

# Linearization of Normally Hyperbolic Diffeomorphisms and Flows

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## 1. Introduction

In this paper we linearize a diffeomorphism near an invariant submanifold in the presence of normal hyperbolicity.

**Definition.** *If  $f: M \rightarrow M$  is a  $C^1$  diffeomorphism of a Riemannian manifold  $M$  leaving invariant the compact  $C^1$  submanifold  $V$ ,  $f|V = V$ , then  $f$  is normally hyperbolic at  $V$  provided that its tangent  $Tf: T_V M \rightarrow T_V M$  leaves invariant a continuous splitting  $T_V M = N^u \oplus TV \oplus N^s$  and*

- (a)  $m(N^u f) > \|Vf\|$ ,
- (b)  $\|N^s f\| < m(Vf)$

where  $N^u f = Tf|N^u$ ,  $Vf = Tf|TV$ ,  $N^s f = Tf|N^s$  and

$$m(N^u f) = \inf_{p \in V} \|N_p^u f^{-1}\|^{-1}, \quad \|Vf\| = \sup_{p \in V} \|V_p f\|,$$

$$\|N^s f\| = \sup_{p \in V} \|N_p^s f\|, \quad m(Vf) = \inf_{p \in V} \|V_p f^{-1}\|^{-1}.$$

See [3] where normal hyperbolicity is discussed extensively. Conditions (a), (b) mean that the normal behavior dominates the tangent behavior.

**Definition.** *A  $C^1$  flow  $\{f^t\}$  on  $M$  is normally hyperbolic at  $V$  if  $f^t|V = V$  for all  $t$  and  $f^1$  is normally hyperbolic at  $V$ .*

From [3] we know that all  $f^t$ ,  $t \neq 0$ , are normally hyperbolic at  $V$  if one, say  $f^1$ , is. The splitting  $N^u \oplus TV \oplus N^s$  is independent of  $t$ . If  $V$  is a closed orbit of the flow  $\{f^t\}$  then normal hyperbolicity at  $V$  is equivalent to genericity of  $V$  in the usual sense.

**Theorem 1.** *If  $f$  is normally hyperbolic at  $V$  then  $f$  is conjugate to  $Nf$  near  $V$ .*

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**Theorem 2.** *If  $\{f^t\}$  is normally hyperbolic at  $V$  then  $\{f^t\}$  is conjugate to  $\{Nf^t\}$  near  $V$ .*

$Nf$  is  $Tf|N^u \oplus N^s$  and the conjugacy is a homeomorphism  $h$  defined from a neighborhood of the zero section of  $NV$  to a neighborhood of  $V$  in  $M$  such that  $N(f)h = hf$ .

A conjugacy between the flows  $\{f^t\}$  and  $\{Nf^t\}$  is a single homeomorphism that conjugates each  $f^t$  to  $Nf^t$  near  $V$ .

The proofs of Theorems 1, 2 were inspired by the geometric proof of Hartman's Theorem in Palis [6] and the proofs of Hartman's Theorem for a fixed point in a Banach space Palis [5] and Pugh [8]. For Hartman's Theorem is the case  $V$  = one point in Theorems 1, 2 [1a]. Theorem 2 for the case of a closed orbit was independently proven by Irwin [4]. The techniques used to prove Theorem 2 simplify when  $V$  is a closed orbit as follows:

**Proposition.** *If  $\{f^t\}$  is normally hyperbolic at a closed orbit  $V$  then  $\{f^t\}$  is conjugate to  $\{Nf^t\}$  near  $V$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V$  have period  $\tau$ . We need only find topological disks  $D_0 \subset D$  transverse to  $V$  at  $x \in V$  such that  $f^\tau(D_0) \subset D$ , for then  $f^\tau|D_0$  is conjugate to the Poincaré transformation on a differentiably transverse disc just by following the solution curves near  $V$  and the Poincaré transformation is conjugate to  $Nf^\tau|N_x V$ . Thus there is a local conjugacy  $h: U \rightarrow D_0$ . Now we may define the conjugacy  $H$  by  $H(x) = f^\tau h Nf^{-\tau}(x)$  where  $0 \leq t < \tau$  and  $Nf^{-\tau}(x) \in D_0$ .  $H$  is defined and continuous in a neighborhood of  $V$  and  $HNf^t = f^t H$ . The existence of the topologically transverse disc is a simple application of the proof of Theorem 1, extending  $W^{uu}$  over  $W_\epsilon^{ss} x$  for  $f^\tau$ .

Takens has recently shown that a differentiable  $H$  exists generically for  $V$  a closed orbit.

For such linearization theorems, the notion of normal hyperbolicity may be unnecessarily strong. For instance, suppose  $N^u = 0$ ,  $N^s = N$  is left invariant by  $Tf$  and contracted, although perhaps not so sharply as is  $TV$ . We could then find a diffeomorphism  $g$  leaving  $V$  pointwise fixed such that  $Tg$  leaves  $NV$  invariant and contracts each fiber by constant-multiplication,  $c > 0$ . Then  $g \circ f$  would be normally hyperbolic (purely contracting) if  $c$  were small enough. Also it could be shown that  $g \circ f$  is conjugate to  $f$  near  $V$  and  $N(g \circ f)$  is conjugate to  $Nf$ . By Theorem 1,  $N(g \circ f)$  is conjugate to  $g \circ f$  near  $V$  and thus  $N(f)$  is conjugate to  $f$ . This says that in the purely contracting case, we could weaken the normal hyperbolicity assumption to "0-normal hyperbolicity": the normal behavior,  $Nf$ , dominates the zero-th power of  $Tf$  on  $TV$ . Similarly in the purely expanding case. If we try the same trick in the true hyperbolic case,  $N^u \neq 0 \neq N^s$ , we would make  $N^u g = \text{multiplication by } C > 1$ ,  $N^s g =$

multiplication by  $0 < c < 1$ , then  $g \circ f$  would be normally hyperbolic at  $V$  for  $c$  small and  $C$  large. Although it can be seen that  $N(g \circ f)$  is conjugate to  $N(f)$ , it is not clear whether  $g \circ f$  is conjugate to  $f$ .

## 2. Linearization in Banach Bundles

The proofs of Theorems 1, 2 are not so similar as we would like. Both rely on forms of Hartman's Theorem for Banach bundles, but in the flow case we prove only a purely contracting Banach bundle theorem.

**(2.1) Theorem.** *Let*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{F} & E \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & X \end{array}$$

*be a hyperbolic Banach bundle automorphism covering the homeomorphism  $f$ . Let  $F': E \rightarrow E$  be continuous and obey*

- (a)  $F'$  covers  $f$ ,
- (b)  $L(F'_x - F_x) < \mu$   $x \in X$  and  $|F'_x - F_x| < \mu$ ,
- (c)  $F'(O_x) = O_{fx}$   $x \in X$ ,

*where  $F_x, F'_x$  are  $F, F'$  restricted to the fiber over  $x$ ,  $E_x$ , and  $O_x \leftrightarrow x$  is the origin of  $E_x$ . Then  $F'$  is conjugate to  $F$ . The conjugacy leaves  $X$  pointwise fixed and preserves  $E$ -fibers. It is the unique conjugacy covering the identity map  $X \rightarrow X$  and at a finite distance from the identity map  $E \rightarrow E$ . The constant  $\mu$  is determined as in [8] by  $\mu < 1 - \tau$  where  $\tau$  is the skewness.*

*Proof.* There are two ways to produce the conjugacy  $h$  between  $F'$  and  $F$ . One may just consider the functional analytic proof of Hartman's Theorem [5, 8] and observe that at no stage does the presence of the parameter  $x \in X$  complicate the argument. Alternatively, one may let  $F, F'$  induce hyperbolic automorphisms  $F_b, F'_b$  on  $\Sigma^b E$ , the Banach space of bounded sections of  $E$ . The map  $F'_b$  is within  $\mu$  of the hyperbolic automorphism  $F_b$ . They are conjugate using Hartman's Theorem directly, say by  $H: \Sigma^b E \rightarrow \Sigma^b E$ . The characterization of  $H$  can then be used, as in [2] and the deduction of stable manifold theory for hyperbolic sets from the theory for a point in a Banach space, to conclude that  $H$  induces a conjugacy between  $F'$  and  $F$ . It is defined by

$$h(y) = H(i_x y)(x)$$

for  $y \in E_x$  and  $i_x y$  the bounded section of  $E$  which vanishes except at  $x$  when it equals  $y$ .

Though the second proof is somehow more satisfying, it is considerably longer. Both are straightforward.

The functional analytic proof of Hartman's Theorem gives uniqueness. In practice we must deal with a local situation.

**(2.2) Theorem.** *Let  $F, F'$  be as in (2.1) except that  $F'$  is defined only on  $U$ , a uniform neighborhood of a closed  $f$ -invariant subset  $X_0 \subset X$  and satisfies*

- (a)  $F'$  covers  $f$ , equaling  $f$  on  $X \cap U$ ,
- (b)  $L(F'_x - F_x) < \mu/2$   $x \in X \cap U$

*the function  $F'_x - F_x$  being defined only on  $U \cap E_x$ . Then restrictions of  $F'$  and  $F$  to neighborhoods of  $X_0$  are conjugate. The conjugacy equals the identity on  $X$  and preserves fibers.*

*Proof.* It is merely a matter of extending  $F'$ , or a restriction of  $F'$ , to all of  $E$  while preserving (a), (b). Then we apply the global Theorem (2.1) to  $F$  and this extension. The resulting conjugacy, restricted to a neighborhood of  $X_0$ , works.

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be chosen so that

$$U \supset U_\varepsilon = \{y \in E_x : d(x, X_0) \leq \varepsilon, |y| \leq \varepsilon\}$$

and let  $\varphi$  be a continuous bump function on  $X$ ,  $0 \leq \varphi \leq 1$ , vanishing off  $U \cap X$  and equalling 1 on  $U_\varepsilon \cap X$ .

Let  $\rho: E \rightarrow E(\varepsilon)$  be the radial retraction defined by

$$\rho(y) = \begin{cases} y & \text{if } |y| \leq \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon y/|y| & \text{if } |y| \geq \varepsilon. \end{cases}$$

Then define

$$\bar{F}(y) = \varphi(x) \cdot (F' - F) \circ \rho(y) + F(y)$$

for  $y \in E_x$ . When  $x \notin U$ , this makes  $\bar{F}_x = F_x$ . Note that  $\bar{F}$  covers  $f$ , equals  $F'$  on  $U_\varepsilon$ , and

$$L(\bar{F}_x - F_x) = L(\varphi(x) \cdot (F'_x - F_x) \circ \rho_x) \leq \varphi(x) L(F'_x - F_x) L(\rho_x).$$

In the next lemma, we check that  $L(\rho_x) \leq 2$ . Hence  $\bar{F}$  verifies the hypotheses of (2.1) and (2.2) is proved.

**(2.3) Lemma.**  *$L(\rho) \leq 2$  where  $\rho: E \rightarrow E(\varepsilon)$  is the radial retraction of the normed space  $E$  onto its closed  $\varepsilon$ -ball  $E(\varepsilon)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $y_1, y_2 \in E$ . We must show that

$$|\rho(y_1) - \rho(y_2)| \leq 2|y_1 - y_2|.$$

If  $y_1, y_2 \in E(\varepsilon)$  then there is nothing to prove. This leaves the cases  $|y_1| \leq \varepsilon \leq |y_2|$ ,  $\varepsilon \leq |y_1| \leq |y_2|$ . The first is a consequence of the second: a norm is continuous so there is a point  $y_3$  on the segment  $[y_1, y_2]$  having

$|y_3| = \varepsilon$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} |\rho(y_1) - \rho(y_2)| &\leq |\rho(y_1) - \rho(y_3)| + |\rho(y_3) - \rho(y_2)| \\ &\leq |y_1 - y_3| + 2|y_3 - y_2| \leq 2[|y_1 - y_3| + |y_3 - y_2|] = 2|y_1 - y_2|. \end{aligned}$$

It remains to consider:  $\varepsilon \leq |y_1| \leq |y_2|$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |\rho(y_1) - \rho(y_2)| &= \left| \frac{\varepsilon y_1}{|y_1|} - \frac{\varepsilon y_2}{|y_2|} \right| = \frac{\varepsilon}{|y_1|} \left| y_1 - \frac{|y_1|}{|y_2|} y_2 \right| \\ &\leq \left| y_1 - \frac{|y_1|}{|y_2|} y_2 \right| \leq |y_1 - y_2| + \left| y_2 - \frac{|y_1|}{|y_2|} y_2 \right| \\ &\leq |y_1 - y_2| + \left| \frac{|y_2| - |y_1|}{|y_2|} \right| |y_2| \leq 2|y_1 - y_2|. \end{aligned}$$

*Remark.* This estimate is the sharpest possible for the Lipschitz constant of  $\rho$ . For  $L(\rho) = 2$  when  $E = \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $|(x, y)| = \max(|x|, |y|)$ .

(2.4) *Note.* The hypotheses (b) of (2.2) is verified on a small enough neighborhood of  $X_0$  if

(b')  $F'_x$  is  $C^1$ , its derivative is uniformly continuous at  $X_0$ , and  $DF'_x = F'_x$  at  $X_0$ .

This differentiability of  $F'_x$  means the derivative of  $F'$  exist along fibers; its continuity at  $X_0$  means that  $(DF'_{x'})_y$  tends uniformly to  $(DF_x)_0$  as  $|y| \rightarrow 0$  and  $x' \rightarrow x \in X_0$ . Since  $L(F_x - F'_x) \leq \sup_y \|F_x - (DF_x)_y\|$ , (2.2b) holds on a small neighborhood of  $X_0$ .

### 3. Proof of Theorem 1

*Case 1.*  $N^s = 0$ . That is,  $f$  is purely expanding in the normal direction,  $N = N^u$ . According to [3], there is homeomorphism  $g: N_\varepsilon \rightarrow W_\varepsilon^u$ , the unstable manifold of  $V$ , carrying the linear fiber  $N_\varepsilon(p)$  to the strong unstable fiber  $W_\varepsilon^{uu}(p)$ . The map  $g$ , restricted to each  $N_\varepsilon(p)$ , is  $C^1$ , uniformly in  $p$ , and

$$T(g|N_\varepsilon(p)): T_p(N(p)) \rightarrow T_p M$$

is the inclusion  $N(p) \hookrightarrow T_p M$ . Since  $N(p)$  is linear  $T_p(N(p))$  is canonically isomorphic to  $N(p)$ .

We consider  $f' = g^{-1} f g: N_\delta \rightarrow N$  for  $\delta \leq \varepsilon$ . Then  $f'$  and  $N^u f = N f$  are fiber preserving maps of  $N$ , both covering the same map  $f|V$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N & \xrightarrow{f', Nf} & N \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ V & \xrightarrow{f|V} & V \end{array}$$

Of course  $f'$  is just defined locally. Since  $T(g|N_\epsilon(p))$  is the inclusion at  $p$ ,  $f'$  is tangent to  $Nf$  along fibers at  $V$ . This lets us apply (2.4), (2.2) to produce a conjugacy  $h$ ,

$$f'h = h \circ Nf.$$

Then  $g \circ h = H$  conjugates  $Nf$  to  $f$  since  $H \circ Nf = g \circ h \circ Nf = g \circ f' \circ h = f \circ H$ .

*Case 2.  $N^u = 0$ . Apply Case 1 to  $f^{-1}$ .*

*Case 3.  $N^u \neq 0 \neq N^s$ . Restricting  $f$  to the  $C^1$  submanifold  $W^s$ , the stable manifold of  $V$ , we may apply Case 2 to produce a conjugacy of  $N^s f$  to  $f|W^s$  near  $V$*

$$h_s: N_\epsilon^s \rightarrow W_\epsilon^s, \quad h_s \circ N^s f = f|W_\epsilon^s \circ h_s.$$

At present  $W^u$  is fibered over  $V$  by the strong unstable fibers  $W^{uu}$ . We shall extend the fibration,  $f$ -invariantly, to be over  $W_\epsilon^s$ .

Indeed let  $G$  be a fundamental domain of  $W^s V$ . That is, let  $G$  be a compact subset of  $W_\epsilon^s$  satisfying

$$f^2 G \cap G = \emptyset, \\ \bigcup_{n \geq 0} f^n G \cup V \quad \text{is a neighborhood of } V \text{ in } W^s V.$$

Such domains exist by [6, 7]. Alternatively one could observe that a linear contractive bundle automorphism certainly has a fundamental domain: the closed unit disc bundle minus the image of the open unit disc bundle. Thus  $N^s f$  has a fundamental domain and we could use  $h_s$  to give us one for  $f|W_\epsilon^s$ .

Over a neighborhood of  $G$  in  $W_\epsilon^s$  introduce a  $C^1$  fibration whose fibers meet  $W^s V$  transversally at  $G$ ,  $\pi^u: U \rightarrow G$ . As in [6, 7] the fibration  $\pi^u$  and  $f_* \pi^u = f \circ \pi^u \circ f^{-1}$  can be averaged over a neighborhood of  $G \cap fG$  so that an  $f$ -invariant fibration over  $G$  is achieved, call it again  $\pi^u$ . Then extend  $\pi^u$  to an entire neighborhood of  $V$  except  $W_\epsilon^u V$  by  $f$ -iteration as in [6, 7]. By the  $\lambda$ -lemma [6]  $\pi^u$  extends regularly to the  $W^{uu}$  fibration: the union of the  $\pi^u$  fibers and the  $W^{uu}$  fibers forms a continuous fibration over  $W_\epsilon^s$  and the tangent spaces to its fibers very continuously. Call  $\bar{\pi}^u$  the union of these two fibrations:

$\pi^u|W^u$  is the  $W^{uu}$  fibration,  
 $\bar{\pi}^u$  is  $f$ -invariant regular,  
 $\bar{\pi}^u: \bar{U} \rightarrow W_\epsilon^s \bar{\pi}^u|W_\epsilon^s$  is the identity.

For  $y \in N^s(p)$  define  $\tilde{N}^u(y)$  to be the affine translate of  $N^u(p)$  to  $y$  in  $N(p)$ . This lets us look at  $N$  as a bundle over  $N^s$  and look at  $Nf$  as a bundle expansion over the base homeomorphism  $N^s f$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N & \xrightarrow{Nf} & N \\ \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ N^s & \xrightarrow{N^s f} & N^s \end{array}$$

For the fibers of  $\tilde{\pi}$  are the  $\tilde{N}^u$ 's and they are invariantly expanded by  $Nf$ . We intend to apply (2.2) when  $N^s = X$ ,  $V = X_0$ . To lift  $f$  to  $N$  in such a way that it also covers  $N^s f$  requires a nice parameterization of the  $\tilde{\pi}^u$  fibers.

Define a homeomorphism  $g: N_\epsilon \rightarrow \bar{U}$  such that

- (i)  $g(y) = h_s(y)$  if  $y \in N^s(p)$ ,
- (ii)  $g|_{\tilde{N}_\epsilon^u(y)}$  is a  $C^1$  diffeomorphism onto the fiber  $(\tilde{\pi}^u)^{-1}(h_s y)$ . Its derivative is continuous on  $N_\epsilon$  and equals the inclusion  $N^u(p) \hookrightarrow T_p M$  at  $y = p \in V$ .

That such a  $g$  exists will be seen in a moment. Now look at

$$f' = g^{-1} \circ f \circ g$$

which lifts  $f$  to  $N$ , near  $V$ , as a fiber preserving map locally covering  $N^s f$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N_\epsilon & \xrightarrow{f'} & N \\ \tilde{\pi} \downarrow & & \downarrow \tilde{\pi} \\ N^s & \xrightarrow{N^s f} & N^s \end{array}$$

By (ii),  $Nf$  and  $f'$  are tangent along the  $\tilde{\pi}$ -fibers at  $V$ . That is,  $D(f'|_{\tilde{N}^u(p)})_p = Nf|_{N^u(p)} = N^u f(p)$ . Restricting to a small neighborhood of  $V$ , as in (2.4), we can apply (2.2) and find a conjugacy

$$h \circ Nf = f' \circ h.$$

Put  $H = g \circ h$ . Then  $H \circ Nf = g \circ h \circ Nf = g \circ f' \circ h = f \circ H$  so  $H$  is a conjugacy between  $Nf$  and  $f$  near  $V$ .

It remains to explain how the map  $g: N_\epsilon \rightarrow \bar{U}$  was defined. We just work backwards. As in [3] we have a smooth exponential map,  $\exp$ . For  $y \in N^s(p)$ , the  $\pi^u$ -fiber through  $h_s(y)$  is pulled back by  $\exp_p^{-1}$  to the graph of a  $C^1$  map  $\gamma: N_\epsilon^u(p) \rightarrow N^s(p) \oplus T_p V$ . Let  $\rho$  be the projection  $T_p M \rightarrow N^u(p)$  along  $N^s(p) \oplus T_p V$ . Then  $g$  can be defined as the composition

$$\tilde{N}_\epsilon^u(y) \xrightarrow{\rho} N_\epsilon^u(p) \xrightarrow{\text{graph } \gamma} T_p M \xrightarrow{\exp} (\tilde{\pi}^u)^{-1}(h_s y).$$

When  $y = p$ ,  $g$  maps  $N_\epsilon^u(p)$  onto  $W_\epsilon^{uu}(p)$  the same as in [3] and its derivative is the inclusion required in (ii).

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

#### 4. Flows

Turning to the case of flows, we should like to imitate (2.2), (2.4). Unfortunately, we cannot do this, but we can prove a theorem sufficiently general for our needs.

**(4.1) Theorem.** *Let  $\{F^t\}$  be a continuous linear flow on a Banach bundle  $\pi: E \rightarrow X$  covering the flow  $\{f^t\}$  on the base  $X$ . Suppose the time one map is a uniform contraction on fibers:*

$$\|F^1|E_x\| \leq \alpha < 1 \quad \text{for all } x \in X.$$

*Let  $U$  be a negatively invariant nonempty subset of  $X$ . Let  $\{G^t\}$  be a local flow over  $U$  also covering  $\{f^t\}$ , leaving the zero section of  $E$  invariant and being close to  $\{f^t\}$ :*

$$L(F^t - G^t|E_x) \leq \mu < \min(\frac{1}{3}\beta, 1 - \alpha) \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1 \quad x \in U$$

*for  $\beta = \inf\{m(F^t|E_x): x \in X, 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$ . Then  $\{F^t\}$  and  $\{G^t\}$  are conjugate over  $U$  near the zero section. Similarly for a uniform expansion.*

*Remark.* By “negatively invariant” we mean

$$f^t(x) \in U \quad \text{for all } t \leq 0 \text{ and } x \in U.$$

By “local flow over  $U$ ” we mean that  $G^t(y)$  is defined, continuous, and has the group property,  $G^{t+s}(y) = G^t(G^s(y))$ , on its domain. This must include

$$\{(t, y): 0 \leq t \leq 1, |y| \leq \varepsilon, \exists y \in U\} \cup \{(t, G_s(y)): s \geq 0, -s \leq t \leq 0\}$$

for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

*Remark 2.* It is the problem of extending a non-smooth flow on a non-smooth manifold that forces us back to a local proof of this theorem, in contrast to the Banach space case [8].

*Remark 3.* If  $F^1$  is hyperbolic, instead of purely contracting, we do not know whether the theorem holds.

**(4.2) Lemma.** *If  $F: E \rightarrow E'$  is a Banach space isomorphism and  $h: U \rightarrow E'$  for  $U \subset E$  satisfies*

$$h(0) = 0, \quad L(h) < \frac{1}{3}m(F)$$

*then  $|F + h|$  is radially monotone.*

*Proof.* For  $x \in E$ ,  $x \neq 0$ , we must show that  $|(F + h)(\lambda x)|$  increases as  $\lambda$  increases,  $\lambda > 0$ . When  $0 < \lambda < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |(F + h)(\lambda x)| &= \lambda \left| Fx + \frac{1}{\lambda} h(\lambda x) \right| \\ &= \lambda |Fx + h(x) + \frac{1}{\lambda} [(h(\lambda x) - h(x)) + (h(x) - \lambda h(x))]| \\ &\leq \lambda |(F + h)(x)| + |h(\lambda x) - h(x)| + |h(x) - \lambda h(x)| \\ &\leq \lambda |(F + h)(x)| + L(h)(1 - \lambda)|x| + (1 - \lambda)|h(x)|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} |(F+h)(x)| - |(F+h)(\lambda x)| &\geq (1-\lambda) [|(F+h)(x)| - L(h)|x| - |h(x)|] \\ &\geq (1-\lambda) [m(F) - 3L(h)] |x| > 0 \end{aligned}$$

which proves the lemma.

*Proof of (4.1).* Consider the functions defined for  $y \in E(\varepsilon) \cap \pi^{-1} U$  by

$$g(y) = \int_0^1 |G^t(y)| dt, \quad f(y) = \int_0^1 |F^t(y)| dt.$$

We claim that

- (i) The flow  $\{G^t\}$  is topologically transverse to the level surface of  $g$  off the zero section.
- (ii)  $g^{-1}(\varepsilon\mu)$  cuts every radius of  $E(\varepsilon) \cap \pi^{-1} U$  exactly once.
- (iii)  $g \circ G^t y$  and  $|G^t(y)|$  become small, as  $t$  grows large, at controlled rates until, if ever,  $f^t(\pi y)$  leaves  $U$ .
- (iv) Similarly for  $f$ ,  $\{F^t\}$ .

Note that (i, ii, iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv) by taking  $G^t \equiv F^t$ .

For  $0 < |y| \leq \varepsilon$ ,  $\pi y \in U$ , and  $0 < t < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} g(G^t y) &= \int_0^1 |G^{t+s}(y)| ds = \int_t^{t+1} |G^s(y)| ds = \int_0^t |G^1 G^s(y)| ds + \int_t^1 |G^s(y)| ds \\ &\leq (\alpha + \mu) \int_0^t |G^s(y)| ds + \int_t^1 |G^s(y)| ds \end{aligned}$$

so that  $g \circ G^s(y)$  decreases as  $t$  increases. This proves (i).

By (4.2); the integrand  $|G^t(\lambda y)|$ , for any fixed  $(t, y)$  is monotone in  $\lambda$ ,  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ . Clearly its integral also is:  $g(y)$  is radially monotone. If  $|y| = \varepsilon$  then

$$g(y) \geq (\beta - \mu) |y| > \mu \varepsilon$$

so that for some unique  $\lambda$ ,  $0 < \lambda < 1$ ,  $g(\lambda y) = \varepsilon\mu$ . This proves (ii).

(iii) follows at once from the estimates on  $\{F^t\}$ .

By (ii), (iv) we can define a homeomorphism

$$H: g^{-1}(\varepsilon\mu) \rightarrow f^{-1}(\varepsilon\mu)$$

by sliding along radii. Then we extend  $H$  by setting

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{H}|G^t(g^{-1}(\varepsilon\mu)) &= F^t \circ H \circ G^{-t}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq \infty, \\ \bar{H}(y) &= y \quad \text{for } \pi y \in U, |y| = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(i) insures  $\bar{H}$  is well defined. Since  $F^t, G^t$  cover the same map on  $X$ ,  $\bar{H}$  preserves fibers and covers 1. By (iii), (iv)  $\bar{H}$  is defined on all of

$g^{-1}([0, \varepsilon\mu])$  and is continuous at 0. The inverse of  $\bar{H}$  is given by

$$\bar{H}^{-1}|F'(f^{-1}(\varepsilon\mu)) = G^t \circ H^{-1} \circ F^{-t} \quad 0 \leq t \leq \infty$$

and for the same reasons is well defined, continuous, and defined on all of  $f^{-1}([0, \varepsilon\mu])$ . By construction  $\bar{H}$  conjugates the two flows. The expanding case is treated by taking reverses of all flows,  $\{F^{-t}\}$ ,  $\{G^{-t}\}$ , etc.

In order to produce smooth fundamental domains for flows we must use some Lyapunov theory.

**(4.3) Theorem.** *If  $\{f^t\}$  is a  $C^1$  flow on a finite dimensional smooth manifold  $M$  and if  $V$  is a uniform attractor then there is a smooth Lyapunov function for the flow at  $V$ ,  $H: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :*

$$H^{-1}(0) = V,$$

*H decreases along trajectories near V.*

*Proof* [9]. By “uniform attractor” we mean that for some compact neighborhood  $K$  of  $V$

$$\bigcap_{t \geq 0} K_t = V \quad \text{where } K_t = \{f^s(x): x \in K, s \geq t\}.$$

Now we are ready to prove Theorem 2 that a normally hyperbolic flow can be linearized.

*Proof of Theorem 2.*  $\{f^t\}$  is a  $C^1$  flow on  $M$  leaving  $V$  invariant. One  $f^a$  is normally hyperbolic at  $V$ . By [3] all  $f^t$ ,  $t \neq 0$ , are and the splitting  $T_v M = N^u \oplus TV \oplus N^s$  is independent of  $t$ . By [3] the stable, strong stable, unstable, and strong unstable manifolds for  $f^a$  are the same as those for  $f^t$ ,  $t \neq 0$ .

As in Theorem 1 we have three cases.

*Case 1.*  $N^s = 0$ . Using (4.1) instead of (2.1), the proof is the same as for Case 1 of Theorem 1.

*Case 2.*  $N^u = 0$ . Apply Case 1 to  $\{f^{-t}\}$ .

*Case 3.*  $N^u \neq 0 \neq N^s$ . In  $W_\varepsilon^s$  there exists a  $C^1$  submanifold  $B$  of co-dimension one bounding a neighborhood of  $V$ , and across which  $X = \frac{d}{dt} f^t \Big|_{t=0}$  points transversally inwards.  $B$ ’s existence is assured by the Lyapunov Theorem (4.3).

Over  $B$  we erect a  $C^1$  fibration  $\pi^u$  whose fibers are transverse to  $W_\varepsilon^s$  as in [6, 7]. Then let  $f^t$  act on  $\pi^u$  by

$$f^t \circ \pi^u \circ f^{-t}.$$

Since  $B$  and  $\pi^u$  are  $C^1$  and the flow is *differentiably* transverse to  $B$  this produces, locally, a  $C^1$  fibration, also called  $\pi^u$ , over a neighborhood of  $B$  in  $W_\epsilon^s$ . By the  $\lambda$ -lemma it tends regularly to the  $W^{uu}$ -fibration of  $W_\epsilon^u$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . The union of the  $\pi^u$  and the  $W^{uu}$  fibrations is a fibration,  $\bar{\pi}^u$ , over  $W_\epsilon^s$  whose fibers have continuously varying tangent planes. (Of course, we always cut the  $\bar{\pi}^u$ -fibers down to a fixed neighborhood of  $V$ .) As in Theorem 1

- $\bar{\pi}^u|W^u$  is the  $W^{uu}$ -fibration,
- $\bar{\pi}^u$  is  $f^t$  invariant,  $t \geq 0$ , and regular,
- $\bar{\pi}^u: \bar{U} \rightarrow W_\epsilon^s$ ,  $\bar{\pi}^u|W_\epsilon^s$  is the identity.

By Case 1, there is a homeomorphism  $h_s: N_\epsilon^s \rightarrow W_\epsilon^s$  conjugating  $\{N^s f^t\}$  and  $\{f^t|W_\epsilon^s\}$ .

As in Theorem 1 define  $\tilde{N}^u(y)$  to be the affine translate of  $N^u(p)$  to  $y$  in  $N(p)$  when  $y \in N^s(p)$ . Then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N & \xrightarrow{N f^t} & N \\ \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ N^s & \xrightarrow{N^s f^t} & N^s \end{array}$$

is a purely expanding bundle flow over the base flow  $\{N^s f^t\}$ . The  $\tilde{\pi}$ -fibers are the  $\tilde{N}^u$ .

Let  $g$  be the same parameterization of the  $\bar{\pi}^u$ -fibration as in Theorem 1. Putting

$$G^t = g^{-1} \circ f^t \circ g$$

lifts  $\{f^t\}$  to  $N_\epsilon$  as a fiber preserving flow locally covering  $\{N^s f^t\}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N_\epsilon & \xrightarrow{G^t} & N \\ \tilde{\pi} \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ N^s & \xrightarrow{N^s f^t} & N^s \end{array}$$

As in Theorem 1,  $N f^t$  and  $G^t$  are tangent along the  $\tilde{\pi}$ -fibers at  $V$ . Restricting to a small enough neighborhood of  $V$ , as in (2.4), we may apply (4.7) to produce a conjugacy  $h$  between  $\{G^t\}$  and  $\{N f^t\}$  near  $V$ . As in Theorem 1,  $g \circ h$  conjugates  $\{N f^t\}$  to  $\{f^t\}$  near  $V$ .

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