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EXISTENCE OF REGULAR COVERINGS ASSOCIATED WITH LEAVES OF CODIMENSION ONE FOLIATIONS

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§ 1. Statement of results

In this paper we are concerned with transversely orientable codi mension one foliations. Let $\mathscr F$ be a C^{*r*}-foliation as above in a smooth $\text{manifold } M, r \geq 1, \text{ and let } F_0 \text{ be a closed leaf of } \mathscr{F}.$ A neighborhood *U* of F ⁰ is called a *bicollar* of F ⁰ in this paper if there is a normal line bundle $\nu: U \to F_0$ with respect to a fixed Riemannian metric on M such that each fibre of ν is transverse to \mathscr{F} . For a bicollar U of F_0 , U_+ $=F_0 \cup$ (a component of $U-F_0$) is called a *collar* of F_0 . A leaf $F \in \mathscr{F}$ is said to be asymptotic to F_0 in U_+ if $F \cap V \neq \phi$ for any neighborhood *V* of F_0 in U_+ . Let F_V be a leaf asymptotic to F_0 of the restricted foliation $\mathscr{F}|V$, where V is a neighborhood of F_0 in U_+ . A plaque of F is a leaf of $F|N$ diffeomorphic to an open $(n - 1)$ -ball, where N is a sufficiently small open *n*-ball in the *n*-manifold *M*. A C^{*r*}-covering $\tilde{\nu}$: \tilde{F} \rightarrow F_{θ} is said to be *associated* with F_{ν} if there is an injection $i: F_{\nu} \rightarrow \tilde{F}_{\theta}$ such that $\tilde{\nu}i = \nu \left| F_{\nu} \right|$ and that *i* maps any plaque of F_{ν} C^{*r*}-diffeomorphically into \tilde{F} . The *one sided holonomy group* $\Phi_+(F_{0})$ of F_{0} is the holonomy group of F_0 defined by the restricted foliation $\mathscr{F} | U_+$.

The main purpose of this paper is to prove Theorem 2, which is an existence theorem of associated regular coverings. Theorem 1 is used in the proofs of Theorem 2 and Theorem 5. Theorem 3 and Theorem 4 are the properties of associated regular coverings. As an application we show Theorem 5, which is an unstability theorem of foliations.

THEOREM 2. Let $\mathcal F$ be a transversely orientable C^{*r*}-foliation of co $dimension\; one,\; r\geqq 1,\; F_0\; be\; an\; orientable\; closed\; leaf\; of\; \mathscr{F},\; and\; let\; \; U_+$ *be a collar of* F ₀. Suppose that the one sided holonomy group Φ ₊ $(F$ ₀) *is abelian.* Then there is a neighborhood V_0 of F_0 in U_+ such that any

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 $neighborhood \ V \ of \ F_{\mathfrak{g}} \ in \ V_{\mathfrak{g}} \ satisfies \ the \ followings.$

For each asymptotic leaf F to F ⁰ in U ₊ let F ^{*y*} be an asymptotic leaf of $\mathscr{F}|V$ to F_0 contained in F. Then, an unique (in the sense of the equivalence of coverings) C^{*r*}-regular covering $\tilde{\nu} : \tilde{F} \to F_0$ is associated with F_v and $\nu_*(\pi_1(F_v)) = \tilde{\nu}_*(\pi_1(\tilde{F}))$ in $\pi_1(F_v)$. Furthermore, the equivalence class of $\tilde{\nu}$ does not depend on V , and so an unique normal subgroup $G(F) = \nu_*(\pi_1(F_V))$ of $\pi_1(F_0)$ is associated with F.

v and *G(F)* are considered as invariants on the behavior of *F* in a neighborhood of F_0 in U_+ . There is an example of \mathscr{F} , F_0 , and an as ymptotic leaf F to F_0 such that, for any one sided neighborhood V of $F₀$, no regular covering is associated with F_v .

THEOREM 1. Suppose that $\mathscr{F}, F_{\scriptscriptstyle 0},$ and $U_{\scriptscriptstyle +}$ satisfy the same conditions *as Theorem* 2. *Then, there are connected orίentable codίmension one* $submanifolds$ N_1, \cdots, N_ℓ of F_0 satisfying the followings.

 (i) $F_0 = N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_{\ell}$ is connected.

(ii) Let F_* be the manifold obtained by cutting open $F_{\mathfrak{g}}$ along N_1, \cdots, N_t , and let $g: F_* \to F_0$ be the map pasting F_* on F_0 naturally. *(There are definitions of* F_* and g in §3.) Thus $\partial F_* = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\ell} N_i' \cup N_i'',$ $g^{-1}(N_i) = N_i' \cup N_i'',$ and $g(N_i') = N_i = g(N_i'')$. Then, there are injective $diffeomorphisms$ $f_i: [0, \varepsilon] \to [0, \varepsilon], i = 1, \dots, \ell$ with the following pro*perties.*

(a) $f_i(0) = 0$ and $f_i f_j(t) = f_j f_i(t)$ for any $i, j = 1, \dots, \ell$ and t such that $f_i f_j(t)$ and $f_j f_i(t)$ are defined. (b) Denote by X_f the quotient manifold *obtained from* $F_* \times [0, \varepsilon]$ *by identifying* $(x, t) \in N'_i \times [0, \varepsilon]$ and $(x, f_i(t))$ $P_i \in N''_i \times [0, \varepsilon]$ for all $i = 1, \dots, \ell$ and $t \in [0, \varepsilon]$. By the commutativity of f_i and f_j , X_j is well defined. The product foliation of $\overline{F}_* \times [0,\varepsilon]$ induces *a* foliation \mathscr{F}_f on X_f . Then, there is a neighborhood V of F ₀ in U ₊ such that there is a leaf preserving C^r -diffeomorphism from V onto X_f . (c) The germs of f_1, \dots, f_{ℓ} at 0 generate $\Phi_+(F_0)$. Moreover, if dim F_0 > 2 , they are chosen so that the germs of f_1, \dots, f_ℓ are a basis of $\Phi_+(F_o)$.

The following results are consequence of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2.

THEOREM 3. Let $\mathcal F$ be a transversely orientable C¹-foliation of co $dimension\;$ one, and let $\boldsymbol{F_{0}}$ be an orientable closed leaf of $\mathscr{F}.$ Suppose *that* $\pi_1(F_o) = Z^m \times G$ for a finite group G and that $\{\log h'_{a_1}, \dots, \log h'_{a_m}\}$

is rationally independent for a basis $\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_m$ *of* \mathbf{Z}^m *, where* h'_{a_i} *is the derivative of the holonomy of* α_i .

Then there are collars U⁺ and U_ in the both sides of F^o such that $any\,\,\,leaf\,\,\, meeting\,\,\,U_{_{\sigma}}\,\,is\,\,\,asymptotic\,\,to\,\,F_{_{0}}\,\,in\,\,U_{_{\sigma}}\,\,and\,\,that,\,\,for\,\,any\,\,\,neigh$ *borhood V of* F *₀ in* U *_{<i>c*} and for any $F \in \mathscr{F}$ meeting U _{*c*}, an unique regular *covering* \tilde{F} with $\pi_1(\tilde{F}) \cong G$ is associated with F_v . Here σ denotes + or — .

THEOREM 4. *Let ^ be a transversely orientable codimension one foliation of class C^r*, *for* $r \geq 2$, *and let* F ^{*o*} *be an orientable closed leaf of* \mathscr{F} *.* Suppose that the holonomy group $\Phi(F_0)$ of F_0 is abelian and that *there is* $\tilde{f} \in \Phi(F_0)$ such that the derivative \tilde{f}' of \tilde{f} at 0 satisfies $\tilde{f}' \neq 1$.

Then, there is a bicollar $U = U_+ \cup U_-$ *of* F_0 satisfying the follow*ings.* Let σ denote $+$ or $-$. (i) Any leaf meeting U_{σ} is asymptotic to F_0 in U_o . (ii) For any neighborhood V of F_0 in U_o and for any leaf F m eeting U _o, an unique regular covering $\tilde{\nu}$ of F _o is associated with F_{ν} and the normal subgroup $G(F)$ of $\pi_1(F_0)$ is well defined. Moreover, (iii) $\tilde{\nu}$ and $G(F)$ do not depend on $U_{+}, U_{-},$ and F .

This theorem shows that, under the above assumptions, all leaves near F_0 in a collar are in the same situation and $\mathscr{F}|U_+,\mathscr{F}|U_-$ have the same structure.

Let F be a closed submanifold of M, and let $\mathscr{F}, \mathscr{F}'$ be foliations on a neighborhood of *F* in *M* having *F* as a leaf. We say that $\mathcal F$ and $\mathcal F'$ are *locally equivalent at F,* if there are neighborhoods *U* and *U;* of *F* such that there is a homomorphism from *U* onto *U'* mapping any leaf of $\mathscr{F}|U$ onto a leaf of $\mathscr{F}'|U'$.

Let \mathscr{F}_F^1 be the set of germs at F of codimension k C¹-foliations \mathscr{F} defined on neighborhoods U^F of *F* in *M* such that $\mathcal F$ has *F* as a leaf, and let \mathcal{F}_F^1 have a suitable topology defined by the germ of the section into the Grassmannian which defines the foliation. H. Levine and M. Shub show an unstability theorem [2] as follows: If $\pi_1(F)$ has the form $\mathbb{Z}^m \times G$ for $m > 1$ and an arbitrary group *G*, there are no stable ele ments in \mathcal{F}_F^1 with respect to local equivalence at *F*.

Here, we show an unstability theorem for foliations defined on a fixed neighborhood U of F in M. Let $\text{Fol}_F^r(U)$ be the space of C^r foliations $\mathscr F$ of codimension one defined on a neighborhood U of F in M such that $\mathscr F$ has F as a leaf. Let $\mathrm{Fol}_F^r(U)$ have the C^r -topology defined

in [1] using the charts $\{\varphi: I^{n-1} \times I \to M^n\}.$

THEOREM 5. *Let F be an orίentable closed submanifold of M of codimension one such that* $\pi_1(F) = \mathbb{Z}^m \times G$ for $m > 1$ and a finite group *G. Let ^ be a transversely orίentable codimension one foliation of class C r on a neighborhood of F in M ivith F as a leaf. Then,*

(i) if $r = 2$, there is a neighborhood U of F such that for any neigh*borhood* N of $\mathscr{F}|U$ in $\text{Fol}_F^1(U)$ there is \mathscr{F}' in N which is not locally *equivalent at F to* $\mathcal F$ *. Moreover,*

(ii) if $r > 2$, assume that there is α in $\pi_1(F)$ such that $\vert h'_\alpha \vert \neq 1$, where h'_a is the derivative of the holonomy of α . Then, the same result as (i) *holds for* $\mathrm{Fol}_F^{r-1}(U)$.

In the preparation for this research the papers, [4] of Nishimori and [3] of Nakatsuka, were very helpful to the author.

§ 2 . Preparation for Theorem 1

This section will be in the version of class C^{∞} . Let M be an oriented *n*-manifold, $n \geq 3$, and let *N* be an oriented closed smooth submanifold of M with codimension one. Let $F: B^{n-1} \times I \to M$ be an orientation preserving embedding such that $F(B^{n-1} \times I) \cap N = F(B^{n-1} \times \partial I)$, where B^{n-1} denotes an $(n-1)$ -ball in R^{n-1} with origin 0, $I = [0,1]$, and ∂ denotes the boundary. We obtain an $(n-1)$ -submanifold

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N_* = \{N - \mathrm{int}\, F(B^{n-1} \times \partial I)\} \cup F(\partial B^{n-1} \times I).
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By smoothing the corners, N_* can be regarded as a smooth manifold. Define a simple arc $f: I \to M$ by $f(t) = F(0, t)$, $t \in I$. We shall say that N_* is obtained from *N by attaching a 1-handle along* a simple arc f. If the intersection number of N and f is zero, N^* is orientable. In this case we assume that N_* has the orientation compatible with that of *N*. Then, $[N_*] = [N]$ in $H_{n-1}(M; Z)$, where [] denotes the homology class.

LEMMA 1. Let M be an oriented manifold of dimension $n \geq 3$, and *let* N' be a connected oriented closed $(n-1)$ submanifold of M . Then, *for a simple closed path c in M which intersects N' at finite points, there is a connected oriented closed (n —* 1) *submanifold N of M satisfying the following conditions,*

(i) $[N] = [N']$ in $H_1(M; Z)$.

- (ii) *N* intersects c at only $\vert [c]\cdot[N]\vert$ points.
- (iii) For a small neighborhood U of c in M, N is included in $N' \cup U$.

Proof. We may assume $[c] \cdot [N'] \geq 0$ and that N' intersects with c transversely at more than $[c] \cdot [N']$ points, $x_1 = c(t_1), \dots, x_r = c(t_r), 0 \le t_1$ $\langle \cdots \langle t_r \rangle$ t. We construct by induction on *r* the desired manifold N. There is *i* such that $1 \leq i \leq r - 1$ and that the intersection number of *N'* and $c \mid [t_i, t_{i+1}]$ is zero. By attaching a 1-handle to *N'* along the simple subarc $c\left[\left[t_i, t_{i+1}\right]\right]$, we obtain N'_* which intersects at $(r-2)$ points and with $[N'_*] = [N']$. Then N'_* has the inductive property.

LEMMA 2. Let $N \subset M$ be a pair of oriented connected manifolds of *codimension one.* If there is γ in $H₁(M; Z)$ such that the intersection *number* γ *[N] is* 1, then $M - N$ is connected.

Proof. First, we show that there is a closed path $u: I \to M$, $u(0)$ $= u(1)$, such that *u* intersects with *N* at a single point. Let *c* be any closed path with $[c] = \gamma$. We may assume that c meets N transversely, and hence *c* meets *N* at finitely many points, $x_1 = c(t_1), \dots, x_r = c(t_r)$, $0 \leq t_{1} \leq \cdots \leq t_{r} \leq 1$. We shall construct by induction on r a closed path *u* as above. We may assume $r \geq 3$. There is *i* with $1 \leq i \leq r - 1$ such that the intersection number of *N* and $c\left| [t_i, t_{i+1}] \right|$ is zero. Since N is connected there is a path d from x_i to x_{i+1} in N. Let ε be a suf ficiently small positive real number. Then, we can take a path *d!* from $c(t_i - \varepsilon)$ to $c(t_{i+1} + \varepsilon)$ along d so that d' does not intersect with N. $c([0, t_i - \varepsilon]) \cup (\text{image } d') \cup c([t_{i+1} + \varepsilon, 1])$ is an image of a path $c' : I \to M$ which meets N at $(r-2)$ points. Moreover, we have $[c'] \cdot [N] = \gamma \cdot [N]$ $= 1$, where $[c']$ denotes the homology class of c'. Then c' has the inductive property, and therefore *u* is constructed.

For any two points p_0 and p_1 in $M - N$ there is a path c from p_0 to p_1 . We may assume as above that c intersects N transversely, and hence *c* meets *N* at finite points, $y_1 = c(s_1), \dots, y_r = c(s_r), 0 \le s_1 \dots \le s_r$ \leq 1. We shall construct by induction on *r* a path *v* from p_0 to p_1 such that *v* does not intersect *N.* Let *u* be a closed path such that *u* inter sects *N* at a single point $y_0 = u(t_0)$ for $t_0 \in (0,1)$. There is a path d from y_1 to y_0 in N. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be sufficiently small. Then, there is a path d_{-} in $M - N$ from $c(s_1 - \varepsilon)$ to $u(t_0 - \delta)$ along d, where δ is a pos itive or negative real number with a sufficiently small absolute value. Similarly, there is d_+ from $c(s_1 + \varepsilon)$ to $u(t_0 + \delta)$. $c([0, s_1 - \varepsilon]) \cup (\text{image } d_-)$

U $u(I - (t_0 - \delta, t_0 + \delta))$ U (image d_+) U $c([s_1 + \varepsilon, 1])$ is an image of a path c' from p_0 to p_1 which intersects N at $(r-1)$ points. Then c' has the inductive property. This proves Lemma 2.

Let $H: H_1(M; \mathbb{Z}) \to \mathbb{Z}_{(1)} + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_{(m)}$ be an epimorphism onto a free abelian group of rank m, $Z_{(i)} \cong Z$ $(i = 1, \dots, m)$. Let $p_i: Z_{(1)} + \dots + Z_{(m)}$ $\rightarrow Z_{(i)}$ be the projection onto the *i*-th factor. By Künneth's theorem the map $\kappa : H^1(M; \mathbb{Z}) \to \text{Hom}(H^1(M; \mathbb{Z}), \mathbb{Z})$ induced from slant operation is an isomorphism since $H_0(M; Z)$ is free abelian. Assume $\partial M = \phi$. Let $\delta: H^{1}(M; Z) \to H_{n-1}(M; Z)$ be the Poincaré duality isomorphism, and let $\mathcal{E}_i = \delta \kappa^{-1}(p_iH)$. For $\gamma \in H_1(M; \mathbb{Z})$,

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\begin{aligned} \gamma \cdot \theta_i &= \gamma \cap \delta^{-1}(\theta_i) \\ &= \gamma \cap (\kappa^{-1}(p_i H)) \\ &= p_i H(\gamma) \;, \end{aligned}
$$

where \cap denotes cup product. Thus we have

 $\gamma \cdot \theta_i = p_i H(\gamma) \qquad \text{for } \gamma \in H_1(M; \mathbf{Z}) \;.$

Now, we set the following result of Nakatsuka.

LEMMA 3 ([3]). *Let M be a compact connected orίentable manifold of dimension* $n \geq 3$ and $\theta \in H_{n-1}(M; Z)$. Then, there is a connected ori*entable* $(n - 1)$ -submanifold N in M such that $\theta = [N]$ if and only if *there is a homology class* $\gamma \in H_1(M; \mathbb{Z})$ such that the intersection number $\gamma \cdot \theta = 1.$

PROPOSITION 1. *Let M be a connected orίentable closed manifold of dimension* $n \geq 3$ *, and let* $H: H_1(M; \mathbb{Z}) \to \mathbb{Z}_{(1)} + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_{(m)}$ be an epimor*phism. Then, there are connected closed codimension one submanifolds* N_{1} , \cdots , N_{m} of *M* satisfying the followings.

- (i) N_1, \ldots, N_m are in general position in M.
- (ii) $\gamma \cdot [N_i] = p_i H(\gamma)$ for any $\gamma \in H_i(M; \mathbb{Z})$, $i = 1, \dots, m$.
- (iii) $N_i N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_{i-1}$ is connected for $i = 2, \dots, m$.
- (iv) $M N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_m$ is connected.

 (v) $Hj_{*}(H_{1}(M - N_{1} \cup \cdots \cup N_{i}; \mathbf{Z})) = Z_{(i+1)} + \cdots + Z_{(m)}$ for $i = 1$, \cdots , $m-1$, and $=0$ for $i = m$. Here, j is the inclusion $M - N_1 \cup \cdots$ $\cup N_i \rightarrow M$.

Proof. Since $p_i H : H_1(M; \mathbb{Z}) \to \mathbb{Z}_{(i)}$ is an epimorphism, there is γ_i $\in H_1(M; \mathbb{Z})$ such that $H(\gamma_i)$ is the generator of $\mathbb{Z}_{(i)}$, $i = 1, \dots, m$. Then,

by Lemma 3, $\gamma_i \cdot \theta_i = p_i H(\gamma_i) = 1$ implies that there are connected orientable closed $(n-1)$ -submanifolds N'_1, \dots, N'_m in M such that $[N'_i] = \theta_i$, $i = 1, \dots, m$. N'_1, \dots, N'_m may be assumed to be in general position.

We vary N'_i to N_i , $i = 1, \dots, m$, by induction on *i* so that N_1, \dots, N_i satisfy the following condition $C(i)$. Denote $M_i = M - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_i$.

- $C(i)$ (i) N_1, \dots, N_i are in general position in M.
	- (ii) $[N_k] = \theta_k, \; k = 1, \dots, i.$
	- (iii) $N_k N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_{k-1}$ is connected for $k = 2, \dots, i$ if $i \ge 2$.
	- (iv) M_i is connected.
	- $(\text{ v }) \quad H \circ j_{*}(H_{1}(M_{k}\,;\,Z)=Z_{\text{\tiny $(k+1)$}} + \,\cdots \,+\,Z_{\text{\tiny (m)}} \,\text{ for }\, k=1,\,\cdots,i.$

First, we construct N_1 as follows. Since $n \geq 3$, there are simple closed paths c_2, \dots, c_m such that $[c_2] = \gamma_2, \dots, [c_m] = \gamma_m$ and that they are mutually disjoint. By Lemma 1, there is a manifold N_1 such that $[N_1] = [N_1']$ and that N_1 does not intersects c_2, \dots, c_m . By Lemma 2, the existence of γ_1 implies that $M - N_1$ is connected. Since c_2, \dots, c_m are contained in M_1 and $0 = \gamma \cdot [N_1] = p_1 H(\gamma)$ for $\gamma \in H_1(M_1; Z)$, it is not dif ficult to see that $Hj_{*}(H_1(M_1; Z)) = Z_{(2)} + \cdots + Z_{(m)}$. Then, N_1 satisfies the condition $C(1)$.

Next, suppose that N_1, \cdots, N_i are constructed so that the condition C(i) is satisfied. Now, we construct N_{i+1} so that N_1, \dots, N_i, N_{i+1} satisfy $C(i + 1)$. By (v) of $C(i)$ there is a simple closed path c_{i+1} in M_i realiz ing $\gamma_{i+1} \in H_1(M; Z)$, and hence the intersection number $c_{i+1} \cdot (N'_{i+1} - N_i)$ $U \cdots U N_i$) = $c_{i+1} \cdot N'_{i+1} = [c_{i+1}] \cdot [N'_{i+1}] = \gamma_{i+1} \cdot \theta_{i+1}$ is 1. We can take c_i . so that it intersects N'_{i+1} transversely. Then, by the method of the proof of Lemma 3 in [3], there is a closed manifold N''_{i+1} such that (i) $N''_{i+1} \cap M_i$, so N''_{i+1} , is connected and (ii) $[N''_{i+1}] = [N'_{i+1}]$ in $H_{n-1}(M; Z)$ and $[N'_{i+1} \cap M_i] = [N'_{i+1} \cap M_i]$ in $H_{n-1}(M_i; Z)$. Here, N''_{i+1} is obtained by attaching slender 1-handles to N'_{i+1} along simple arcs in M_i . Next, we vary $N_{i+1}^{\prime\prime}$ to construct N_{i+1} so that N_1, \cdots, N_i and N_{i+1} satisfy the con dition $C(i + 1)$. By (v) of $C(i)$, there are simple closed paths c_{i+2}, \dots, c_m in M_i realizing $\gamma_{i+2}, \cdots, \gamma_m$, respectively. We may assume that they intersect N''_{i+1} transversely and that they are mutually disjoint. Similarly as the construction of N_1 , we obtain N_{i+1} from N''_{i+1} by attaching slender 1-handles along simple arcs contained in c_{i+2}, \ldots, c_m so that N_{i+1} does not intersects c_{i+2}, \dots, c_m , that $[N_{i+1}] = [N'_{i+1}]$, and that $H \circ j_*(H_1(M - N))$ $\cup \cdots \cup N_i \cup N_{i+1}$; Z)) = Z_{i+2} , + \cdots + $Z_{(m)}$. Since c_{i+1} is a path in M_i and $c_{i+1} \cdot (N_{i+1} \cap M_i) = c_{i+1} \cdot N_{i+1} = 1$, Lemma 2 implies that $M_{i+1} = M_i$

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 $-N_{i+1}$ is connected. From the above, we can see that N_1, \dots, N_{i+1} satisfy the condition $C(i + 1)$. This proves Proposition 1.

§ 3 . Proof of Theorem 1

Let $\mathscr F$ be a codimension one foliation of class C^r of an orientable $(n + 1)$ -manifold M, and suppose that an orientable *n*-manifold F_0 is a closed leaf of \mathscr{F} . Let $\nu: U \to F_0$ is an *R*-bundle of a bicollar U of F_0 , and let $\nu_}: U_+ \to F_0$ is an R_+ -bundle of a collar U_+ of F_0 , $R = (-\infty, \infty)$ and $R_+ = [0, \infty)$. F_0 is identified with the zero section of ν or ν_+ , and the fibres of ν and ν_+ are identified with **R** and **R**₊ respectively.

A curve $u:[0,1] \to U$ is called a *leaf curve* from $u(0)$ to $u(1)$ if the image of *u* is contained in a leaf. Let $y \in \nu^{-1}u(0)$ and let $u_y: [0,1] \to U$ be a leaf curve such that $u_y(0) = y$ and $\nu u_y(t) = u(t)$ for any $t \in [0,1]$. We call u_y the *y-lift* of *u*. There exists at most one *y*-lift of *u*. If there is the *y*-lift of u for any y in $[y_1, y_2] \subset R = v^{-1}u(0)$ the *holonomy map* h_u from $[y_1, y_2]$ into $R = v^{-1}u(b)$ is defined by $h_u(y) = u_y(b)$.

Let $x_* \in F_0$ and u be a closed leaf curve with base point x_* . The germ of h_u at 0 is called the *holonomy* of *u*. The holonomy of *u* is determined by the homotopy class [u] of u in $\pi_1(F_0, x_*)$ and is independent of the choice of ν up to conjugations by origin preserving diffeomorphism of R . Let G^r be the group of the germs at 0 of all orientation-preserv ing local C^r -diffeomorphisms of *R* which leave the origin fixed. A homomorphism $h: \pi_1(F_0, x_*) \to G^r$ is defined by corresponding the holonomy of *u* to $[u] \in \pi_1(F_0, x_*)$. The image of the homomorphism *h* is called the $holonomy\ group\ of\ F_0\ and\ denoted\ by\ \Phi(F_0)$. The *one-sided holonomy group* $\Phi_+(F_0)$ of F_0 is defined similarly by replacing ν and R by ν_+ and \mathbf{R}_{+}

A proof of the following Lemma 4 is found in the proof of Lemma 2 in [4].

LEMMA 4. If $\Phi_+(F_o)$ is the trivial group there is a neighborhood U_0 of F_0 in U_+ such that the restricted foliation $\mathscr{F}|U_0$ is trivial; i.e. *for each leaf* F *of* $\mathscr{F} | U_0, \nu: F \to F_0$ *is a diffeomorphism.*

In this paper, we assume that $\Phi_+(F_0)$ is abelian, then $\Phi_+(F_0)$ is free abelian since G^r has no torsion element. Let $\iota: \Phi_+(F_0) \to Z_{(1)} + \cdots + Z_{(m)}$ be an isomorphism and let $\eta: \pi_1(F_0, x_*) \to H_1(F_0: \mathbb{Z})$ be the Hurewicz homomorphism. Then, there is an epimorphism $H: H_1(F_0; \mathbb{Z}) \to \mathbb{Z}_{(1)}$ +

 $1 + Z_{(m)}$ such that $H\eta = \iota h$. Let p_i be the projection from $Z_{(1)} + \cdots + Z_{(m)}$ onto the *i*-th factor. Thus we have the following diagram.

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\pi_1(F_0, x_*) \xrightarrow{h} \Phi(F_0) \xrightarrow{\iota} Z_{(1)} + \cdots + Z_{(m)} \xrightarrow{p_i} Z_{(i)}
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\downarrow^{\eta} H_1(F_0; Z) \xrightarrow{H}
$$

Let N_1, \dots, N_m be codimension one smooth submanifolds in F_0 such that they are in the general position and that $F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_m$ is connected. Denote by F_1 the compact manifold with boundary obtained by attaching two copies N'_1 and N''_1 of N_1 to $F_0 - N_1$, so that $\partial F_1 = N'_1$ \cup N'' . Then, a local diffeomorphism $g_1: F_1 \rightarrow F_0$ is defined by $g_1(x) = x$ for $x \notin \partial F_1$ and $g_1(y') = g_1(y'') = y$ for $y \in N_1$, where $y' \in N'_1$ and $y'' \in N''_1$ are the copies of $y \in N_1$, $g_1^{-1}(N_i) \subset F_1$ is denoted also by N_i , $i = 2, \dots, m$. Inductively we define F_2, \dots, F_m and $g_i: F_i \to F_{i-1}, i = 2, \dots, m$, similarly as above. The boundaries of F_2, \dots, F_m have possibly corners. Let $g: F_m \to F_0$ be the composition $g_j \cdots g_1$. F_m is said to be the manifold which is *obtained by cutting open* F_0 along N_1, \dots, N_m , g is said to be the map $\textit{pasting } F_m \textit{ on } F_0$.

Proof of Theorem 1. If $n = 1$, this theorem is well known in the theory of dynamical system. If $n > 2$, let N_1, \dots, N_m be the manifolds obtained by Proposition 1 for the epimorphism $H: H_1(F_0; Z) \to Z_{(1)} + \cdot$ $+ Z_{(m)} \cong \Phi_+(F_0)$ defined above. If $n = 2$, let p be the genus of F_0 . Then we can take simple closed curves N_1, \cdots, N_{2p} in $F_{\mathfrak{g}}$ such that $N_i \cap N_j$ is at most one point for any different i, j and that $F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_{2p}$ is an open 2-ball. We define N_1, \cdots, N_ℓ in the theorem as above.

Since $F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell$ is a 2-ball for $n = 2$, $\Phi_+(F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell)$ $= 0$ in $\mathscr{F} | \nu^{\perp}_{+}(F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_{\ell})$. When $n > 2$, let c be a simple closed path in $F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_m$. Let γ be the homotopy class of c in $\pi_1(F_0, x_*)$, $x_* \in F_0 \to N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_m$, and $[N_i]$ be the homology class of N_i in $H_1(F_0; \mathbf{Z})$. Then, by Proposition 1,

$$
p_{i}th(\gamma) = p_{i}H_{\eta}(\gamma) ,
$$

= $p_{i}H([c])$, $[c] \in H_{1}(F_{0}; Z)$
= $[c] \cdot [N_{i}] = 0$

since $c \cap N_i = \phi$, for $i = 1, \dots, m$. This implies $\Phi_+(F_0 - N_1 \cup \dots \cup N_\ell)$ $= 0$, if $n > 2$. By using Lemma 4, wee see that there is a injective

 C^r -diffeomorphism $\xi: (F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell) \times [0, \delta] \to U_+$ such that (i) ξ maps each $(F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell) \times \{t\}$ into a leaf of $\mathscr{F} | U_+$ and that (ii) $\nu_+ \xi(x,t) = x$ for $x \in F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell$ and $t \in [0,\delta]$. Put $\xi((F_0 - N_1))$ $\cup \cdots \cup N_{\ell} \times [0 , \delta]) = \tilde{F}_* \subset \nu^{\pm 1}_+(F_{\scriptscriptstyle 0} - N_{\scriptscriptstyle 1} \cup \cdots \cup N_{\ell}).$ By identifying $\xi(x, t)$ with (x, t) , $(x, t) \in (F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell) \times [0, \delta]$ is a coordinates of $\tilde{F}_*,$ Putting $V' = \text{cl } F_*, V'$ is a closed neighborhood of F_0 in $U_*.$ We are dealing with the holonomy maps and the holonomies for closed paths in $F₀$ with the fixed base point $x_* \in \text{int } \tilde{F}_*.$ From now on in this section a holonomy maps are considered as local diffeomorphisms of $[0, \delta]$ by identifying [0, δ] with $x_* \times [0, \delta]$, where $x_* \times [0, \delta]$ is the expression of the above coordinates.

The number of the connected components of $N_i - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_{i-1}$ $\cup N_{i+1} \cup \cdots \cup N_{\ell}$ is only one if $n = 2$. For $n \geq 3$, let N_{ij} be one of these components. For any x in N_{ij} there is a closed path v_x in F_0 with base point x_* such that v_x intersects $N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell$ at only one point x, since $F_0 - N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell$ is connected. There is ε_x with $0 \leq \varepsilon_x$ $\leq \delta$ such that there is a leaf curve of $\mathscr{F}|V'$ which is the lift of v_x starting from $(x_*, \varepsilon_x) \in v_*^{-1}(x_*)$. So, the holonomy map f_x of v_x is defined on $[0, \varepsilon_x]$. Let \tilde{v}_x be a lift of v_x and let $\tilde{v}_x(0) = s'$, $v_x(1) = s''$ in $\{x_*\}$ \times $[0, s_x] \subset v_*^{-1}(x_*)$. Let $\tilde{v}_x(t_0) \in v_*^{-1}(x)$. For any t', t'' with $0 \le t' \le t_0 \le t''$ ≤ 1 , we have $\tilde{v}_x(t') = (v_x(t'), s')$ and $\tilde{v}_x(t'') = (v_x(t''), s'')$ in the coordinates ${\tilde F}_* = (F_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}-N_{\scriptscriptstyle 1}\cup \cdots \cup N_{\scriptscriptstyle \ell})\times [0,\delta], \ \ \hbox{since} \ \ {\mathscr F}{\mid} {\tilde F}_* \ \ \hbox{is trivial.} \ \ \hbox{ Hence, we}$ have $f_x(s') = s''$. Let N_{ij} have the orientation which is compatible with the inclusion $N_{ij} \subset N_i$ and the given orientation of N_i . For another point *y* in N_{ij} let v_y be a closed curve as above such that $[v_y] \cdot [N_{ij}]$ $=[v_x] \cdot [N_{ij}].$ From the triviality of $\mathscr{F}|\tilde{F}_*$ it is easy to see that the source of the holonomy map f_y of v_y is same as f_x and that $f_y = f_x$ on it, i.e. $f_y(s) = f_x(s)$ for any $s \in [0, \varepsilon_x]$. Therefore, there are ε_{ij} with $0 \leq \varepsilon_{ij} \leq \delta$ and an injective diffeomorphism $f_{ij}: [0, \varepsilon_{ij}] \to [0, \delta]$ satisfying the following property; for any x in N_{ij} and any closed path v_x in F_0 with base point x_* such that v_x intersects $N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell$ at only one point x and that $[v_x] \cdot [N_i] = 1$, the holonomy map of v_x is defined on $[0, \varepsilon_{ij}]$ and is equal to f_{ij} . For two components N_{ij} and N_{ik} of $N_i - N_j$ $\bigcup \cdots \bigcup N_{i-1} \cup N_{i+1} \cup \cdots \cup N_{\ell}$ the holonomy maps f_{ij} and f_{ik} are coin cide on a small neighborhood of 0, since $[v_x] \cdot [N_i] = [v_y] \cdot [N_i] = 1$ so the holonomies of v_x and v_y are coincide. Hence, there are ε _{*t*} with $0 \leq \varepsilon$ $<$ δ and an injective diffeomorphism f_i : [0, ε_i] \rightarrow [0, δ] satisfying the same

property as above. Therefore, there are $0 \lt \varepsilon \lt \delta$ and injective diffeomorphisms f_1, \dots, f_{ℓ} for N_1, \dots, N_{ℓ} satisfying the following property; for any x in N_i and any closed path v_x in F_0 with base point x_* such that v_x intersects $N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell$ at only one point x and that $[v_x] \cdot [N_i]$ = 1, the holonomy map of v_x is defined on [0, ε] and is equal to f_i . Since $\Phi(F_0)$ is abelian, we may assume that f_1, \dots, f_{ℓ} are mutually com mutative by choosing ε sufficiently small.

 $\text{Since } f_i \text{ and } f_i^{-1} \text{ are monotonously increasing, } f_i(\varepsilon) \geq \varepsilon \text{ implies } \varepsilon \geq f_i^{-1}(\varepsilon).$ So, replacing f_i by f_i^{-1} (i.e. replacing the orientation of N_i) if necessary, we can suppose that $\varepsilon \ge f_i(\varepsilon)$ for all *i*. Notice that $N_i = \bigcup_i \text{cl } N_{ij}$ and $g^{-1}(N_{ij}) = N'_{ij} \cup N''_{ij}$. Here, $g: F_* \to F_0$ is the diffeomorphism pasting F_* on F_0 , F_* is the manifold obtained by cutting open F_0 along N_1, \dots, N_i and N'_{ij}, N''_{ij} are diffeomorphic manifolds such that $g(N'_{ij})$ $N_i = N_{ij} = g(N''_{ij})$. Then, $g^{-1}(N_i) = N'_i \cup N''_i$, where N'_i and N''_i are diffeo morphic manifolds such that $N_i' = \bigcup_i cl N'_{ij}$, $N''_i = \bigcup_i cl N''_{ij}$ and $g(N'_i) = N_i$ $= g(N''_i)$. Since N_1, \dots, N_ℓ are in general position and f_1, \dots, f_ℓ are mutually commutative, it is not difficult to show that a quotient manifold *X_f* is well defined from $F_* \times [0, \varepsilon]$ by identifying $(x, s) \in N'_i \times [0, \varepsilon]$ and $(x, f_i(s)) \in N''_i \times [0, \varepsilon]$. Let \mathscr{F}_f be the foliation on X_f induced from the trivial foliation of $F_* \times [0, \varepsilon]$. Since $\inf F_*$ is diffeomorphic to $F_o - N_1$ $\cup \cdots \cup N_i$, we can see from the above facts that there is a C^r-diffeo morphism from a neighborhood V of F_o in $U₊$ onto X_f mapping each leaf of $\mathscr{F}|V$ onto a leaf of \mathscr{F}_{f} .

By the constructions of f_1, \dots, f_s , these maps satisfies the property (ii)-(c) in the theorem. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

§4. Proof of Theorem 2

LEMMA 5. Let f_1, \dots, f_k be injective homeomorphisms from $[0, \varepsilon]$ *into* $[0, \varepsilon]$ *such that* $f_i(0) = 0$ *for* $i = 1, \dots, \ell$. *Suppose*

$$
f_i f_j(t) = f_j f_i(t) , \qquad i, j = 1, \cdots, \ell .
$$

Put

(1)
$$
h_1(t) = f_{i_a}^{\sigma_a} \cdots f_{i_1}^{\sigma_1}(t) , \qquad \sigma_a = \pm 1 ,
$$

 $h_2(t) = f_{j_\beta}^{\tau_\beta} \cdots f_{j_1}^{\tau_1}(t) \;,\qquad \tau_{\mathit{b}} = \pm 1\;.$

Then $h_1(t) = h_2(t)$ for any t such that $h_1(t)$ and $h_2(t)$ are defined if

(3) $\sum_{i_a=i}\sigma_{i_a}=\sum_{j_b=i}\tau_{j_b}, i=1,\cdots,\ell, a=1,\cdots,\alpha, b=1,\cdots,\beta.$ *Here,* f_i^{-1} *is considered to be defined on* $[0, f_i(\varepsilon)].$

Proof. By the assumption we have

$$
f_i^{\sigma} f_j^{\tau}(t) = f_j^{\tau} f_i^{\sigma}(t) , \qquad \sigma, \tau = \pm 1 , i, j = 1, \cdots, \ell
$$

for any *t* such that both sides of the expression are defined. We define a linear order \leq in the set $\{f_1, \dots, f_\ell, f_1^{-1}, \dots, f_\ell^{-1}\}$ as follows; for f_i , f_j and f_i^{-1}, f_j^{-1} , we define $f_i \leq f_j$ and $f_i^{-1} \leq f_j^{-1}$ respectively if $i \leq j$, and we define $f_i \leq f_j^{-1}$ for any f_i and f_j^{-1} . It is not difficult to see that \leq is a linear order.

Next, we show that if $f_i^{q_i} f_j^{q_j}(t)$ is defined and $f_i^{q_i} \leq f_j^{q_j}$, $f_j^{q_j} f_i^{q_i}(t)$ is. also defined and $f_i^{q_i} f_j^{q_j}(t) = f_j^{q_j} f_i^{q_i}(t)$. This property is trivial for f_i and f_j . For f_i^{-1} and f_j^{-1} it is shown as follows. Suppose $f_i^{-1} \leq f_j^{-1}$. If $f_i^{-1}f_j^{-1}(t)$ is defined, $f_j^{-1}(t) \leq f_i(\varepsilon)$, so $t \leq f_jf_i(\varepsilon)$. Since $f_jf_i(\varepsilon) = f_if_j(\varepsilon)$, $t \leq f_i f_j(\varepsilon)$. Hence, $f_i^{-1}(t) \leq f_j(\varepsilon)$, and so $f_j^{-1} f_i^{-1}(t)$ is defined. Then $f_i^{-1} f_j^{-1}(t) = f_j^{-1} f_i^{-1}(t)$. Finally, for f_i and f_j^{-1} it is shown as follows. Suppose $f_i \leq f_j^{-1}$. If $f_i f_j^{-1}(t)$ is defined, $t \leq f_j(\varepsilon)$, so $t_i(t) \leq f_i f_j(\varepsilon)$. Since $f_i f_j(\varepsilon) = f_j f_i(\varepsilon) \leq f_j(\varepsilon)$, $f_i(t) \leq f_j(\varepsilon)$. Then, $f_j^{-1} f_i(t)$ is defined, and so $f_i f_i^{-1}(t) = f_i^{-1} f_i(t).$

If $f_i(t)$ or $f_i^{-1}(t)$ is defined, $f_j(f_i^{-1}f_i)(t)$ or $(f_i^{-1}f_i)f_j^{-1}(t)$ is defined and $f_j(t) = f_j(f_i^{-1}f_i)(t)$ or $f_j^{-1}(t) = (f_i^{-1}f_i)f_j^{-1}(t)$, respectively. Next, we inter plate $f_i^{\text{-}1}f_i$ in the right hand of the expressions of (1) and (2) if necessary so that the same number of f_i and f_i^{-1} are contained in these ex pressions for each $i = 1, \dots, \ell$. Finally, we change the order in the rows of the terms in these expressions to the order induced from \leq . Then, the obtained expressions are identical. This proves $h_1(t) = h_2(t)$.

LEMMA 6. *Let ^ be a transversely orientable C^r -folίation of codimension one,* $r \geq 1$ *, and let* F ^{*o*} *be a compact leaf of* \mathscr{F} *. Let* ν *be a normal R⁺ -bundle map from a collar U⁺ onto F^o such that v is transverse* $to \mathscr{F}$ *, and let* $F \in \mathscr{F}$ be asymptotic to F ₀ in U_+ *. Then, the following properties are satisfied.*

(i) For a neighborhood V of F ⁰ in U ₊, let F ^v be an asymptotic *leaf of* $\mathscr{F}|V$ to F _o such that F ^{*v*} \cap $F \neq \phi$. Then, an unique regular covering $\tilde{\nu}: \tilde{F} \to F_0$ is associated with F_V and $\nu_*(\pi_1(F_V)) = \tilde{\nu}_*(\pi_1(\tilde{F}))$ in $\pi_1(F_0)$ if and *only if the following condition* (*) *is satisfied.*

(*) For a point x^* in F^o and any closed path u in F^o with the base

points x_* *let y and z be any two points in* $\nu^{-1}(x_*) \cap F_\nu$ *such that* $h_u(y)$ and $h_u(z)$ are defined, where h_u is the holonomy map of u . Then, $h_u(y)$ $=y$ if and only if $h_u(z) = z$.

(ii) *Suppose F and V satisfies* (*). *Then, for any neighborhood V^r of* F _{*o*} in V, the same regular covering as $\tilde{\nu}$ is associated with F _{*v*} μ .

Proof. Let $\tilde{\nu}$: $\tilde{F} \rightarrow F_0$ be a regular covering and let u be a closed curve in F_0 with base point x_* . For *y* and *z* in $\tilde{\nu}^{-1}(x_*)$ let u_y and u_z be the lifts of u starting from y and z respectively. Then, u_y is a closed curve if and only if u_z is so. Therefore, if there is an associated regular covering with F_v , condition $(*)$ is satisfied.

Next, we prove the converse. Define a subgroup $G(F_v)$ of $\pi_1(F_0, x_*)$ by

> $G(F_v) = \{ \alpha \in \pi_1(F_0, x_*) \mid \text{ there is a closed curve } \overline{u} \text{ in } F_v \}$ such that $[\nu \bar{u}] = \alpha$,

where $\begin{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$ denotes the homotopy class. We must show that $G(F_V)$ is a $\text{subgroup of } \pi_1(F_0, x_*)$. For α and β in $G(F_V)$ there are closed curves \overline{u} and \bar{v} in F_v such that $[\nu \bar{u}] = \alpha$ and $[\nu \bar{v}] = \beta^{-1}$. Let $y, z \in \nu^{-1}(x_*)$ be the base point of $\overline{u}, \overline{v}$. Assume $x_* \leq y \leq z$ in the line $v^{-1}(x_*)$. Put $v\overline{u} = u$ and $\nu \bar{\nu} = \nu$. By the existence of $\bar{\nu}$, $h_{\nu}(y)$ is defined. Condition (*) im plies $h_n(y) = y$. So, there is the lift \tilde{v} of v starting from y. \tilde{v} is a closed curve in F_v . Then, $\bar{u}v$ is a closed curve in F_v such that $[\nu(\bar{u}\tilde{v})]$ $=\alpha\beta^{-1}$. Therefore, $\alpha\beta^{-1} \in G(F_V)$.

To the conjugacy class of a subgroup of $\pi_1(F_0, x_*)$ an unique covering of F_0 exists. Let $\tilde{\nu}$: $\tilde{F} \rightarrow F_0$ be the covering corresponding to the conjugacy class including $G(F_v)$. Then, for $\tilde{y} \in \tilde{\nu}^{-1}(x_*)$, $\tilde{\nu}_*(\pi_1(F, y))$ is a subgroup of $\pi_1(F_0, x_*)$ which is conjugate to $G(F_V)$.

Next, we define the map $i: F_V \to F$. Fix two points $y_* \in F_V$ and $\tilde{y}_* \in \tilde{F}$ so that $\nu(y_*) = \tilde{\nu}(\tilde{y}_*) = x_*$ and that $\tilde{\nu}_*(\pi_1(\tilde{F}, \tilde{y}_*)) = G(F_V)$. For any point y in F_v there is a curve $u: [0,1] \to F_v$ such that $u(0) = y_*$ and $u(1) = y$. Let \tilde{u} be the lift of *vu* starting from \tilde{y}_* for the covering \tilde{y} . We define $i(y) \in \tilde{F}$ by $i(y) = \tilde{u}(1)$. $i(y)$ is well defined, i.e. for another curve *v* in F_v from y_* to y , $\tilde{v}(1) = \tilde{u}(1)$. In fact, since $[\nu(uv^{-1})] \in G(F_v)$ and $G(F_v) = \tilde{\nu}_*(\pi_1(\tilde{F}, \tilde{y}_*))$, the lift of $\nu(uv^{-1})$ starting from $\tilde{y}_* \in \tilde{F}$ is a closed curve. Hence, $\tilde{u}^{-1} \tilde{v}$ is a closed curve with the base point $\tilde{u}(1)$. This implies $\tilde{v}(1) = \tilde{u}(1)$. By the definition of *i*, $\tilde{v} \circ i = v$ is obvious.

If $\nu(y) \neq \nu(y')$, clearly $i(y) \neq i(y')$. Next, we show that $i(y) \neq i(y')$

when $\nu(y) = \nu(y')$ and $y \neq y'$. Let *u'* and *v'* be the curves in F_v from y_* to y and y' respectively. Put $\nu u' = u$ and $\nu v' = v$. We can assume that $y \leq y'$ in $\nu^{-1}(y)$. Since $h_{v-1}(y') = y_*, h_{v-1}(y)$ is defined and $h_{v-1}(y)$ $\langle y_* \text{ in } \nu^{-1}(x_*)$. Since $h_{uv^{-1}}(y_*) = h_{v^{-1}}(y) \leq y_*$, $[uv^{-1}] \notin G(F_v)$. So that, the lift of uv^{-1} starting from \tilde{y}_* in \tilde{F} is never a closed curve. Hence, $i(y) = \tilde{u}(1) \neq \tilde{v}(1) = i(y')$. Therefore, *i* is an injection.

It is obvious that i maps any plaque of F_v C^r -diffeomorphically into *F.*

To show $\tilde{\nu}$ is a regular covering we are sufficient to show that $G(F_{\nu})$ is a normal subgroup of $\pi_1(F_0, x_*)$. Let *u* and *v* be closed curves in F_0 with the base point x_* . Assume $[u] \in G(F_v)$. Since F_v is asymptotic to F_0 there is y in $\nu^{-1}(x_*) \cap F$, such that $h_{vw^{-1}}(y)$ is defined. Since [u] $\in G(F_v)$, $h_u h_v(y) = h_v(y)$. So that, $h_{vuv^{-1}}(y) = h_{v^{-1}} h_u h_v(y) = y$. Hence, $[vuv^{-1}] \in G(F_v)$. This implies that $G(F_v)$ is a normal subgroup. There fore, (i) is proved.

To prove (ii) it is sufficient, if $G(F_v) = G(F_v)$ is shown. But, this is obvious since F_v is asymptotic to F_v .

Proof of Theorem 2. By Theorem 1 we obtain $N_1, \dots, N_\ell \subset F_0, V$, and the functions f_1, \dots, f_ℓ . Let $x_* \in F_0 - N_1 \cup \dots \cup N_\ell$. For an as ymptotic leaf F of $\mathscr{F}|V$ to F_{φ} , let F_{φ} be an asymptotic leaf of $\mathscr{F}|V$ to F_0 such that $F_v \subset F$.

First, we show that, if u, v are closed paths in $F₀$ with base point x_* in a same homology class of $H_1(F_0; Z)$, $h_u(y) = h_v(y)$ for any $y \in \nu^{-1}(x_*)$ V such that $h_u(y)$, $h_v(y)$ are defined. Let \tilde{u}, \tilde{v} be the leaf curves of $\mathscr{F}|V$ which are lifts of u, v starting from y. We may assume that \tilde{u}, \tilde{v} $\text{intersect} \; \; \mathcal{V}^{-1}(N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell) \; \; \text{transversely.} \; \; \text{So,} \; \; \text{since} \; \; F_0 \to N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell$ is connected, \tilde{u} and \tilde{v} are homotopic to $\tilde{u}_1 \cdots \tilde{u}_s$ and $\tilde{v}_1 \cdots \tilde{v}_s$ by homotopies such that the homotopies preserve the end points of the paths and that each homotopy level is a leaf curve of $\mathscr{F}|V$ *,* where $\tilde{u}_1 \cdots \tilde{u}_a$ and $\tilde{v}_1 \cdots \tilde{v}_a$ are the paths which are the compositions of the paths \tilde{u}_a , \tilde{v}_b with end points in $\nu^{-1}(x_*)$ such that putting $\nu\tilde{u}_a = u_a$ and $\nu\tilde{v}_b = v_b$, u_a and v_b are closed paths in F_0 each of which intersect $N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell$ at one point. Here, the composition of paths is defined by

$$
uv(x) = \begin{cases} u(2t) & \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ v(2t-1) & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}.
$$

Define N_{i_a} and N_{j_b} by $u_a \cap (N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell) = u_a \cap N_{i_a}$ and $v_b \cap (N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell)$

 $\cup \cdots \cup N_i$ = $v_i \cap N_{j_i}$. Let the intersection numbers be $[u_a] \cdot [N_{i_a}] = \sigma_a$ and $[v_b] \cdot [n_{j_b}] = \tau_b$, where $\sigma_a, \tau_b = \pm 1$. Here, N_1, \dots, N_ℓ are imposed the orientations such that if a closed path u intersects $N_1 \cup \cdots \cup N_\ell$ at only one point in N_i with the intersection number $[u] \cdot [N_i] = \sigma$, as in the proof of Theorem 1, then the holonomy map h_u of u is coincide with f_i^{σ} . Thus, we have

$$
h_u(y) = h_{u_1\cdots u_n}(y) = h_{u_n}\cdots h_{u_1}(y)
$$

= $f_{i_n}^{a_n}\cdots f_{i_1}^{a_1}(y)$.

Similarly,

$$
h_v(y) = f_{j_\beta}^{\tau_\beta} \cdots f_{j_1}^{\tau_1}(y)
$$

Since *u* and *v* are in the same homology class, Lemma 5 implies $h_u(y)$ $= h_n(y).$

If we can show that V and F_V satisfy the condition $(*)$ in Lemma 6, the proof of Theorem 2 is completed by Lemma 6. (*) is shown as follows. Let *y*, *z* be two points in $\nu^{-1}(x_*) \cap F_\nu$ such that $h_u(y)$ and $h_u(z)$ are defined, where *u* is a closed path in F_0 with end points x_* . We can assume $y \ge h_u(y)$; if $y \le h_u(y)$, consider the curve u^{-1} with the inverse direction of *u*. Here, \leq is considered in the coordinates $\nu^{-1}(x_*) \cap V$ $= x_* \times [0, \varepsilon].$ Let $y > z$. Since h_u is a homomorphism, $h_u(y) > h_u(z)$. There is a path \tilde{w} in F_v from y to z. Put $w = v\tilde{w}$. Since $h_u(y) \leq y$ and $h_w h_u(y)$ is defined. $h_u(y) \leq y$ implies $z = h_w(y) \geq h_w h_u(y)$. Notice that $y = h_u(y)$ if and only if $z = h_w h_u(y)$. We have $h_{w^{-1}uw}(z) = h_w h_u h_{w^{-1}}(z)$ $= h_w h_u(y)$. Since $w^{-1}uw$ and u are in the same homology class, $h_{w^{-1}uv}(z)$ $= h_u(z)$ by the fact that we proved above. Thus, $h_u(z) = h_w h_u(y)$. Since $z = h_w(y)$, we have $y = h_w(y)$ if and only if $z = h_w(z)$. This proves Theorem 2.

§ **5. Proof of Theorem 3**

Let $\nu_+ : U'_+ \to F_0$ be a collar. Since $\{\log h'_{\alpha_1}, \dots, \log h'_{\alpha_m}\}$ is rationally independent, there is a closed curve u in F_0 such that $h'_u \neq 1$. We can assume that $0 \leq h'_u \leq 1$. Let x be the base point of u. There is an interval $[t, z)$ in $\nu_+^{-1}(x)$ and a positive number $r < 1$ such that for any y in $[x, z)$ $h_u(y)$ is defined and that $h'_u(y) \leq r$. Hence, $\lim (h_u)^i(y) = x$ for *i—*oo* any *y* in [*x,z*). Therefore, by taking a sufficiently small collar U_+ , any leaf meeting U_+ is asymptotic to F_0 . We can U_- similarly.

By the assumption of $\pi_1(F_0)$, the one sided holonomy group $\Phi_s(F_0)$ is abelian for $\sigma = +$ or $-$. Let *V* be any neighborhood of F ⁰ in U _{*c*}. Then, for any leaf *F* meeting U_g a regular covering $\tilde{\nu}$: $\tilde{F} \rightarrow F_0$ is associated with F_v , by Theorem 2.

Since holonomy has no torsion element, $G(F) = \nu_* \pi_1(F_v) = \tilde{\nu}_* \pi_1(\tilde{F})$ $\supset G$. ν_{*} and $\tilde{\nu}_{*}$ are injections. Suppose that there is a leaf F such that, for the associated covering $\tilde{\nu}$: $\tilde{F} \to F_0$ with F_v , $G(F) \neq G$. Then, there is a closed curve \tilde{u} in \tilde{F} with base point in $\tilde{v}^{-1}(x)$ such that the homotopy class $\alpha = [\tilde{\nu} \tilde{u}]$ is not contained in G. By the definition of \tilde{F} , there is a closed curve *u* in F_v starting from a point *y* in $\nu_e^{-1}(x)$ such that $[\nu_e u] = \alpha$. Then, for any y' in the interval $[x, y]$ in $\nu_e^{-1}(x)$, the holonomy map $h_a(y')$ is defined. As above, there is a sequence of points $y_0 = y, y_1, y_2, \cdots$ in [x, y] \cap F_v such that lim $y_i = x$. By condition (*) of Lemma 6, $h_a(y_i) = y_i$ for each y_i . Since $\pi_1(F_0, x) = Z_{(1)} + \cdots + Z_{(m)} + G$, and $\nu_*\pi_1(F_\nu) \supset G$, we can put

$$
\alpha = a_1 \alpha_1 + a_2 \alpha_2 + \cdots + a_m \alpha_m
$$

for the integers a_1, \dots, a_m with $(a_1, \dots, a_m) \neq (0, \dots, 0)$. Let u_1, \dots, u_m be the closed curves with base point *x* realizing the homotopy classes. $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$ respectively. Then, the multiple $v = u_1^{a_1} \cdots u_m^{a_m}$ realizes α , so that, $[v] = [\nu_a u]$. Let v_t be a homotopy from *u* to *v*, $t \in [0,1]$. Since $h_{v_i}(y')$ is defined for arbitrary $y' \in [x, y]$ which is sufficiently close to x we have $h_u(y') = h_v(y')$. Hence, for such y'

$$
h_{\alpha}(y')=(h_{\alpha_m})^{a_m}\cdots(h_{\alpha_1})^{a_1}(y')\ .
$$

Since $\lim y_i = x$ and $h_\alpha(y_i) = y_i$, we have $h'_\alpha = 1$. Hence,

$$
(h'_{\alpha_m})^{a_m}\cdots (h'_{\alpha_1})^{a_1}=1.
$$

Therefore,

 $x_1 \log h'_{a_1} + \cdots + a_m \log h'_{a_m} = 0$

with $(a_1, \dots, a_m) \neq (0, \dots, 0)$. But, this contradicts to the assumption of the theorem. This proves Theorem 3.

§ 6. Proof of Theorem 4

The proof of (i) and (ii) of Theorem 4 is contained in the proof of Theorem 3.

Next we prove (iii). Since f is a local diffeomorphism of class C^2 with $f(0) = 0$ and $f'(0) > 1$, by a theorem of Sterenberg [5], there is a C^1 -diffeomorphism g from a neighborhood of 0 of R into R such that $f'(0) \tcdot t = gf g^{-1}(t)$ for any *t* in the image of *g*. Hence, by a C^1 -alternation of the coordinate of $\nu^{-1}(x) \cap U$, we may assume that $f(t) = dt$, where $d = f'(0) \leq 1$. Hereafter we use the new coordinate of $\nu^{-1}(x) \cap U$ translated by g. Let f_1, \dots, f_ℓ be local diffeomorphisms of **R** generat ing $\Phi(F_0)$. Since $\Phi(F_0)$ is abelian, we may assume $f_i f = f f_i$ for $i = 1$, \cdots , *m* by choosing *U* sufficiently small. Hence, $f_i'(f(t)) \cdot f'(t) = f'(f_i(t))$ $f_i'(t)$, and so $f_i'(f(t)) = f_i'(t)$, for $f'(t) = d$. Then, $f_i'(t) = f_i'(0)$, since $\lim f^{n}(t) = 0$ and f_i is of class C¹. Therefore, $f_i(t) = d_i \cdot t$, where d_i $=f_1(0)$. To show (iii), it is sufficient if $G(F) = G(F')$ is shown for any asymptotic leaves F and F' to F_0 . Let α be a closed curve realizing an element of $G(F)$ and let h_a be the holonomy map defined by $\alpha \in \pi_1(F_0, x)$. Then, h_a can be written as $h_a = f_1^{k_1} \cdots f_s^{k_s}$. By the definition of $G(F)$, there is a closed curve β in $F \cap U$ with the end point t in $\nu^{-1}(x)$ such that $\alpha = \nu \circ \beta$. Hence, $t = h_a(t) = f_1^{k_1} \cdots f_s^{k_\ell}(t) = d_1^{k_1} \cdots d_s^{k_\ell} \circ t$. Thus, $h_a = id$. since $d_1^{k_1} \cdots d_\ell^{k_\ell} = 1$. Therefore, a lift of α to F' is a closed curve, and so the holonomy class of α is contained in $G(F')$. This implies $G(F)$ $= G(F')$. This completes the proof of Theorem 3.

Remark 1. For $\tilde{f} \in \Phi(F_0)$ let $\tilde{f}' \in \mathbb{R}$ be the derivative of \tilde{f} at 0. Denoting $D\varPhi(F_o) = {\{\tilde{f}' \mid \tilde{f} \in \varPhi(F_o)\},\ D\varPhi(F_o)}$ is a multiplicative subgroup of $R - \{0\}$. Let $D: \Phi(F_0) \to D\Phi(F_0)$ be the homomorphism defined by the derivation. Then, for any asymptotic leaf F to $F₀$, we see that $G(F)$ \subset ker *Dh*, where *h* is the homomorphism $\pi_1(F_0, x_*) \to \Phi(F_0)$ defined in §3.

Remark 2. If $\mathcal F$ is of class C^2 , then, by the method used in the proof of Theorem 4, we see that the sequence

$$
1 \longrightarrow G(F) \xrightarrow{\subset} \pi_1(F_0) \xrightarrow{\ h \ } \Phi(F_0) \longrightarrow 1
$$

is exact for any asymptotic leaf F to F_{0} .

§ 7. Proof of Theorem 5

Assuming that $\pi_1(F) = Z_{(1)} + \cdots + Z_{(m)} + G$ for a finite group G, let N_1, \cdots, N_m be the manifolds of F obtained by Proposition 1 for the $\text{isomorphism} \quad H: H_1(F:Z) \to Z_{(1)} + \cdots + Z_{(m)}. \quad \text{Here, we may assume}$

that dim $F \geq 2$, because if dim $F = 2$, F is a torus. By observing the proof of Theorem 1, the same conclusion of Theorem 1 is satisfied for these N_1, \dots, N_m . Then, if $\mathcal F$ is a foliation of class C^r , there are in jective C^{*r*}-diffeomorphisms $f_i^*: [0, \varepsilon] \to [0, \varepsilon]$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$ with the properties (a) and (b) of Theorem 1. By the proof of Theorem 1, f_i can be identified with an one sided holonomy map $h_{a_i}^+$ of a generator α_i of $Z_{(i)}$.

We divide the stage into Case 1 and Case 2. (i) of Theorem 5 is divided into the both cases and (ii) is contained in Case 1.

Case 1: The case that $\mathscr F$ is of class C^r , $r \geq 2$, and that there is *i* such that $(f_i^{\dagger})'(0) \neq 1$. Let f_j be a (both sided) holonomy map of α_j . Then $f_j'(0) = (f_j^{\dagger})'(0)$. By Sternberg's theorem, f_1, \dots, f_m are C^{r-1} -con jugate to linear functions by a same conjugation map *g* in a small neighborhood of 0. (See the proof of Theorem 4.) Then, $gf_ig⁻¹(t)$ $=f_1'(0) \cdot t$ if |t| is sufficiently small. Let $U_-\$ be a collar of F such that *U₋* is in the another side of U_+ . Using Theorem 1 we get $f_i: [-\epsilon', 0]$ \rightarrow $[-\epsilon', 0]$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$. f_i is the other sided holonomy map of a generator α'_i of $Z_{(i)}$. $|f_i(t)| \leq |t|$ for sufficiently small $|t|$ if and only if $|f'_i(0)| \leq 1$ since $\bar{f}_i = gf_i g^{-1}$ is linear and $\bar{f}_i(t) = f'_i(0) \cdot t$, $i = 1, \dots, m$. Hence, by taking ε' small, $\alpha'_i = \alpha_i$, i.e. f_i^+ and f_i^- are the one sided holonomies of the same generator α_i of $Z_{(i)}$. Therefore, there are in jective linear maps $\bar{f}_i : [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon] \to [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon], i = 1, \dots, m$ with the following properties: Let N'_i, N''_i , and F_* be the manifolds defined in Theorem 1. Denote by $X_{\bar{j}}$ the quotient manifold obtained from $F_* \times [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$ by identifying $(x, t) \in N'_i \times [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$ and $(x, \bar{f}_i(t)) \in N''_i \times [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$ for all $i = 1, \dots, m$ and $t \in [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$. The product foliation of $F^* \times [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$ induces a foliation \mathscr{F}_7 on X_7 . Then, there is a neighborhood *V* of *F* such that there is a leaf preserving C^{r-1} -diffeomorphism φ from V onto $X_{\bar{J}}$ which maps F onto $F_*\times 0/\sim$.

By Theorem 4, for any leaf *F/* meeting *V* an unique regular cov ering \tilde{F} is associated with F'_V . Since \bar{f}_i is linear, by Theorem 3, $\nu_{*}\pi_1(F'_V)$ $=\tilde{\nu}_{*}\pi_{1}(\tilde{F}) \cong \pi_{1}(\tilde{F}) \cong G$ if and only if $\log \tilde{f}'_{1}, \cdots, \log \tilde{f}'_{m}$ are rationally in dependent. By an arbitrarily small perturbations of $\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_m$, we can take linear maps $\bar{g}_1, \dots, \bar{g}_m : [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon] \to [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$ such that $\log \bar{g}'_1, \dots, \log \bar{g}'_m$ are rationally independent or dependent when $\log \bar{f}'_1, \cdots, \log \bar{f}'_m$ are ra tionally dependent or independent, respectively.

Let U be an open neighborhood of F contained in V . Let N be a

neighborhood of $\mathscr{F}|U$ in $\mathrm{Fol}_F^{r-1}(U)$. $\varphi(U)$ is a neighborhood of $\overline{F}_*\times 0/\sim$ in $X_{\bar{J}}$. Since $\bar{g}_1, \cdots, \bar{g}_m$ are close to f_1, \cdots, f_m we may assume that $\varphi(U) \subset X_g \subset X_{\overline{f}}$ and that $\mathscr{F}_g|\varphi(U)$ is close to $\mathscr{F}_{\overline{f}}|\varphi(U)$. $\mathscr{F}_g|\varphi(U)$ induce a foliation \mathscr{F}' of U . By taking $\bar{g}_1, \cdots, \bar{g}_m$ sufficiently close to $\bar{f}_1, \cdots, \bar{f}_m$ we can $\mathscr{F}' \in N$.

Case 2. The case that $\mathscr F$ is of class C^1 and that $(f_i^{\dagger})'(0) = 1$ for all $i = 1, \dots, m$. f_i^+ is the one sided holonomy map of α_i defined on [0, ε]. First, assume that there is no neighborhood U of F such that $F \mid U$ is a product foliation. For small $\delta > 0$ we define a C¹-diffeomorphism $g_i^{\scriptscriptstyle +}:[0,\varepsilon + \delta] \to \mathbf{R}_{\scriptscriptstyle +}$ by

$$
g_i^*(t) = \begin{cases} t & \text{for } 0 \leq t < \delta \\ f_i^*(t - \delta) + \delta & \text{for } t > \delta \end{cases}
$$

Since $(f_i^{\dagger})'(0) = 1$, g_i^{\dagger} is of class C^1 . It is easy to see that $g_1^{\dagger}, \dots, g_m^{\dagger}$ are mutually commutative since f_1^*, \dots, f_m^* are so. g_i^* [0, ε] is a C^1 perturbation of f_i^* . Let \mathscr{F}_f and X_f be the ones defined in Theorem 1 from f_i^+ and $F_* \times [0, \varepsilon]$. Define \mathscr{F}_g and X_g similarly from g_i^+ and $F_* \times [0, \varepsilon + \delta].$ We can consider that $X_f \subset X_g$ and that $\mathscr{F}_g | X_f$ is C^1 close to \mathscr{F}_f is δ is small enough. There is a neighborhood V_+ of F in U_+ and a C^1 -diffeomorphism $\varphi: V_+ \to X_f$ mapping $\mathscr{F}|V_+$ to \mathscr{F}_f . Let \mathscr{F}'_+ be the foliation induced by φ^{-1} from $\mathscr{F}_g | X_f$. \mathscr{F}_+' is C¹-close to $\mathscr{F} | V_+$ if *δ* is small enough. We get *8F'_* on V_ similarly. On small neighbor \mathbf{h} oods of F, \mathscr{F}'_+ and \mathscr{F}'_- are product foliations. Let $U = V_+$ Let $U = V_+ \cup V_-$. Then, we get \mathscr{F}' on U by $\mathscr{F}' | V = \mathscr{F}'$, $\sigma = \pm$. We can take \mathscr{F}' in any neighborhood *N* of $\mathscr{F}| U$ in Fol_{*F*} (*U*). By the assumption \mathscr{F}' is not locally equivalent to $\mathscr{F}| U$.

Next, we assume that there is a neighborhood *V* of F such that $\mathscr{F}|V$ is a product foliation. Then, V is leaf preservingly diffeomorphic to $F \times [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$. Consider that $V = F \times [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$ and $F = F \times 0$. Let U $= F \times (-\varepsilon/2, \varepsilon/2)$. Let α_i be a generator of $Z_{(i)}$. Then, the holonomy map $f_i: [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon] \to [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$ of α_i is the identity map. Let g_i be the perturbation of f_i such that $g_i = f_i$ for $i > 1$ and that $|g_i(t)| \leq |t|$ and $|g_i(\pm \varepsilon)| \geq \varepsilon/2$. Let \mathscr{F}_g and X_g be as above defined from g_i and $F_* \times [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$. Then, we can consider that $U \subset X_g \subset V$ and that $\mathscr{F}_g | U$ is close to $\mathscr{F} | U$ if g is close enough to f_1 . Any leaf of \mathscr{F}_g is asymptotic to F , but any leaf of $\mathscr{F}|V$ is not asymptotic. Hence, $\mathscr{F}_g|U$ is not locally equivalent to $\mathscr{F}|V$. This completes the proof of Theorem 5.

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