

56. The μ -Number Constant Stratum of a Quasihomogeneous Function of Corank Two is Smooth

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§ 0. Introduction. Let $f: (C^n, 0) \rightarrow (C, 0)$ be a germ of a quasihomogeneous function of a Milnor number μ with an isolated critical point. Let $\mathfrak{S}(n, 1)$ be a space of germs of holomorphic functions with an isolated critical point preserving the origin, namely

$$\mathfrak{S}(n, 1) = \{f \mid f: (C^n, 0) \rightarrow (C, 0) \text{ has an isolated critical point}\}.$$

V. I. Arnol'd conjectured in [1] that the μ -number constant stratum of a mini-transversal family of f is smooth, where a mini-transversal family implies a family which is transversal to the orbit of the action of the group of germs of biholomorphic mappings preserving the origin in $\mathfrak{S}(n, 1)$. He showed that this conjecture is affirmative for quasihomogeneous functions with inner modality $= 0, 1$ in [1]. We showed it for them with inner modality $= 2$ in [4]. Gabrielov and Kushnirenko showed it for all homogeneous functions with an isolated critical point in [2]. In this paper, we shall announce the affirmative answer to it for all quasihomogeneous functions of corank two with an isolated critical point.

Theorem. *Let f be the germ of corank two as above. Then the μ -number constant stratum of a mini-transversal family of f is smooth and its dimension is the number of generators of a monomial basis of a finite dimensional vector space $Q_f = m^2 / m(\partial f / \partial x_1, \dots, \partial f / \partial x_n)$ above and on the Newton boundary of f , where m is the maximal ideal of the local ring $C\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$.*

§ 1. Sketch of a proof. Let $f: (C^n, 0) \rightarrow (C, 0)$ be as above. We define $F: (C^n \times C^{\mu-1}, 0) \rightarrow (C, 0)$ to be the germ of the function

$$F(x, t) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{\mu-1} t_i \phi_i(x),$$

where $\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_{\mu-1}\}$ is a monomial basis of Q_f . It is well known that the family F_t is a mini-transversal family of f in $\mathfrak{S}(n, 1)$. We denote by S_F the μ -number constant stratum of the family F_t , namely $S_F = \{t \in C^{\mu-1} \mid \mu(F_t) = \mu(f)\}$ as a germ at the origin. If f is quasihomogeneous of type (r_1, \dots, r_n) i.e. $f(t^{r_1}x_1, \dots, t^{r_n}x_n) = tf(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ for any $t \in C$, then we see by Arnol'd [1] that $S_F \supset \mathcal{A}_F$, where \mathcal{A}_F is the germ at the origin of the set

$$\{(t_1, \dots, t_{\mu-1}) \in C^{\mu-1} \mid t_i = 0 \text{ for } i \text{ for which quasidegree } (\phi_i) < 1 \text{ for } (r_1, \dots, r_n)\}.$$

We shall consider the following quasihomogeneous functions of three types

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x, y) &= x^a + y^b + g(x, y) & a, b \geq 3 \\ f_2(x, y) &= x f_1(x, y) & a, b \geq 2 \\ f_3(x, y) &= x y f_1(x, y) & a, b \geq 1, \end{aligned}$$

where g is quasihomogeneous of type $(1/a, 1/b)$ and g does not contain the monomials x^a, y^b with non-zero coefficients and f_i has an isolated critical point. Then we can make the mini-transversal family F_{it} of f_i ($i=1, 2, 3$) as follows ;

$$F_1(x, y, t) = f_1(x, y) + \sum_{i=1}^{\mu_1-1} t_i \phi_{1i}(x, y),$$

where $\{\phi_{11}, \dots, \phi_{1\mu_1-1}\}$ is a monomial basis of Q_{f_1} which does not contain the monomials $x^i y^{b-1}$ ($i \geq 1$) and μ_1 is the μ -number of f_1 .

$$\begin{aligned} F_2(x, y, t) &= f_2(x, y) + \sum_{i=1}^{\mu_2-1} t_i \phi_{2i}(x, y) \\ F'_2(x, y, t) &= f_2(x, y) + \sum_{i=1}^{\mu_2-1} t_i \phi'_{2i}(x, y), \end{aligned}$$

where $\{\phi_{21}, \dots, \phi_{2\mu_2-1}\}$ (resp. $\{\phi'_{21}, \dots, \phi'_{2\mu_2-1}\}$) is a monomial basis of Q_{f_2} which does not contain the monomials y^{b+i} ($i \geq 1$), $x^{i+1} y^{b-1}$ ($i \geq 1$) (resp. $x^a y^i$ ($i \geq 1$)) and μ_2 is the μ -number of f_2 .

$$F_3(x, y, t) = f_3(x, y) + \sum_{i=1}^{\mu_3-1} t_i \phi_{3i}(x, y),$$

where $\{\phi_{31}, \dots, \phi_{3\mu_3-1}\}$ is a monomial basis of Q_{f_3} which does not contain the monomials $x^{i+1} y^b$ ($i \geq 1$), y^{b+1+i} ($i \geq 1$) and μ_3 is the μ -number of f_3 . Then we have the following three lemmata.

Lemma 1. For the family F_{1t} , we have

$$S_{F_1} = \mathcal{A}_{F_1}.$$

Lemma 2. If $b \leq a$, then for the family F_{2t} , we have

$$S_{F_2} = \mathcal{A}_{F_2}.$$

If $a \leq b$, then for the family F'_{2t} , we have

$$S_{F'_2} = \mathcal{A}_{F'_2}.$$

These lemmata are proved by using Brauner's theorem on topological types of irreducible plane curves and Zariski-Hironaka's theorem on topology of reducible plane curves etc. Proofs of the lemmata will appear in Topology (see [5]).

Now we shall prove the theorem as follows. Any germ f of corank two is equivalent to one of the germs of the functions

$$f_i(x, y) + z_1^2 + \dots + z_{n-1}^2 \quad i=1, 2, 3.$$

It is based on Saito's theorem in [3]. We put

$$\begin{aligned} G_i(x, y, z, t) &= F_i(x, y, z, t) + z_1^2 + \dots + z_{n-2}^2 & i=1, 3 \\ G_2(x, y, z, t) &= \begin{cases} F_2(x, y, z, t) + z_1^2 + \dots + z_{n-2}^2 \\ F'_2(x, y, z, t) + z_1^2 + \dots + z_{n-2}^2. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Note that $\mu(G_{it}) = \mu(f)$ if and only if $\mu(F_{it}) = \mu(f_i)$. Hence we have $\mathcal{S}_{G_i} = \mathcal{A}_{G_i}$ from the preceding lemmata. It is well known that for any mini-transversal family F_t of f in $\mathfrak{S}(n, 1)$, there exists a biholomorphic mapping $\tau: (C^{\mu-1}, 0) \rightarrow (C^{\mu-1}, 0)$ under which the germ F is equivalent to the germ G_i . By the mapping τ , we have an analytic isomorphism $\mathcal{S}_F \cong \mathcal{S}_{G_i}$. Hence the stratum \mathcal{S}_F is smooth and its dimension is equal to the number of generators of a monomial basis of Q_f above and on the Newton boundary of f (see the definition of \mathcal{A}_F). This completes the proof of the theorem.

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