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## Global injectivity of differentiable maps via $W$ -condition in $\mathbb{R}^2$

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we study the intrinsic relations between the global injectivity of the differentiable local homeomorphism map  $F$  and the rate of the  $\text{Spec}(F)$  tending to zero, where  $\text{Spec}(F)$  denotes the set of all (complex) eigenvalues of Jacobian matrix  $JF(x)$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . They depend deeply on the  $W$ -condition which extends the  $*$ -condition and the  $B$ -condition. The  $W$ -condition reveals the rate that tends to zero of the real eigenvalues of  $JF$ , which can not exceed  $O\left(x \ln x \left(\ln \frac{\ln x}{\ln \ln x}\right)^2\right)^{-1}$  by the half-Reeb component method. This improves the theorems of Gutiérrez [16] and Rabanal [27]. The  $W$ -condition is optimal for the half-Reeb component method in this paper setting. This work is related to the Jacobian conjecture.

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### 1. Introduction

In 1939, Keller ([19]) stated the following Conjecture:

**Conjecture 1.1. (Jacobian conjecture).** *Let  $F : k^n \rightarrow k^n$  be a polynomial map, where  $k$  is a field of characteristic 0. If the determinant for its Jacobian matrix of the polynomial map is a non-zero constant, i.e.,  $\det JF(x) \equiv C \in k^*, \forall x \in k^n$ , then  $F(x)$  has a polynomial inverse map.*

On the long-standing Jacobian conjecture, it is still open even in the case  $n = 2$ .

A very important result, for example, if  $k = \mathbb{C}^n$ , is the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.1. ([8])** *Let  $F : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  is a polynomial map. If  $F$  is injective, then  $F$  is bijective. Furthermore the inverse is also a polynomial map.*

If  $k = \mathbb{R}^n$ , then one gets

**Conjecture 1.2. (Real Jacobian Conjecture, for short, RJC)** *If  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a polynomial map,  $\det JF(x)$  is not zero in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $F$  is a injective map.*

It is false and Pinchuk [25] constructs a counterexample to RJC for  $n = 2$ .

In 2007, Belov-Kanel and Kontsevich [20] proved that Conjecture 1.1 is stably equivant to the Dixmier conjecture. Conjecture 1.1 is also equivalent to the statement: Any ternary Engel algebra in characteristic 0 satisfying a system of Capelli identities is a Yagzhev algebra (see [1], Page 263). Moreover, Conjecture 1.1 is also equivant to some other conjectures, such as the Amazing Image Conjecture [10], a special case of the Vanishing conjecture [31]. There are many results on it, see for example ([2, 3, 9, 15, 17, 25, 28]).

Fernandes et al. [11] study the Conjecture 1.1 by the eigenvalues of the Jacobian matrix  $JF(x)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and obtain:

**Theorem 1.2.** ([11]) *Let  $F = (f, g) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a differentiable map. For some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , if*

$$\text{Spec}(F) \cap [0, \varepsilon) = \emptyset, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\text{Spec}(F)$  denotes the set of all (complex) eigenvalues of Jacobian matrix  $JF(x)$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , then  $F$  is injective.

Theorem 1.2 is deep. If the assumption (1.1) is replaced by  $0 \notin \text{Spec}(F)$ , then the conclusion is false, even for polynomial map  $F$ , as the counterexample due to Pinchuk [25]. Pmyth and Xavier [30] proved that there exist  $n > 2$  and a non-injective polynomial map  $F$  such that  $\text{Spec}(F) \cap [0, +\infty) = \emptyset$ .

Theorem 1.2 adds a new result on Markus-Yamabe conjecture [24]. This Conjecture has been solved by Gutierrez [13] and Fessler [12] independently in dimension  $n = 2$  in 1993. It is false for  $n \geq 3$  even for polynomial vector field, see [7].

Theorem 1.2 also implies that the following conjecture is true in dimension  $n = 2$ .

**Conjecture 1.3.** ([5], Conjecture 2.1) *Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a  $C^1$  map. Suppose there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $|\lambda| \geq \varepsilon$  for all the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  of Jacobian matrix  $JF(x)$  and all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $F$  is injective.*

The essential technique is to use the concept of the half-Reeb component (see Definition 2.1 below) to prove Theorem 1.2.

Theorem 1.2 leads to study the eigenvalue conditions of some maps for injectivity in dimension  $n = 2$ . In 2007, Gutiérrez and Chau [16] studied the geometrical behavior of differentiable maps and the following \*-condition on the real eigenvalues of  $JF$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by the half-Reeb component method.

For each  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ , we denote the linear rotation  $R_\theta$  by

$$R_\theta := \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2)$$

and define the map  $F_\theta = R_\theta \circ F \circ R_{-\theta}$ .

**Definition 1.1.** ([16], \*-condition) *A differentiable  $F$  satisfies the \*-condition if for each  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ , there does not exist a sequence  $\mathbb{R}^2 \ni z_k \rightarrow \infty$  such that,  $F_\theta(z_k) \rightarrow T \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $JF_\theta(z_k)$  has a real eigenvalue  $\lambda_k \rightarrow 0$ .*

**Theorem 1.3.** ([16]) *Suppose that  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is a differentiable local homeomorphism.*

(i) *If  $F$  satisfies the \*-condition, then  $F$  is injective and its image is a convex set.*

(ii)  *$F$  is a global homeomorphism of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  if and only if  $F$  satisfies the \*-condition and its image  $F(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .*

Since the  $*$ -condition is somewhat weaker than the condition (1.1), we can obtain Theorem 1.2 from Theorem 1.3 (i) by a standard procedure.

For other new cases, the essential difficulty is how to prove that the eigenvalues of  $JF$  which may be tending to zero imply  $F$  is injective. Rabanal [27] extended the  $*$ -condition to the following  $B$ -condition.

**Definition 1.2.** ([27],  $B$ -condition) *The differentiable map  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  satisfies the  $B$ -condition if for each  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ , there does not exist a sequence  $(x_k, y_k) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  with  $x_k \rightarrow +\infty$  such that  $F_\theta(x_k, y_k) \rightarrow T \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $JF_\theta(x_k, y_k)$  has a real eigenvalue  $\lambda_k$  satisfying  $\lambda_k x_k \rightarrow 0$ .*

If one replaced the  $*$ -condition by the  $B$ -condition, then Theorem 1.3 also holds. Moreover, Rabanal obtained the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.4.** ([27]) *Suppose that the differentiable map  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  satisfies the  $B$ -condition and  $\det JF(z) \neq 0, \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , then  $F$  is a topological embedding.*

In fact, Theorem 1.4 improves the main result of Gutiérrez [16], see also [26, 29].

In 2014, Braun and Venato-Santos [4] considered the relations between the half-Reeb component and the Palais-Smale condition for global injectivity.

Many references on other aspects of the half Reeb component including higher dimensional situations (see [14, 21–23, 28]).

For example, Gutiérrez and Maquera considered the half-Reeb component for the global injectivity in dimension 3.

**Theorem 1.5.** ([14]) *Let  $Y = (f, g, h) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a polynomial map such that  $\text{Spec}(Y) \cap [0, \varepsilon) = \emptyset$ , for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ . If  $\text{codim}(SY) \geq 2$ , then  $Y$  is a bijection.*

Recently, W. Liu prove the following theorem by the Minimax method.

**Theorem 1.6.** ([22]) *Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a  $C^1$  map,  $n \geq 2$ . If for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,*

$$0 \notin \text{Spec}(F) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Spec}(F + F^T) \subseteq (-\infty, -\varepsilon) \text{ or } (\varepsilon, +\infty),$$

*then  $F$  is globally injective.*

Let us return to study the eigenvalues of  $JF$  approaching to zero by the half-Reeb component method in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

In this paper, we first define the  $W$ -condition. For the convenience of our statement, let us denote the set

$\mathcal{P} := \left\{ P \mid \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+, P \text{ is nondecreasing and } \forall M > 0, \text{ there exists a large constant } N \text{ which depends on } M \text{ and } P, \text{ such that } \int_2^N \frac{1}{P(x)} dx > M \right\}$ .

Obviously,  $\mathcal{P}$  contains many functions, such as  $1, x, x \ln(x+1), x \ln(1+x) \ln(1+\ln(1+x))$  and it doesn't include  $x^\alpha, \forall \alpha > 1; x \ln^\beta(x+1), \forall \beta > 1$ .

**Definition 1.3.** ( $W$ -condition)

*A differentiable map  $F$  satisfies the  $W$ -condition if for each  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  (see (1.2)), there does not exist a sequence  $(x_k, y_k) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  with  $x_k \rightarrow +\infty$  such that  $F_\theta(x_k, y_k) \rightarrow T \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $JF_\theta(x_k, y_k)$  has a real eigenvalue  $\lambda_k$  satisfying  $\lambda_k P(x_k) \rightarrow 0$ , where  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ .*

**Remark 1.1.** The  $W$ -condition obviously contains the  $*$ -condition and the  $B$ -condition. Let  $P(x) = x \ln(x+1) \in \mathcal{P}$ , the  $W$ -condition with the function  $P$  is weaker than the  $*$ -condition and the  $B$ -condition. It seems can't be improved in this setting by making use of the half-Reeb component method. The  $W$ -condition profoundly reveals the optimal rate that tends to zero of eigenvalues of  $JF$  must be in the interval  $\left( O(x \ln^\beta x)^{-1}, \forall \beta > 1, O\left(x \ln x \left(\ln \frac{\ln x}{\ln \ln x}\right)^2\right)^{-1} \right]$  by the half-Reeb component method.

**Remark 1.2.** If  $x_k$  exchanges  $y_k$  in definition 1.3, then the  $W$ -condition is also valid.

**Remark 1.3.** For example, let  $g(x, y)$  be a  $C^1$  function such that  $g(x, y) = \frac{y}{x \ln x}$  where  $x \geq 2$ . The map  $F(x, y) = (e^{-x}, g(x, y))$  satisfies  $\det JF = -e^{-x} \frac{1}{x \ln x} \neq 0$ . Then, for  $\{x_k\} \subseteq [2, +\infty)$ ,  $F(x_k, 0) = (e^{-x_k}, 0) \rightarrow P = (0, 0)$ , as  $x_k \rightarrow +\infty$ .  $JF(x_k, 0)$  has a real eigenvalue

$$\frac{1}{x_k \ln x_k} = \lambda_k \rightarrow 0.$$

However, the limit of the product  $x_k \ln x_k$  is away from zero.

We use the  $W$ -condition and obtain the main result.

**Theorem 1.7.** Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a differentiable local homeomorphism. If  $F$  satisfies the  $W$ -condition, then  $F$  is injective and  $F(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is convex.

Obviously, Theorem 1.7 implies Theorems 1.3 and 1.4(i). Moreover, we have:

**Theorem 1.8.** Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a differentiable Jacobian map. If  $F$  satisfies the  $W$ -condition, then  $F$  is a globally injective, measure-preserving map with convex image.

It improves the main results of Gutiérrez [16], Rabanal [27] and Gutiérrez [18].

Because of the injectivity of map  $F$  in Theorem 1.8, we obtain the following fixed point theorem.

**Corollary 1.1.** If  $F$  is as in Theorem 1.8 and  $\text{Spec}(F) \subseteq \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < 1\}$ , then  $F$  has at most one fixed point.

Another important property on the Keller map as in corollary 1.1 is the theorem  $B$  by Cima et al. [6]. They proved that a global attractor for the discrete dynamical system has a unique fixed point.

By the Inverse Function Theorem, the map  $F$  in Theorem 1.7 is locally injective at any point in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . However, in general, it's not a global injective map. So our goal is to give the sufficient conditions to obtain the global injectivity of  $F$ . Here, we also use the  $W$  condition as a sufficient condition to obtain the following results.

**Theorem 1.9.** Let  $F = (f, g) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a local homeomorphism such that for some  $s > 0$ ,  $F|_{\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus D_s}$  is differentiable. If  $F$  satisfies the  $W$ -condition, then it is a globally injective and  $F(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is a convex set.

**Remark 1.4.** If the graph of  $F$  is an algebraic set, then the injectivity of  $F$  must be the bijectivity of  $F$ .

The  $W$  condition can be also devoted to studying the differentiable map  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus D_s \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  whose  $\text{Spec}(F)$  is disjoint with  $[0, +\infty)$ .

**Theorem 1.10.** Let  $F = (f, g) : \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \overline{D_\sigma} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a differential map which satisfies the  $W$ -condition. If  $\text{Spec}(F) \cap [0, +\infty) = \emptyset$  or  $\text{Spec}(F) \cap (-\infty, 0] = \emptyset$ , then there exists  $s \geq \sigma$  such that  $F|_{\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus D_s}$  can be extended to an injective local homeomorphism  $\tilde{F} = (\tilde{f}, \tilde{g}) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ .

All these works are related to the Jacobian conjecture which can be reduce to that for any dimension  $n \geq 2$ , a polynomial map  $F : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  of the form  $F = x + H$ , where  $H$  is cube-homogeneous and  $JH$  is symmetry, is injective if  $\text{Spec}(F) = \{1\}$  (see [3]).

In order to prove our theorems, we need to use the definition and some propositions of the half-Reeb component.

### 2. Half-Reeb component

In this section, we will introduce some preparation work on the eigenvalue conditions of  $\text{Spec}(F)$ . Let  $h_0(x, y) = xy$  and we consider the set

$$B = \{(x, y) \in [0, 2] \times [0, 2] \mid 0 < x + y \leq 2\}.$$

**Definition 2.1.** (half-Reeb component [13]) Let  $F$  be a differentiable map from  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\det JF_p \neq 0, \forall p \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , Given  $h \in \{f, g\}$ , we will say that  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  is a half-Reeb component for  $\mathcal{F}(h)$  (or simply a hRc for  $\mathcal{F}(h)$ ) if there exists a homeomorphism  $H : B \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  which is a topological equivalence between  $\mathcal{F}(h)|_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\mathcal{F}(h_0)|_B$  and such that:

- (1) The segment  $\{(x, y) \in B : x + y = 2\}$  is sent by  $H$  onto a transversal section for the foliation  $\mathcal{F}(h)$  in the complement of  $H(1, 1)$ ; this section is called the compact edge of  $\mathcal{A}$ ;
- (2) Both segments  $\{(x, y) \in B : x = 0\}$  and  $\{(x, y) \in B : y = 0\}$  are sent by  $H$  onto full half-trajectories of  $\mathcal{F}(h)$ . These two semi-trajectories of  $\mathcal{F}(h)$  are called the noncompact edges of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

The following Propositions connect the half-Reeb components and injectivity of the map  $F$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** ([11]) Suppose that  $F = (f, g) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is a differentiable map such that  $0 \notin \text{Spec}(F)$ . If  $F$  is not injective, then both  $\mathcal{F}(f)$  and  $\mathcal{F}(g)$  have half-Reeb components.

**Proposition 2.2.** ([11]) Let  $F = (f, g) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a non-injective, differentiable map such that  $0 \notin \text{Spec}(F)$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a hRc of  $\mathcal{F}(f)$  and let  $(f_\theta, g_\theta) = R_\theta \circ F \circ R_{-\theta}$ , where  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $R_\theta$  is in (1.2). If  $\Pi(x, y) = x$  is bounded, where  $\Pi : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by  $\Pi(x, y) = x$ , then there is an  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that, for all  $\theta \in (-\varepsilon, 0) \cup (0, \varepsilon)$ ;  $\mathcal{F}(f_\theta)$  has a hRc  $\mathcal{A}_\theta$  such that  $\Pi(\mathcal{A}_\theta)$  is an interval of infinite length.

### 3. Half-Reeb component and W-condition

In this section, we will establish the essential fact that the  $W$ -condition implies non-existence of half-Reeb component.

Let  $F = (f, g) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a local homeomorphism of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . For each  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ , we denoted by  $R_\theta$  the linear rotation (see (1.2)):

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta, x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta),$$

and

$$F_\theta := (f_\theta, g_\theta) = R_\theta \circ F \circ R_{-\theta}.$$

In other words,  $F_\theta$  represents the linear rotation  $R_\theta$  in the linear coordinates of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** *A differentiable local homeomorphism  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  which satisfies the  $W$ -condition has no half-Reeb components.*

*Proof.* Suppose by contradiction that  $F$  has a half-Reeb component. In order to obtain this result, we consider the map  $(f_\theta, g_\theta) = F_\theta$ . From Proposition 2.2, there exists some  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}_\theta)$  has a half-Reeb component which  $\Pi(\mathcal{A})$  is unbounded interval, where  $\Pi(\mathcal{A})$  denote orthogonal projection onto the first coordinate in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Therefore  $\exists b$  and a half-Reeb component  $\mathcal{A}$ , such that  $[b, +\infty) \subseteq \Pi(\mathcal{A})$ . Then, for large enough  $a > b$  and any  $x \geq a$ , the vertical line  $\Pi^{-1}(x)$  intersects exactly the one trajectory  $\alpha_x \cap [x, +\infty) = x$ , i.e.  $x$  is maximum of the the trajectory  $\Pi_{\alpha_x}$ . If  $x \geq a$ , the intersection  $\alpha_x \cap \Pi^{-1}(x)$  is compact subset in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Thus, we can define the function  $H : (a, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$H(x) = \sup\{y : (x, y) \in \Pi^{-1}(x) \cap \alpha_x\}.$$

As  $\mathcal{F}(f_\theta)$  is a foliation, one gets

$$\Phi : (a, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \text{ by } \Phi(x) = f_\theta(x, H(x)).$$

We can know that  $\Phi$  is a bounded, monotone strictly function such that, for a full measure subset  $M \subseteq (a, +\infty)$ .

Since the image of  $\Phi$  is contained in  $f_\theta(\Gamma)$  where  $\Gamma$  is compact edge of hRc  $\mathcal{A}$ , the function  $\Phi$  is bounded in  $(a, +\infty)$ . Furthermore,  $\Phi$  is continuous because  $\mathcal{F}(f_\theta)$  is a  $C^0$  foliation. Since  $\mathcal{F}(f_\theta)$  is transversal to  $\Gamma$ , we have  $\Phi$  is monotone strictly.

For the measure subset  $M \subseteq (a, +\infty)$ , such that  $\Phi(x)$  is differentiable on  $M$  and the Jacobian matrix of  $F_\theta(x, y)$  at  $(x, H(x))$  is

$$JF_\theta(x, H(x)) = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi'(x) & 0 \\ \partial_x g_\theta(x, H(x)) & \partial_y g_\theta(x, H(x)) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore,  $\forall x \in M$ ,  $\Phi'(x) = \partial_x f_\theta(x, H(x))$  is a real eigenvalue of  $JF_\theta(x, H(x))$  and we denote it by  $\lambda(x) := \Phi'(x)$ .

Since  $F$  is local homeomorphism, without loss of generality, we assume  $\Phi$  is strictly monotone increasing, i.e.  $\Phi'(x) > 0, \forall x \in M$ . Let any function  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ , where

$\mathcal{P} = \left\{ P \mid \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+, P \text{ is nondecreasing and } \forall M > 0, \text{ there exists large constant } N \text{ which depends on } M \text{ and } P, \text{ such that } \int_2^N \frac{1}{P(x)} dx > M \right\}$ .

Claim:

$$\liminf_{x_k \rightarrow +\infty} \Phi'(x_k)P(x_k) > 0.$$

Because  $P(x)$  and  $\Phi'(x)$  are both positive, we can suppose by contradiction that  $\liminf_{x_k \rightarrow +\infty} \Phi'(x_k)P(x_k) = 0$ . There exists a subsequence denoted still by  $\{x_k\}$ , such that  $\Phi'(x_k)P(x_k) \rightarrow 0$ , as  $x_k \rightarrow +\infty$ . That is  $\lambda(x_k)P(x_k) \rightarrow 0$ . Since  $F_\theta(\mathcal{A})$  is bounded,  $F_\theta(x_k, H(x_k))$  converges to a finite value  $T$  on compact set  $\overline{\mathcal{F}_\theta(\mathcal{A})}$ . This contradicts the  $W$ -condition.

Therefore, there exist a constant  $a_0$  ( $a_0 > 2$ ) and a small  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ , such that

$$\Phi'(x)P(x) > \varepsilon_0, \forall x \geq a_0.$$

Since  $\Phi(x)$  is bounded, there exists  $L > 0$ , such that

$$\Phi(x) - \Phi(a_0) \leq L, \quad \forall x \geq a_0.$$

By the definition of  $\mathcal{P}$ , we can choose  $C$  large enough, such that

$$\int_{a_0}^C \frac{1}{P(x)} dx > \frac{L}{\varepsilon_0}.$$

Thus,

$$L \geq \Phi(C) - \Phi(a_0) = \int_{a_0}^C \Phi'(x) dx \geq \int_{a_0}^C \frac{\varepsilon_0}{P(x)} dx > L.$$

It's a contradiction. □

#### 4. The proof of Theorems 1.7 and 1.8

**The proof of Theorem 1.7.** By contradiction, we suppose that  $F$  is not injective. By Proposition 2.1, we have  $F$  has a half-Reeb component. This contradicts Proposition 3.1 that implies  $F$  has no half-Reeb component if  $F$  satisfies the  $W$ -condition. Thus, we complete the proof of Theorem 1.7.

**The proof of Theorem 1.8.** First, we show that the equivalence of the differential Jacobian map and measure-preserving in any dimension  $n$ .

For any nonempty measurable set  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . Since  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , we can denote  $V := \{F(x) | x \in \Omega\}$ . Let the components of  $F(x)$  be  $v_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ), i.e.  $F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (v_1(x_1, \dots, x_n), \dots, v_n(x_1, \dots, x_n))$ . So  $dv = \det JF(x) dx$ . Since  $\det JF(x) \equiv 1$ , we have  $dv = dx$ .

Therefore,  $\int_V dv = \int_\Omega dx$ . It implies  $F$  preserves measure.

Inversely, let  $v = F(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in \Omega$ . We still denote  $V = \{F(x) | x \in \Omega\}$ .

Since  $F$  preserves measure, one gets  $\int_V dv = \int_\Omega dx$ .

Combining it with  $dv = \det JF(x) dx$ , we obtain  $\int_V dv = \int_\Omega \det JF(x) dx$ .

Thus, we have  $\int_\Omega dx = \int_\Omega \det JF(x) dx$ . That is

$$\int_\Omega (1 - \det JF(x)) dx = 0, \quad \forall \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Claim:  $\det JF(x) \equiv 1$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . It's proof by contradiction. Suppose  $\exists x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\det JF(x_0) \neq 1$ . Without loss of generality, we suppose  $\det JF(x_0) > 1$ , denote  $C = \det JF(x_0) - 1 > 0$ . Since  $F \in C^1$ ,  $\det JF(x) \in C$ .  $\exists \delta > 0$ , such that  $\det JF(x) - 1 \geq \frac{C}{2}$ ,  $\forall x \in U(x_0, \delta)$ .

Choosing  $\Omega = U(x_0, \delta)$ , thus

$$\int_{U(x_0, \delta)} (1 - \det JF(x)) dx \leq \int_{U(x_0, \delta)} -\frac{C}{2} dx = -\frac{C}{2} m(U(x_0, \delta)) < 0,$$

it contradicts.

Next, we obtain the global injectivity of  $F$  by the Theorem 1.7. Furthermore, the image of  $F$  is convex.

**5. The proof of Theorems 1.9 and 1.10**

Before we show that Theorem 1.9, the following proposition is necessary.

**Proposition 5.1.** *Let  $F = (f, g) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a local homeomorphism such that for some  $s > 0$ ,  $F|_{\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus D_s}$ . If  $F$  satisfies the  $W$  condition, then*

- (1) *any half Reeb component of  $\mathcal{F}(f)$  or  $\mathcal{F}(g)$  is a bounded in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ;*
- (2) *If  $F$  extends to a local homemorphism  $\bar{F} = (\bar{f}, \bar{g}) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(\bar{f})$  and  $\mathcal{F}(\bar{g})$  have no half-Reeb components.*

*Proof.* By contradiction, without loss of generality, we consider the  $\mathcal{F}(f)$  has an unbounded half Reed component. By the process in Proposition 3.1, we assume that  $\mathcal{F}(f)$  has a half Reeb component  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $\Pi(\mathcal{A})$  is unbounded interval. Furthermore,

$$JF(x, H(x)) = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi'(x) & 0 \\ \partial_x g(x, H(x)) & \partial_y g(x, H(x)) \end{pmatrix}.$$

If  $\liminf_{x_k \rightarrow +\infty} \Phi'(x_k)P(x_k) = 0$ , where  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ . There exists a subsequence denoted still  $\{x_k\}$  with  $x_k \rightarrow +\infty$  such that  $\Phi'(x_k)P(x_k) \rightarrow 0$ . That is  $\lambda(x_k)P(x_k) \rightarrow 0$ . Since  $F(\mathcal{A})$  is bounded,  $F(x_k, H(x_k))$  converges to a finite value  $T$  on compact set  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{A})$ . This contradicts the  $W$ -condition.

If  $\liminf_{x_k \rightarrow +\infty} \Phi'(x_k)P(x_k) \neq 0$ , then  $\liminf_{x_k \rightarrow +\infty} \Phi'(x_k)P(x_k) > 0$ . Thus, there exists  $C_0 > 0$  and  $l > 0$  such that  $\Phi'(x)P(x) > l, \forall x > C_0$ . For  $C > C_0$ , there exists  $K > 0$ , such that

$$\int_{C_0}^C \frac{l}{P(x)} dx > K.$$

Since  $\Phi(C) - \Phi(C_0) < K$ , we have

$$K < \int_{C_0}^C \frac{l}{P(x)} dx \leq \int_{C_0}^C \Phi'(x) dx < K.$$

It contradicts. We complete the proof of Proposition 5.1. □

**The proof of Theorem 1.9.** By Proposition 5.1, it's very easy to know that the image of  $F$  is convex. This implies that  $\mathcal{F}(f)$  has a half Reeb component. It contradicts the Proposition 3.1. Thus, we complete the proof.

**The proof of Theorem 1.10.** By similar procedure, we can prove the Theorem 1.10 by half Reeb component and Proposition 5.1.

In finally, we prove the Corollary 1.1.

**The proof of Corollary 1.1.** We consider  $G : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $G(z) = F(z) - 1, \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Thus,  $G(z)$  has no positive eigenvalue because of  $\text{Spec}(G) \subset \{z \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \text{Re}(z) < 0\}$ . By Theorem 1.7, we have  $G$  is injective. Therefore,  $F$  has a fixed point. We complete the proof of the Corollary 1.1.

**Remark 5.1.** *It's very important and meaningful to study the relations between half-Reeb components in higher dimensions and the rate of tending to zero of eigenvalues of  $JF$ .*



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