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# Cantor family of superstable manifolds of a double root in the dynamics of Newton's method <sup>\*†</sup>

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## Abstract

In the local dynamics of Newton's method, a generic double root of a holomorphic function of two variables has a Cantor family of holomorphic superstable manifolds.

## 1 Introduction

The aim of this paper is to give a geometric description on the local convergence of Newton's method toward a generic multiple root  $z_0$ , in the case of a holomorphic function of two variables.

Let  $F : \mathbf{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^2$  be a holomorphic function defined locally on a neighborhood of a point  $z_0$ . Newton's method of  $F$  is the mapping  $NF(z) = z - (DF)_z^{-1}F(z)$  where  $z = (x, y) \in \mathbf{C}^2$ . If  $L : \mathbf{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^2$  is a linear automorphism, then we have  $N(L \circ F) = NF$  and  $N(F \circ L) = L^{-1} \circ NF \circ L$ . The point  $z_0$  is called a multiple root of  $F$  if  $F(z_0) = (0, 0)$  and  $\det(DF)_{z_0} = 0$ .

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Suppose that  $z_0 = (0, 0)$  is a ‘non-degenerate’ multiple root, that is,  $F$  is written, after a linear coordinate change, by

$$F(z) = \left( x + a_2x^2 + a_1xy + a_0y^2 + O(\|z\|^3), y^2 - x^2 + O(\|z\|^3) \right) \quad (1)$$

where  $\|z\| = \max(|x|, |y|)$  is the box norm. Suppose furthermore that

$$a_2 + a_0 \neq \pm a_1. \quad (2)$$

We are going to show the followings. There exists a neighborhood  $\mathbf{K} \ni z_0$  that is divided into three subsets

$$\mathbf{K} \setminus \{z_0\} = A \cup B \cup C \quad (3)$$

where

- $A$  is called an attracting set.  $NF(A) \subset A$ . For each  $z \in A$ , we have  $\|(NF)^{n+1}(z)\| / \|(NF)^n(z)\| \rightarrow 1/2$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .
- $B$  is called a bursting set.  $B = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n$  where  $B_0 = (NF|_{\mathbf{K}})^{-1}(\mathbf{C}^2 \setminus \mathbf{K})$ ,  $B_n = (NF|_{\mathbf{K}})^{-n}(B_0)$ . The image  $(NF)^{n+1}(B_n)$  is unbounded. Each  $B_n$  consists of  $2^n$  components.
- $C$  is called a chaotic set, or a Cantor family of holomorphic superstable manifolds. There exist constants  $0 < c_1 < c_2$  such that  $c_1|x|^2 \leq \|NF(z)\| \leq c_2|x|^2$  for each  $z \in C$ .

Section 2 gives the decomposition (3). A keypoint is that the multiple root  $z_0$  of  $F$  is an indeterminate point of  $NF$ . By choosing appropriate coordinates, we find a local blow-up transformation that is defined on a pair of polydiscs and is mapped to an unbounded region transversing themselves. Section 3 studies such a mapping, which we call a critical ‘dango’ (or ‘barbecue’) transformation.

By the  $C^r$  center manifold theorem (see [2]), we know that there exists a  $C^r$  invariant manifold of  $z_0$  in the attracting set  $A$ , but its analyticity is not known. In section 4 we consider this problem in a general situation.

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## 2 A multiple root in Newton's method

Here we give the decomposition (3).

Newton's method of  $F$  as in (1) is written by

$$(X, Y) = NF(z) = \left( \frac{h_1(z)}{2y + h_0(z)}, \frac{y^2 - x^2 + h_2(z)}{2y + h_0(z)} \right) \quad (4)$$

where  $h_0 = O(\|z\|^2)$ ,  $h_1 = a_1x^3 + 2(a_2 + a_0)x^2y + a_1xy^2 + O(\|z\|^4)$ , and  $h_2 = O(\|z\|^3)$ . Let  $c_{20}$  be the coefficient of  $x^2$  in  $h_0$ .

Given  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ , let  $A_0 = \{|x| < \varepsilon|y|\}$ ,  $B'_0 = \{|y| < \varepsilon|x|\}$ , and  $C_0 = C_0^+ \cup C_0^- = \{|y - x| < \varepsilon|x|\} \cup \{|y + x| < \varepsilon|x|\}$ . Given  $\varepsilon' > 0$  and  $0 < \delta < \varepsilon^2/4$ , there exists a  $0 < \rho \leq 1/(3\varepsilon')$  such that (i)  $|h_0| < \delta\|z\|$ ,  $|h_1| < \delta\|z\|^2$ , and  $|h_2| < \delta\|z\|^2$  in  $\mathbf{K} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{C}^2 \mid |x| < \delta\rho, |y| < \rho\}$ , and (ii)  $|y^2 + h_2| < \frac{1}{3}|x|^2$  and  $|h_0 - c_{20}x^2| < \varepsilon'|x|^2$  in  $B''_0 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{K} \mid |2y + c_{20}x^2| < \varepsilon'|x|^2\}$ .

**Lemma 1**  $B''_0 \subset B_0 \subset B'_0 \cap \mathbf{K}$ .

(proof) If  $(x, y) \in \mathbf{K} \setminus B'_0$  we have

$$|X| = \left| \frac{h_1}{2y + h_0} \right| < \frac{\delta\rho^2}{2\rho - \delta\rho} < \delta\rho,$$

$$|Y| = \left| \frac{y^2 - x^2 + h_2}{2y + h_0} \right| < \frac{\rho^2 + \delta^2\rho^2 + \delta\rho^2}{2\rho - \delta\rho} < \rho.$$

Thus  $NF(x, y) \in \mathbf{K}$ . For  $(x, y) \in B''_0$ , we have

$$|Y| > \frac{|x|^2 - \frac{1}{3}|x|^2}{\varepsilon'|x|^2 + \varepsilon'|x|^2} \geq \rho.$$

(qed)

**Lemma 2**  $NF(\mathbf{K} \setminus C_0) \subset A_0$ .

(proof) If  $(x, y) \notin C_0$ , we have  $|y^2 - x^2| > \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\|z\|^2$  and

$$\left| \frac{X}{Y} \right| = \left| \frac{h_1}{y^2 - x^2 + h_2} \right| \leq \frac{\delta\|z\|^2}{\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon\|z\|^2 - \delta\|z\|^2} < \varepsilon.$$

(qed)

By this Lemma,  $B_n \subset C_0$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Define  $C = \bigcap_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n$ ,  $C_n = (NF|_{\mathbf{K}})^{-n}(C_0)$ , and  $A = N \setminus (B \cup C) = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} (NF|_{\mathbf{K}})^{-n}(A_0)$ .

In the following three subsections, we describe the sub-dynamics in  $A_0$ ,  $B_0$ , and  $C_0$ .

## 2.1 Attracting set

Here we consider the dynamics in  $A_0$ . Let  $(x, y) = \phi(u, v) = (uv, v)$ ,  $(U, V) = (U_1, V_1)$  where  $(U_n, V_n) = (\phi^{-1} \circ NF \circ \phi)^n(u, v)$ . Both  $U$  and  $V$  are divisible by  $v$ , and  $(U/v, V/v)|_{(u,v)=(0,0)} = (0, 1/2)$ . Thus by the standard argument similar to Schröder's equation (see [1]),  $\varphi = \varphi(u, v) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n V_n = v + \dots$  is uniformly convergent in a neighborhood of  $(u, v) = (0, 0)$ . Since  $\varphi/v$  is holomorphic around the origin  $(u, v) = (0, 0)$ ,  $U$  is divisible by  $\varphi$ , and  $\psi = U/\varphi$  is also holomorphic. By the new coordinates  $(\xi, \eta) = (u, \varphi)$ , we obtain the dynamics

$$(\xi, \eta) \mapsto (\eta\psi(\xi, \eta), \eta/2). \quad (5)$$

By the  $C^r$  center manifold theorem (see [2], Appendix III), we know that there exists a  $C^r$  differentiable function  $\xi = \sigma(\eta) = \sigma(\text{re}(\eta), \text{im}(\eta))$  around the origin, whose graph is invariant under the dynamics (5). In section 4, we consider the problem whether this invariant manifold is holomorphic, in a general context.

## 2.2 Bursting set

**Lemma 3** *The image  $NF(B_0'') \subset NF(B_0)$  is unbounded.*

(proof) Given any  $0 < \varepsilon'' < \varepsilon'$ , take a point  $z \in B_0''$  such that  $|2y + c_{20}x^2| < \varepsilon''|x|^2$  and  $|h_0 - c_{20}x^2| < \varepsilon''|x|^2$ . Then we have

$$|Y| \geq \frac{|x|^2 - \frac{1}{3}|x|^2}{\varepsilon''|x|^2 + \varepsilon''|x|^2} = \frac{1}{3\varepsilon''}.$$

(qed)

As a description by coordinate geometry, let  $(u, v) = (x, y/x^2)$  and  $(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Z}) = (X/Y, 1/Y)$ . Then  $(u, v) = (0, v)$  is mapped to  $(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Z}) = (0, -2v - c_{20})$ . If  $a_1 \neq 0$ , this is a local diffeomorphism around each  $(u, v) = (0, v)$ .

### 2.3 Chaotic set

In (4), choose the coordinates  $(u, v) = (x, y/x)$ ,  $(U, V) = (X, X/Y)$ . Let  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  be neighborhoods of  $(u, v) = q_1 = (0, 1)$  and  $q_2 = (0, -1)$  respectively. Let  $K$  be a neighborhood of the line  $u = 0$ . Around each  $q_i$ , the mapping  $(u, v) \mapsto (\sqrt{U}, \sqrt{UV})$  is a local diffeomorphism with

$$\left. \frac{\partial(\sqrt{U}, \sqrt{UV})}{\partial(u, v)} \right|_{(u,v)=(0,\pm 1)} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\pm \frac{1}{2}(a_2 + a_0 \pm a_1)} & 0 \\ * & \sqrt{\pm 2(a_2 + a_0 \pm a_1)^{-1}} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\sqrt{U}$  is any branch. Thus we can apply Theorem 4, given in Section 3, to the local dynamics  $K_1 \cup K_2 \rightarrow K$  to obtain the Cantor family of holomorphic curves  $\sigma : \Sigma(2) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}_1 \cup \mathbf{H}_2$ . By re-choosing  $\delta$  sufficiently small if necessary, we obtain the chaotic set  $C$  as the graph  $G(\sigma)$ .

## 3 Cantor family of superstable manifolds

Here we give a prototype of a local dynamics that makes a Cantor family of holomorphic superstable manifolds. Let  $i, j = 1, 2$  throughout this section.

Let  $\pi(u, v) = (u, uv)$  and  $\text{sq}(u, v) = (u^2, v)$  be mappings of  $\mathbf{C}^2$ . Let  $K_0$  be a neighborhood of the origin in  $\mathbf{C}^2$ , and let  $K = \pi^{-1}(K_0)$ . Consider two points  $q_i = (0, \alpha_i)$  and their neighborhoods  $K_i \ni q_i$ . Let  $g_i : K_0 \rightarrow K_i$ ,  $g_i(0, 0) = q_i$ , be a biholomorphic map with its linear part  $S_i(u, v) = (a_i u + b_i v, \alpha_i + c_i u + d_i v)$ . We consider the local dynamics

$$f : K_1 \cup K_2 \rightarrow K, \quad \text{where } f|_{K_i} = \text{sq} \circ \pi^{-1} \circ g_i^{-1}.$$

(Note that the dynamics of a mapping like  $\pi^{-1} \circ g_i^{-1} : K_i \rightarrow K$  was studied in [3].)

Let  $\mathbf{B}_0 = \overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho) \times \overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, r_0) \subset \overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \sqrt{\rho}) \times \overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, r_0) \subset K_0$  be closed polydiscs where  $0 < \rho < 1$  and  $\mathbf{B}_i = \overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho) \times \overline{\mathbf{D}}(\alpha_i, r) \subset K_i$ . Let  $\mathbf{L}_i = \text{Lip}_M(\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho), \overline{\mathbf{D}}(\alpha_i, r))$  be the set of Lipschitz functions of  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho)$  to  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(\alpha_i, r)$  with Lipschitz constant  $\leq M$ , and its subset

$$\mathbf{H}_i = \left\{ \tau_i \in \mathbf{L}_i \mid \tau_i|_{\mathbf{D}(0, \rho)} \text{ is holomorphic} \right\}.$$

Let  $\Sigma(2) = \{1, 2\}^{\mathbf{N}} \ni w = w_0 w_1 \cdots$  be a Cantor set.

**Theorem 4** Suppose that  $|a_i + b_i \alpha_j| \neq 0$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2$ . There exist  $r, r_0, M > 0$ ,  $0 < \rho < 1$ , and a unique embedding (homeomorphism onto its image)  $\sigma : \Sigma(2) \rightarrow \mathbf{H}_1 \cup \mathbf{H}_2$  such that

1.  $\text{graph}(\sigma(w)) \cap \text{graph}(\sigma(w')) = \{q_{w_0}\}$  for any  $w, w' \in \Sigma(2)$  with  $w_0 = w'_0$ .
2.  $\sigma$  is invariant under  $f$ :  $\text{graph}(\sigma(w)) = \mathbf{B}_{w_0} \cap f^{-1}(\text{graph}(\sigma(s(w))))$  for each  $w \in \Sigma(2)$ .
3. The graph  $G(\sigma) = \bigcup_{w \in \Sigma(2)} \text{graph}(\sigma(w))$  is the maximal local invariant set in  $\mathbf{B}_1 \cup \mathbf{B}_2$ :  $G(\sigma) = \bigcap_{n=0}^{\infty} f^{-n}(\mathbf{B}_1 \cup \mathbf{B}_2)$ .
4.  $G(\sigma)$  is the local stable set of  $\{q_1, q_2\}$ , written by  $W_{\text{loc}}^s(\{q_1, q_2\})$ :  $f^n(z) \rightarrow \{q_1, q_2\}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for each  $z \in G(\sigma) \setminus \{q_1, q_2\}$ .
5.  $G(\sigma)$  is the local 'superstable' set of  $\{q_1, q_2\}$ : there exist constants  $0 < c_1 < c_2$  such that  $c_1 |x|^2 \leq |p_1 f(z)| \leq c_2 |x|^2$  for each  $z = (x, y) \in G(\sigma) \setminus \{q_1, q_2\}$ .

The remainder of this section is a proof of this theorem.

Let  $b = \max(|b_1|, |b_2|, |d_1|, |d_2|)$ . Given  $r > 0$  and  $M > \left| \frac{c_i + d_i \alpha_j}{a_i + b_i \alpha_j} \right|$ , there exist  $r_0 > 0$  and  $0 < \rho < 1$  that satisfy the followings:  $\sqrt{\rho}(|\alpha_i| + r) \leq r_0$ ,  $\rho M \leq r$ ,  $\delta + \sqrt{\rho} \leq |a_i + b_i \alpha_j|$ ,  $\frac{|c_i + d_i \alpha_j| + \delta}{|a_i + b_i \alpha_j| - \delta} \leq M$ ,  $\delta_2 = (\ell + b)\sqrt{\rho}(1 + M) < 1$  where  $\ell = \text{Lip}(g_i - S_i)$  is the Lipschitz constant as a mapping of  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \sqrt{\rho}) \times \overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, r_0)$  and  $\delta = \ell \max(1, |\alpha_j| + r + 2\rho^2 M) + b(r + 2\rho^2 M)$ .

Denote by  $\tau_j^*(u) = \pi(u, \tau_j(u^2))$  for  $\tau_j \in \mathbf{L}_j$ . We are going to define the graph transform

$$\Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j) = p_2 g_i \tau_j^* (p_1 g_i \tau_j^*)^{-1}.$$

**Lemma 5**  $\Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j) : \overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  is well-defined.

(proof) As a function of  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \sqrt{\rho})$ , we have

$$\text{Lip}(u \mapsto u(\tau_j(u^2) - \alpha_j)) \leq r + 2\rho^2 M.$$

Let  $\tau_{j0} \in \mathbf{L}_j$  be the constant function  $\tau_{j0}(u) = \alpha_j$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ . Then, as a function of  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \sqrt{\rho})$ , we have  $\text{Lip}(\tau_j^*) \leq \max(1, |\alpha_j| + r + 2\rho^2 M)$ ,  $\text{Lip}(p_k S_i \tau_j^* -$

$p_k S_i \tau_{j0}^* \leq b(r + 2\rho^2 M)$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Lip}(p_k g_i \tau_j^* - p_k S_i \tau_{j0}^*) \\ & \leq \text{Lip}(p_k g_i \tau_j^* - p_k S_i \tau_j^*) + \text{Lip}(p_k S_i \tau_j^* - p_k S_i \tau_{j0}^*) \\ & = \delta. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $p_1 S_i \tau_{j0}^*(u) = (a_i + b_i \alpha_j)u$  is a linear mapping with  $|a_i + b_i \alpha_j| > \delta$ , the Lipschitz Inverse Function Theorem ([2], Appendix I) can be applied. The mapping  $p_1 g_i \tau_j^*$  is a homeomorphism of  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \sqrt{\rho})$  onto its image, with

$$\text{Lip}([p_1 g_i \tau_j^*]^{-1}) \leq (|a_i + b_i \alpha_j| - \delta)^{-1}.$$

Thus the image contains  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \sqrt{\rho}(|a_i + b_i \alpha_j| - \delta)) \supset \overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho)$ . (qed)

**Lemma 6**  $\Gamma_{g_i} : \mathbf{L}_1 \cup \mathbf{L}_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{L}_i$  is well-defined.

(proof) As a mapping on  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Lip}([p_1 g_i \tau_j^*]^{-1} - [p_1 S_i \tau_{j0}^*]^{-1}) \\ & \leq \text{Lip}([p_1 g_i \tau_j^*]^{-1}) \text{Lip}(p_1 g_i \tau_j^* - p_1 S_i \tau_{j0}^*) \text{Lip}([p_1 S_i \tau_{j0}^*]^{-1}) \\ & \leq \frac{\delta}{(|a_i + b_i \alpha_j| - \delta) |a_i + b_i \alpha_j|}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lip}(\Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j) - \Gamma_{S_i}(\tau_{j0})) & \leq \text{Lip}(p_2 g_i \tau_j^* - p_2 S_i \tau_{j0}^*) \text{Lip}([p_1 g_i \tau_j^*]^{-1}) \\ & \quad + \text{Lip}(p_2 S_i \tau_{j0}^*) \text{Lip}([p_1 g_i \tau_j^*]^{-1} - [p_1 S_i \tau_{j0}^*]^{-1}) \\ & \leq \frac{\delta}{|a_i + b_i \alpha_j| - \delta} \left( 1 + \left| \frac{c_i + d_i \alpha_j}{a_i + b_i \alpha_j} \right| \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\Gamma_{S_i}(\tau_{j0})(u) = \alpha_j + (c_i + d_i \alpha_j)(a_i + b_i \alpha_j)^{-1}u$ , we have

$$\text{Lip}(\Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j)) \leq \text{Lip}(\Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j) - \Gamma_{S_i}(\tau_{j0})) + \text{Lip}(\Gamma_{S_i}(\tau_{j0})) \leq M.$$

We also have  $\Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j)(0) = \alpha_i$  and  $\rho M \leq r$ , so  $\Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j) \in \mathbf{L}_i$ . (qed)

**Lemma 7**  $\Gamma_{g_i} : \mathbf{L}_1 \cup \mathbf{L}_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{L}_i$  is a contraction:

$$\|\Gamma_{g_i}(\tau'_j) - \Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j)\| \leq \delta_2 \|\tau'_j - \tau_j\|, \quad \tau_j, \tau'_j \in \mathbf{L}_j,$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  denotes the sup norm of a function on  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho)$ .



(proof) For a point  $(u, v) \in \overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \sqrt{\rho}) \times \overline{\mathbf{D}}(\alpha_i, r)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| p_k g_i \pi(u, v) - p_k g_i \pi(u, \tau_j(u^2)) \right| \\ & \leq \text{Lip}(p_k) \text{Lip}(g_i - S_i) \left| \pi(u, v) - \pi(u, \tau_j(u^2)) \right| \\ & \quad + \left| p_k S_i \pi(u, v) - p_k S_i \pi(u, \tau_j(u^2)) \right| \\ & \leq (\ell + b) \sqrt{\rho} \left| v - \tau_j(u^2) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $p_2 g_i \pi(u, \tau_j(u^2)) = \Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j)(p_1 g_i \pi(u, \tau_j(u^2)))$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| p_2 g_i \pi(u, v) - \Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j)(p_1 g_i \pi(u, v)) \right| \\ & \leq \left| p_2 g_i \pi(u, v) - p_2 g_i \pi(u, \tau_j(u^2)) \right| \\ & \quad + \text{Lip}(\Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j)) \left| p_1 g_i \pi(u, \tau_j(u^2)) - p_1 g_i \pi(u, v) \right| \\ & \leq \delta_2 \left| v - \tau_j(u^2) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $v = \tau_j'(u^2)$  and  $u' = p_1 g_i \pi(u, \tau_j'(u^2))$  to obtain

$$\left| \Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j')(u') - \Gamma_{g_i}(\tau_j)(u') \right| \leq \delta_2 \left| \tau_j'(u^2) - \tau_j(u^2) \right|.$$

If  $u^2$  runs in  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho)$ ,  $u'$  runs in a region containing  $\overline{\mathbf{D}}(0, \rho)$ . (qed)

Two contraction mappings  $\Gamma_{g_i} : \mathbf{L}_1 \cup \mathbf{L}_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{L}_i$  makes a homeomorphism (onto its image)  $\sigma : \Sigma(2) \rightarrow \mathbf{L}_1 \cup \mathbf{L}_2$  by defining

$$\sigma(w) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \Gamma_{g_{w_0}} \cdots \Gamma_{g_{w_{n-1}}}(\mathbf{L}_{w_n}).$$

Since  $\Gamma_{g_i}(\mathbf{H}_1 \cup \mathbf{H}_2) \subset \mathbf{H}_i$ , we have  $\sigma(\Sigma(2)) \subset \mathbf{H}_1 \cup \mathbf{H}_2$ . All the properties 1–5 are now clear from the construction of  $\sigma$ .

## 4 Invariant curve in the attracting set

In this section we consider the local dynamics  $z = (x, y) \mapsto F(z) = (yf(z), \lambda y)$  where  $f(0) = 0$  and  $0 < |\lambda| < 1$ , defined in a neighborhood of the origin. Our problem is the existence of a local holomorphic curve  $x = \sigma(y)$  passing through the origin, forward invariant under  $F$ . If there exists such a  $x = \sigma(y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n y^n$ , then it has to satisfy the functional equation

$$yf(\sigma(y), y) = \sigma(\lambda y) \tag{6}$$

so that the coefficients  $c_n$  are uniquely determined.

**Proposition 8** *If  $f(z) = ax + by$  is a linear function with  $b \neq 0$ , there exists no invariant holomorphic curve  $x = \sigma(y)$  that passes through the origin.*

(proof) From (6), we obtain  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_2\lambda = b$  and  $c_{n+1}\lambda^n = ac_n$ ,  $n \geq 2$ . Thus  $c_n = \lambda^{-n(n-1)/2}a^{n-2}b$ , and the radius of convergence of  $\sigma$  is equal to 0. (qed)

**Proposition 9** *For any holomorphic function  $\sigma(y) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_n y^n$  there exists an  $f$  such that the graph  $x = \sigma(y)$  is invariant under  $F$ .*

(proof)  $f(x, y) = x - \sigma(y) + \sigma(\lambda y)/y$  for instance. (qed)

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