) \times \Lambda_i(f_2), \Lambda_j(f_1) \times J(f_2) \subset \mathbf{C}^2$  are hyperbolic according to (3.1). ( $Df$  is invertible on these sets.) We then can apply the structural stability results of Theorem 5.1 for all  $1 + (l_1 - 1) \times (l_2 - 1)$  hyperbolic sets for some neighborhoods given by (6.8). Hence  $\Omega(\hat{f})$  is orbit structurally stable. As  $X(g)$  is the unique expanding set of  $\Omega(\hat{g})$  it follows that  $J(g) = X(g)$ .  $\diamond$

Assume the conditions of Theorem 6.7. Then the set  $J(f)$  is strongly hyperbolic if there exists  $m \geq 1$  that if the following condition hold

$$\max_{z \in J(f_p)} |(f_p^m)'(z)| < \min_{z \in J(f_q)} |(f_q^m)'(z)|, \quad \{p, q\} = \{1, 2\}. \tag{6.9}$$

In this case  $X(g), g \in U_{f,\epsilon}$  is strongly hyperbolic.

We close our paper with another perturbation result. Consider a map  $f$  given by (6.3) where  $h_1 = h_2 = 0$ . That is  $f$  is a homogeneous map of degree  $d$ :

$$f(t(z_1, z_2)) = t^d f(z_1, z_2), \quad t, z_1, z_2 \in \mathbf{C}.$$

Observe first that 0 is a super attracting point of  $f$ . Let  $L$  be a line in  $\mathbf{C}^2$  through the origin. This line is given by homogeneous coordinates  $(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbf{CP}$ . Note that  $f(L)$  is another line  $L'$  whose homogeneous coordinates are  $(g_1(z_1, z_2), g_2(z_1, z_2))$ . That is, on the space of all lines through the origin in  $\mathbf{C}^2$ , which is identical to the Riemann sphere  $\mathbf{CP}$ ,  $f$  acts a rational function  $q$  given by (6.4). On each line  $L$  the map  $f : L \rightarrow L'$  is of the form  $z \rightarrow K(L)z^d$ . That is  $f$  is a twisted product of the  $q$  and  $z^d$ . In particular  $J(f)$  is homeomorphic to  $J(q) \times S^1$ . Moreover  $\partial A(f, \infty)$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathbf{CP} \times S^1$  and is a backward and a forward  $f$ -invariant set separating the domain of attraction of 0 and  $\infty$ .

**Theorem 6.10** *Let  $f : \mathbf{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^2$  be a homogeneous map of degree  $d$  satisfying the assumptions (6.3). Let  $q$  be the rational map given by (6.4). Assume that  $J(q)$  is hyperbolic. Then there exists a neighborhood  $O \supset J(f)$  and  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  so that the following conditions hold. For any  $0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0$  there exists an  $f$ -neighborhood  $U_{f,\epsilon} \subset L_1(d)$  so that for any  $g \in U_{f,\epsilon}$  there exists a unique closed set  $X(g) \subset O, X \subset J(g)$ , such that  $g(X(g)) = g^{-1}(X(g)) = X(g)$ .  $g$  is expanding on  $J(g)$ . Moreover, there is a homeomorphism  $\phi : J(f) \rightarrow X(g)$  which commutes with  $f|J(f), g|X(g)$  such that  $d(x, \phi(x)) < \epsilon, x \in J(f)$ .*

*Assume furthermore that none of the attracting cycles  $\Lambda_1(q), \dots, \Lambda_l(q)$  of  $q$  are super-attracting. Then  $X(g) = J(g), g \in U_{f,\epsilon}$  and*

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(\hat{f}) &= \{0\} \cup \{\infty\} \cup J(f) \cup_{i=1}^l \Lambda_i(f), \\ \Lambda_i(f) &\approx \Lambda_i(q) \times S^1, \quad i = 1, \dots, l. \end{aligned} \tag{6.11}$$

*For any  $g \in U_{f,\epsilon}$   $\Omega(\hat{g})$  has  $3 + l$  basic sets. Two attracting points  $z(g), \infty$ , one expanding set  $J(g)$  and  $l$  orbit hyperbolic sets with one expanding and one contracting direction. Finally, there is a homeomorphism  $\phi : \Omega(\hat{f})^{\hat{f}} \rightarrow \Omega(\hat{g})^{\hat{g}}$  such that  $\text{dist}(x, \phi(x)) < \epsilon$ .*

**Proof.** As  $J(q)$  is hyperbolic and the map  $t \mapsto t^d$  is Axiom A rational map it follows that  $J(f) \approx J(q) \times S^1$  is hyperbolic. Then the arguments of the proof of Theorem 6.7 imply the existence of  $O \supset J(f)$  with the stated properties.

Let  $z \in \partial A(f, \infty) \setminus J(f)$ . That is,  $z$  is not on the line  $L$  corresponding to  $J(q)$ . Then  $f^m(z), m = 1, \dots$ , will converge to some  $\Lambda_j(f) \approx \Lambda_j(q) \times S^1$ . We then deduce (6.11). It is quite straightforward to show

that the basic sets of  $\Omega(\hat{f})$  satisfy the no periodicity condition. Assume that none of the attracting cycles of  $q$  are super-attracting. It follows that each  $\Lambda_i(f), i = 1, \dots, l$  is hyperbolic with one contracting and one expanding direction. Fix a neighborhood  $N \supset \partial A(f, \infty)$ . Then there exists  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  so that for any  $g \in U_{f, \epsilon}$  and any  $z \in \mathbf{C}^2 \setminus N, f^m(z), m = 1, \dots,$  will converge either to  $\infty$  or to the unique fixed point  $z(g)$  which is a perturbation of 0. That is,

$$\Omega(\hat{g}) = \{0\} \cup \{\infty\} \cup \Omega_1(\hat{g}), \quad \Omega_1(\hat{g}) \subset N.$$

By choosing  $N$  as small as we need we can use the arguments of Theorem 5.4 to deduce the orbit stability of  $\Omega(\hat{f})^{\hat{f}}$ . As the only expanding component of  $\Omega(\hat{g})$  is in the neighborhood of  $J(f)$  we deduce that  $X(g) = J(g)$ .  
 $\diamond$

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