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Let $\{f_t\}$ be a family of complex polynomial functions with *line* singularities. We show that if $\{f_t\}$ has a *uniform stable radius* (for the corresponding Milnor fibrations), then the Lê numbers of the functions f_t are independent of t for all small t . A similar assertion was proved by M. Oka and D. B. O’Shea in the case of isolated singularities — a case for which the only nonzero Lê number coincides with the Milnor number.

By combining our result with a theorem of J. Fernández de Bobadilla, we conclude that a family of line singularities in \mathbb{C}^n , $n \geq 5$, is topologically trivial if it has a uniform stable radius.

As an important example, we show that families of weighted homogeneous line singularities have a uniform stable radius if the nearby fibres $f_t^{-1}(\eta)$, $\eta \neq 0$, are “uniformly” nonsingular with respect to the deformation parameter t .

1. Introduction

Let $(t, \mathbf{z}) := (t, z_1, \dots, z_n)$ be linear coordinates for $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}^n$ ($n \geq 2$), and let

$$(1-1) \quad f: (\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}^n, \mathbb{C} \times \{\mathbf{0}\}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, 0), \quad (t, \mathbf{z}) \mapsto f(t, \mathbf{z}),$$

be a polynomial function. As usual, we write $f_t(\mathbf{z}) := f(t, \mathbf{z})$, and for any $\eta \in \mathbb{C}$ we denote by $V(f_t - \eta)$ the hypersurface in \mathbb{C}^n defined by the equation $f_t(\mathbf{z}) = \eta$. (Note that (1-1) implies $f_t(\mathbf{0}) = f(t, \mathbf{0}) = 0$, so that the origin $\mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ belongs to the hypersurface $V(f_t) = f_t^{-1}(0)$ for all $t \in \mathbb{C}$.)

The purpose of this paper is to show that if the polynomial function f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of hypersurfaces with *line* singularities and with a *uniform stable radius* (for the corresponding Milnor fibrations), then the Lê numbers

$$\lambda_{f_t, \mathbf{z}}^0(\mathbf{0}), \dots, \lambda_{f_t, \mathbf{z}}^{n-1}(\mathbf{0})$$

of the polynomial functions f_t at $\mathbf{0}$ with respect to the coordinates \mathbf{z} — which do exist in this case — are independent of t for all small t (see [Theorem 4.1](#)). In the

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case of hypersurfaces with *isolated* singularities — a case for which the constancy of the Lê numbers means the constancy of the Milnor number — a similar assertion was proved by M. Oka [1973] and D.B. O’Shea [1983a].

By combining [Theorem 4.1](#) with a theorem of J. Fernández de Bobadilla [2013], to the effect that a family of hypersurfaces with line singularities in \mathbb{C}^n , $n \geq 5$, is topologically trivial if it has constant Lê numbers, it follows that a family of hypersurfaces with line singularities in \mathbb{C}^n , $n \geq 5$, is topologically trivial if it has a uniform stable radius (see [Corollary 4.2](#)).

Oka [1973] and O’Shea [1983a] also proved that, if $\{f_t\}$ is a family of *isolated* hypersurface singularities such that each f_t is *weighted homogeneous* with respect to a given system of weights, then $\{f_t\}$ has a uniform stable radius. In [Theorem 5.1](#), we show this still holds true for weighted homogeneous hypersurfaces with *line* singularities provided that the nearby fibres $V(f_t - \eta)$, $\eta \neq 0$, are “uniformly” nonsingular with respect to the deformation parameter t — that is, nonsingular in a small ball the radius of which does not depend on t . (Note that this condition always holds true for isolated singularities.) In particular, by [Theorem 4.1](#) and [Corollary 4.2](#), such families have constant Lê numbers, and for $n \geq 5$, they are topologically trivial.

Finally, let us observe that by combining [Corollary 4.2](#) with a theorem of Oka [1982] — which says that a family $\{f_t\}$ of nondegenerate functions with constant Newton boundary has a uniform stable radius — we get a new proof of a theorem of J. Damon [1983] which says that if $\{f_t\}$ is a family of nondegenerate line singularities in \mathbb{C}^n , $n \geq 5$, with constant Newton boundary, then $\{f_t\}$ is topologically trivial.

Notation 1.1. In this paper, we are only interested in the behaviour of functions (or hypersurfaces) near the origin $\mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{C}^n$. We denote by B_ε the closed ball centred at $\mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ with radius $\varepsilon > 0$, and we write \mathring{B}_ε and S_ε for its interior and boundary, respectively. As usual, in \mathbb{C} , we write D_ε and \mathring{D}_ε rather than B_ε and \mathring{B}_ε .

2. Uniform stable radius

By [[Hamm and Lê 1973](#), lemme (2.1.4)], we know that for each t there exists a positive number $r_t > 0$ such that for any pair $(\varepsilon_t, \varepsilon'_t)$ with $0 < \varepsilon'_t \leq \varepsilon_t \leq r_t$, there exists $\delta(\varepsilon_t, \varepsilon'_t) > 0$ such that for any nonzero complex number η with $0 < |\eta| \leq \delta(\varepsilon_t, \varepsilon'_t)$, the hypersurface $V(f_t - \eta)$ is nonsingular in \mathring{B}_{r_t} and transversely intersects with the sphere $S_{\varepsilon''}$ for any ε'' with $\varepsilon'_t \leq \varepsilon'' \leq \varepsilon_t$. Any such a number r_t is called a *stable radius* for the Milnor fibration of f_t at $\mathbf{0}$ [[Oka 1982](#), §2].

Definition 2.1 [[Oka 1982](#), §3]. We say that the family $\{f_t\}$ has a *uniform stable radius* (we also say that $\{f_t\}$ is *uniformly stable*) if there exist $\tau > 0$ and $r > 0$ such that for any pair $(\varepsilon, \varepsilon')$ with $0 < \varepsilon' \leq \varepsilon \leq r$, there exists $\delta(\varepsilon, \varepsilon') > 0$ such that for any nonzero complex number η with $0 < |\eta| \leq \delta(\varepsilon, \varepsilon')$, the hypersurface $V(f_t - \eta)$

is nonsingular in \mathring{B}_r and transversely intersects with the sphere $S_{\varepsilon''}$ for any ε'' with $\varepsilon' \leq \varepsilon'' \leq \varepsilon$ and for any t with $0 \leq |t| \leq \tau$. Any such a number r is called a *uniform stable radius* for $\{f_t\}$.

In the special case where the polynomial function f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of *isolated* hypersurface singularities (i.e., f_t has an isolated singularity at $\mathbf{0}$ for all small t), then, by [Milnor 1968], we also know that for each t there exists $R_t > 0$ such that the hypersurface $V(f_t)$ is nonsingular in $\mathring{B}_{R_t} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$ and transversely intersects the sphere S_ρ for any ρ with $0 < \rho \leq R_t$.

Definition 2.2 [Oka 1973, §2]. Suppose that f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of *isolated* hypersurface singularities. We say that $\{f_t\}$ satisfies *condition (A)* if there exist $\nu > 0$ and $R > 0$ such that $V(f_t)$ is nonsingular in $\mathring{B}_R \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$ and transversely intersects the sphere S_ρ for any ρ with $0 < \rho \leq R$ and for any t with $0 \leq |t| \leq \nu$.

It is easy to see that a family $\{f_t\}$ of isolated hypersurface singularities satisfies condition (A) if and only if it has no *vanishing fold* and no *nontrivial critical arc* in the sense of [O'Shea 1983a]. Also, it is worthwhile to observe that if $\{f_t\}$ satisfies condition (A), then it has a uniform stable radius [Oka 1973; O'Shea 1983a].

3. The Oka–O'Shea theorem for isolated singularities

Throughout this section we assume that the polynomial function f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of *isolated* hypersurface singularities.

Theorem 3.1 [Oka 1973; O'Shea 1983a]. *Suppose that f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of isolated hypersurface singularities. If furthermore $\{f_t\}$ satisfies condition (A) or has a uniform stable radius, then it is μ -constant — that is, the Milnor number $\mu_{f_t}(\mathbf{0})$ of f_t at $\mathbf{0}$ is independent of t for all small t .*

Actually Oka showed that if $\{f_t\}$ satisfies condition (A) or if it has a uniform stable radius, then the Milnor fibrations at $\mathbf{0}$ of f_0 and f_t are isomorphic.

Lê Dũng Tráng and C. P. Ramanujam [Lê and Ramanujam 1976] showed that for $n \neq 3$ any family of isolated hypersurface singularities with constant Milnor number is topologically \mathcal{V} -equisingular. With the same assumption, J. G. Timourian [1977] showed that the family is actually topologically trivial. We recall that a family $\{f_t\}$ is *topologically \mathcal{V} -equisingular* (respectively, *topologically trivial*) if there exist open neighbourhoods $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ and $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ of the origins in \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{C}^n , together with a continuous map $\varphi: (D \times U, D \times \{\mathbf{0}\}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^n, \mathbf{0})$ such that for all sufficiently small t , there is an open neighbourhood $U_t \subseteq U$ of $\mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ such that the map

$$\varphi_t: (U_t, \mathbf{0}) \rightarrow (\varphi(\{t\} \times U_t), \mathbf{0}), \quad z \mapsto \varphi_t(z) := \varphi(t, z),$$

is a homeomorphism satisfying the relation

$$\varphi_t(V(f_0) \cap U_t) = V(f_t) \cap \varphi_t(U_t)$$

(respectively, the relation $f_0 = f_t \circ \varphi_t$ on U_t).

Note that, in general, “ μ -constant” does not imply condition (A) [Oka 1989; Briançon].

Finally, observe that the Briançon–Speder famous family shows that condition (A) does not imply the Whitney conditions along the t -axis [Briançon and Speder 1975].

4. Uniformly stable families of line singularities

Setup and statement of the main result. From now on we suppose that the polynomial function f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of hypersurfaces with *line* singularities. As in [Massey 1988, §4], by such a family we mean a family $\{f_t\}$ such that for each t small enough, the singular locus Σf_t of f_t near the origin $\mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ is given by the z_1 -axis, and the restriction of f_t to the hyperplane $V(z_1)$ defined by $z_1 = 0$ has an isolated singularity at the origin. Then, by [Massey 1995, Remark 1.29], the partition of $V(f_t)$ given by

$$\mathcal{S}_t := \{V(f_t) \setminus \Sigma f_t, \Sigma f_t \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}, \{\mathbf{0}\}\}$$

is a *good stratification* for f_t at $\mathbf{0}$, and the hyperplane $V(z_1)$ is a *prepolar slice* for f_t at $\mathbf{0}$ with respect to \mathcal{S}_t for all t small enough. In particular, combined with [Massey 1995, Proposition 1.23], this implies that the *Lê numbers*

$$\lambda_{f_t, z}^0(\mathbf{0}) \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_{f_t, z}^1(\mathbf{0})$$

of f_t at $\mathbf{0}$ with respect to the coordinates z do exist. (For the definitions of good stratifications, prepolarity and Lê numbers, we refer the reader to [Massey 1995].) Note that for line singularities, the only possible nonzero Lê numbers are precisely $\lambda_{f_t, z}^0(\mathbf{0})$ and $\lambda_{f_t, z}^1(\mathbf{0})$. All the other Lê numbers $\lambda_{f_t, z}^k(\mathbf{0})$ for $2 \leq k \leq n - 1$ are defined and equal to zero; see [Massey 1995].

Here is our main observation.

Theorem 4.1. *Suppose that f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of hypersurfaces with line singularities. If furthermore $\{f_t\}$ has a uniform stable radius, then it is λ_z -constant—that is, the Lê numbers $\lambda_{f_t, z}^0(\mathbf{0})$ and $\lambda_{f_t, z}^1(\mathbf{0})$ are independent of t for all small t .*

Theorem 4.1 extends to line singularities Oka and O’Shea’s Theorem 3.1 concerning isolated singularities. Indeed, for isolated singularities, the only possible nonzero Lê number is $\lambda_{f_t, z}^0(\mathbf{0})$ and the latter coincides with the Milnor number $\mu_{f_t}(\mathbf{0})$.

Note that if $\{f_t\}$ is a λ_z -constant family of line singularities in \mathbb{C}^n with $n \geq 5$, then, by a theorem of D. B. Massey [1988, Theorem (5.2)], the diffeomorphism type of the Milnor fibration of f_t at $\mathbf{0}$ is independent of t for all small t . Under the same assumption, Fernández de Bobadilla [2013, Theorem 42] showed that $\{f_t\}$ is actually topologically trivial. Combining this result with our Theorem 4.1 gives the following corollary.

Corollary 4.2. *Suppose that f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of hypersurfaces with line singularities in \mathbb{C}^n with $n \geq 5$. If furthermore $\{f_t\}$ has a uniform stable radius, then it is topologically trivial.*

Application to families of nondegenerate line singularities with constant Newton boundary. Oka [1982, Corollary 1] showed that if $\{f_t\}$ is a family of hypersurface singularities — not necessary line singularities — such that for all small t the polynomial function f_t is *nondegenerate* and the *Newton boundary* of f_t at $\mathbf{0}$ with respect to the coordinates \mathbf{z} is independent of t , then $\{f_t\}$ has a uniform stable radius. (For the definitions of nondegeneracy and Newton boundary, see [Kouchnirenko 1976; Oka 1979].) Combined with Oka’s result, Corollary 4.2 provides a new proof of the following result, which is a particular case of a more general theorem of Damon.

Theorem 4.3 [Damon 1983]. *Suppose that f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of hypersurfaces with line singularities in \mathbb{C}^n with $n \geq 5$. If furthermore for any sufficiently small t the polynomial function f_t is nondegenerate and the Newton boundary of f_t at $\mathbf{0}$ with respect to the coordinates \mathbf{z} is independent of t , then the family $\{f_t\}$ is topologically trivial.*

Proof of Theorem 4.1. Consider the map $\Phi: \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ defined by

$$(t, \mathbf{z}) \mapsto \Phi(t, \mathbf{z}) := (f(t, \mathbf{z}), t),$$

and pick positive numbers τ and r which satisfy the condition of Definition 2.1. Then, in particular, the following property holds:

(\mathcal{P}) For any ε with $0 < \varepsilon < r$, there exists $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$ such that for any t with $0 \leq |t| \leq \tau$ and for any η with $0 < |\eta| \leq \delta(\varepsilon)$, the hypersurface $V(f_t - \eta)$ is nonsingular in \mathring{B}_r and transversely intersects the sphere S_ε .

This property implies that the critical set $\Sigma\Phi$ of Φ does not intersect the set

$$U(\mathring{B}_r) := (\mathring{D}_\tau \times \mathring{B}_r) \cap \Phi^{-1}((\mathring{D}_{\delta(\varepsilon)} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}) \times \mathring{D}_\tau).$$

Indeed, suppose there is a point $(t_0, \mathbf{z}_0) \in \Sigma\Phi \cap U(\mathring{B}_r)$. Then $\mathbf{z}_0 \in \Sigma(f_{t_0} - f_{t_0}(\mathbf{z}_0))$. But this is not possible, since by (\mathcal{P}) the hypersurface $V(f_{t_0} - f_{t_0}(\mathbf{z}_0))$ is smooth. (We recall that a complex variety can never be a smooth manifold throughout a neighbourhood of a critical point; see [Milnor 1968, §2].)

It also follows from property (\mathcal{P}) that the map

$$\Phi|_{U(S_\varepsilon)}: U(S_\varepsilon) \rightarrow (\mathring{D}_{\delta(\varepsilon)} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}) \times \mathring{D}_\tau$$

(restriction of Φ to $U(S_\varepsilon) := (\mathring{D}_\tau \times S_\varepsilon) \cap \Phi^{-1}((\mathring{D}_{\delta(\varepsilon)} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}) \times \mathring{D}_\tau)$) is a submersion. Indeed, as $\Sigma\Phi \cap U(\mathring{B}_r) = \emptyset$ and $U(\mathring{B}_r)$ is an open subset of $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}^n$, the map

$$\Phi|_{U(\mathring{B}_r)}: U(\mathring{B}_r) \rightarrow (\mathring{D}_{\delta(\varepsilon)} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}) \times \mathring{D}_\tau$$

is a submersion. Thus, to show that $\Phi|_{U(S_\varepsilon)}$ is a submersion, it suffices to observe that the inclusion $U(S_\varepsilon) \hookrightarrow U(\mathring{B}_r)$ is transverse to the submanifold $\Phi|_{U(\mathring{B}_r)}^{-1}(f(t, \mathbf{z}), t)$ for any point $(t, \mathbf{z}) \in U(S_\varepsilon)$ — or equivalently that the submanifolds

$$\Phi|_{U(\mathring{B}_r)}^{-1}(f(t, \mathbf{z}), t) \quad \text{and} \quad (\{t\} \times S_\varepsilon) \cap U(\mathring{B}_r)$$

are transverse to each other. This is exactly the content of (\mathcal{P}) .

Now, as $\Phi|_{U(S_\varepsilon)}$ is also a proper map, a result of Massey and D. Siersma [1992, Proposition 1.10] shows that the Milnor number of a generic hyperplane slice of f_t at a point on Σf_t sufficiently close to the origin (which coincides with the Lê number $\lambda_{f_t, \mathbf{z}}^1(\mathbf{0})$ for line singularities; see [Lê 1980; Massey 1988]) is independent of t for all small t .

Finally, since the family $\{f_t\}$ has a uniform stable radius — the full strength of this assumption is used here — it follows from [Oka 1982, Lemma 2] that the diffeomorphism type of the Milnor fibration of f_t at the origin is independent of t for all small t . In particular, the reduced Euler characteristic $\tilde{\chi}(F_{f_t, \mathbf{0}})$ of the Milnor fibre $F_{f_t, \mathbf{0}}$ of f_t at $\mathbf{0}$, which by [Massey 1995, Theorem 3.3] equals

$$(-1)^{n-1} \lambda_{f_t, \mathbf{z}}^0(\mathbf{0}) + (-1)^{n-2} \lambda_{f_t, \mathbf{z}}^1(\mathbf{0}),$$

is independent of t for all small t . The constancy of $\lambda_{f_t, \mathbf{z}}^0(\mathbf{0})$ now follows from that of $\lambda_{f_t, \mathbf{z}}^1(\mathbf{0})$.

5. Uniform stable radius and weighted homogeneous line singularities

By a result of Oka [1973] and O’Shea [1983a], we know that if $\{f_t\}$ is a family of *isolated* hypersurface singularities such that each f_t is *weighted homogeneous* with respect to a given system of weights, then $\{f_t\}$ satisfies condition (A), and hence, is uniformly stable. Our next observation says this still holds true for weighted homogeneous *line* singularities provided that the nearby fibres $V(f_t - \eta)$, $\eta \neq 0$, of the functions f_t are “uniformly” nonsingular with respect to the deformation parameter t — that is, nonsingular in a small ball the radius of which does *not* depend on t . (We recall that by [Hamm and Lê 1973] the nearby fibres are “individually” nonsingular — that is, nonsingular in a small ball the radius of which depends on t .)

Theorem 5.1. *Suppose that f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of hypersurfaces with line singularities such that each f_t is weighted homogeneous with respect to a given system of weights $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$ on the variables (z_1, \dots, z_n) , with $w_i \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$. Also, assume that the nearby fibres $V(f_t - \eta)$, $\eta \neq 0$, of the functions f_t are uniformly nonsingular with respect to the deformation parameter t — that is, there exist positive numbers τ, r, δ such that for any $0 < |\eta| \leq \delta$ and $0 \leq |t| \leq \tau$, the hypersurface $V(f_t - \eta)$ is nonsingular in \mathring{B}_r . Under these assumptions, the family*

$\{f_t\}$ has a uniform stable radius. (In particular, $\{f_t\}$ is $\lambda_{\mathbb{Z}}$ -constant, and for $n \geq 5$, it is topologically trivial.)

Proof. The argument is similar to those used in [Oka 1973; O’Shea 1983a]. Suppose that the family $\{f_t\}$ does not have a uniform stable radius. Then, as the nearby fibres of the functions f_t are uniformly nonsingular with respect to the deformation parameter t , for all $\tau > 0$ and all $r > 0$ small enough, there exist $0 < \varepsilon' \leq \varepsilon \leq r$ such that for all sufficiently small $\delta > 0$ there exist $\eta_\delta, \varepsilon_\delta$ and t_δ , with $0 < |\eta_\delta| \leq \delta, \varepsilon' \leq \varepsilon_\delta \leq \varepsilon$ and $|t_\delta| \leq \tau$, such that $V(f_{t_\delta} - \eta_\delta)$ is nonsingular in \mathring{B}_r and does not transversely intersect the sphere S_{ε_δ} . It follows that there is a point $\mathbf{z}_\delta \in V(f_{t_\delta} - \eta_\delta) \cap S_{\varepsilon_\delta}$ which is a critical point of the restriction to $V(f_{t_\delta} - \eta_\delta) \cap B_r$ of the squared distance function:

$$\mathbf{z} \in V(f_{t_\delta} - \eta_\delta) \cap B_r \mapsto \|\mathbf{z}\|^2 = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} |z_i|^2.$$

In other words, the point $(t_\delta, \mathbf{z}_\delta)$ lies in the intersection of $D_\tau \times (B_\varepsilon \setminus \mathring{B}_{\varepsilon'})$ with the real algebraic set C consisting of the points (t, \mathbf{z}) such that

$$(5-1) \quad \left(\frac{\partial f_t}{\partial z_1}(\mathbf{z}), \dots, \frac{\partial f_t}{\partial z_n}(\mathbf{z}) \right) = \lambda \bar{\mathbf{z}}$$

for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, where $\bar{\mathbf{z}} := (\bar{z}_1, \dots, \bar{z}_n)$ and \bar{z}_i denotes the complex conjugate of z_i (see e.g., [O’Shea 1983b, Lemma 1]). Let $C_{\tau,r} := C \cap (D_\tau \times (B_\varepsilon \setminus \mathring{B}_{\varepsilon'}))$. Take $\delta := \delta(m) := 1/m$ (where $m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ is sufficiently large), and consider the corresponding sequence of points $(t_{\delta(m)}, \mathbf{z}_{\delta(m)})$ in $C_{\tau,r}$. As $C_{\tau,r}$ is compact, taking a subsequence if necessary, we may assume that $(t_{\delta(m)}, \mathbf{z}_{\delta(m)})$ converges to a point $(t_{\tau,r}, \mathbf{z}_{\tau,r}) \in C_{\tau,r}$, and hence $\eta_{\delta(m)} := f(t_{\delta(m)}, \mathbf{z}_{\delta(m)})$ tends to $f(t_{\tau,r}, \mathbf{z}_{\tau,r})$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$. Since $0 < |\eta_{\delta(m)}| \leq \delta(m) = 1/m \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$, we have $f(t_{\tau,r}, \mathbf{z}_{\tau,r}) = 0$. Thus $(t_{\tau,r}, \mathbf{z}_{\tau,r}) \in V(f) \cap C_{\tau,r}$.

Now, since $f_{t_{\tau,r}}$ is weighted homogeneous with respect to the weights $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$, the Euler identity implies the following contradiction:

$$d_{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \underbrace{f_{t_{\tau,r}}(\mathbf{z}_{\tau,r})}_{=0} \stackrel{\text{Euler}}{=} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} w_i(z_{\tau,r})_i \frac{\partial f_{t_{\tau,r}}}{\partial z_i}(\mathbf{z}_{\tau,r}) \stackrel{(5-1)}{=} \lambda \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} w_i |(z_{\tau,r})_i|^2 \neq 0,$$

where $d_{\mathbf{w}}$ is the weighted degree of $f_{t_{\tau,r}}$ with respect to the weights \mathbf{w} and $(z_{\tau,r})_i$ is the i -th component of $\mathbf{z}_{\tau,r}$. \square

Remark 5.2. Actually, the proof shows that if f defines a family $\{f_t\}$ of hypersurfaces — not necessarily with line singularities — such that each f_t is weighted homogeneous with respect to a given system of weights \mathbf{w} , and if furthermore, the nearby fibres $V(f_t - \eta)$, $\eta \neq 0$, of the functions f_t are uniformly nonsingular with respect to the deformation parameter t , then the family $\{f_t\}$ has a uniform stable radius.

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