



# On a Theorem of Lyapunov–Poincaré in Higher Dimensions

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## Abstract

The classical Lyapunov–Poincaré center theorem assures the existence of a first integral for an analytic 1-form near a center singularity in dimension two, provided that the first jet of the 1-form is nondegenerate. The basic point is the existence of an analytic first integral for the given 1-form. In this paper, we consider generalizations for two main frameworks: (1) real analytic foliations of codimension one in higher dimension and (2) singular holomorphic foliations in dimension two. All this is related to the problem of finding criteria assuring the existence of analytic first integrals for a given codimension one germ with a suitable first jet. Our approach consists in giving an interpretation of the center theorem in terms of holomorphic foliations and, following an idea of Moussu, apply the holomorphic foliations arsenal to obtain the required first integral. As a consequence we are able to revisit some of Reeb’s classical results on integrable perturbations of exact homogeneous 1-forms, and prove versions of these in the framework of non-isolated (perturbations of transversely Morse type) singularities.

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## 1 Introduction and Main Results

We shall consider a real analytic differential 1-form  $\omega(x, y) = a(x, y)dx + b(x, y)dy$  defined in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . To state the classical Center theorem

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of Poincaré–Lyapunov recall that the 1-form  $\omega$  has a *center* at  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$  if all leaves in a punctured neighborhood of the origin are diffeomorphic to the circle. The form  $\omega$  has a *real analytic first integral* if  $\omega = gdf$  for some real analytic function germs  $f, g$  at  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , with  $g(0) \neq 0$ ; if  $f$  further has a Morse singular point at the origin, then the form has a real analytic first integral *in the strong sense*. Then one has:

**Theorem 1.1** [11,12] *Consider a germ of a real analytic 1-form  $\omega = a(x, y)dx + b(x, y)dy$  at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , having an isolated singularity for its first jet  $\omega_1$ , and a center at the origin. Then  $\omega$  admits a first integral in the strong sense.*

There are some equivalent statements also in terms of vector fields. Besides the classical analytical proofs, there is a quite geometrical proof given by Moussu [9]. In his paper, he makes use of the complexification of the 1-form, obtaining, therefore, a holomorphic 1-form with a suitable singularity at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ . Moussu's approach strongly relies on the Mattei–Moussu theorem [8], about topological (dynamical) conditions assuring the existence of holomorphic first integrals for germs of holomorphic foliations near a singular point (Theorem B page 473). The center condition together with Mattei–Moussu theorem above mentioned assures the existence of a first integral for the complexification and, therefore, for the real analytic 1-form. Moussu's ideas are quite attractive and inspiring. They also show the interplay between real analytic dynamical systems and the geometric theory of holomorphic foliations.

In this paper, we address problems motivated by the above statement. Given a real analytic 1-form  $\omega$  defined in a (connected) neighborhood  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , we shall say that *the leaves of  $\omega = 0$  are closed in  $U$*  if each non-singular leaf  $L \subset U$  of  $\omega = 0$  is a closed subset of  $U$ , i.e.,  $L$  has no accumulation points in  $U \setminus L$ .

Our first result in this direction reads as follows:

**Theorem 1.2** *For a given germ of a real analytic 1-form  $\omega = a(x, y)dx + b(x, y)dy$  at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , having an isolated singularity for its first jet  $\omega_1$ , the following conditions are equivalent for the induced foliation germ  $\mathcal{F} : \omega = 0$ :*

- (i) *The leaves of  $\mathcal{F}$  are closed in some small neighborhood of the origin.*
- (ii) *The origin is a center singularity.*
- (iii) *There is a real analytic first integral.*

Clearly, in view of Theorem 1.1, the main point is (i)  $\implies$  (ii). Theorem 1.2 above may look like a too small improvement in the classical statement of Lyapunov–Poincaré. Nevertheless, its applications prove its usefulness.

In the course of the proof of Theorem 1.2, we shall obtain (cf. Lemma 3.3):

**Corollary 1.3** *For a germ at  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$  of a real analytic vector field  $X$  having first jet of the form  $X_1 = x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}$ , the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) *The orbits of  $X$  are closed subsets in some neighborhood of the origin.*
- (ii)  *$X$  has a center type singularity at the origin.*
- (iii)  *$X$  admits a real analytic first integral.*
- (iv)  *$X$  is analytically almost linearizable, i.e.,  $X$  is a multiple of a linear vector field after an analytic local change of coordinates.*

Our next result deals with higher dimensional versions of Theorem 1.1.

**Theorem A** *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a real analytic codimension one singular foliation given in a neighborhood  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , by an integrable 1-form  $\omega$  having first jet of the form  $\omega_1 = d(\sum_{j=1}^r x_j^2)$ ,  $2 \leq r \leq n$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}$  admits an analytic first integral in some neighborhood of the origin in the following situations:*

- (i) *If  $r = 2$  and the leaves of  $\mathcal{F}$  are closed in some neighborhood of the origin.*
- (ii) *If  $3 \leq r \leq n$ .*

**Remark 1.4** In both cases we have:

- (a)  $\mathcal{F}$  admits an analytic linearization, i.e.,  $\mathcal{F}$  is given by  $d(\sum_{j=1}^r (\tilde{x}_j)^2) = 0$  in suitable analytic coordinates  $(\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_n)$ .
- (b) The leaves of  $\mathcal{F}$  are closed diffeomorphic to the cylinder  $S^{r-1} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-r}$  in some neighborhood of the origin.

We observe that Theorem A can be seen as a version of a classical theorem of Reeb [10] that we state below (see also [6] page 85):

**Theorem B** (Reeb [10]) *Let  $\omega$  be an analytic integrable 1-form defined in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ . Suppose that  $\omega(0) = 0$  and  $\omega$  has a non-degenerate linear part  $\omega_1 = df$ , i.e.,  $f$  is a quadratic form of maximal rank (not necessarily of center type). Then there exist an analytic diffeomorphism  $h : (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, 0)$  and an analytic function  $g : (\mathbb{R}^n, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, 0)$  with  $h^*(\omega) = gdf$ .*

The above theorem has some versions for  $\omega$  of class  $C^2$  but demanding that the singularity is of center type (see [6] page 84 or [10]). We point-out that part (ii) in our Theorem A extends Reeb’s theorem (Theorem B) to the case of degenerate center singularities.

In [5], the authors consider some versions of Reeb’s theorem above. They work with holomorphic integrable 1-forms of type  $\Omega = dP + \Omega'$  where  $P$  is a homogeneous irreducible polynomial, and  $\Omega'$  is a 1-form of higher order terms than  $dP$ . Under some regularity hypotheses on  $P$  they also conclude that  $\Omega$  admits a first integral which is a perturbation of  $P$ . This includes for instance the case  $P = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j^d$ ,  $n \geq 3$ ,  $d \geq 2$ , that we shall call *homogeneous Pham–Brieskorn polynomial* of degree  $d$ . Given a polynomial  $P \in \mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  we denote by  $P^{\mathbb{C}} \in \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_n]$  its complexification where  $z_j = x_j + \sqrt{-1}y_j$ . The above is the main motivation for our next result that reads as follows:

**Theorem C** *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a real analytic codimension one singular foliation given in a neighborhood  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 3$  by an integrable 1-form  $\omega = dP_{r,n,d} + P_{r,n,d} \tilde{\omega}$  where  $P_{r,n,d}$  is the truncated Pham–Brieskorn homogeneous polynomial  $P_{r,n,d} = \sum_{j=1}^r x_j^d$ ,  $3 \leq r \leq n$ , and  $\tilde{\omega}$  is an analytic 1-form. If  $d = p^s$  for some prime number  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $\mathcal{F}$  admits an analytic first integral in some neighborhood of the origin.*

Notice that  $P_{r,n,d}$  in the case  $d \geq 2$ ,  $r < n$  has a non-isolated singularity at the origin. We observe that Theorem C does not hold for  $r = 2$  as can be seen from the

following example. Take  $\omega(x, y, z) = d(x^4 + y^4) - 2x^2y^2dy$  in  $\mathbb{C}^3$ . Then  $\omega$  is clearly integrable (it depends only on two variables), it has a center type singularity at the origin and also its first nonzero jet is the differential of a truncated Pham–Brieskorn homogeneous polynomial  $P_{2,3,2}$ . Nevertheless, working with power series, it can be easily shown that  $\omega$  does not admit a real analytic first integral.

## 1.1 Complex Analytic Foliations

In what follows, by a *germ of a holomorphic foliation at the origin*  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$  we shall mean a germ of a holomorphic foliation by curves, with an isolated singularity at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ . Two irreducible and reduced germs  $f, g \in \mathcal{O}_2$  with  $f(0) = g(0) = 0$  are *in general position* if the analytic curves  $(f = 0)$  and  $(g = 0)$  meet transversely at the origin. As already mentioned, our approach for proving Theorem A follows the idea of complexification of the problem, as suggested by [9]. Indeed, it is based in the following variant of Mattei–Moussu’s theorem:

**Theorem D** *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a germ of a holomorphic foliation at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$  given by  $\omega = 0$  where  $\omega = d(xy) + \tilde{\omega}$  and  $\tilde{\omega}$  has jet of order one equal to zero. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\mathcal{F}$  admits a holomorphic first integral of the form  $fg$  for irreducible germs  $f, g \in \mathcal{O}_2$  in general position.
- (ii) There is a germ of an analytic dimension two variety  $V^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  with  $0 \in V^2$ , having contact order one with  $\mathcal{F}$  outside of the origin and such that the restriction of  $\mathcal{F}$  has closed leaves in  $V^2$ .

In the situation of the above theorem, we also have:

- There is a germ of a totally real analytic variety  $V^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  having contact order one with  $\mathcal{F}$  and such that the restriction of  $\mathcal{F}$  to  $V^2$  has a center type singularity at the origin in  $V^2$ .

We refer to Sect. 2 for the precise notions of order one contact and totally real submanifold used above.

Our Theorem D above has connections with the main result in [3] where the authors prove the existence of a meromorphic first integral for a codimension one holomorphic foliation at  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $n \geq 2$  provided that it is tangent to a germ at  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$  of a real codimension one and irreducible analytic variety  $M$ .

## 2 Holomorphic Foliations: Proof of Theorem D

A few words about the notions in the statement of Theorem D. We recall that a submanifold  $V$  of a complex surface  $M$  is called *totally real* if the complex structure  $J: TM \rightarrow TM$  of  $M$  maps each tangent space  $T_pV \subset T_pM$  of  $V$  into the normal space  $(T_pV)^\perp \subset T_pM$ . We refer to [1] for a detailed exposition, examples and characterizations of totally real manifolds. We mention that given two germs of holomorphic

functions  $f, g: \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  in general position and vanishing at  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$  then the intersection  $V^2 = (\operatorname{Re}(f) = \operatorname{Re}(g)) \cap (\operatorname{Im}(f) = -\operatorname{Im}(g))$  is a germ of a totally real surface at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ .

In Theorem D above, the leaves of  $\mathcal{F}$  are of real dimension two, in a space of real dimension four. Thus, condition (ii) is equivalent to the following:

- (ii)' There is a germ of a totally real analytic surface  $V^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  with  $0 \in V^2$  and such that the restriction of  $\mathcal{F}$  has closed leaves in  $V^2$ .

Given a real foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  of codimension  $k$  in a differentiable manifold  $M$  and an immersed connected submanifold  $V \subset M$ , the *contact order* of  $\mathcal{F}$  with  $V$  at a point  $p \in V$  is the dimension of the intersection  $T_p(V) \cap T_p(\mathcal{F}) \subset T_p(M)$  as linear subspaces of the tangent space  $T_p(M)$ . We say that  $\mathcal{F}$  has contact order  $r$  with  $V$  if their contact order is  $r$  at each point  $p \in V$ . In the case where  $\mathcal{F}$  is a holomorphic foliation of (complex) codimension one in an open subset  $U \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  with  $\operatorname{sing}(\mathcal{F}) = \{0\} \subset U$ , and  $V^2 \subset U$  is a real surface, we have

- $V^2$  is transverse to  $\mathcal{F}$  off the origin iff  $V^2 \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  have contact order equal to zero.
- $V^2$  is  $\mathcal{F}$  invariant iff  $V^2 \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  have contact order equal to 2.
- $V^2 \setminus \{0\}$  has contact order with  $\mathcal{F}$  equal to 1 iff  $V^2 \setminus \{0\}$  is a totally real submanifold not invariant by  $\mathcal{F}$ .

Let us now prove Theorem D.

**Proof of Theorem D** First, we assume that  $\mathcal{F}$  admits a holomorphic first integral of the form  $fg$  with  $f, g \in \mathcal{O}_2$ ,  $f(0) = g(0) = 0$ ,  $f$  and  $g$  (being germs reduced and irreducible and) in general position. We consider the analytic varieties of real codimension one  $\mathcal{R} : (\operatorname{Re} f = \operatorname{Re} g) \subset \mathbb{R}^4$  and  $\mathcal{I} : (\operatorname{Im} f = -\operatorname{Im} g) \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ . Since  $f$  and  $g$  are in general position the intersection  $\mathcal{R} \cap \mathcal{I} = V^2$  is a two-dimensional analytic variety. Also  $0 \in V^2$  because  $f$  and  $g$  vanish at the origin. Let us now put  $X = \frac{f+g}{2}$  and  $Y = \frac{f-g}{2i}$ . Then  $f = X + iY$  and  $g = X - iY$  and therefore  $fg = X^2 + Y^2$ . Moreover, in the variety  $V^2$ , we have  $X = \operatorname{Re}(f) = \operatorname{Re}(g)$  and  $Y = \operatorname{Im}(f) = -\operatorname{Im}(g)$  so that, restricted to  $V^2$  we have  $fg = \|f\|^2 = \|g\|^2$ . This shows that the restriction to  $V^2$  of the foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  is a real analytic foliation by curves which are closed. In particular, the contact order of  $\mathcal{F}$  with  $V^2$  is one. Indeed the restriction  $\mathcal{F}|_{V^2}$  gives an analytic center type singularity at the origin  $0 \in V^2$ . Finally, since  $\mathcal{F}$  is holomorphic and has contact order equal to one with  $V^2$  it follows that  $V^2$  is a totally real subvariety. This proves (i)  $\implies$  (ii) in Theorem D.

Let us now prove (ii)  $\implies$  (i). From hypothesis (ii) and from the considerations after Theorem D we conclude that: *There is a germ of a totally real analytic variety  $V^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  having contact order one with  $\mathcal{F}$  and such that the restriction of  $\mathcal{F}$  to  $V^2$  has a center type singularity at the origin in  $V^2$ .* Up to an analytic change of coordinates in  $\mathbb{C}^2$  we may assume that  $V^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  corresponds to the totally real space  $\mathbb{R}^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ , i.e., in suitable local coordinates  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2$  we have  $V^2 : (\operatorname{Im}(x) = \operatorname{Im}(y) = 0)$ . Assume now that we have a holomorphic foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  defined in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$  by a 1-form  $\omega = d(xy) + \tilde{\omega}$  where  $\tilde{\omega}$  has zero jet of order one at the origin. We know that  $\mathcal{F} : \omega = 0$  corresponds to a Siegel singularity at the origin since it is given by

a 1-form with linear part  $\omega_1 := xdy + ydx$ . The blow-up  $y = tx$  at the origin produces a foliation of the form  $2txdx + x^2dt + \tilde{\omega}(x, tx) = 0$ . Thus, we have a singularity of Siegel type on the origin of the system  $(x, t)$  given by  $2tdx + xdt + \dots = 0$ . In the coordinate system  $x = uy$ , we have  $2u y dy + y^2 du + \tilde{\omega}(uy, y) = 0$  and then we have a singularity of Siegel type at the origin of this system given by  $2udy + ydu + \dots = 0$ .

Now we make an assumption:

**Assumption 2.1** Assume that  $\mathcal{F}$  is the complexification of a real analytic foliation  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{R}}$  which has a center type singularity at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

The above assumption means that  $\mathcal{F}$  has contact order one with the real space  $\mathbb{R}^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  and its restriction to this space exhibits a center type singularity at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Recall that the real space above is given by  $\text{Im}(x) = \text{Im}(y) = 0$ , where  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2$  are affine coordinates in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ .

The inverse image of this real plane in the blow-up  $\tilde{\mathbb{C}}_0^2$  corresponds to a Moebius band  $M^2$  through the equator of the exceptional divisor  $\mathbb{E} \simeq \mathbb{C}P(1)$ . The pull-back foliation  $\mathcal{F}^*$  in  $\tilde{\mathbb{C}}_0^2$  leaves invariant this Moebius band and has only closed leaves in  $M^2$ . Indeed, since  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{R}}$  has a center type singularity at the origin, the foliation  $\mathcal{F}^*$  restricted to  $M^2$  has closed compact leaves in a neighborhood of the equator in  $M^2$ . Now we consider the projective holonomy group of the exceptional divisor  $E$ . This means the holonomy group of the leaf  $E \setminus \text{sing}(\mathcal{F}^*)$  for the foliation  $\mathcal{F}^*$ . From what we have seen above, this foliation has exactly two singularities in  $E$ , corresponding to the north and south poles of  $E$ . Thus, the holonomy group above mentioned is generated by a simple loop around the equator, i.e, this is a cyclic group. Let us denote by  $h$  a generator of this group obtained as follows. Choose a point  $p \in E$  and a local transverse disc  $\Sigma$  to  $E$  centered at  $p$ . Then denote by  $h: (\Sigma, p) \rightarrow (\Sigma, p)$  the holonomy map corresponding to the equator  $\gamma = M^2 \cap E$ . Notice that, since  $E$  is invariant by  $\mathcal{F}^*$ , the equator  $\gamma$  corresponds to a compact leaf (periodic orbit) of the induced foliation in  $M^2$ . Because the leaves of  $\mathcal{F}^*$  in  $M^2$  are all compact in a neighborhood of  $\gamma$ , this implies that the holonomy map (Poincaré map) corresponding to  $\gamma$  regarding  $\mathcal{F}^*|_{M^2}$  is a periodic map of order two. Thus the  $\mathcal{F}^*$ -holonomy map  $h$  admits a real analytic curve  $\gamma \cap \Sigma$  where its orbits are periodic of period  $\leq 2$ . Since  $\gamma$  contains the origin,  $h$  is a periodic map of period 2. This implies, by standard methods described in [8], that the foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  admits a holomorphic first integral. Now we claim that this first integral is of the form  $fg$ , where  $f, g \in \mathcal{O}_2$  are irreducible and reduced and, up to reordering  $f$  and  $g$ , we must have  $x|f$  and  $y|g$  in  $\mathcal{O}_2$ . This is not difficult to see since  $\mathcal{F}$  has a Siegel type singularity at the origin, of the form  $d(xy) + \tilde{\omega} = 0$  and this implies that there are exactly two (transverse) separatrices through the singular point at the origin. These separatrices are given by given  $(xy = 0)$ . Since  $(f = 0)$  and  $(g = 0)$  correspond to separatrices of  $\mathcal{F}$  the result follows.

### 3 Proof of Theorem 1.2

Let us first state a few lemmas we shall need. First, we recall that given a topological space  $X$ , a point  $p \in X$  and  $h: U \rightarrow h(U) \subset X$  a homeomorphism between  $U$  and  $h(U)$  open subsets of  $X$ , such that  $h(p) = p$ , we can define the *pseudo-orbit* of a point  $q \in U$  as the set of all possible iterates  $h^n(q) \in U$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We shall say that the pseudo-orbit of  $q \in U$  is *closed in  $U$*  if its a closed subset of  $U$  in the classical sense of topology. This means either of the following. There are only finitely many possible iterates of  $q$  or if any point  $z \in U$  which is a limit of a sequence of iterates  $z = \lim h^{k_j}(q)$  of some point  $q \in U$ , with  $k_j \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lim k_j = \infty$  then  $z$  belongs to the pseudo-orbit. Using representatives we shall state similar notions for germs of homeomorphisms with a fixed point. For the case of a complex diffeomorphism map germ, we have:

**Lemma 3.1** *Let  $h \in \text{Diff}(\mathbb{C}, 0)$  be a germ of holomorphic diffeomorphism tangent to the identity, i.e.,  $h(z) = z + a_{k+1}z^{k+1} + \dots$ . Assume that there is a real analytic invariant curve  $\gamma$  through the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}$  such that the pseudo-orbits of  $h$  in  $\gamma$  are closed. Then  $h$  is the identity.*

**Proof of the lemma** We use the well-known topological description of the germs tangent to the identity in dimension one due to Camacho [2] and Leau [7]. From this description, if the map is not the identity the only invariant curves through the origin where the orbits are closed are the trivial ones, i.e, the origin itself.  $\square$

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a real analytic codimension one foliation with singularities in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . This means that  $\mathcal{F}$  is defined by a real analytic 1-form  $\omega = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j(x)dx_j$ , defined in a neighborhood of the origin, and satisfying the integrability condition  $\omega \wedge d\omega = 0$ . We consider the complexification of  $\mathcal{F}$  which we denote by  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . This is a codimension one holomorphic foliation with singularity, defined in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$  by the complexification  $\omega_{\mathbb{C}}$  of the form  $\omega$ . In complex coordinates  $(z_1, \dots, z_n)$ , we can write  $z_j = x_j + iy_j$  and  $\omega_{\mathbb{C}} = d(\sum_{j=1}^n z_j^2) + \tilde{\omega}_{\mathbb{C}}$  for some 1-form  $\tilde{\omega}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with zero first jet at the origin. Now we consider the real space  $\mathbb{R}^n \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  given by  $y_j = 0$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .

The next result is a well-known easy to prove lemma:

**Lemma 3.2** *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a real analytic foliation in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  whose complexification  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  admits a holomorphic first integral. Then  $\mathcal{F}$  admits a real analytic first integral, defined in some neighborhood of the origin. Indeed, there is a real analytic first integral  $f$  for  $\mathcal{F}$  such that the complexification  $f_{\mathbb{C}}$  of  $f$  is a holomorphic first integral for  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$ .*

The main point is the following:

**Lemma 3.3** *Let  $X$  be a real analytic vector field in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , having an isolated singularity at the origin and linear part at this singularity given by  $DX(0) = x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} - x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}$ . Assume also that the orbits of  $X$  are closed (in the classical sense of topology) in some neighborhood of the origin. Then these orbits are periodic in some neighborhood of the origin and the origin is a center type singularity for  $X$ .*

**Proof** The complexification  $X_{\mathbb{C}}$  of  $X$  is a complex analytic vector field defined in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ . In complex affine coordinates  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2$  we have  $X_{\mathbb{C}} = x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + X_2$  where  $X_2$  has a zero-order one jet at the origin. Then  $X_{\mathbb{C}}$  generates a holomorphic foliation  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  with an isolated Siegel type singularity at the origin, of the form  $x dx + y dy + \dots = 0$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is in the Siegel domain and we may assume that the coordinate axes are invariant [8]. In this case the quadratic blow-up of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  at the origin induces a foliation  $(\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}})^*$  in the blow-up space  $\mathbb{C}_0^2$  which leaves invariant the exceptional divisor  $E \simeq \mathbb{C}P(1)$  and has exactly two singularities, the north and south poles, in  $E$ , both of Siegel type. The equator  $\gamma$  generates the projective holonomy of  $E$  relatively to  $(\mathcal{F})^*$  via a germ of a holomorphic diffeomorphism  $h(z) = e^{i\pi}z + \dots$ . This map  $h$  once evaluated in a suitable transverse disc  $\Sigma \simeq \mathbb{D}$  centered at some point  $p \in \gamma$  and transverse to  $E$ , leaves invariant a real analytic curve  $\Gamma \subset \Sigma$ , corresponding to the intersection of the inverse image of the real plane  $\mathbb{R}^2 : (\text{Im}(x) = \text{Im}(y) = 0)$  with the transverse section  $\Sigma$ . Restricted to  $\Gamma$  the pseudo-orbits of  $h$  are closed. This does not mean that the trajectories of  $X$  are periodic. Now applying Lemma 3.1 we conclude that  $h$  is periodic of period two. From Mattei–Moussu’s theorem [8, page 473] the foliation  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  admits a holomorphic first integral in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ . From Lemma 3.2, we conclude that the vector field  $X$  admits an analytic first integral. Let us denote by  $f : U, 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, 0$  an analytic first integral of  $X$ . This means that  $X(f) = 0$ , i.e.,  $f$  is constant on each orbit of  $X$  in  $V$ . Thanks to the linear part of  $X$  we may assume that  $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 +$  higher order terms and thanks to Morse lemma we conclude that the origin is a center singularity for  $X$ .  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.2** As mentioned in the introduction, the main point is (i)  $\implies$  (ii). Let us then assume that the leaves are closed in some small neighborhood of the origin. According to Lemma 3.3 the origin is a center singularity. Evoking then Lyapunov–Poincaré theorem (Theorem 1.1), we conclude that  $\mathcal{F}$  admits a real analytic first integral.  $\square$

**Proof of Corollary 1.3** Lemma 3.3 shows that (i)  $\implies$  (ii). Theorem 1.1 shows that (ii)  $\implies$  (iii). Classical Morse lemma shows that (iii)  $\implies$  (iv). Finally, (iv)  $\implies$  (i) is straightforward from the fact that the linear part of  $X$  admits the first integral  $x_1^2 + x_2^2$ .  $\square$

## 4 Proof of Theorem A

We now have a codimension one real analytic singular foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  defined in a neighborhood  $U$  of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n, n \geq 3$ . We assume that  $\mathcal{F}$  is of the form  $\omega = 0$ , where  $\omega$  is integrable real analytic and writes as  $\omega = d(\sum_{j=1}^r x_j^2) + \tilde{\omega}$  where the first jet of  $\tilde{\omega}$  at the origin is zero. A first remark is that we may suppose  $r \leq n - 1$ . The case  $r = n$  is covered by Reeb’s theorem (Theorem B).

Let us prove (i). For this we make the following assumption:

**Assumption 4.1** We have  $r = 2$  and the leaves of  $\mathcal{F}$  are closed in some neighborhood of the origin.



We consider the complexification of  $\mathcal{F}$  which we denote by  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

**First case**  $r = 2, n = 3$ . In this case, the hypersurfaces given by  $d(\sum_{j=1}^r x_j^2) = 0$  are coaxial cylinders with axis on the  $x_3$ -axis. Let us denote by  $\mathbb{R}^2 \cong E^2 \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  a real plane given by  $x_3 = Ax_1 + Bx_2$  for some coefficients  $A, B$  such that  $E$  is in general position with respect to  $\mathcal{F}$ . For simplicity we shall write  $E = \mathbb{R}^2$ . The restriction  $\mathcal{F}|_{\mathbb{R}^2}$  is then a foliation with an isolated singularity at the origin and given by a 1-form  $d(x_1^2 + x_2^2) + \dots = 0$ . Moreover, by hypothesis the leaves are closed so that by Theorem 1.2, we know that  $\mathcal{F}|_{\mathbb{R}^2}$  admits a real analytic first integral, indeed, it is analytically linearizable. Let us denote by  $h: (\mathbb{R}^2, 0) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, 0)$  a quadratic first integral for  $\mathcal{F}|_{\mathbb{R}^2}$  defined in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Then the complexification  $h_{\mathbb{C}}$  of  $h$  is a holomorphic first integral for the complexification of  $\mathcal{F}|_{\mathbb{R}^2}$  to  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Since the operators “restriction” and “complexification” commute, we know that the restriction of the complexification  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  to  $\mathbb{C}^2$  is the complexification of the restriction  $\mathcal{F}|_{\mathbb{R}^2}$ . Thus, we have shown that  $\mathcal{F}|_{\mathbb{C}^2}$  admits a holomorphic first integral.

For a suitable choice of the plane  $E : x_3 = Ax_1 + Bx_2$ , we may assume that:

**Assumption 4.2** Assume that the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^3$  obtained from  $E$  is in general position with respect to  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

For simplicity of ideas, if  $E = \mathbb{R}^2$  is given by  $x_3 = 0$ , then  $\mathbb{C}^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^3$  above mentioned is given by  $z_3 = 0$ .

Under the above assumption, according to [8], the existence of a holomorphic first integral in  $\mathbb{C}^2$  assures the existence of a holomorphic first integral for  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^3$ . This completes this part.

Now we consider the remaining case for  $r = 2$ , i.e.,  $n \geq 3$ . Let us for instance assume that  $n = 4$ . Given a generic linearly embedded hyperplane  $\mathbb{R}^3 \cong E^3 \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ , given by some equation  $x_4 = Ax_1 + Bx_2 + Cx_3$  for generic coefficients  $A, B, C$  we may consider the restriction  $\mathcal{F}|_E$ . This foliation in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is subject to the already considered case  $r = 2, n = 3$ . Thus, we may conclude that  $\mathcal{F}|_E$  admits an analytic first integral defined in some neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in E \cong \mathbb{R}^3$ . By Lemma 3.2, the complexification  $(\mathcal{F}|_E)_{\mathbb{C}}$  of this foliation, is a foliation in neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^3 \subset \mathbb{C}^4$ , and this foliation germ admits a holomorphic first integral. Let us denote, as usual, by  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  the complexification of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Moreover, as already observed, we have  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}|_{\mathbb{C}^3} = (\mathcal{F}|_{\mathbb{R}^3})_{\mathbb{C}}$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is the extension to  $\mathbb{C}^4$  of the complexification of the restriction of  $\mathcal{F}$  to  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . In particular, the restriction of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  to  $\mathbb{C}^3$  admits a holomorphic first integral. The plane  $\mathbb{C}^3$  may be assumed to be in general position with respect to  $\mathcal{F}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^4$ . Hence, according to [8], the existence of a holomorphic first integral for  $(\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}})|_{\mathbb{C}^3}$  implies the existence of a holomorphic first integral for  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  in some neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^4$ . By Lemma 3.2, the foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  admits a real analytic first integral in some neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^4$ . The case  $n \geq 5$  follows from this type argument in an induction process. This ends the proof of (i).

Let us now prove (ii). We consider first the case  $3 \leq r = n - 1$ . Let us start with the case  $r = 3$  and  $n = 4$ . The corresponding linear foliation has leaves diffeomorphic to the cylinder  $S^2 \times \mathbb{R}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Moreover, the original foliation is given by a 1-form

$\omega = d(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2) + \tilde{\omega}(x_1, \dots, x_4)$ . The procedure is pretty similar to the one adopted for the case  $r = 2$  and  $n = 3$ . Indeed, we consider a hyperplane  $\mathbb{R}^3 \cong E \subset \mathbb{R}^4$  in general position with respect to  $\mathcal{F}$ , given by  $x_4 = a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3$  for some suitable choice of  $a_1, a_2, a_3$ . The restriction  $\mathcal{F}|_E$  is then a foliation given by a 1-form  $\omega = d(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2) + \tilde{\omega}(x_1, \dots, x_4)$ . Then Reeb’s theorem (Theorem B) implies that  $\mathcal{F}|_E$  admits an analytic first integral in some neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in E \cong \mathbb{R}^3$ . By arguments already explicit above, i.e. applying Lemma 3.2 and the extension result in [8] (page 471), this implies that  $\mathcal{F}$  admits a real analytic first integral in a neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^4$ . Proceeding by induction we conclude that the theorem holds for the case  $r = n - 1$ .

Let us now consider the remaining cases: **assume**  $3 \leq r \leq n - 2$ . To make clear the ideas we consider the case  $r = 3$  and  $n = 5$ . The corresponding linear foliation has leaves diffeomorphic to the cylinder  $S^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$  in  $\mathbb{R}^5$ . Moreover, the original foliation is given by a 1-form  $\omega = d(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2) + \tilde{\omega}(x_1, \dots, x_5)$ . The procedure is pretty similar to the one adopted for the case  $r = 2$  and  $n = 3$ . We consider a hyperplane  $\mathbb{R}^4 \cong E \subset \mathbb{R}^5$  in general position with respect to  $\mathcal{F}$ , given by  $x_5 = a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3 + a_4x_4$  for some suitable choice of  $a_1, \dots, a_4$ . This restriction  $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}$  is given by a 1-form  $\tilde{\omega} = d(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2) + \tilde{\omega}(x_1, \dots, x_4)$ . Then by the case  $r = n - 1$  we conclude that  $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}$  admits a real analytic first integral in some neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^4$ . By the same extension arguments recurrently used we conclude that  $\mathcal{F}$  admits a real analytic first integral in some neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^5$ . The general case is proved in a similar way by induction. This ends the proof of (ii).

### 5 Proof of Theorem C

**Proof of Theorem C** The complexification  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  is a germ of a holomorphic codimension one foliation at the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . This is given by the complex 1-form  $\omega_{\mathbb{C}}$  obtained as the complexification of the form  $\omega$ . Hence, we have  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}} : \omega_{\mathbb{C}} = 0$  for  $\omega_{\mathbb{C}} = dP_{\mathbb{C}} + P_{\mathbb{C}}\tilde{\omega}_{\mathbb{C}}$ , where  $\tilde{\omega}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is the complexification of  $\tilde{\omega}$  and  $P_{\mathbb{C}} = \sum_{j=1}^r z_j^d$  is the complex Pham–Brieskorn homogeneous polynomial corresponding to  $P$ .

We first observe that  $\omega \wedge dP = P\tilde{\omega} \wedge dP + P^2\tilde{\omega} \wedge d\tilde{\omega}$ . The same holds for the complexifications  $\omega_{\mathbb{C}} \wedge dP_{\mathbb{C}} = P_{\mathbb{C}}\tilde{\omega}_{\mathbb{C}} \wedge dP_{\mathbb{C}} + P_{\mathbb{C}}^2\tilde{\omega}_{\mathbb{C}} \wedge d\tilde{\omega}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Hence, by the classical Darboux–Jouanolou criterion, the hypersurface  $(P_{\mathbb{C}} = 0) \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  is invariant by  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Moreover, the first homogeneous jet of  $\omega_{\mathbb{C}}$  is  $dP_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Let us consider the blow-up at the origin of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  as the map  $\sigma : \tilde{\mathbb{C}}_0^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ , with exceptional divisor  $E = \sigma^{-1}(0) \subset \tilde{\mathbb{C}}_0^n$  isomorphic to the projective space  $\mathbb{C}P(n - 1)$ . The inverse image of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is the foliation  $(\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}})^* = \sigma^*(\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}})$ . Denote by  $R = \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j}$  the Euler vector field. Let us write  $\omega_{\mathbb{C}} = \sum_{j=\nu}^{\infty} \omega_j$  in a series of degree  $j \geq \nu$  homogeneous 1-forms with  $\omega_{\nu} \neq 0$ . We shall say that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is *non-dicritical* if  $P_{\nu+1} := \omega_{\nu}(R)$  is non-identically zero in which case it is a homogeneous polynomial of degree  $\nu + 1$ . If this is the case then the exceptional divisor  $E$  is invariant by  $(\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}})^*$  and the singular set  $\text{sing}((\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}})^*) \cap E$  is called *tangent cone* of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  denoted by  $C(\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}})$ . In the non-dicritical case, the tangent cone is the projective hypersurface  $(P_{\nu+1} = 0) \subset E \simeq \mathbb{C}P(n - 1)$ . □

We claim:

**Claim 5.1**  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is non-dicritical and has an irreducible tangent cone.

**Proof** We have  $\omega_{\mathbb{C}} = dP_{\mathbb{C}} + P_{\mathbb{C}}\tilde{\omega}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Since  $P_{\mathbb{C}}$  is homogeneous, we conclude that the first homogeneous jet of  $\omega_{\mathbb{C}}$  is  $\omega_{\nu} = dP_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $\nu = d - 1$ . Hence,  $\omega_{\nu}(R) = dP_{\mathbb{C}}(R) = d \cdot P_{\mathbb{C}} = (\nu + 1)P_{\mathbb{C}}$  using the classical Euler identity for homogeneous polynomials. Hence, using the above notation, we have  $P_{\nu+1} = (\nu + 1)P_{\mathbb{C}}$  which is not identically zero. This shows that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is non-dicritical and its tangent cone is the projective hypersurface  $(P_{\mathbb{C}} = 0) \subset \mathbb{C}P(n - 1)$ . Since  $P_{\mathbb{C}}$  is the complex homogeneous Pham–Brieskorn polynomial in variables  $(z_1, \dots, z_r)$  and  $r \geq 3$ , which is well known to be irreducible, we conclude that the tangent cone of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is irreducible.

We can now apply the main result in [4], i.e., since the degree of the tangent cone is  $\nu + 1 = p^s$  for some prime  $p$ , we conclude that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{C}}$  admits a holomorphic first integral in some neighborhood of the origin of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . This implies that the foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  admits an analytic first integral in some neighborhood of the origin  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  (Lemma 3.2).  $\square$

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