

Rational integrability of two-dimensional quasi-homogeneous polynomial differential systems

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1 Introduction and statement of main results.

In this paper, we deal with polynomial differential systems

$$(\dot{x}, \dot{y})^T = \mathbf{F}_r = (P, Q)^T, \quad (1)$$

where \mathbf{F}_r is a polynomial vector field of degree $r \geq 0$ with respect to the type $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, t_2)$ fixed. In the particular case that $\mathbf{t} = (1, 1)$, (??) is a homogeneous polynomial differential system of degree $r + 1$. The purpose of our approach is to know when (??) is a rationally integrable system.

We recall that a function of two variables f is a quasi-homogeneous function of degree $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ with respect to the type $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, t_2)$ if $f(\varepsilon^{t_1}x, \varepsilon^{t_2}y) = \varepsilon^k f(x, y)$ (it will be said \mathbf{t} -function of degree $\deg_{\mathbf{t}}(f)$). We will denote $\mathcal{P}_k^{\mathbf{t}}$ the vector space of \mathbf{t} -polynomials of degree $k \geq 0$. A two-dimensional vector field $\mathbf{F} = (P, Q)^T$ is quasi-homogeneous of degree k with respect to the type \mathbf{t} if $P \in \mathcal{P}_{k+t_1}^{\mathbf{t}}$ and

$Q \in \mathcal{P}_{k+t_2}^t$ (it will be said \mathbf{t} -vector field of degree k). The vector space of polynomial \mathbf{t} -vector fields of degree k will be denoted by \mathcal{Q}_k^t .

A function H is a first integral of system (??) in an open subset U of \mathbb{R}^2 if H is a nonconstant function in U which is constant on each solution curve of system (??). If there exists a rational first integral of (??) it is said that (??) is rationally integrable. Clearly, if $H = \frac{f}{g}$, with f, g polynomials, is a first integral of system (??) then the Lie derivative of H by \mathbf{F}_r is zero in the open subset $\Omega_g = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : g(x, y) \neq 0\}$, i.e. $L_{\mathbf{F}_r} H := \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} P + \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} Q \equiv 0$ in Ω_g .

The integrability problem consists in determining if the planar vector field has a first integral. In a general framework, the integrability is an important question because the existence of a first integral determines completely its phase portrait.

It is known that we can always calculate a first integral explicitly. It is enough to make the change of variables $(x, y) \rightarrow (u, v)$ according to $x = v^{t_1}$, $y = v^{t_2} u$ which transforms the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{Q(x,y)}{P(x,y)}$ into a linear equation $\frac{v}{t_1} \frac{du}{dv} + \frac{t_2}{t_1} u = \frac{Q(1,u)}{P(1,u)}$ easy to integrate. But this first integral usually has a huge algebraic expression and, therefore, it is difficult to show whether it is rational or not.

As far as we know, the integrability problem of a planar quasi-homogeneous polynomial system has been only studied by Llibre & Zhang [?], Cairó & Llibre [?] and Tsygvintsev [?]. Llibre & Zhang in [?] solve the problem for planar polynomial systems (??) of degree one, which extends to the result given by Tsygvintsev [?] for the quadratic homogeneous polynomial differential system. Later, Cairó & Llibre [?] also find the two degree polynomially integrable systems.

For a higher dimension, Furta [?] and Goriely [?] proved, independently, the existence of a link between the Kowalevskaya exponents of quasi-homogeneous polynomial differential n -dimensional systems and the degree of their quasi-homogeneous polynomial first integrals. Later on, Llibre & Zhang [?] provided a new link that improves the above result given by [?,?].

To state our results, we need to recall the decomposition of a quasi-homogeneous vector field as a sum of two quasi-homogeneous fields, a conservative one (having zero-divergence) and a dissipative one that will be useful in what follows. Throughout this paper, it is denoted by \mathbf{X}_f the Hamiltonian system associated to the \mathcal{C}^1 function f , i.e. $\mathbf{X}_f = (-\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x})^T$.

Lemma 1 (*Algaba et. al. [?]*) *Every vector field $\mathbf{F}_r \in \mathcal{Q}_r^{\mathbf{t}}$ can be expressed as*

$$\mathbf{F}_r = \frac{1}{r + |\mathbf{t}|} [\mathbf{X}_h + \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \mathbf{D}_0], \quad (2)$$

where $\mathbf{D}_0(x, y) = (t_1x, t_2y)^T$ (a dissipative \mathbf{t} -vector field of degree 0), $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \in \mathcal{P}_r^{\mathbf{t}}$ (the divergence of \mathbf{F}_r), $h = t_1xQ - t_2yP \in \mathcal{P}_{r+|\mathbf{t}|}^{\mathbf{t}}$ (the wedge product of \mathbf{D}_0 and \mathbf{F}_r) being $|\mathbf{t}| = t_1 + t_2$.

Furthermore, a such decomposition is unique.

Next, we state the main results of the paper, which characterize the rational integrability of \mathbf{F}_r . The first one gives a link between the existence of a \mathbf{t} -rational first integral of system (??) and the conservative and dissipative terms of the vector field \mathbf{F}_r .

Theorem 1 *An irreducible system (??) has got a rational first integral if and only if $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \equiv 0$ or $h = \prod_{j=1}^k f_j$ where f_1, \dots, f_k are \mathbf{t} -polynomial irreducible on $\mathbb{K}[x, y]$ (where \mathbb{K} is either \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C}), $k \geq 2$ and there exist k non-zero integer numbers, n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k , such that $n_1 \operatorname{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_1) + \dots + n_k \operatorname{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_k) \neq 0$ and*

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^k n_j \operatorname{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j) \right) \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) = h \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{l=j+1}^k (n_l - n_j) \frac{1}{f_j f_l} L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_l}} f_j. \quad (3)$$

Moreover, in such a case, $\prod_{j=1}^k f_j^{n_j}$ is a \mathbf{t} -rational first integral of (??).

The second result simplifies the conditions of rational integrability of a \mathbf{t} -polynomial system. This provides an effective approach for computing rationally integrable systems, from a rational function η which is defined in section ??.

Theorem 2 *An irreducible system (??) has got a rational (polynomial, resp.) first integral if and only if $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \equiv 0$, or the two following properties hold:*

- i)** *The \mathbf{t} -polynomial h has at least two irreducible factors on $\mathbb{K}[x, y]$, all of them are distinct, that is, it can be written as $h = \prod_{j=1}^{m+2} f_j$, where $f_1 = x^{\delta_x}$, $f_2 = y^{\delta_y}$, $\delta_x, \delta_y \in \{0, 1\}$, $f_j = y^{t_1} - \lambda_j x^{t_2}$, for $j \geq 3$, and $m \geq 0$,*
- ii)** *for any pole of $\eta(1, y)$, its residue is a rational number.*

Moreover, in such a case, by denoting the poles of $\eta(1, y)$ by $w_1 = \infty$, $w_2 = 0$, $w_j = \lambda_j$, $j = 3, \dots, m+2$ and the rational numbers r_j by

$$r_j = \frac{1}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(1 - \frac{t_1 t_2}{\operatorname{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j)} \operatorname{Res}[\eta(1, y), w_j] \right), \quad j = 1, \dots, m+2, \quad (4)$$

it has that $\prod_{j=1}^{m+2} f_j^{n_j}$ is a \mathbf{t} -rational (polynomial, resp.) first integral of degree M being M such that $n_j = Mr_j \in \mathbb{Z}(\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\})$, resp.).

To state the third result, we define the Kowalevskaya exponent of a quasi-homogeneous vector field: $\rho \in \mathbb{C}$ is a Kowalevskaya exponent of \mathbf{F}_r if ρ is an eigenvalue of the matrix $D\left(\mathbf{F}_r + \frac{1}{r}\mathbf{D}_0\right)(\mathbf{c})$ where $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{O\}$ is a solution of the vectorial equation $\mathbf{F}_r(\mathbf{c}) + \frac{1}{r}\mathbf{D}_0(\mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{0}$.

Finally, the third result characterizes the rational (polynomial) integrability of system (??) through its Kowalevskaya exponents.

Theorem 3 *An irreducible system (??) has got a rational (polynomial, resp.) first integral if and only if $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \equiv 0$ or the two following properties hold:*

- i)** *The \mathbf{t} -polynomial h has at least two irreducible factors on $\mathbb{K}[x, y]$, and all of them are distinct, that is, it can be written as $h = \prod_{j=1}^{m+2} f_j$, where $f_1 = x^{\delta_x}$, $f_2 = y^{\delta_y}$, $\delta_x, \delta_y \in \{0, 1\}$, $f_j = y^{t_1} - \lambda_j x^{t_2}$, for $j \geq 3$, and $m \geq 0$,*
- ii)** *for any Kowalevskaya exponents $\rho_j \neq -1$, ρ_j is a rational number.*

Moreover, in such a case, if it denotes the rational numbers r_j by

$$r_j = \frac{1}{r} \rho_j^{-1}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m+2, \quad (5)$$

it has that $\prod_{j=1}^{m+2} f_j^{n_j}$ is a \mathbf{t} -rational (polynomial, resp.) first integral of degree M with M such that $n_j = Mr_j \in \mathbb{Z}(\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\})$, resp.).

Theorem ?? extends to the results given by [?,?]. In fact, in these papers, the relationship between polynomial integrability of vector fields (??) with $r = 1$ and their Kowalevskaya exponents is proved.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In section ??, we prove Theorems ?? and ?. In section ??, we give a link between the rational integrability of (??) and its Kowalevskaya exponents. As a consequence we obtain Theorem ?. In section ?? we solve the problem of the rational and polynomial integrability of the (1, 2)-polynomial systems of degree 2.

2 Proof of Theorems ?? and ??

First we shown a series of basic results which allow us to prove the main results of a organized way. The following lemma shows that if system (??) has a rational first integral, then the existence of a \mathbf{t} -rational function first integral of (??) is necessary, that is, a first integral which is a quotient of two \mathbf{t} -polynomials.

Lemma 2 *Let f, g polynomials with $f = \sum_{j=m_0}^M f_j$ and $g = \sum_{j=n_0}^N g_j$, and $f_j, g_j \in \mathcal{P}_j^{\mathbf{t}}$ (their expansions into \mathbf{t} -polynomials, respectively). If $\frac{f}{g}$ is a first integral of system (??) in Ω_g , then $\frac{f_{m_0}}{g_{n_0}}$ is a first integral of system (??) in $\Omega_{g_{n_0}}$.*

Proof. If $\frac{f}{g}$ is a first integral of system (??) in Ω_g it has that $L_{\mathbf{F}_r} \frac{f}{g} \equiv 0$ in Ω_g and therefore $0 \equiv g L_{\mathbf{F}_r} f - f L_{\mathbf{F}_r} g$. In particular its first \mathbf{t} -term is also zero. So,

$$0 \equiv g_{n_0} L_{\mathbf{F}_r} f_{m_0} - f_{m_0} L_{\mathbf{F}_r} g_{n_0} = g_{n_0}^2 L_{\mathbf{F}_r} \frac{f_{m_0}}{g_{n_0}} \text{ in } \Omega_g \cap \Omega_{g_{n_0}}.$$

By continuity, it extends to $\Omega_{g_{n_0}}$. ■

We will assume that system (??) is a irreducible system (i.e. P and Q are coprime and $PQ \neq 0$) since, otherwise, if $PQ \equiv 0$ then x or y are first integrals of system (??); so system (??) is polynomially integrable. And if P, Q

are no coprime, it has that $P = fP'$, $Q = fQ'$ where $\mathbf{F}_{r'} = (P', Q')^T$ is a \mathbf{t} -polynomial vector field of degree $r' < r$. It is easy to prove that H is a first integral of (??) if and only if H is a first integral of $(\dot{x}, \dot{y})^T = \mathbf{F}_{r'}$. Therefore, it is sufficient to study the integrability of the second system.

From the decomposition conservative-dissipative, we note that if $h \equiv 0$, then system (??) is not irreducible. Moreover, in such a case, any \mathbf{t} -rational of the form $\frac{p}{q}$ with $p, q \in \mathcal{P}_{m_0}^{\mathbf{t}}$ is a first integral in Ω_q , since by Lemma ??, it has that

$$L_{\mathbf{F}_r} \frac{p}{q} = \frac{1}{q^2} (qL_{\mathbf{F}_r} p - pL_{\mathbf{F}_r} q) = \frac{1}{(r + |\mathbf{t}|)q^2} \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) (qL_{\mathbf{D}_0} p - pL_{\mathbf{D}_0} q),$$

in Ω_q , and from Euler Theorem for quasi-homogeneous polynomial, $L_{\mathbf{D}_0} p = m_0 p$, $L_{\mathbf{D}_0} q = m_0 q$, therefore $L_{\mathbf{F}_r} \frac{p}{q} \equiv 0$ in Ω_q .

The following properties characterize the quasi-homogeneous polynomial systems having a quasi-homogeneous rational first integral, and they give conditions on h .

Lemma 3 *An irreducible system (??) has got a \mathbf{t} -rational first integral $\frac{p}{q}$, with $p \in \mathcal{P}_{m_0}^{\mathbf{t}}$ and $q \in \mathcal{P}_{n_0}^{\mathbf{t}}$, if and only if $L_{\mathbf{X}_h} \frac{p}{q} = (n_0 - m_0) \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \frac{p}{q}$, in Ω_q . Moreover, in such a case, m_0 must be different from n_0 .*

Proof. If $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r)$ is identically zero, then system (??) is a hamiltonian system and h is a polynomial first integral. In such a case, $p = h$, $q \equiv 1$, $n_0 = 0$, $m_0 = r + |\mathbf{t}|$.

If $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \neq 0$, by Lemma ?? and Euler theorem for quasi-homogeneous polynomial it arrives to

$$(r + |\mathbf{t}|)L_{\mathbf{F}_r} \frac{p}{q} = L_{\mathbf{X}_h} \frac{p}{q} + \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) L_{\mathbf{D}_0} \frac{p}{q} = L_{\mathbf{X}_h} \frac{p}{q} + (m_0 - n_0) \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \frac{p}{q},$$

in Ω_q . We finish this proof, showing that $m_0 \neq n_0$. On the one hand, if $\frac{p}{q}$ is a first integral of \mathbf{F}_r , it holds $L_{\mathbf{F}_r} \frac{p}{q} = 0$ in Ω_q , i.e. $P(qp_x - pq_x) + Q(qp_y - pq_y) = 0$ in Ω_q , where p_x, p_y and q_x, q_y are the partial derivatives of p and q , respectively. On the other hand, as the components of \mathbf{F}_r haven't got common factors, it

has that there exists $k \in \mathcal{J}_{m_0+n_0-r-|\mathbf{t}|}^{\mathbf{t}}$, such that

$$(q_y p - p_y q) = kP, \quad -(q_x p - p_x q) = kQ,$$

thus, it follows that $k\mathbf{F}_r = q\mathbf{X}_p - p\mathbf{X}_q = q^2\mathbf{X}_{\frac{p}{q}}$ in Ω_q ($k \neq 0$ since $P \cdot Q \neq 0$).

It has that

$$(r + |\mathbf{t}|)kh = \mathbf{D}_0 \wedge (k\mathbf{F}_r) = \mathbf{D}_0 \wedge (q^2\mathbf{X}_{\frac{p}{q}}) = \mathbf{D}_0 \wedge (q\mathbf{X}_p - p\mathbf{X}_q),$$

and from Euler theorem,

$$(r + |\mathbf{t}|)kh = (m_0 - n_0)pq, \text{ in } \Omega_q, \quad (6)$$

and this equality can be extend to \mathbb{R}^2 . So, $m_0 \neq n_0$ and it follows the result. ■

Lemma 4 *Let $\frac{p}{q}$ be an irreducible \mathbf{t} -rational first integral of a irreducible system (??). Then, any irreducible factor of p or q on $\mathbb{K}[x, y]$ (where \mathbb{K} is either \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C}) is a factor of h on $\mathbb{K}[x, y]$.*

Reciprocally, any irreducible factor of h on $\mathbb{K}[x, y]$ is either a factor of p or a factor of q .

Proof. From Lemma ??, $\frac{p(x,y)}{q(x,y)} = 0$ is an invariant rational curve of \mathbf{X}_h in Ω_q and as $\frac{p}{q}$ is irreducible, then $\Omega_p \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Omega_q$. Therefore, $p(x, y) = 0$ is a polynomial invariant curve of \mathbf{X}_h . On the other hand, the unique irreducible invariant curves of \mathbf{X}_h are the irreducible factors of h . Thus, it follows that any irreducible factor of p is a factor of h .

Note that if $\frac{p}{q}$ is a first integral of \mathbf{F}_r , then $\frac{q}{p}$ also it is. Applying the same reasoning for the first integral $\frac{q}{p}$, it has that any irreducible factor of q is also a factor of h .

Finally, it follows by (??) that every irreducible factor of h must be either a factor of p or a factor of q . ■

Lemma 5 *If an irreducible system (??), with $\text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \neq 0$, has got a \mathbf{t} -rational first integral, then h has at least two irreducible factors on $\mathbb{K}[x, y]$*

and all of them are distinct (i.e. the factors of h are simple).

Proof. On the one hand, if h had the form f^m with $m \geq 1$, then there would be a integer number non-zero n such that $\frac{p}{q} = f^n$, from Lemma ???. Applying Lemma ???, it has that $L_{\mathbf{X}_{f^m}} f^n = 0 = (n_0 - m_0) \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) f^n$, it would arrive at $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \equiv 0$. Thus, the assumption leads us to a contradiction.

On the other hand, if $h = \prod_{l=1}^k f_l^{m_l}$, with some $m_j > 1$, $1 \leq j \leq k$, then f_j would be a factor of \mathbf{X}_h . From Lemma ???, it has that $\frac{p}{q} = \prod_{l=1}^k f_l^{n_l}$, with n_j integers numbers non all zero, and in such a case, it is easy to check that the Lie derivative of $\frac{p}{q}$ by \mathbf{X}_h is given by

$$L_{\mathbf{X}_h} \frac{p}{q} = \frac{p}{q} h \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=i+1}^k (n_i m_j - n_j m_i) \frac{1}{f_i f_j} L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_j}} f_i. \quad (7)$$

So, applying Lemma ??? and by cancelling, it would have that

$$h \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=i+1}^k (n_i m_j - n_j m_i) \frac{1}{f_i f_j} L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_j}} f_i = (n_0 - m_0) \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r).$$

Thus, f_j would be a factor of both, \mathbf{X}_h and $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r)$, which would be in contradiction with the fact that the components of \mathbf{F}_r are coprime. ■

Proof of Theorem ???. If $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \equiv 0$, the system is rationally integrable from Lemma ???, and if $h \equiv 0$, \mathbf{F}_r is reducible.

We assume that $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \not\equiv 0$, $h \not\equiv 0$ and $\mathbf{F}_r = (P, Q)^T$ has got a rational first integral, $\frac{p}{q}$. Then, from Lemma ???, $h = \prod_{j=1}^k f_j$ where f_1, \dots, f_k are \mathbf{t} -polynomial irreducible on $\mathbb{K}[x, y]$, $k \geq 2$ and, from Lemma ???, there exist n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k non-zero integer numbers, such that $p = \prod_{n_i > 0} f_i^{n_i}$ and $q = \prod_{n_i < 0} f_i^{-n_i}$. Moreover, from Lemma ???, $\deg_{\mathbf{t}}(p) - \deg_{\mathbf{t}}(q) = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \deg_{\mathbf{t}}(f_i) \neq 0$.

In order to prove the sufficient condition, it is enough to apply Lemma ??? for $h = \prod_{j=1}^k f_j$ and $\frac{p}{q} = \prod_{j=1}^k f_j^{n_j}$. ■

To define the function η that appears in Theorem ??, it is convenient to choose a basis of $\mathcal{P}_k^{\mathbf{t}}$. It is easy to prove that if k can be expressed as $k = k_3 t_1 t_2 + k_2 t_2 + k_1 t_1$ with $0 \leq k_1 < t_2$, $0 \leq k_2 < t_1$, then the set $B_k^{\mathbf{t}} = \{x^{t_2 i + k_1} y^{t_1(k_3 - i) + k_2}, 0 \leq i \leq k_3\}$ is a basis of $\mathcal{P}_k^{\mathbf{t}}$. Otherwise, $\mathcal{P}_k^{\mathbf{t}} = \{0\}$. This allows us to write any non-vanishing \mathbf{t} -polynomial of degree k as $p(x, y) = x^{k_1} y^{k_2} p_0(x^{t_2}, y^{t_1})$ with

$$p_0(x, y) = \sum_{j=0}^{k_3} \alpha_j x^{k_3 - j} y^j,$$

a homogeneous polynomial of degree k_3 . Introducing the variable $v = \frac{y}{x}$ and denoting by s the higher index such that $\alpha_s \neq 0$ (i.e. $\alpha_{s+1} = \dots = \alpha_{k_3} = 0$), we have that

$$p_0(x, y) = x^{k_3 - s} \sum_{j=0}^s \alpha_j v^j.$$

If $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}$ are the distinct roots of the polynomial $\sum_{j=0}^s \alpha_j v^j$, by abusing the notation we can write any \mathbf{t} -polynomial in a compact form

$$p(x, y) = \alpha_s \prod_{j=1}^d f_j^{m_j}, \quad \text{where } f_j(x, y) = x, y \text{ or } y^{t_1} - \lambda_j x^{t_2}$$

with $\deg_{\mathbf{t}}(p) = \sum_{j=1}^d m_j \deg_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j)$.

Under the hypothesis of irreducibility of \mathbf{F}_r , the \mathbf{t} -polynomials h and $\text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r)$ have the following expressions, according to their degrees.

Lemma 6 *Let system (??) be an irreducible system with $\text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \not\equiv 0$, then $r + |\mathbf{t}| = k_3 t_1 t_2 + \delta_y t_2 + \delta_x t_1$ with $\delta_x, \delta_y \in \{0, 1\}$ and $k_3 \geq 0$.*

As a consequence, it has that

i) $h(x, y) = x^{\delta_x} y^{\delta_y} h_0(x^{t_2}, y^{t_1})$ with $h_0(x, y)$ homogeneous polynomial of degree k_3 .

ii) $\text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r)(x, y) = x^{(1-\delta_x)(t_2-1)} y^{(1-\delta_y)(t_1-1)} \mu_0(x^{t_2}, y^{t_1})$ with $\mu_0(x, y)$ homogeneous polynomial of degree $k_3 - (1 - \delta_x) - (1 - \delta_y)$.

Proof. We assume that there exist k_1 , k_2 and k_3 integer numbers, with $0 \leq k_1 < t_2$, $0 \leq k_2 < t_1$, $k_3 \geq 0$ such that $\deg_{\mathbf{t}}(h) = r + |\mathbf{t}| = k_1 t_1 + k_2 t_2 + k_3 t_1 t_2$, since otherwise, $h \equiv 0$. It follows easily that $k_1 = \delta_x$ and $k_2 = \delta_y$, with

$\delta_x, \delta_y \in \{0, 1\}$, since if, for instance, $k_1 \geq 2$, then it will be

$$\deg_{\mathbf{t}}(P) = r + t_1 = k_1 t_1 + (k_2 - 1)t_2 + k_3 t_1 t_2,$$

$$\deg_{\mathbf{t}}(Q) = r + t_2 = (k_1 - 1)t_1 + k_2 t_2 + k_3 t_1 t_2,$$

that is, x would be a common factor of the components of \mathbf{F}_r . Also, if $t_1 = 1$ we will assume $\delta_y = 0$, and if $t_2 = 1$, $\delta_x = 0$. So, taking into account these considerations, it has that the degree of $\text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r)$ is given by

$$r = [k_3 - (1 - \delta_x) - (1 - \delta_y)]t_1 t_2 + (1 - \delta_x)(t_2 - 1)t_1 + (1 - \delta_y)(t_1 - 1)t_2,$$

with $k_3 - (1 - \delta_x) \geq 0$ and $k_3 - (1 - \delta_y) \geq 0$, since otherwise if, for instance, $k_3 - (1 - \delta_x) < 0$, then it will be $\deg_{\mathbf{t}}(P) = r + t_1 = (1 - \delta_y)t_2(1 - \delta_y - t_1) \leq 0$ that is P will be null.

From the expression of $r + |\mathbf{t}|$ and r it follows **i)** and **ii)**. ■

Next, we define the function $\eta(x, y) := \frac{\mu_0(x, y)}{x^{\delta_x} y^{\delta_y} h_0(x, y)}$ being $r + |\mathbf{t}| = \delta_x t_1 + \delta_y t_2 + k_3 t_1 t_2$. This function plays a important role in our research.

Proof of Theorem ??. First, we prove the necessary condition. If $\text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \equiv 0$ or $h \equiv 0$, the system is rationally integrable or reducible.

We assume that $\text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) \not\equiv 0$, $h \not\equiv 0$ and system (??) has a rational first integral. By Theorem ??, it has that h verifies **i)**.

Next, we prove the second property. By applying (??), with $M = \sum_{j=1}^{m+2} n_j \deg_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j)$ and h given by **i)**, it has that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r) = & \frac{1}{M} \left((n_2 - n_1) \delta_x \delta_y \frac{h}{f_1 f_2} L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_2}} f_1 + \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} (n_j - n_1) \delta_x \frac{h}{f_1 f_j} L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_j}} f_1 \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} (n_j - n_2) \delta_y \frac{h}{f_2 f_j} L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_j}} f_2 + \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} \sum_{l=j+1}^{m+2} (n_l - n_j) \frac{h}{f_l f_j} L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_l}} f_j \right). \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

The above Lie derivatives is given by

$$L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_2}} f_1 = -1,$$

$$L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_j}} f_1 = -t_1 y^{t_1-1}, \quad j = 3, \dots, m+2$$

$$L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_j}} f_2 = -t_2 \lambda_2 x^{t_2-1}, \quad j = 3, \dots, m+2$$

$$L_{\mathbf{X}_{f_l}} f_j = (\lambda_j - \lambda_l) t_1 t_2 x^{t_2-1} y^{t_1-1}, \quad j, l = 3, \dots, m+2.$$

By Lemma ??, it has

$$\frac{\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F}_r)(x, y)}{h(x, y)} = \frac{x^{t_2-1} y^{t_1-1} \mu_0(x^{t_2}, y^{t_1})}{x^{t_2 \delta_x} y^{t_1 \delta_y} h_0(x^{t_2}, y^{t_1})} = x^{t_2-1} y^{t_1-1} \eta(x^{t_2}, y^{t_1}), \quad (9)$$

thus, dividing by h in (??) and changing (x^{t_2}, y^{t_1}) by (x, y) , it has the following expression of η ,

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(x, y) &= \frac{1}{M} \left((n_1 - n_2) \delta_x \delta_y \frac{1}{xy} + \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} t_1 (n_1 - n_j) \delta_x \frac{1}{x(y-\lambda_j x)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} t_2 \lambda_j (n_2 - n_j) \delta_y \frac{\lambda_j}{y(y-\lambda_j x)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} \sum_{l=j+1}^{m+2} t_1 t_2 (n_l - n_j) (\lambda_j - \lambda_l) \frac{1}{(y-\lambda_j x)(y-\lambda_l x)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Now, we prove that it holds

$$\operatorname{Res}[\eta(1, y), \infty] = -\delta_x \operatorname{Res}[\eta(x, 1), 0], \quad (10)$$

where, by definition, $\operatorname{Res}[\eta(1, y), \infty] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma^-} \eta(1, y) dy$ being γ^- any closed curve negatively oriented which contains in its interior all the poles of $\eta(1, y)$. Actually, if $\delta_x = 0$, by Lemma ??,

$$\deg(\eta(1, y)) = \deg(\mu_0(1, y)) - \deg(y^{\delta_y} h_0(1, y)) = 2,$$

therefore $\operatorname{Res}[\eta(1, y), \infty] = 0$.

If $\delta_x = 1$, the difference of both degrees is one, therefore $\operatorname{Res}[\eta(1, y), \infty] =$

$-\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} y\eta(1, y)$, and expressing η in the form

$$\eta(x, y) = \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{m+1+\delta_y} d_j x^{m+1+\delta_y-j} y^j}{cxy^{\delta_y} \prod_{j=3}^{m+2} (y-\lambda_j x)},$$

then

$$\text{Res}[\eta(x, 1), 0] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x\eta(x, 1) = \frac{d_{m+1+\delta_y}}{c} = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} y\eta(1, y) = -\text{Res}[\eta(1, y), \infty],$$

thus, (??) holds. Now, we prove that

$$\text{Res}[\eta(1, y), w_i] = \frac{1}{t_1 t_2} \left(1 - \frac{n_i(r+|\mathbf{t}|)}{M}\right) \text{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, m+2. \quad (11)$$

For $w_1 = \infty$ (case $\delta_x = 1$), we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}[\eta(1, y), w_1] &= -\text{Res}[\eta(x, 1), 0] = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x\eta(x, 1) \\ &= -\frac{1}{M} [(n_1 - n_2)\delta_y + \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} t_1(n_1 - n_j)] = -\frac{n_1(r+|\mathbf{t}|)-M}{t_2 M}. \end{aligned}$$

Analogously, for $w_2 = 0$ ($\delta_y = 1$), it holds

$$\text{Res}[\eta(1, y), w_2] = \frac{1}{M} [(n_1 - n_2)\delta_x - \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} t_2(n_2 - n_j)] = -\frac{n_2(r+|\mathbf{t}|)-M}{t_1 M}.$$

And for each $w_i = \lambda_i$, $i = 3, \dots, m+2$, it has that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}[\eta(1, y), w_i] &= \lim_{y \rightarrow \lambda_i} (y - \lambda_i)\eta(1, y) \\ &= \frac{1}{M} (t_1(n_1 - n_i)\delta_x + t_2(n_2 - n_i)\delta_y + t_1 t_2 \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} (n_j - n_i)) \\ &= \frac{-n_i(r+|\mathbf{t}|)+M}{M}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, (??) is proved. As a consequence, it has **ii**).

Also, defining $r_j = \frac{n_j}{M} \in \mathbb{Q}$ and by solving r_j in (??) it has (??). By Theorem ??, $\prod_{j=1}^{m+2} f_j^{n_j}$ with $n_j = Mr_j \in \mathbb{Z}$, is a rational first integral whose degree is $\sum_{j=1}^{m+2} n_j \text{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j) = M \sum_{j=1}^{m+2} r_j \text{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j)$. By (??), it has that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m+2} r_j \text{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{m+2} \frac{\text{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j)}{r + |\mathbf{t}|} - t_1 t_2 \sum_{j=1}^{m+2} \text{Res}[\eta(1, y), w_j].$$

The first summand on the right-hand is 1 and the second is 0, from Residues Theorem. Thus, the degree of the first integral is M .

We now see the sufficient condition. We assume that h verifies **i)** and $\eta(1, y)$ satisfies **ii)**. First, we check that η is univocally determined. It is easily followed because, making $v = \frac{y}{x}$, η can be expressed in the form

$$\eta(x, xv) = \frac{\mu_0(x, xv)}{x^{\delta_x} y^{\delta_y} v^{\delta_y} h_0(1, v)} = \frac{\mu_0(1, v)}{x^2 v^{\delta_y} h_0(1, v)} = \frac{1}{x^2} \left(\frac{A_2 \delta_y}{v} + \sum_{j=3}^{m+2} \frac{A_j}{v - \lambda_j} \right)$$

and A_2, A_3, \dots, A_{m+2} are given by

$$A_j = \text{Res}[\eta(1, v), w_j] = \frac{1}{t_1 t_2} \left(1 - \frac{n_j(r+|\mathbf{t}|)}{M} \right) \text{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j), j = 2, \dots, m+2.$$

Finally, we prove that \mathbf{F}_r verifies (??). Let $\tilde{\mathbf{F}}_r = \frac{1}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} [\mathbf{X}_h + \mu \mathbf{D}_0]$, where μ is the \mathbf{t} -polynomial such that $(\sum_{j=1}^{m+2} n_j \text{deg}_{\mathbf{t}}(f_j)) \mu$ is given by the right-side of (??). Trivially, $\tilde{\mathbf{F}}_r$ verifies (??), thus $\tilde{\mathbf{F}}_r$ has got a rational first integral. From the necessary condition, $\tilde{\eta}$ associated to $\tilde{\mathbf{F}}_r$ holds **ii)** and therefore, $\eta = \tilde{\eta}$ and $\mu = \text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r)$. So, system (??) is rationally integrable. ■

3 Kowalevskaya exponents and rational integrability

The Kowalevskaya exponents arose from the study of the existence of particular solutions of the form $(x(t), y(t)) = (c_1 t^{-t_1}, c_2 t^{-t_2})$ of system (??), where the coefficients $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, c_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{O\}$ are given by the vectorial equation

$$\mathbf{F}_r(\mathbf{c}) + \frac{1}{r} \mathbf{D}_0(\mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (12)$$

For a given type \mathbf{t} , there may exist different \mathbf{c} -s called system *balances*.

Now, for each balance \mathbf{c} , it defines the differential of $\mathbf{F}_r + \frac{1}{r} \mathbf{D}_0$ evaluated at \mathbf{c} , that is $K(\mathbf{c}) = D \left(\mathbf{F}_r + \frac{1}{r} \mathbf{D}_0 \right) (\mathbf{c})$. The eigenvalues of $K(\mathbf{c})$ are called the *Kowalevskaya exponents* of the balance \mathbf{c} , see Kowalevskaya [?]. It can be shown that there always exists a Kowalevskaya exponent equal to -1 , see [?,?].

Several authors have studied the integrability of quasi-homogeneous systems and its relation with both n -dimensional and planar systems, see, Furta [?], Goriely [?], Llibre & Zhang [?], Tsygvintsev [?] and Cairó & Llibre [?], among others.

Next, we calculate the balances of system (??), by showing the relation among them and the irreducible factors of h over $\mathbb{C}[x, y]$.

Proposition 4 *If \mathbf{c} is a balance of (??), then $h(\mathbf{c}) = 0$.*

Furthermore, if P, Q are coprime and $PQ \neq 0$, it holds:

- i) *if x is a factor of h , then $(0, c_2)$, with $c_2^{r/t_2} = -\frac{t_2}{rQ(0,1)}$, is a balance of (??),*
- ii) *if y is a factor of h , then $(c_1, 0)$, with $c_1^{r/t_1} = -\frac{t_1}{rP(1,0)}$, is a balance of (??),*
- iii) *if $y^{t_1} - \lambda x^{t_2}$ is a factor of h , with $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, then (c_1, c_2) with $c_1 = u^{t_1}$, $c_2 = u^{t_2} \lambda^{1/t_1}$ and $u^r = -\frac{t_1}{rP(1, \lambda^{1/t_1})}$, is a balance of (??).*

Proof. Every balance $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, c_2)$ is a solution of an irreducible factor of h over $\mathbb{C}[x, y]$, since $h(\mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{D}_0 \wedge \mathbf{F}_r)(\mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{D}_0(\mathbf{c}) \wedge [\mathbf{F}_r(\mathbf{c}) + \frac{1}{r}\mathbf{D}_0(\mathbf{c})] = 0$.

Let us assume that P, Q are coprime and $PQ \neq 0$. From Lemma ??, we can assume that $r + |\mathbf{t}| = k_3 t_1 t_2 + \delta_y t_2 + \delta_x t_1$ with $\delta_x, \delta_y \in \{0, 1\}$ and $k_3 \geq 0$. Also, it follows easily that P and Q evaluated at \mathbf{c} may be written as

$$P(\mathbf{c}) = c_1^{\delta_x} c_2^{(t_1-1)(1-\delta_y)} P_0(c_1^{t_2}, c_2^{t_1}), \quad Q(\mathbf{c}) = c_1^{(t_2-1)(1-\delta_x)} c_2^{\delta_y} Q_0(c_1^{t_2}, c_2^{t_1}),$$

where P_0 and Q_0 are homogeneous polynomials of degree $k_3 + \delta_y - 1$ and $k_3 + \delta_x - 1$, respectively.

The factors of h can be of three types: x , y or $y^{t_1} - \lambda x^{t_2}$ with $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$.

If x is a factor of $h = t_1 x Q - t_2 y P$ then x is a factor of P (that is, $P(0, y) \equiv 0$) and $Q(0, 1) \neq 0$, since otherwise x would be a factor of both components of \mathbf{F}_r . We compute the balances $\mathbf{c} = (0, c_2)$ of system (??) associated to x . As $P(0, c_2) = 0$, the first equation of (??) evaluated at $(0, c_2)$ holds. On the other hand, we note that $(t_2 - 1)(1 - \delta_x) = 0$, since if $\delta_x = 0$ and $t_2 > 1$, x would be factor of P and Q . Therefore, the second equation of (??) becomes

$$0 = c_2^{\delta_y} Q(0, 1) c_2^{(k_3 + \delta_x - 1)t_1} + \frac{t_2 c_2}{r} = c_2 \left[c_2^{\delta_y - 1 + (k_3 + \delta_x - 1)t_1} Q(0, 1) + \frac{t_2}{r} \right],$$

and as $r = t_2[t_1(k_3 - 1 + \delta_x) - (1 - \delta_y)]$, it has $c_2^{r/t_2} = -\frac{t_2}{rQ(0,1)}$, item **i**).

If y is a factor of h , by the same reasoning we arrive at **ii**).

If $y^{t_1} - \lambda x^{t_2}$ is a factor of h with $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, there exist balances of the form $(c_1, c_2) = (u^{t_1}, u^{t_2} \lambda^{1/t_1})$ with $u \neq 0$, since $h(u^{t_1}, u^{t_2} \lambda^{1/t_1}) = u^{r+|t|} h(1, \lambda^{1/t_1}) = 0$.

In this case, the first equation of (??) is

$$0 = P(u^{t_1}, u^{t_2} \lambda^{1/t_1}) + \frac{t_1 u^{t_1}}{r} = u^{t_1} \left[u^r P(1, \lambda^{1/t_1}) + \frac{t_1}{r} \right].$$

Moreover $P(1, \lambda^{1/t_1}) \neq 0$, since otherwise $Q(1, \lambda^{1/t_1})$ would be zero and therefore $y^{t_1} - \lambda x^{t_2}$ would be a common factor of P and Q . Thus, it holds **iii**). The second equation of (??), by replacing Q , becomes $h(c_1, c_2) + t_2 c_2 \left(P(c_1, c_2) + \frac{t_1 c_1}{r} \right) = 0$ which is true. \blacksquare

Next, we obtain the Kowalevskaya exponents associated to the balances of (??) through the rational function η defined in the previous section.

Proposition 5 *Let system (??) be an irreducible system with $h = \prod_{j=1}^{m+2} f_j^{m_j} \neq 0$. If $w_1 = \infty$, $w_2 = 0$, $w_j = \lambda_j$, $j = 3, \dots, m+2$ are the poles of $\eta(1, y)$, then $\rho_i = 0$ if $m_i > 1$, otherwise,*

$$\rho_i^{-1} = \frac{r}{r+|t|} \left(1 - \frac{t_1 t_2}{\deg_t(f_i)} \text{Res}[\eta(1, y), w_i] \right),$$

where every $(-1, \rho_i)$ is the Kowalevskaya exponents associated to the factor f_i of h , for $i = 1, \dots, m+2$.

Proof. Throughout the demonstration, we will denote $\mu = \text{div}(\mathbf{F}_r)$ and h_x, h_y and μ_x, μ_y the partial derivatives of h and μ respect to the variables x and y , respectively.

From Lemma ??,

$$\mathbf{F}_r + \frac{1}{r} \mathbf{D}_0 = \frac{1}{r+|t|} \left(\mathbf{X}_h + \left(\mu + \frac{r+|t|}{r} \right) \mathbf{D}_0 \right).$$

The trace of its differential is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(\mu_x t_1 x + \mu t_1 + \frac{r+|\mathbf{t}|}{r} t_1 + \mu_y t_2 y + \mu t_2 + \frac{r+|\mathbf{t}|}{r} t_2 \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(\nabla \mu \cdot \mathbf{D}_0 + \left(\mu + \frac{r+|\mathbf{t}|}{r} \right) |\mathbf{t}| \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(r\mu + |\mathbf{t}|\mu + \frac{r+|\mathbf{t}|}{r} |\mathbf{t}| \right) = \mu + \frac{|\mathbf{t}|}{r}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then, for each balance \mathbf{c} , if $\rho(\mathbf{c})$ is the eigenvalue different from -1 , it has that $\rho(\mathbf{c}) - 1 = \text{Trace}(K(\mathbf{c})) = \mu(\mathbf{c}) + \frac{|\mathbf{t}|}{r}$, that is,

$$\rho(\mathbf{c}) = \mu(\mathbf{c}) + \frac{r+|\mathbf{t}|}{r}. \quad (13)$$

We compute the Kowalevskaya exponents different from -1 associated to the factors of h .

We suppose that x is a factor of h ($\delta_x = 1$), that is, there exist balances of the form $(0, c_2)$. From Lemma ??, $h_x = (r + |\mathbf{t}|)Q - y t_2 \mu$. As μ is a \mathbf{t} -polynomial of degree r with respect to \mathbf{t} , it has that $\mu(0, c_2) = c_2^{r/t_2} \mu(0, 1)$, and by applying (??) and Proposition ??, we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
h_x(0, 1) &= (r + |\mathbf{t}|)Q(0, 1) - t_2 \mu(0, 1) \\
&= (r + |\mathbf{t}| + r\mu(0, c_2))Q(0, 1) = r\rho_1 Q(0, 1),
\end{aligned}$$

with $Q(0, 1) \neq 0$. Therefore, all the balances $(0, c_2)$ have the same eigenvalues. Moreover, $\rho_1 = 0$ if and only if $h_x(0, 1) = 0$, i.e. $m_x > 1$. Otherwise,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{\rho_1} &= \frac{r}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(\frac{h_x(0,1) + t_2 \mu(0,1)}{h_x(0,1)} \right) \\
&= \frac{r}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(1 + t_2 \frac{\mu(0,1)}{h_x(0,1)} \right) = \frac{r}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(1 + t_2 \text{Res}[\eta(x, 1), 0] \right),
\end{aligned}$$

and by (??) it follows the result. If y is a factor of h , the reasoning is analogous. Finally, we compute the exponents ρ_i associated to the factors $y^{t_1} - \lambda_i x^{t_2}$, where $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, $i = 3, \dots, m + 2$. From Lemma ??, $h_y = -(r + |\mathbf{t}|)P + x t_1 \mu$.

Also $\mu(c_1, c_2) = \mu(u^{t_1}, u^{t_2}\lambda_i^{1/t_i}) = u^r \mu(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i})$. So, from Proposition ??,

$$\begin{aligned} h_y(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i}) &= -(r + |\mathbf{t}|)P(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i}) + t_1\mu(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i}) \\ &= -(r + |\mathbf{t}| + r\mu(c_1, c_2))P(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i}) = -r\rho_i P(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i}), \end{aligned}$$

with $P(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i}) \neq 0$. Thus, $\rho_i = 0$ if and only if $h_y(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i}) = 0$, i.e. $m_i > 1$. Otherwise,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\rho_i} &= -\frac{r}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(\frac{-h_y(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i}) + t_1\mu(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i})}{h_y(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i})} \right) \\ &= \frac{r}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(1 - t_1 \frac{\mu(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i})}{h_y(1, \lambda_i^{1/t_i})} \right) = \frac{r}{r+|\mathbf{t}|} \left(1 - \lim_{y \rightarrow \lambda_i^{1/t_1}} t_1 \frac{(y - \lambda_i^{1/t_1})\mu(1, y)}{h(1, y)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

To prove the result, it is enough to check that the above limit is $\text{Res}[\eta(1, y), \lambda_i]$. This is followed from $\lim_{y \rightarrow \lambda_i^{1/t_1}} \frac{y - \lambda_i^{1/t_1}}{y^{t_1} - \lambda_i} = t_1$ and $\frac{\mu(1, y)}{h(1, y)} = y^{t_1-1}\eta(1, y^{t_1})$. ■

As a consequence of Theorem ?? and Proposition ??, it has Theorem ??.

4 Application.

We illustrate our method by studying the integrability of the (1, 2)-polynomial systems of degree 2, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= a_1x^3 + a_2xy, \\ \dot{y} &= b_1x^4 + b_2x^2y + b_3y^2, \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

with a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 and b_3 real parameters with $b_3 \neq 0$ and $b_1a_2^2 - b_2a_1a_2 + b_3a_2^2 \neq 0$ (irreducibility of system (??)). The function h associated to (??) is $h(x, y) = \frac{1}{5}x[(b_3 - 2a_2)y^2 + (b_2 - 2a_1)x^2y + b_1x^4]$. If $b_3 - 2a_2 = 0$, then x is a multiple factor of h and therefore systems (??) are not integrable. Otherwise, we can write h in the form $h(x, y) = \frac{1}{5}(b_3 - 2a_2)x[(y + Bx^2)^2 + Ax^4]$ with $A = \frac{4b_1(b_3 - 2a_2) - (b_2 - 2a_1)^2}{4(b_3 - 2a_2)^2}$, $B = \frac{b_2 - 2a_1}{2(b_3 - 2a_2)}$. If $A = 0$, systems (??) are not

integrable, since h would have multiple factors. So, under the assumption of integrability, systems (??) can be transformed, by means of the change $u = \sqrt[4]{\text{sig}(A)Ax}$, $v = y + Bx^2$ into $(\dot{u}, \dot{v})^T = \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_2(u, v)$, with

$$\tilde{h}(u, v) = \frac{1}{5}cu(v^2 + \sigma u^4), \quad \text{div}(\tilde{\mathbf{F}}_2)(u, v) = \frac{1}{5}(d_1v + d_2u^2),$$

where $c \neq 0$ and $\sigma = \pm 1$. That is, the systems become

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{u} &= (-2c + d_1)uv + d_2u^3, \\ \dot{v} &= (c + 2d_1)v^2 + 2d_2u^2v + 5c\sigma u^4, \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

with c, d_1 and d_2 real parameters and $c \neq 0$, $\sigma = \pm 1$.

The following result characterizes both rationally and polynomially integrable systems of the family (??).

Theorem 6 *A system (??) with $\sigma = -1$ is rationally integrable if and only if $\frac{d_1}{c}$, $\frac{d_1+d_2}{2c}$ and $\frac{d_2-d_1}{2c}$ are integers numbers.*

A such system (??) is polynomially integrable if and only if there is a natural number M such that $\frac{M}{5}(1 + \frac{2d_1}{c})$, $\frac{M}{5}(1 - \frac{d_1+d_2}{2c})$, $\frac{M}{5}(1 - \frac{d_1-d_2}{2c})$ are natural numbers. In such a case

$$u^{\frac{M}{5}(1+\frac{2d_1}{c})}(v-u^2)^{\frac{M}{5}(1-\frac{d_1+d_2}{2c})}(v+u^2)^{\frac{M}{5}(1-\frac{d_1-d_2}{2c})},$$

is a (1, 2)-polynomial first integral of degree M of the system (??).

Proof. In this case, $\eta(u, v) = \frac{d_1v+d_2u}{cu(v-u)(v+u)}$. By Theorem ??, system (??) is rationally integrable if and only if

$$\text{Res}[\eta(1, v), \infty] = -\text{Res}[\eta(u, 1), 0] = -\frac{d_1}{c},$$

$$\text{Res}[\eta(1, v), 1] = \frac{d_1+d_2}{2c},$$

$$\text{Res}[\eta(1, v), -1] = \frac{d_1-d_2}{2c}$$

are integer numbers. System (??) has a $(1, 2)$ -polynomial first integral of degree $M > 0$ if and only if

$$\frac{M}{5}\left(1 + 2\frac{d_1}{c}\right), \frac{M}{5}\left(1 - \frac{d_1 + d_2}{2c}\right), \frac{M}{5}\left(1 + \frac{d_2 - d_1}{2c}\right)$$

are non-negative integer numbers. This completes the proof. \blacksquare

Theorem 7 *A system (??) with $\sigma = 1$ is rationally integrable if and only if $d_2 = 0$ and $\frac{d_1}{2c}$ is an integer number.*

Such system (??) is polynomially integrable if and only if $d_2 = 0$ and there is a natural number M such that $\frac{M}{5}\left(1 + \frac{2d_1}{c}\right)$, $\frac{M}{5}\left(1 - \frac{d_1}{2c}\right)$ are natural numbers. In such a case

$$u^{\frac{M}{5}\left(1 + \frac{2d_1}{c}\right)}(v^2 + u^4)^{\frac{M}{5}\left(1 - \frac{d_1}{2c}\right)},$$

is a $(1, 2)$ -polynomial first integral of degree M of the system (??).

Proof. In this case, $\eta(u, v) = \frac{d_1 v + d_2 u}{cu(v - Iu)(v + Iu)}$. So,

$$\text{Res}[\eta(1, v), \infty] = -\text{Res}[\eta(u, 1), 0] = -\frac{d_1}{c},$$

$$\text{Res}[\eta(1, v), I] = \frac{d_1 I + d_2}{2Ic} = \frac{d_1}{2c} - \frac{d_2}{2c} I,$$

$$\text{Res}[\eta(1, v), -I] = \frac{d_1 I - d_2}{2Ic} = \frac{d_1}{2c} + \frac{d_2}{2c} I.$$

Therefore, system (??) is rationally integrable if and only if $d_2 = 0$ and $\frac{d_1}{2c}$ is an integer number. A system of (??) is polynomially integrable if and only if

$$\frac{M}{5}\left(1 + 2\frac{d_1}{c}\right), \frac{M}{5}\left(1 - \frac{d_1}{2c}\right)$$

are non-negative integer numbers. \blacksquare

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