# SINGULARITIES WITH CRITICAL LOCUS AN COMPLETE INTERSECTION AND TRANSVERSAL TYPE $A_1$

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we study germs of holomorphic functions  $f: (\mathbb{C}^m, 0) \to (\mathbb{C}, 0)$  with the following two properties:

- (i) the critical locus  $\Sigma$  of f is an isolated complete intersection singularity (icis);
- (ii) the transversal singularity of f in points of  $\Sigma \setminus \{0\}$  is of type  $A_1$  we first compute the homology of the Milnor fibre and then show that the homotopy type of the Milnor fibre F of f is a bouquet of spheres.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let O be the ring of holomorphic germs  $f : (\mathbb{C}^m, 0) \to (\mathbb{C}, 0)$ . Let  $I \subset O$  be a reduced ideal defining an icis  $\Sigma$  of arbitrary dimension k. As usual J(f) denote the jacobian ideal of f, namely:

$$J(f) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_m}\right).$$

We consider, as in [Pe-1, Pe-2], the group  $D_I$  of local analytic isomorphisms  $\varphi : (\mathbb{C}^m, 0) \to (\mathbb{C}^m, 0)$  such that  $\varphi^*(I) = I$ .

Let  $f \in O$  be a germ whose critical set contains  $\Sigma$ . Then by [Pe-1, Pe-2],  $f \in I^2$ . The group  $D_I$  acts an  $I^2$ , and the extended codimension of the orbit of f with respect to this action is

$$c_e(f) = \dim \frac{I^2}{I^2 \cap J(f)}$$

we shall focus our attention on germs  $f \in I^2$  with  $c_e(f) < \infty$ . We are interested in the topology of Milnor fibre of f. We known if kdimension of singular locus  $\Sigma$  is 1 then Milnor fibre F is homotopy equivalent of bouquet of some dimensional sphere [Si-1, Si-2]. If k = m - 1 i.e. codim  $\Sigma = 1$ , then again F is homotopy equivalent of bouquet of some dimensional sphere [Sh-1, Sh-2, Ne-1]. If k = 2 bouquet theorem also are valid the Milnor fibre F is homotopy equivalent bouquet of sphere [Za, Ne-2].

We consider case when  $k \ge 3$  and give the properties in which case we can prove the

**Theorem.** The Milnor fibre F of  $f = (\mathbb{C}^m, 0) \to (\mathbb{C}, 0)$  is homotopy equivalent of bouquet of spheres  $F \simeq S^n \vee S^{m-1} \vee S^{m-1} \vee \cdots \vee S^{m-1}$ , where n = m - k.

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# 2. Non-Isolated Singularities with Transversal Type $A_1$

Let as above  $I \subset O$  be a reduced ideal defining an icis (isolated complete intersection singularity)  $\Sigma$  of dimension k and suppose that  $I = (g_1, \ldots, g_n)$  with n = m - k. We shall assume that  $n \ge 2$  and  $k \ge 3$ ; the cases k = 1, k = 2 and n = 1 are situated in [Si-2], [Ne-2, Za] and respectively [Sh-1] and [Ne-1]. Let  $f \in O$  be a germ whose critical set contains  $\Sigma$ . It follows that  $f \in I^2$  and we have decomposition

$$f = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} h_{ij} \, g_i \, g_j$$

with  $h_{ij} = h_{ji}$  [Pe-1, Pe-2]. Moreover, the class of  $h_{ij}$  in O/I is uniquely determined by f [Za].

In [Pe-1] and [Pe-2] were introduced D(k, p) singularity. Their local equations, in a suitable coordinate system  $x_{ij}$   $(1 \le i \le j \le p), z_1, \ldots, z_q, y_1, \ldots, y_n$ , is

$$f(x, y, z) = \sum_{1 \le i \le j \le p} x_{ij} y_i y_j + \sum_{l=p+1}^n y_l^2.$$

Note also the singular locus of a D(k, p) singularity is smooth and of dimension  $k = \frac{1}{2}p(p+1) + q$ , while m = k + n. D(k, 0) singularity in [Pe-1, Pe-2] is also called A(k)

$$A(k) := D(k,0) : \sum_{l=1}^{n} y_l^2.$$

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We note also:  $D(k, 1) : xy_1^2 +$ 

$$D(k,1): xy_1^2 + \sum_{l=2} y_l^2$$

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*Remark* 2.1. As in [Sh-3], see also [Za], it is easy to see that following are valid

(1) A singular point  $z \in \Sigma$  is a singular point of type D(k, 0) if the matrix  $(h_{ij}(z))$  has rank n.

(2) A singular point  $z \in \Sigma$  is a singular point of type D(k, 1) if the matrix rank  $(h_{ij}(z)) = n - 1$  and  $\operatorname{grad}_z(\det(h_{ij}(z)))|_{\Sigma} \neq 0$ .

Let D be defined as in [Za] by  $D(z) = \det(h_{ij}(z))_{ij}$  then if D(0) = 0then the ideal  $I + D = (g_1, \ldots, g_n, D)$  defines a complete intersection in  $(\mathbb{C}^m, 0)$ , which depends only of f [Za]. Let us denote by  $\Delta$  the zero set of I + (D).

The following result is similar to [Si-1, Sh-1] criterion of finite codimen.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $f \in I^2$ ,  $f = \sum_{ij=1}^n h_{ij} g_i g_j$  and I, and I + (D) is isolated complete intersection and  $\Delta$  is an isolated singularity. Then

(a) the critical locus of f is  $\Sigma$  and the germ of f in every points of  $\Sigma \setminus \{0\}$  outside  $\Delta$  is equivalent to a D(k, 0) singularity and point an  $\Delta$ 

is equivalent to a D(k, 1).

(b)  $c_e(f) < +\infty$ .

Proof. (a) If  $z \in \Delta$  and  $z \neq 0$  then  $\operatorname{rank}((h_{ij})_{ij}) = n - 1$  since  $\Sigma$  is icis of dimension k = m - n. Since  $\Delta = \det((h_{ij})_{ij})$  is isolated singularity on  $\Sigma$  so grad  $\Delta|_{\Sigma} \neq 0$  at the point of  $\Delta \setminus \{0\}$ , which means that f at z is of type D(k, 1) by the remark of 2.2. Let us now  $z \in \Delta$  and  $z \neq 0$ . Then we have  $\det(h_{ij})_{ij} \neq 0$  at this point z, so  $\operatorname{rank}((h_{ij})_{ij}) = n$  and using Remark 2.2 f at this points z has D(k, 0) singularity.

(b) Let f be some representative of the germ of given singularity. In the domain where it is given we define a sheaf of O modules as follows

$$\mathcal{F}(u) = I^2 / \tau_e(f),$$

where  $I^2$  and  $\tau_e(f)$  are considered as modules over the holomorphic functions on u. It is clear that  $\mathcal{F}$  is coherent. We will use the fact:  $\mathcal{F}$  is concentrated in a point  $\Leftrightarrow \dim \Gamma(\mathcal{F}) < \infty$ . For  $z \in \mathbb{C}^m \setminus \Sigma$ , f is regular at z and we have  $\dim \mathcal{F}_z = 0$  since  $I_z^2 \cong O_z$  and  $(\tau_e(f))_z \cong O_z$ . If  $z \in \Sigma \setminus \{0\}$  then as we proved above f is of type  $D(k, p), p \leq 1$  at zand we have  $\dim \mathcal{F}_z = 0$  since  $c_e(D(k, p)) = 0$ . So  $\mathcal{F}$  is concentrated at 0, hence  $c_e(f) < \infty$ .

#### 3. The Deformation of Nonisolated Singularities

First consider the case when singular locus  $\Sigma$  of  $f : (\mathbb{C}^m, 0) \to (\mathbb{C}, 0)$  is smooth k-dimensional submanifolds. Consider coordinates

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 $(x_1, \ldots, x_{m-n}, y_1, \ldots, y_n)$  in  $\mathbb{C}^m$ . Then  $f = \sum_{i,j=1}^n h_{ij} y_i y_j$ . Let us det $(h_{ij})_{ij} = D(z)$  and  $D(z)|_{\Sigma}$  is isolated singularity at  $0 \in \Sigma$ .

In case of an ordinary isolated singularity it is useful to consider a generic approximation g of with only ordinary Morse point [Br]. At every Morse point one can study its local Milnor fibration, with Milnor fibre homotopy equivalent to one *n*-sphere  $S^n$  ("the vanishing cycle"). The Milnor fibre of the original f then has the homotopy type of the wedge of those spheres.

We like to mimic the constructions in our case.

Let us  $\Sigma$  is k-dimensional complete intersection defining by the ideal  $I = (g_1, \ldots, g_n)$ . Then  $f = \sum_{i,j=1}^n h_{ij} g_i g_j$ . Assume that  $D(z) = \det((h_{ij})_{i,j})$  is an isolated singularity and I + (D) is complete intersection.

Let  $G : (\mathbb{C}^m \times \mathbb{C}^r, 0) \to (\mathbb{C}^m \times \mathbb{C}^r, 0)$  be a versal deformation of  $(\Sigma, 0)$  with  $G(z, v) = (G_1(z, v), \dots, G_n(z, v), v)$  and  $G_i(z, 0) = g_i(z)$  [Loo]. Consider the deformation

$$f_s: (\mathbb{C}^m \times S, 0) = \mathbb{C}^m \times \mathbb{C}^r \times \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^{n(n+1)/2} \times \mathbb{C}^{m-n}, 0) \to \mathbb{C}$$

given by

$$f_s(z) = f(z, v, u, a, b) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \left( h_{ij}(z) + a_{ij} + \sum_{t=1}^m b_{tj} x_t \,\delta_{ij} \right) \cdot (G_i(z, v) - u_i)(G_j(z, v) - u_j),$$

where  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ , and S is the space of parameters (a, b, u, v). In case  $k = \dim \Sigma = 1, 2$  or m - 1, there exists a dense subset U in S such that for every  $s \in U$ , the germ of  $f_s$  at the points of  $\Sigma_s$  is of type D(k, 0) or D(k, 1). Moreover, the set of points of  $\Sigma_s$  where  $f_s$  is of type D(k, 1) is exactly  $\Delta_s$  and this set is a Milnor fibre of the icis  $\Delta$ . [Si-2, Sh-1, Za] For an arbitrary k, we know at least two cases when such deformation exists: i) the germ f at any point  $z \in \Sigma \setminus \{0\}$  is of type D(k, 0), ii) the matrix  $(h_{ij}(0))_{ij}$  has rank n-1. From this page assume the existence of such deformation for the arbitrary k. The following are valid [Za-Bo-Ne-2].

**Lemma 3.1.** There exist an  $\varepsilon$ -ball  $B_{\varepsilon}$  with center  $D \in \mathbb{C}^m$ , a proper analytic set  $(A, 0) \subset (S, 0)$ , and a neighborhood U of  $0 \in S$ , such that for any  $s \in U \setminus A$  has the following:

(a)  $\Sigma_s = \{z \in B_z : G_i(x, v) = u_i, i = 1, ..., n\}$  is the Milnor fibre of  $\Sigma$ .

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(b) The zero set  $D_s(z) = \det(h_{ij}(z) + a_{ij} + \Sigma_t b_{tj} z_t \delta_{ij})$  intersets  $\Sigma_s$  transversally; hence  $\Delta_s = D_s^{-1}(0) \cap \Sigma_s$  is smooth. In particular  $\Delta_s$  is (diffeomorphic to) the Milnor fibre of  $\Delta$ .

(c) The singularities of  $f_s$  in  $B_{\varepsilon} \setminus \Sigma_s$  are of type  $A_1$ .

(d) The germ of  $f_s$  at any point of  $\Sigma_s \setminus \Delta_s$  is of type D(k, 0) and at any point of  $\Delta_s$  is of type D(k, 1).

(e) Fix  $\varepsilon$  sufficiently small and  $\delta$  sufficiently small with respect to  $\varepsilon$ . If U is sufficiently small with respect to  $\varepsilon$  and  $\delta$ , then  $f_s^{-1}(t)$  (as a stratified set) intersects  $\partial B_{\varepsilon}$  transversally for any  $s \in U$  and  $t \in \Lambda = \{|t| \leq \delta\}$ . In particular, the topological type of the smooth fibres of the maps

$$f_s: X_s = f_s^{-1}(\Lambda) \cap B_\varepsilon \to \Lambda \quad (s \in U)$$

is independent of the parameter  $s \in U$ . (In fact, even the vibrations  $f_s : f_s^{-1}(\partial \Lambda) \cap B_{\varepsilon} \to \partial \Lambda$  are equivalent to the fibration  $f : f^{-1}(\partial \Lambda) \cap B_{\varepsilon} \to \partial \Lambda$ . In particular, the corresponding fibres are homotopically equivalent).

(f) The spaces  $X_s$  ( $s \in U$ ) are contractible.

## 4. The Topology of Milnor Fibre

Let  $f_s$  be a deformation of f obtained by Lemma 3.1 and let us suppose that the number of  $A_1$  (Morse) points is  $\sigma$ . The critical set of f consists of

- (a) A manifold  $\Sigma_0$  with is the Milnor fibre  $\Sigma_s$  of k-dimensional isolated complete intersection singularity  $\Sigma$ . The local singularities of f on  $\Sigma_0$  are D(k, 0) and D(k, 1).
- (b)  $\Sigma_1 = \{b_1\}, \ldots, \Sigma_{\sigma} = \{b_{\sigma}\}$ , where the local singularity of f is isolated of type  $A_1$ .

Define  $B_1, B_2, \ldots, B_{\sigma}$  as disjoint 2m dimensional balls in the space  $\mathbb{C}^m$  with centered of the points  $b_1, \ldots, b_{\sigma}$  and  $D_1, D_2, \ldots, D_{\sigma}$  a disjoint two dimensional disks at the points  $f_s(b_1), \ldots, f_s(b_{\sigma})$ . Choose them such that  $\tilde{f}: B_i \cap \tilde{f}^{-1}(D_i) \to D_i$  define a locally trivial Milnor fibration, the following transversality condition holds:  $f_s^{-1}(t) \cap \partial B_i, \forall t \in D_i, i = 1, \ldots, \sigma$ .

The situation at the points of  $b_1, \ldots, b_\sigma$  is well known we consider the situation along  $\Sigma_s$ .

Firstly we define  $B^0$  a tabular neighborhood

$$B^{0} = \left\{ z \in B_{\varepsilon} : \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| G_{i}(z, v) - u \right|^{2} \le \rho \right\} \quad \text{of} \quad \Sigma_{s} \cap B_{\varepsilon},$$

which is diffeomorphic for sufficiently small  $\rho$  to the product  $(\Sigma_s \cap B_{\varepsilon}) \times Q^n$ , where  $Q^n$  is a closed *n*-ball in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with center at the origin [Si-1].

Let us denote  $X_{t,s} = f_s^{-1}(t) \cap B_{\varepsilon}$  and  $F^0 = B^0 \cap X_{t,s}$  then for the sufficiently small t we have

$$H_{*-1}(X_{s,t}) = H_*(X_s, X_{s,t}) = \begin{cases} H_*(B^0, F^0) & \text{if } * \neq m, \\ H_m(B^0, F^0) \oplus \mathbb{Z}^{\sigma} & \text{if } * = m, \end{cases}$$

[Si-2].

First compute the homology of the point  $(B^0, F^0)$ . Following [Si-2, Za] we shall consider in  $B^0$  coordinates  $(w_1, \ldots, w_n, w_{m-k+1}, \ldots, w_m)$ such that  $(w_1, \ldots, w_n) \in Q^n$  are the functions defined by  $w_i(z) = G_i(x, v) - u_i$  and  $w_{m-k+1}, \ldots, w_m \in \Sigma_s$  (recall that dim  $\Sigma = k$  and m = n + k). Then  $(w_1, \ldots, w_n)$  are holomorphic functions on  $B^0$  and  $(w_{m-k+1}, \ldots, w_m)$  are real differentiable [Si-2]. Now consider the projection  $\pi : (w_{m-k+1}, \ldots, w_m) : (B^0, F^0) \to \Sigma_s$ . Then similarly [Si-2, Za, Sh-3] we can prove

**Lemma 4.1.** If  $\rho$  and tubular neighborhoods  $U_1 \subset U_2 \subset \Sigma_s$  of  $\Delta_s \subseteq \Sigma_s$  are sufficiently small then

(a)  $\pi : (B^0 \setminus \pi^{-1}(U_1), F^0 \setminus \pi^{-1}(U_1)) \to \Sigma_s \setminus U_1$  is locally trivial fibration with fibre equal to the pair  $(\mathbb{C}^{m-k}, Milnor fibre of x_1^2 + \cdots + x_n^2)$ ,

(b) the map given by the superposition  $\pi^{-1}(U_2) \to U_2 \to \Delta_s$  is a fibration of the pair  $(\pi^{-1}(U_2), F^0 \cap \pi^{-1}(U_2))$  with fibre equal to the pair  $(\mathbb{C}^{n+k}, Milnor fibre of x_{n+1}x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \cdots + x_n^2).$ 

For a subset  $W \subseteq \Sigma_s$  we shall denote by  $F_W$  the following set:  $F_W = \pi^1(W) \cap F^0$ .

The following statements holds

**Lemma 4.2.**  $H_q(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}) = 0$  for q = n - 2 and q = n. Moreover  $H_{n-1}(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}) = \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $H_{m-1}(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}) = \mathbb{Z}^{\mu_\Delta + \mu_\Sigma}$ ,  $H_1(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}) = 0$ ,  $q \ge n-2$ .

Proof. If n = 1 this case was studied in [Sh-1, Ne-1]. n = 2 in [Ne-2], so  $n \ge 3$ . We may assume that n > k + 2 because of if w is a new variable, then the Milnor fiber  $F_w$  of  $f(z) + w^2$  is the suspension of the Milnor fibre F of f, in particular  $H_*(F) = H_{*+1}(F_w)$ .

Consider the fibration  $\pi: F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1} \to \Sigma_s \setminus U_1$ .

The base space  $\Sigma_s \setminus U_1$  is homotopy equivalent  $\Sigma_s \setminus U_1 \simeq \Sigma_s \underset{\Delta_s}{\sqcup} U_1 \times$ 

 $S^1 \simeq S^1 \lor S^k \lor \cdots \lor S^k$  bouquet of circle  $S^1$  and k-dimensional spheres. The number of k-dimensional spheres  $\mu$  is equal same of  $\mu_{\Sigma} + \mu_{\Delta}$  [Za, Sh-1]. The homotopy type of fibre of  $\pi$  is  $S^{n-1}$  but unfortunately we cold nt use Gysin exact sequence for this fibration  $\pi$  because  $\pi$  is

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not orientable. But the total space  $F_s^0 \setminus F_{U_1}$  is homotopy equivalent to  $E' \underset{S^{n-1}}{\cup} E''$ , where  $E' \to S^1$  and  $E'' \to \bigvee_{k=1}^{\mu} S_i^k$  are fibre bundles with fibre  $S^{n-1}$  and in  $E' \underset{S^{n-1}}{\cup} E''$  a fibre of E' is identified with a fiber of E''. For the fibration  $E' \to S^1$  which is nonorientable and its monodromy is equal -1 [Ne-2] we may use Wang exact sequence. We obtain

$$\rightarrow H_q(S^{n-1}) \rightarrow H_q(E') \rightarrow H_{q-1}(S^{n-1}) \rightarrow H_{q-1}(S^{n-1}) \rightarrow \cdots$$

Finally, we receive short exact sequence

 $0 \longrightarrow H_n(E') \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow 0,$ 

 $\alpha$  is multiplication by 2. Therefore  $H_{n-1}(E') = \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $H_q(E') = 0$ ,  $q \neq 0$ ,  $q \neq n-1$ .

On the other hands, we have orientable fibration  $E'' \to \bigvee_{i=1}^{\mu} S_i^k$  because of  $k \ge 3$ . Hence we may use Gysin exact sequence we obtain

$$\to H_q(E'') \to H_q(\bigvee_{i=1}^{\mu} S_i^k) \to H_{q-n}(\bigvee_{i=1}^{\mu} S_i^k) \to H_{q-1}(E'') \to \cdots$$

Since  $n \ge k+2$  and  $k \ge 3$  we receive  $H_{n-2}(E'') = H_n(E'') = 0$  and  $H_{n-1}(E'') \simeq \mathbb{Z}, H_{m-1}(E'') \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{\mu_{\Delta}+\mu_{\Sigma}}.$ 

The total space  $F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1} = E' \cup E''$ , where  $E' \cap E'' \simeq S^{n-1}$ . Using Mayer-Vietoris theorem we obtain

$$\to H_q(E' \cap E'') \to H_q(E') \oplus H_q(E'') \to H_q(E' \cup E'') \to H_{q-1}(E' \cup E'') \to \cdots$$

After short computations we receive short exact sequence

$$0 \to H_n(E) \to \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \to H_{n-1}(E) \to 0.$$

Therefore  $H_q(E) = 0$ ,  $H_{n-1}(E) = \mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $H_{n-2}(E) = 0$ . Similarly we receive  $H_{m-1}(E) = \mathbb{Z}^{\mu_{\Delta} + \mu_{\Sigma}}$  and  $H_q(E) = 0$ ,  $q \ge n-2$ .

**Lemma 4.3.**  $H_{n-2}(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = 0$ ,  $H_{n-1}(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $H_{m-2}(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = \mathbb{Z}_2^{\mu_{\Delta}}$  and  $H_q(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = 0$  if  $q \ge n-2$  and  $q \ne n-1, m-2$ .

Proof. We have fibration  $\pi : F_{U_2 \setminus U_1} \to U_2 \setminus U_1$  with fibre  $S^{n-1}$ . Since  $U_2 \setminus U_1$  is homotopy equivalent to  $S^1 \times \Delta_s$  using homotopy exact sequence of fibration  $\pi$  we receive  $H_{n-2}(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = 0$ . Because of  $\pi$  is not orientable  $H_{n-1}(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = \mathbb{Z}_2$ . As in [Ne-2], since the base space has a product structure, one can write  $F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}$  as a fibre bundle over  $\Delta_s$  with fibre  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the total space of a fibre bundle with base  $S^1$  and fibre  $S^{n-1}$ . Using Wang exact sequence we obtain  $H_{n-1}(Z) = \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $H_q(Z) = 0, q \neq 0, n-1$ . Because  $\Delta_s$  is simply connected, it follows from the Serre spectral sequence [Me]  $H_*(\Delta_s; H_*(Z)) \Rightarrow H_*(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1})$ 

that  $H_{m-2}(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = \mathbb{Z}_2^{\mu_{\Delta}}$  and  $H_q(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = 0$  if  $q \ge n-2, q \ne n-1, m-2$ .

**Lemma 4.4.**  $H_{n-1}(F_{U_2}) = 0$ ,  $H_n(F_{U_2}) = \mathbb{Z}$  and  $H_{m-1}(F_{U_2}) = \mathbb{Z}^{\mu_{\Delta}}$ .

*Proof.* This follows from the fibration  $F_{U_2} \to \Delta_s$  (cf. Lemma 3.1 (b)), whose fibre has the homotopy type of  $S^n$ .

## Corollary 4.5.

$$H_q(F^0, F_{U_2}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}, & \text{if } q = 0, \\ \mathbb{Z}^{\mu_{\Delta} + \mu_{\Sigma}}, & \text{if } q = m - 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Using the long exact sequence for the pair  $(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}, F_{U_2 \setminus U_1})$  we receive

$$\to H_q(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) \to H_q(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}) \to H_q(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}, F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) \to \\ \to H_{q-1}(F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) \to \cdots$$

Since  $F_{U_2 \setminus U_1} \hookrightarrow F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}$  is inclusion using excision  $H_q(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}, F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = H_q(F^0, F_{U_2})$ , and Lemma 4.2, 4.3 we obtain  $H_q(F_s^0, F_{U_2}) = 0$  if  $q \neq 0, n, m-1$ . For *n*-dimensional homology group we have exact sequence

$$0 \to H_n(F^0, F_{U_2}) \to \mathbb{Z}_2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \to H_{n-1}(F^0, F_{U_2}) \to 0.$$

So  $H_n(F^0, F_{U_2}) = 0$  and  $H_{n-1}(F^0, F_{U_2}) = 0$ . For m-1 dimensional homology group we have following exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathbb{Z}^{\mu_{\Delta} + \mu_{\Sigma}} \to H_{m-1}(F^0, F_{U_2}) \to \mathbb{Z}_2^{\mu_{\Delta}} \to 0.$$

As we known we have fibrations

Let  $b_1, \ldots, b_{\mu_{\Sigma}}$  generators of  $H_{m-1}(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1})$ . Take into account  $\Delta_s \simeq \bigvee_{i=1}^{\mu_{\Delta}} S_i^{k-1}$ . Let  $f_{i,\pm}$  be the map

$$D_{i,\pm}^{k} = \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right] \times S_{i}^{k-1} / \{1\} \times S_{i}^{k-1} \to S^{1} \times \Delta_{s} / \{1\} \times \Delta_{s} \to \sum_{s \sqcup \Delta_{s}} (S^{1} \times \Delta_{s}), \quad i = 1, \dots, \mu_{0}.$$

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The pullback of the fibration  $F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1} \to \Sigma_s \underset{\Delta_s}{\sqcup} (S^1 \times \Delta_s)$  along  $f_{i,+}$  is trivial. Therefore we have following diagram

Let  $a_i \in H_{n-1}(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}, F_{U_2 \setminus U_1})$  be image of a generator of  $H_{m-1}(D_{i,+}^k \times S^{n-1}, S_i^{k-1} \times S^{n-1}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$  under  $(\tilde{f}_{i,+})$ . There is a homotopy between  $f_{i,+}$  and  $f_{i,-}$  (as a map of pairs), namely

$$D_i^k \times [0,1] = \left([0,1] \times S_i^{k-1} / \{0\} \times S_i^{k-1}\right) \times [0,1] \to \sum_{s \ \Delta_s} (S^1 \times \Delta_s).$$
$$([t,x], S) \mapsto \begin{cases} f_{i,+} ([1-2s)t, x), & 0 \le s \le \frac{1}{2}, \\ f_{i,-} ([2s-1)t, x), & \frac{1}{2} \le s \le 1. \end{cases}$$

Therefore  $(\tilde{f}_{i,+})_*$  and  $(\tilde{f}_{i,-})_*$  define the same element  $a_i$ . Hence  $2a_i$  as an element  $H_{m-1}(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1})$  is represented by  $\tilde{f}_{i,+} \cup \tilde{f}_{i,-}$ , which means that

$$H_{m-1}(F_{\Sigma_s \setminus U_1}, F_{U_2 \setminus U_1}) = H_{m-1}(F^0, F_{U_2}) = \mathbb{Z}^{\mu_\Delta + \mu_\Sigma}.$$

Corollary 4.6.

$$H_q(F^0) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}, & \text{if } q = q = n, \quad q = 0, \\ \mathbb{Z}^{2\mu_\Delta + \mu_\Sigma}, & \text{if } q = m - 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Use the long exact sequence of the pair  $(F^0, F_{U_2})$  and above lemmas.

Now we consider the pair  $(B^0, F^0)$  and the corresponding exact sequence in homology we obtain  $H_*(B^0, F^0) = H_{*-1}(F^0)$ . As we mentioned in the beginning of this section for the Milnor fibre  $F = X_{t,s}$  the homology group is equal

$$H_{*-1}(F) = \begin{cases} H_{*-1}(F^0) & \text{if } * \neq m, \\ H_{m-1}(F^0) \oplus \mathbb{Z}^{\sigma} & \text{if } * = m. \end{cases}$$

Therefore finally we receive

$$H_*(F) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{if } * = 0, n, \\ \mathbb{Z}^{2\mu_\Delta + \mu_\Sigma + \sigma} & \text{if } * = m - 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Now we will show that our Milnor fibre is homotopy equivalent to a wedge of spheres  $S^n \vee S^{m-1} \vee \cdots \vee S^{m-1}$  following are valid.

**Lemma 4.7.** Let X be a (n-2)-connected CW complex of dimension  $n \geq 3$  with given homology  $H_n(X,\mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $H_{m-1}(X,\mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}^{\mu}$ ,  $\widetilde{H}_k(X,\mathbb{Z}) = 0$  if  $k \neq n, m-1$ . Then we have a homotopy equivalence

$$X \simeq S^n \lor S^{m-1} \lor \dots \lor S^{m-1}.$$

Proof. For  $n \geq 3$  we have that X is simple connected. According to Herewicz theorem  $\pi_n(X) \simeq H_n(X) = \mathbb{Z}$ . We may attach an *n*-cell  $e_n$ corresponding to a generator  $\varphi$  of  $\pi_{n-1}(X)$ . Let  $\widetilde{X} = X \bigcup_{\Phi} e_n$ . So we have  $\pi_{n-1}(\widetilde{X}) = 0$  and  $\pi_k(\widetilde{X}) = \pi_k(X) = 0, k \leq n-2$ .

Moreover we can prove that  $\widetilde{X}$  is homotopy equivalent bouquet of n-1 dimensional  $\mu$  copies of sphere (see [Si-2], Prop. 6.1).

Consider the following Hurewicz diagram

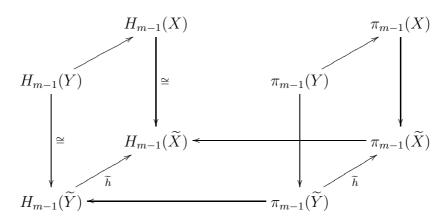
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$$\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
\downarrow \\
\mathbb{Z}^{\mu} = H_{m-1}(X) & \longrightarrow \pi_{m-1}(X) \\
\downarrow^{\alpha_{1}} & \downarrow^{\alpha_{2}} \\
H_{m-1}(\widetilde{X}) & \longleftarrow \pi_{m-1}(\widetilde{X}) \\
\downarrow^{\beta_{1}} & \downarrow^{\beta_{2}} \\
H_{m-1}(\widetilde{X}, X) & \longleftarrow \pi_{m-1}(\widetilde{X}, X) \\
\downarrow^{\delta_{1}} & \downarrow^{\gamma_{2}} \\
H_{m-2}(X) & \longleftarrow \pi_{m-2}(X) \\
\downarrow & \downarrow \\
\end{array}$$

This implies  $\beta_2 = 0$  so  $\alpha_2$  is surjective.

Let now  $Y = S^n \vee S^{m-1} \vee \cdots \vee S^{m-1}$ , and  $\widetilde{Y} = D^{n+1} \vee S^{m-1} \vee \cdots \vee S^{m-1}$ , where  $\partial D^{n+1} = S^n$ . Define  $h: Y \to X$  and  $\widetilde{h}: \widetilde{Y} \to \widetilde{X}$  as follows  $h \mid S^n = \text{generator of} \quad \pi_n(X),$  $h \mid S^{m-1} = \text{lifted generator of} \quad \pi_{m-1}(\widetilde{X}),$ 

It is obvious that  $H_q(X) = H_q(Y)$ , if  $q \neq m-1$ . For q = m-1 consider



The following maps are isomorphisms

$\widetilde{h}: \pi_{m-1}(\widetilde{Y}) \to \pi_{m-1}(\widetilde{X})$	by construction,
$\pi_{m-1}(\widetilde{X}) \to H_{m-1}(\widetilde{X})$	by Hyrevicz-theorem,
$\pi_{m-1}(\widetilde{Y}) \to H_{m-1}(\widetilde{Y})$	by Hyrevicz-theorem,
$H_{m-1}(Y) \to H_{m-1}(\widetilde{Y})$	by exactness,
$H_{m-1}(X) \to H_{m-1}(\widetilde{X})$	by exactness.

It follows that h is homotopy equivalence, because of  $H_*(Y) \cong H_*(X)$ , X and Y are simple connected, as a consequence of whiteheads theorem.

Main Theorem 4.8. Let  $\Sigma = \{g_1 = \cdots = g_n = 0\}$  be a isolated complete intersection and  $f : (\mathbb{C}^m, 0) \to (\mathbb{C}, 0)$  a holomorphic function with singular locus  $\Sigma(f) = \Sigma$  i.e.  $f = \sum_{i,j=1}^n h_{ij}g_ig_j$ , with  $D = \det((h_{ij})_{ij})$  isolated singularity at the origin and  $(g_1, \ldots, g_n, D)$ icis and deformation  $f_s$  described above exists. Then the Milnor fibre of f is homotopy equivalent of to a bouquet of  $\mu_{m-1}(f) = 2\mu_{\Delta} + \mu_{\Sigma} + \sigma$ copies of  $S^{m-1}$  and one copy of  $S^n$ , where  $\mu_{\Sigma}$  (respectively  $\mu_{\Delta}$ ) is the Milnor number of  $\Sigma$  (respectively of  $\Delta$ ), and  $\sigma$  is the number of Morse points which occur in a special deformation of f.

*Proof.* We know that Milnor fibre F is n-2 connected (see [Ka-Ma]). As we mansion above  $n \geq 3$  so F is simple connected and we can apply Lemma 4.6 and find  $F \simeq S^n \vee S^{m-1} \vee \cdots \vee S^{m-1}$ . This finishes the proof of the main theorem.

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