

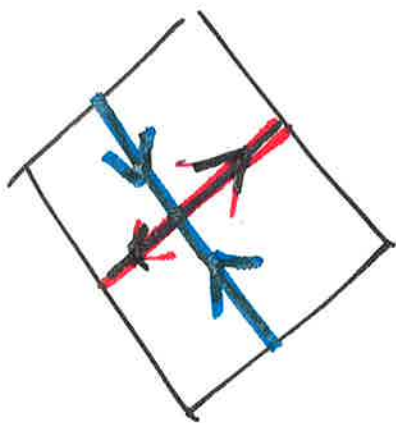
KV-Topics
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Today: Things that can go wrong
with Orbits in Rank 1:

Katok Map (and Related Constructions)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \curvearrowright \mathbb{T}^2$$

localize at $0 \in \mathbb{T}^2$

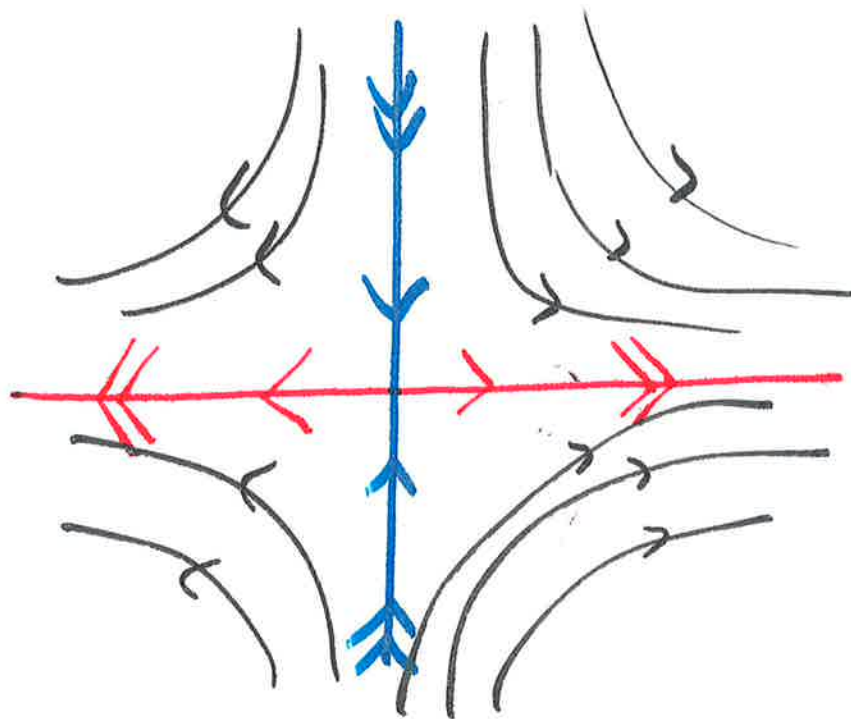


In suitable coordinates,
near 0,

$$A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^x x \\ e^{-x} y \end{pmatrix}$$

Then A is the time-1
map of the vector field

$$\hookrightarrow V_0 = x \cdot \left(x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)$$



This flow
preserves the
foliation
 $xy = c$.

$$T(xy=c) = \ker(d(xy))$$

$$= \ker(y dx + x dy)$$

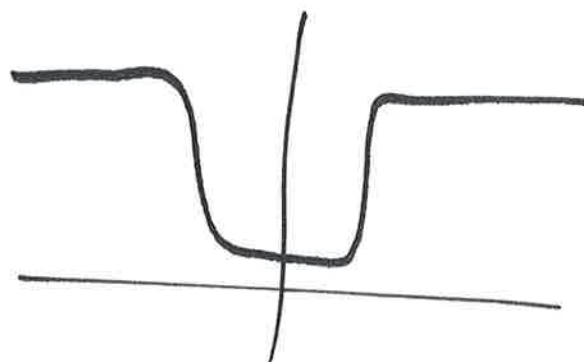
$$V_0 \in \ker \Rightarrow \mathbb{R} V_0 = T(xy=c).$$

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(Mori-Trapp-Jang Construction)

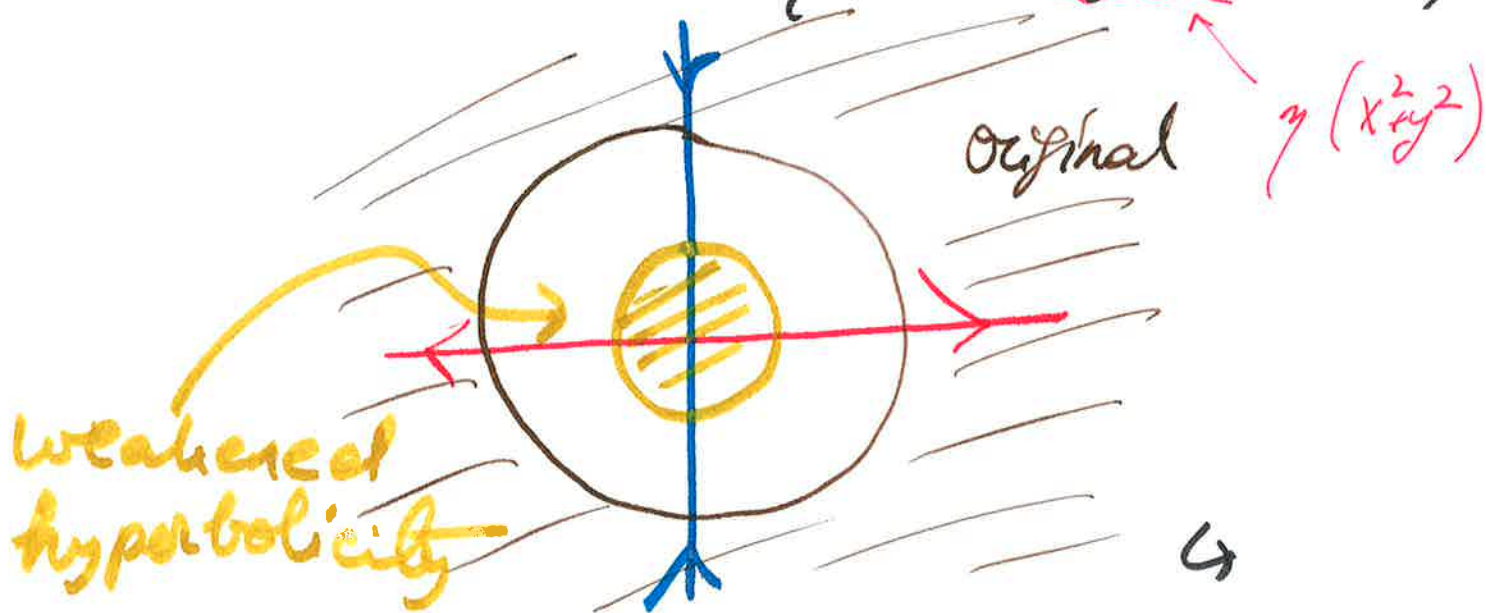
Find $\eta : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

- $\eta \in C^\infty$
- $\eta(x) = \eta(-x)$
- $\eta\left(\left[\frac{2\varepsilon}{3}, 1\right)\right) \equiv 1$
- $\eta\left(\left[-\frac{\varepsilon}{3}, \frac{\varepsilon}{3}\right]\right) = \delta < 1.$



(There is a slight issue with this possibility.)

Define $V(x, y) = \cancel{\text{original}} \eta(xy) V_0(x, y)$



Claim: Exponents w/r/t δ and vol
[are both drastically diminished.

Since V is a multiple of V_0 , it
shares the same orbits.

Is this vol-preserving?

$$\omega = f \, dx \wedge dy$$

$$\mathcal{L}_V \omega = 0?$$

$$\text{~~Let~~ } (d\mathcal{L}_V + \mathcal{L}_V d)\omega = 0$$

$d\omega \equiv 0$ since ω is a top form.

$$d(f \cdot \eta \cdot \mathcal{L}_{V_0} \omega) = 0$$

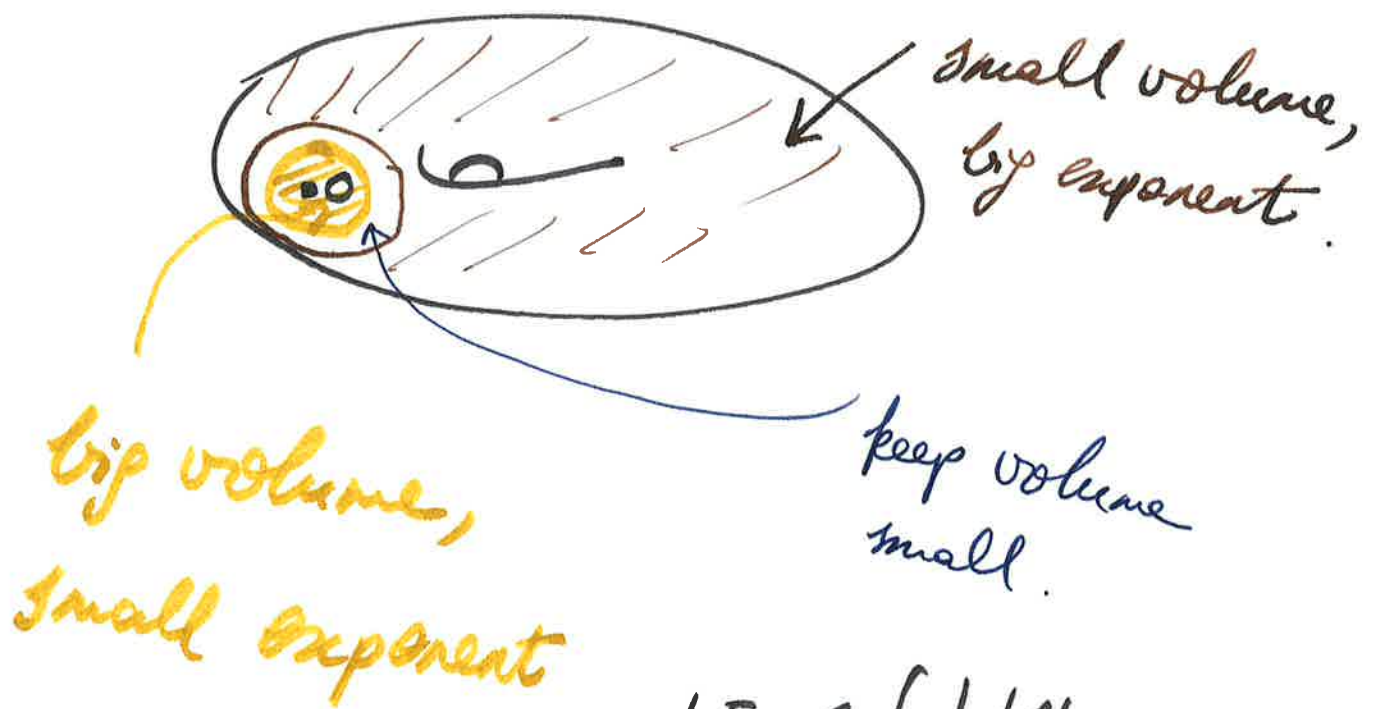
$$d(f \cdot \eta \cdot (x dy + y dx)) = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow d(f \eta)(x dy + y dx) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow f \equiv \frac{1}{\gamma}$ defines an invariant volume.

$$\Rightarrow \omega = \frac{1}{\gamma \cdot \int \frac{1}{\gamma} dx \wedge dy}$$

is an invariant smooth probability



$$LE \leq \int |df| \omega$$

$$\leq \boxed{\int I} + \boxed{\int II} + \boxed{\int III}$$

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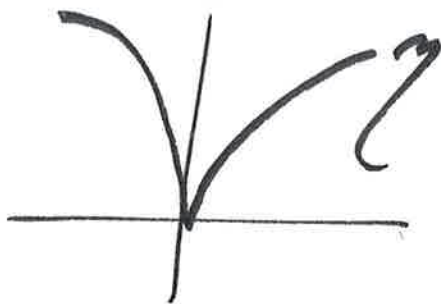
$$\boxed{\int I}$$


$$\boxed{\int II}$$


$$\boxed{\int III}$$


• How to break even more? (KATOK)

Pick the function γ extremely carefully.



LE @ 0 is 0
 $\Rightarrow$ Not Answer

SRB = equilibrium states for the geometric potential.

- Destroys the Hölder regularity of E^s/E^u

- Destroys Markov partitions

- $\exists$ 2 SRB measures: δ_o & vol.

Katok-Lewis Blowup:

Introduce new coordinates on $B(0, \epsilon)$.

$$V = \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{RP}^1 \ni ((x_1, x_2), \underbrace{[v_1 : v_2]}_{\text{homog. coordinates}})$$

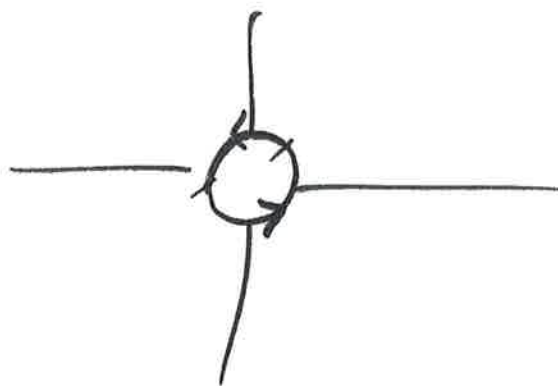
~~(x_1, x_2, v_1, v_2)~~

$$\Rightarrow x_1 v_2 - x_2 v_1 = 0$$

determines a subvariety B .

"blowup of $\mathbb{R}^2$ at 0".

(nonorientable)



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$\Rightarrow B$ is a smooth variety
(no singular points)

$$(x, \theta) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{S}^1$$

$$x_1 \sin(\theta) - x_2 \cos(\theta) = 0.$$

Check submersion:

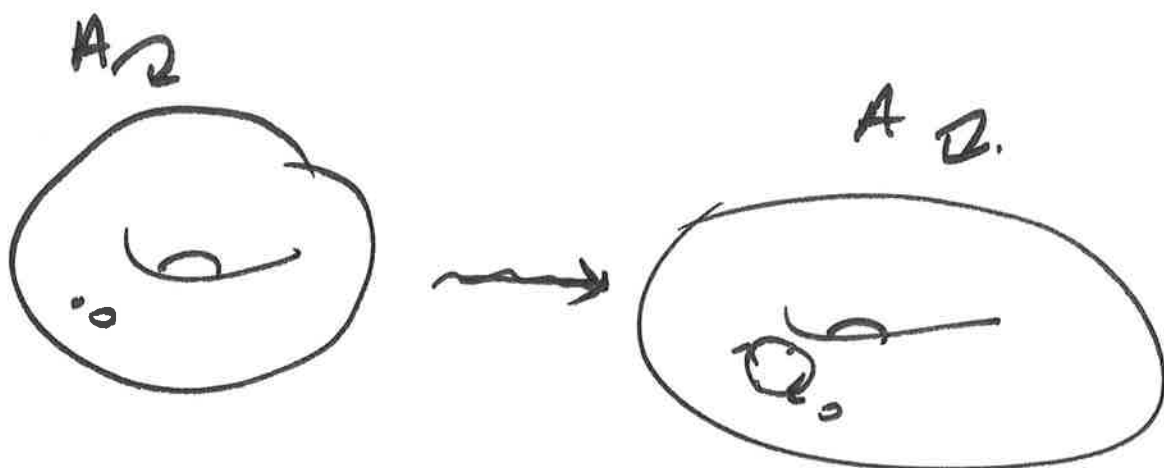
$$\begin{aligned} & d(x_1 \sin(\theta) - x_2 \cos(\theta)) \\ &= \underbrace{\sin(\theta) dx_1 - \cos(\theta) dx_2}_{\neq 0} \\ &+ (x_1 \cos(\theta) + x_2 \sin(\theta)) d\theta \end{aligned}$$

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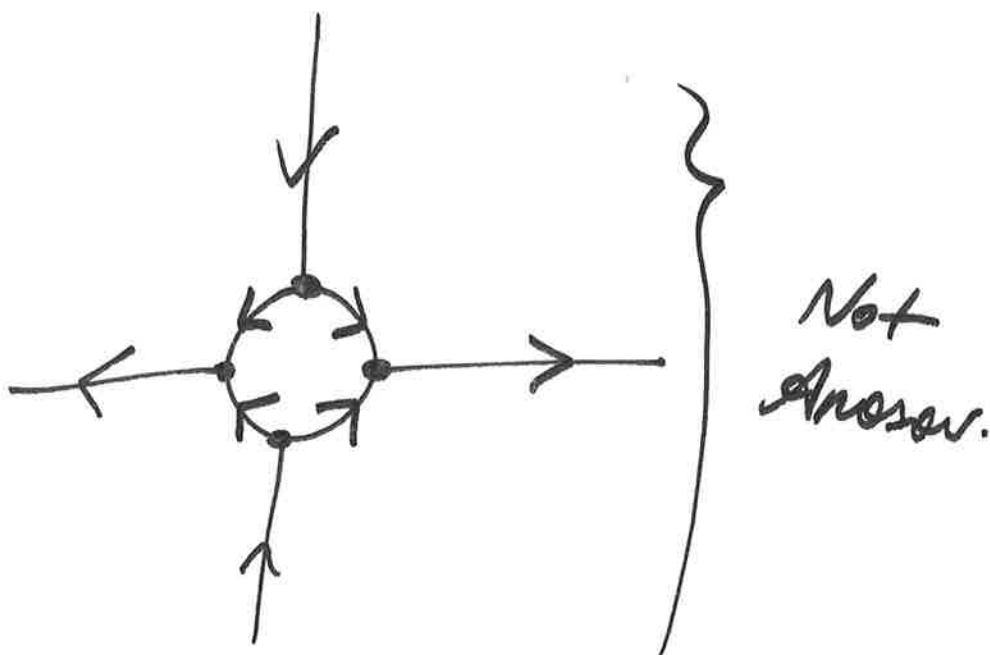
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$$A \curvearrowright V, \quad A(x, [v]) = (Ax, [Av])$$

A preserves B , by linearity



Picture:



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Interesting Feature :

$\exists$ invariant volume which degenerates at the singular sets, and

$$h_\omega(F) = h_{\text{top}}(F).$$

(Upcoming theorem by
Bridson-Lee.)

Open Q : Is this possible on $\mathbb{T}^2$?

Observe : If $\Gamma \subset \text{SL}(n, \mathbb{Z}) \curvearrowright \mathbb{T}^n$

$$\Gamma \curvearrowright V = \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}P^{n-1}$$

$$\Gamma \curvearrowright B = \{(x, [v]) \mid x \in [v]\}$$

- This construction passes to Γ -actions.
- The associated objects are still only measurable and nonuniform. $\hookrightarrow$

- Conjecturally, $\exists$ open dense sets
which have homogeneous structure,
and one can inductively look
at the singular sets

(conjecturally, manifolds with
 Γ -actions)

(When $\text{rank}(G) \geq 2$).

Katok-RH : This holds under
maximal rank Cartan assumptions,
without full understanding of
singularity.