Homogeneous commuting vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2

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Abstract

In the main result of this paper we give a method to construct all pairs of homogeneous commuting vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2 of the same degree $d \geq 2$ (theorem 1). As an application, we classify, up to linear transformations of \mathbb{C}^2 , all pairs of commuting homogeneous vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2 , when d=2 and d=3 (corollaries 1 and 2). We obtain also necessary conditions in the cases of quasi-homogeneous vector fields and when the degrees are different (theorem 2).

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1 Introduction

A. Guillot in his thesis and in [G], gave a non-trivial example of a pair of commuting homogeneous vector fields of degree two on \mathbb{C}^3 . The example is non-trivial in the sense that it cannot to be reduced to two vector fields in separated variables, like in the pair $X := P(x,y)\partial_x + Q(x,y)\partial_y$ and $Y := R(z)\partial_z$. This suggested me the problem of classification of pairs of polynomial commuting vector fields on \mathbb{C}^n . This problem, in this generality, seems very difficult, even for n = 2. Even the restricted problem of classification of pairs of commuting vector fields, homogeneous of degree d, seems very difficult for $n \geq 3$ and $d \geq 2$ (see problem 3). However, for n = 2 and $d \geq 2$ it is possible to give a complete classification, as we will see in this paper.

Let X and Y be two homogeneous commuting vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2 , where dg(X) = k and $dg(Y) = \ell$, and $R = x \partial_x + y \partial_y$ be the radial vector field.

Definition 1.1. We will say that X and Y are colinear if $X \wedge Y = 0$. In this case, we will use the notation X//Y. When dg(X) = dg(Y), we will consider the 1-parameter family $(Z_{\lambda})_{\lambda \in \mathbb{P}^1}$ given by $Z_{\lambda} = X + \lambda . Y$ if $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ and $Z_{\infty} = Y$. It will be called the pencil generated by X and Y. The pencil will be called trivial, if $Y = \lambda . X$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. Otherwise, it will be called non-trivial.

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From now on, we will set:

$$\begin{cases} X \wedge Y = f \,\partial_x \wedge \partial_y \\ R \wedge X = g \,\partial_x \wedge \partial_y \\ R \wedge Y = h \,\partial_x \wedge \partial_y \end{cases}$$
 (1)

Since dg(X) = k and $dg(Y) = \ell$, the polynomials f, g and h are homogeneous and $dg(f) = k + \ell$, dg(g) = k + 1, $dg(h) = \ell + 1$. Moreover, $f \not\equiv 0$ iff X and Y are non-colinear.

Our main result concerns the case where $k = \ell \ge 2$. In this case, if $g, h \not\equiv 0$, we will consider the meromorphic function $\phi = g/h$ as a holomorphic function $\phi \colon \mathbf{P}^1 \to \mathbf{P}^1$:

$$\phi[x:y] = \frac{g(x,y)}{h(x,y)} .$$

Theorem 1. Let $(Z_{\lambda})_{\lambda}$ be a non-trivial pencil of homogeneous commuting vector fields of degree $d \geq 2$ on \mathbb{C}^2 . Let X and Y be two generators of the pencil and f, g, h and ϕ be as before. If the pencil is colinear then $X = \alpha.R$ and $Y = \beta.R$, where α and β are homogeneous polynomials of degree d-1. If the pencil is non-colinear then:

- (a). $f, g, h \not\equiv 0$
- (b). f/g (resp. f/h) is a non-constant meromorphic first integral of X (resp. Y).
- (c). Let s be the (topological) degree of $\phi \colon \mathbf{P}^1 \to \mathbf{P}^1$. Then $1 \le s \le d-1$.
- (d). The decompositions of f, g and h into irreducible linear factors are of the form:

$$\begin{cases} f = \prod_{j=1}^{r} f_{j}^{2k_{j}+m_{j}} \\ g = \prod_{j=1}^{r} f_{j}^{k_{j}} . \prod_{i=1}^{s} g_{i} \\ h = \prod_{j=1}^{r} f_{j}^{k_{j}} . \prod_{i=1}^{s} h_{i} \end{cases}$$
 (2)

where $s + \sum_{j=1}^{r} k_j = d+1$ and $\sum_{j=1}^{r} m_j = 2s-2$. Moreover, we can choose the generators X and Y in such a way that $g_1, ..., g_s, h_1, ..., h_s$ are two by two relatively primes.

(e). Considering the direction $(f_j = 0) \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ as a point $p_j \in \mathbf{P}^1$, then

$$m_j = mult(\phi, p_j) - 1 , j = 1, ..., r ,$$
 (3)

where $mult(\phi, p)$ denotes the ramification index of ϕ at $p \in \mathbf{P}^1$.

(f). The generators X and Y can be choosen as:

$$\begin{cases} X = g. \left[\sum_{j=1}^{r} (k_j + m_j) \frac{1}{f_j} (f_{jx} \partial_y - f_{jy} \partial_x) - \sum_{i=1}^{s} \frac{1}{g_i} (g_{ix} \partial_y - g_{iy} \partial_x) \right] \\ Y = h. \left[\sum_{j=1}^{r} (k_j + m_j) \frac{1}{f_j} (f_{jx} \partial_y - f_{jy} \partial_x) - \sum_{i=1}^{t} \frac{1}{h_i} (h_{ix} \partial_y - h_{iy} \partial_x) \right] \end{cases}$$
(4)

Conversely, given a non-constant map $\phi \colon \mathbf{P}^1 \to \mathbf{P}^1$ of degree $s \ge 1$ and a divisor D on \mathbf{P}^1 of the form

$$D = \sum_{p \in \mathbf{P}^1} (2k(p) + mult(\phi, p) - 1).[p] , \qquad (5)$$

where $k(p) \ge \min(1, mult(\phi, p) - 1)$ and $\sum_p k(p) < +\infty$, there exists an unique pencil $(Z_\lambda)_\lambda$ of homogeneous commuting vector fields of degree $d = \sum_p k(p) + s - 1$ with generators X and Y given by (4), and the $f_{j's}$, $g_{i's}$ and

 $\begin{aligned} &h_{i's} \ given \ in \ the \ following \ way: \ let \ \{p_1=[a_1:b_1],...,p_r=[a_r:b_r]\} = \{p \in \mathbf{P}^1 \mid 2k(p) + mult(\phi,p) - 1 > 0\} \ . \\ &Set \ k_j = k(p_j), \ m_j = mult(\phi,p_j) - 1 \ and \ f_j(x,y) = a_j \ y - b_j \ x. \ \ Set \ \phi[x:y] = G_1(x,y)/H_1(x,y), \ where \ G_1 \ and \ H_1 \ are \ homogeneous \ polynomials \ of \ degree \ s. \ Then \ the \ g_{i's} \ and \ h_{i's} \ are \ the \ linear \ factors \ of \ G_1 \ and \ H_1, \ respectively. \end{aligned}$

Definition 1.2. Let X, Y, $g = \prod_{j=1}^r f_j^{k_j} . \prod_{i=1}^s g_i$ and $h = \prod_{j=1}^r f_j^{k_j} . \prod_{i=1}^s h_i$ be as in theorem 1. We call $(f_j = 0)$, j = 1, ..., r, the fixed directions of the pencil.

Given $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, the polynomial $g_{\lambda} = g + \lambda h$ plays the same role for the vector field $Z_{\lambda} = X + \lambda Y$ than g and h for X and Y. Its decomposition into irreducible factors is of the form

$$g_{\lambda} = \prod_{j=1}^r f_j^{k_j} . \prod_{i=1}^s g_{i,\lambda} .$$

Definition 1.3. The directions given by $(g_{i,\lambda} = 0)$ are called the movable directions of the pencil.

In particular, the number s of movable directions coincides with the degree of the map $\phi = g/h \colon \mathbf{P}^1 \to \mathbf{P}^1$. As an application of theorem 1, we obtain the classification of the pencils of homogeneous commuting vector fields of degrees two and three.

Corollary 1. Let $(Z_{\lambda})_{\lambda}$ be a pencil of commuting homogeneous of degree two vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2 . Then, after a linear change of variables on \mathbb{C}^2 , the generators X and Y of the pencil can be written as:

- (a). X = g.R and Y = h.R, where g and h are homogeneous polynomials of degree one and $R = x.\partial_x + y.\partial_y$.
- (b). $X = x^2 \partial_x$ and $Y = y^2 \partial_y$. In this case, the pencil has two fixed directions.
- (c). $X = y^2 \partial_x$ and $Y = 2xy \partial_x + y^2 \partial_y$. In this case, the pencil has one fixed direction.

Corollary 2. Let $(Z_{\lambda})_{\lambda}$ be a pencil of commuting homogeneous of degree three vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2 . Then, after a linear change of variables on \mathbb{C}^2 , the generators X and Y of the pencil can be written as:

- (a). X = g.R and Y = h.R, where g and h are homogeneous polynomials of degree two and $R = x.\partial_x + y.\partial_y$.
- (b). $X = y^3 \partial_x$ and $Y = 3xy^2 \partial_x + y^3 \partial_y$. In this case, the pencil has one movable and one fixed direction.
- (c). $X = x^2y\partial_x$ and $Y = xy^2\partial_x y^3\partial_y$. In this case, the pencil has one movable and two fixed directions.
- (d). $X = (2x^2y + x^3)\partial_x x^2y\partial_y$ and $Y = -xy^2\partial_x + (2xy^2 + y^3)\partial_y$. In this case, the pencil has one movable and three fixed directions.
- (e). $X = x^3 \partial_x$ and $Y = y^3 \partial_y$. In this case, the pencil has two movable and two fixed directions.

Some of the preliminary results that we will use in the proof of theorem 1 are also valid for quasi-homogeneous vector fields.

Definition 1.4. Let S be a linear diagonalizable vector field on \mathbb{C}^n such that all eigenvalues of S are relatively primes natural numbers. We say that a holomorphic vector field $X \not\equiv 0$ is quasi-homogeneous with respect to S if $[S,X]=m\,X,\,m\in\mathbb{C}$.

It is not difficult to prove that, in this case, we have the following:

(I). $m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

(II). X is a polynomial vector field.

Our next result concerns two commuting vector fields which are quasi-homogeneous with respect to the same linear vector field S. Let X and Y be two commuting vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2 , quasi-homogeneous with respect to the same vector field S with eigenvalues $p,q\in\mathbb{N}$ (relatively primes), where $[S,X]=m\,X$ and $[S,Y]=n\,Y$. Since S is diagonalizable, after a linear change of variables, we can assume that $S=p\,x\partial_x+q\,y\partial_y$. Set $X\wedge Y=f\,\partial_x\wedge\partial_y$, $S\wedge X=g\,\partial_x\wedge\partial_y$ and $S\wedge Y=h\,\partial_x\wedge\partial_y$. We will always assume that $X,Y\not\equiv 0$

Remark 1.0.1. We would like to observe that f, g and h are quasi-homogeneous with respect to S, that is, we have S(f) = (m + n + tr(S))f, S(g) = (m + tr(S))g and S(h) = (n + tr(S))h, where tr(S) = p + q. It is known that in this case, any irreducible factor of f, g or h, is the equation of an orbit of S, that is, x, y or a polynomial of the form $y^p - cx^q$, where $c \neq 0$.

Theorem 2. In the above situation, suppose that $f, h \not\equiv 0$ and $n \neq 0$. Then:

- (a). $g \not\equiv 0$ and f/g is a non-constant meromorphic first integral of X.
- (b). Suppose that $m, n \neq 0$. Then f, g and h satisfy the two equivalent relations below:

$$mn f^{2} dx \wedge dy = f dg \wedge dh + g dh \wedge df + h df \wedge dg$$
(6)

$$(m-n)\frac{df}{f} + n\frac{dh}{h} - m\frac{dg}{g} = \frac{m\,n\,f}{gh}(qy\,dx - px\,dy) \tag{7}$$

(c). Suppose that $m, n \neq 0$. Then any irreducible factor of f divides g and h. Conversely, if $p = \gcd(g, h)$ then any irreducible factor of the p divides f. Moreover, the decompositions of f, g and h into irreducible factors, are of the form

$$\begin{cases} f = \Pi_{j=1}^{r} f_{j}^{\ell_{j}} \\ g = \Pi_{j=1}^{r} f_{j}^{m_{j}} . \Pi_{i=1}^{s} g_{i}^{a_{i}} \\ h = \Pi_{j=1}^{r} f_{j}^{n_{j}} . \Pi_{i=1}^{t} h_{i}^{b_{i}} \end{cases}$$
(8)

where r > 0, $m_j, n_j > 0$, $\ell_j \geq m_j + n_j - 1$, for all j, and any two polynomials in the set $\{f_1, ..., f_r, g_1, ..., g_s, h_1, ..., h_t\}$ are relatively primes.

(d). Suppose that f, g and h are as in (8). Then vector fields X and Y can be written as

$$\begin{cases} X = \frac{1}{n}g.\left[\sum_{j=1}^{r} (\ell_{j} - m_{j}) \frac{1}{f_{j}} (f_{jx}\partial_{y} - f_{jy}\partial_{x}) - \sum_{i=1}^{s} a_{i} \frac{1}{g_{i}} (g_{ix}\partial_{y} - g_{iy}\partial_{x})\right] \\ Y = \frac{1}{m}h.\left[\sum_{j=1}^{r} (\ell_{j} - n_{j}) \frac{1}{f_{i}} (f_{jx}\partial_{y} - f_{jy}\partial_{x}) - \sum_{i=1}^{t} b_{i} \frac{1}{h_{i}} (h_{ix}\partial_{y} - h_{iy}\partial_{x})\right] \end{cases}$$
(9)

As an application, we have the following result:

Corollary 3. Let X and Y be germs of holomorphic commuting vector fields at $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$. Let

$$X = \sum_{j=d}^{\infty} X_j$$

be the Taylor series of X at $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$, where X_j is homogeneous of degree $j \geq d$. Assume that $d \geq 2$ and that the vector field X_d has no meromorphic first integral and that 0 is an isolated singularity of X_d . Then $Y = \lambda . X$, where $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

We would like to recall a well-known criterion for a homogeneous vector field of degree d on \mathbb{C}^2 , say X_d , to have a meromorphic first integral (see [C-M]). Since the radial vector field $R = x \partial_x + y \partial_y$ has the meromorphic first integral y/x, we can assume that $R \wedge X_d = g \partial_x \wedge \partial_y \not\equiv 0$. Let $\omega = i_{X_d}(dx \wedge dy)$, where i denotes the interior product. Then the form $\omega_1 = \omega/g$ is closed. In this case, if $g = \prod_{j=1}^r g_j^{k_j}$ is the decomposition of g into linear irreducible factors, then we have

$$\omega_1 = \sum_{j=1}^r \lambda_j \frac{dg_j}{g_j} + d(h/g_1^{k_1-1}...g_r^{k_r-1}) ,$$

where $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}$, for all $1 \leq j \leq r$ and h is homogeneous of degree $d+1-r=dg(X_d)+1-r=dg(g/g_1...g_r)$. In this case, X_d has a meromorphic first integral if, and only if, either $\lambda_1=...=\lambda_r=0$, or $\lambda_j\neq 0$ for some $j\in\{1,...,r\},\ h\equiv 0$ and $[\lambda_1:...:\lambda_r]=[m_1:...:m_r]$, where $m_1,...,m_r\in\mathbb{Z}$. In particular, we obtain that the set of homogeneous vector fields of degree $d\geq 1$ with a meromorphic first integral is a countable union of Zariski closed sets.

Let us state some natural problems related to the above results.

Problem 1. Classify the pencils of commuting homogeneous vector fields of degree $d \geq 2$ on \mathbb{C}^n , $n \geq 3$.

Problem 1 seems difficult even in dimension three.

Problem 2. Let \mathcal{X}_2 be the set of germs at $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ of holomorphic vector fields. Given $X \in \mathcal{X}_2$, $X \neq 0$, to determine the set

$$C(X) = \{\, Y \mid [X,Y] = 0\}$$
 .

Under which conditions is C(X) of finite dimension?

Problem 3. Classify all pairs of commuting polynomial vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2 .

Observe that problem 3 has the following relation with the so called Jacobian conjecture: let f and g be two polynomials on \mathbb{C}^2 such that $f_x.g_y-f_y.g_x\equiv 1$. Then their hamiltonians $X=f_y\,\partial_x-f_x\,\partial_y$ and $Y=g_y\,\partial_x-g_x\partial_y$ commute. By this reason, problem 3 seems very difficult.

2 Preliminary results.

In this section we prove some general results that will be used in the next sections. Let S, X and Y be holomorphic vector fields defined in some domain U of \mathbb{C}^2 . Assume that :

(I).
$$[S, X] = m.X$$
, $[S, Y] = n.Y$ and $[X, Y] = 0$, where $m, n \in \mathbb{C}$.

(II).
$$X \wedge Y = f \cdot \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$$
, $S \wedge X = g \cdot \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$ and $S \wedge Y = h \cdot \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$, where $f, g, h \not\equiv 0$.

We consider also the holomorphic 1-forms $\omega = i_X(dx \wedge dy)$ and $\eta = i_Y(dx \wedge dy)$, where i denotes the interior product.

Lemma 2.0.1. In the above situation we have :

(a). The meromorphic functions f/g and f/h are first integrals of X and Y, respectively. Moreover, f/g (resp. f/h) is constant if, and only if, n = 0 (resp. m = 0).

(b). If $n \neq 0$ (resp. $m \neq 0$) then

$$\omega = \frac{g}{n} \left[\frac{dg}{g} - \frac{df}{f} \right] (resp. \ \eta = \frac{h}{m} \left[\frac{dh}{h} - \frac{df}{f} \right]) \ . \tag{10}$$

(c). The polynomials f, g and h satisfy the relation :

$$mn f^2 dx \wedge dy = f dg \wedge dh + g dh \wedge df + h df \wedge dg.$$
 (11)

Proof. Let us prove (a). Assume that $n \neq 0$. First of all, note that

$$L_X(S \wedge X) = [X, S] \wedge X + S \wedge [X, X] = -m \cdot X \wedge X = 0$$

and similarly $L_X(X \wedge Y) = 0$, where L denotes the Lie derivative. Since $X \wedge Y = (f/g).S \wedge Y$, we get

$$0 = L_X(X \wedge Y) = L_X((f/g).S \wedge X) = X(f/g).S \wedge X + (f/g).L_X(S \wedge X) = X(f/g).S \wedge X \implies X(f/g) = 0.$$

Therefore, f/g is a first integral of X. It remains to prove that f/g is a constant if, and only if n=0. Since $L_S(X \wedge Y) = (m+n) X \wedge Y$ and $L_S(S \wedge X) = m S \wedge X$, we get

$$(m+n) X \wedge Y = L_S((f/g).S \wedge X) = S(f/g).S \wedge X + (f/g).L_S(S \wedge X) = (S(f/g) + m.(f/g)) S \wedge X$$

which implies that $S(f/g) = n \cdot (f/g)$. Hence, if f/g is a constant then n = 0.

Conversely, if n=0 then S(f/g)=0 and f/g is a first integral of S and X simultaniously. If f/g was not constant then the vector fields X and S would be colinear in the non-empty open subset of U defined by $d(f/g) \neq 0$. This would imply that $S \wedge X \equiv 0$, and so $g \equiv 0$, a contradiction. Therefore, f/g is a constant.

Now, let $\omega = i_X(dx \wedge dy)$ and suppose that $n \neq 0$. Since f/g is a non-constant first integral of X, we get $\omega \wedge d(f/g) = 0$, which implies that

$$\omega = k \left(\frac{dg}{g} - \frac{df}{f} \right) ,$$

where k is meromorphic on U. On the other hand, we have

$$g = -i_S(i_X(dx \wedge dy)) = -i_S(\omega) = k \left(\frac{S(f)}{f} - \frac{S(g)}{g}\right) = k \frac{S(f/g)}{f/g} = n.k \implies k = g/n.$$

This proves (10).

Let us prove (c). Note first that $\omega \wedge \eta = f.dx \wedge dy$. We leave the proof of this fact to the reader. If n=0 (or m=0) then (11) follows from $f/g=c\neq 0$ (or $f/h=c\neq 0$), where c is a constant. We leave the proof to the reader in this case. On the other hand, if $m,n\neq 0$ then

$$f.dx \wedge dy = \omega \wedge \eta = \frac{g}{n} \left[\frac{dg}{g} - \frac{df}{f} \right] \wedge \frac{h}{m} \left[\frac{dh}{h} - \frac{df}{f} \right] = \frac{g.h}{m.n} \left[\frac{dh \wedge df}{h.f} + \frac{df \wedge dg}{f.g} + \frac{dg \wedge dh}{g.h} \right] ,$$

which implies (11).

In the next result we prove a kind of converse of (11).

Lemma 2.0.2. Let f, g and h be holomorphic functions on a domain $U \subset \mathbb{C}^2$. Suppose that f/g and f/h are non-constant meromorphic functions on U. Define meromorphic vector fields X and Y by $i_X(dx \wedge dy) = g\left[\frac{dg}{g} - \frac{df}{f}\right]$ and $i_Y(dx \wedge dy) = h\left[\frac{dh}{h} - \frac{df}{f}\right]$. Suppose that

$$f dg \wedge dh + g dh \wedge df + h df \wedge dg = \lambda f^2 dx \wedge dy,$$

where $\lambda \neq 0$. Then [X, Y] = 0.

Proof. The idea is to prove that $d(f/g) \wedge d(f/h) \not\equiv 0$ and [X,Y](f/g) = [X,Y](f/h) = 0. This will imply that f/g and f/h are two independent meromorphic first integrals of [X,Y], and so [X,Y] = 0.

Proof of $d(f/g) \wedge d(f/h) \not\equiv 0$. Note that

$$d(f/g) \wedge d(f/h) = \frac{f}{g^2 h^2} [f \, dg \wedge dh + h \, df \wedge dg + g \, dh \wedge df] = \lambda \cdot \frac{f^3}{g^2 h^2} \, dx \wedge dy \neq 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad d(f/g) \wedge d(f/h) = \frac{f}{g^2 h^2} (f \, dg \wedge dh + h \, df \wedge dg + g \, dh \wedge df] = \lambda \cdot \frac{f^3}{g^2 h^2} \, dx \wedge dy \neq 0$$

$$\implies d(f/g) \wedge d(f/h) \neq 0.$$

Proof of [X, Y] = 0. We have

$$[X,Y](f/g) = X(Y(f/g)) - Y(X(f/g)) = X(Y(f/g)),$$

because X(f/g) = 0. On the other hand, a straightforward computation shows that

$$Y(f/g) dx \wedge dy = d(f/g) \wedge \eta , \qquad (12)$$

where $\eta = i_Y(dx \wedge dy)$. Since $\eta = h[\frac{dh}{h} - \frac{df}{f}] = -\frac{h^2}{f}d(f/h)$, we get from (12) that

$$d(f/g) \wedge \eta = -\frac{h^2}{f} d(f/g) \wedge d(f/h) = -\frac{\lambda \, f^2}{g^2} \, dx \wedge dy \ \implies \ Y(f/g) = -\lambda \, (f/g)^2 \ \implies$$

 $\implies X(Y(f/g)) = 0$. In a similar way, we get [X,Y](f/h) = 0.

3 Proofs.

3.1 Proof of Theorem 2.

Assume that $n \neq 0$, $f, h \not\equiv 0$ and $g \equiv 0$. Since S has an isolated singularity at $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ and $S \wedge X = g \cdot \partial_x \wedge \partial_y = 0$, we get $X = \psi \cdot S$, where $\psi \neq 0$ is a polynomial. It follows that

$$0 = [Y,X] = [Y,\psi.S] = Y(\psi).S - \psi.[S,Y] = Y(\psi).S - n.\psi.Y \implies Y(\psi) \not\equiv 0$$

and $S \wedge Y = 0$, which implies $h \equiv 0$, a contradiction. Hence, $g \not\equiv 0$. It follows from lemma 2.0.1 that f/g is a non-constant meromorphic first integral of X. This proves (a) of theorem 2.

Lemma 2.0.1 implies also that f, g and h satisfy relation (6). Let us prove that (6) is equivalent to (7). We will use the following fact: let μ be a 2-form in \mathbb{C}^2 such that $L_S(\mu) = \lambda . \mu$, where $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. Then

$$d(i_S(\mu)) = L_S(\mu) = \lambda \cdot \mu \tag{13}$$

Set $\mu = f dg \wedge dh + g dh \wedge df + h df \wedge dg$ and $\mu_1 = mn f^2 dx \wedge dy$. We have seen in remark 1.0.1 that S(f) = (m+n+tr(S)).f, S(g) = (m+tr(S)).g and S(h) = (n+tr(S)).h. As the reader can check, this implies that $L_S(\mu) = \lambda.\mu$ and $L_S(\mu_1) = \lambda.\mu_1$, where $\lambda = 2m + 2n + 3tr(S) \neq 0$.

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{cases} i_S(\mu_1) = mn f^2(px dy - qy dx) \\ i_S(\mu) = -n fg dh + m fh dg + (n - m) gh df \end{cases}$$

as the reader can check. If we assume (6), we have $\mu_1 = \mu$, so that $i_S(\mu) = i_S(\mu_1)$ and

$$mn f^{2}(px dy - qy dx) = -n fg dh + m fh dg + (n - m) gh df \implies (7).$$

If we assume (7), then we have

(7)
$$\implies i_S(\mu_1 - \mu) = 0 \stackrel{(13)}{\implies} \lambda(\mu_1 - \mu) = d(i_S(\mu_1 - \mu)) = 0 \implies (6)$$
.

This proves (b) of theorem 2.

Let us prove (c). We will use (7) in the form

$$(m-n)g.h df + n f.g dh - m f.h dg = m n f^{2} (q y dx - p x dy).$$
(14)

It follows from (14) that, if k is an irreducible factor of both polynomials g and h, then k divides f^2 , and so it divides f.

Let us prove that any factor of f is a factor of both polynomials g and h. Here we use that f/g is a first integral of X. This implies that

$$f.X(g) = g.X(f) . (15)$$

Recall that any irreducible factor of f or g is the equation of an orbit of S (remark 1.0.1). Let $f = \prod_{j=1}^r f_j^{\ell_j}$ $(r, \ell_j > 0)$, be the decomposition of f into irreducible factors and set $F = \prod_j f_j$. It follows from (15) that

$$F.X(g) = F \frac{X(f)}{f} g = g.k \text{ ,where } k = F \frac{X(f)}{f} = \sum_{j=1}^{r} \ell_{j}.f_{1}...f_{j-1}.X(f_{j}).f_{j+1}...f_{r} .$$
 (16)

On the other hand, (16) implies that for any j = 1, ..., r, f_j divides g or $X(f_j)$. If f_j divides g, we are done. If f_j divides $X(f_j)$ then $(f_j = 0)$ is invariant for X. Since $(f_j = 0)$ is also invariant for S, it is a common orbit of X and S. This implies that f_j divides $S \wedge X$, and so it divides g. Similarly, any irreducible factor of f divides f.

Now, we can assume that the decompositions of f, g and h into irreducible factors are as in (8):

$$\begin{cases} f = \Pi_{j=1}^r f_j^{\ell_j} \\ g = \Pi_{j=1}^r f_j^{m_j} . \Pi_{i=1}^s g_i^{a_i} \\ h = \Pi_{j=1}^r f_j^{n_j} . \Pi_{i=1}^t h_i^{b_i} \end{cases}$$

where $\ell_j, m_j, n_j > 0$ and any two polynomials in the set $\{f_1, ..., f_r, g_1, ..., g_s, h_1, ..., h_t\}$ are relatively primes. Let us prove that $\ell_j \geq m_j + n_j - 1$. As the reader can check, it follows from (14) that $f_j^{m_j + n_j + \ell_j - 1}$ divides f^2 . This implies that $m_j + n_j + \ell_j - 1 \leq 2\ell_j$, and we are done.

It remains to prove (d). Let $\omega = i_X(dx \wedge dy)$. We have seen in lemma 2.0.1 that

$$\omega = \frac{g}{n} \left[\frac{dg}{g} - \frac{df}{f} \right] = \frac{g}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{s} a_i \frac{dg_i}{g_i} - \sum_{j=1}^{r} (\ell_j - m_j) \frac{df_j}{f_j} \right]$$

As the reader can check, this implies that X is like in (9). Similarly, Y is also as in (9).

3.2 Proof of Corollary 3.

Let $X = \sum_{j=d}^{\infty} X_j$ and $Y \not\equiv 0$ be germs of holomorphic vector fields at $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ such that [X,Y] = 0. Assume that $d \geq 2$ and X_d has an isolated singularity at $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ and no meromorphic first integral. Set $Y = \sum_{i=r}^{\infty} Y_j$, where Y_j is homogeneous of degree $j, r \geq 0$, and $Y_r \neq 0$. We have $[R, X_d] = mX_d$, $[R, Y_r] = nY_r$, where $m = d - 1 \neq 0$ and n = r - 1. Note also that $[X_d, Y_r] = 0$.

Claim 3.2.1. r = d and $Y_d = \lambda X_d$, where $\lambda \neq 0$.

Proof. As before, set $X_d \wedge Y_r = f.\partial_x \wedge \partial_y$, $R \wedge X_d = g.\partial_x \wedge \partial_y$ and $R \wedge Y_r = h.\partial_x \wedge \partial_y$. Observe that $g \not\equiv 0$. Indeed, if $g \equiv 0$ then $R \wedge X_d = 0$. Since 0 is an isolated singularity of R, it follows from De Rham's division theorem (cf. [DR]) that $X_d = \phi.R$, where ϕ is a homogeneous polynomial of degree d-1>0. But, this implies that $sing(X_d) \supset (\phi = 0)$, and so 0 is not an isolated singularity of X_d .

Suppose by contradiction that $r \neq d$. Let us prove that in this case we have $f, h \not\equiv 0$. Suppose by contradiction that $f \equiv 0$. This implies that $X_d \wedge Y_r \equiv 0$. Since X_d has an isolated singularity at $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$, it follows from De Rham's division theorem that $Y_r = \phi X_d$, where ϕ is a homogeneous polynomial of degree r - d > 0. Therefore,

$$0 = [X_d, Y_r] = [X_d, \phi. X_d] = X_d(\phi). X_d \implies X_d(\phi) = 0 \implies$$

that ϕ is a non-constant first integral of X_d , a contradiction. Hence, $f \not\equiv 0$. Suppose by contradiction that $h \equiv 0$. This implies that $R \wedge Y_r \equiv 0$, so that $Y_r = \phi R$, where $\phi \neq 0$ is a homogeneous polynomial of degree k = r - 1. From this we get

$$0 = [X_d, Y_r] = [X_d, \phi.R] = X_d(\phi).R + \phi.[X_d, R] = X_d(\phi).R - (d-1).\phi.X_d \implies X_d(\phi).R = (d-1).\phi.X_d.$$

If $\phi \neq 0$ is a constant then d = 1, a contradiction. If ϕ is not a constant then $X_d(\phi) \neq 0$, for otherwise ϕ would be a non-constant first integral of X_d . In this case, we get $R \wedge X_d = 0$, and so $g \equiv 0$, a contradiction. Hence, $f, g, h \not\equiv 0$. Now, we can apply (a) of lemma 2.0.1.

If $r \neq 1$ then $n = r - 1 \neq 0$ and f/g is a non-constant meromorphic first integral of X_d , a contradiction. If r = 1 then n = 0 and (a) of lemma 2.0.1 implies that f = c.g, where $c \in \mathbb{C}$. Therefore,

$$0 = (f - cg) \, \partial_x \wedge \partial_y = X_d \wedge (Y_1 + c.R) \implies Y_1 = -c.R \neq 0 \;,$$

by the division theorem and the fact that $d = dg(X_d) > 1$. But, this implies that $0 = [X_d, Y_1] = c(d-1).X_d \neq 0$, a contradiction. Hence, r = d.

Now, r=d implies that n=m=d-1>0 and $f\equiv 0$, for otherwise, f/g would be a non-constant meromorphic first integral of X_d . It follows that $X_d \wedge Y_d = 0$, and so $Y_d = \lambda.X_d$, where $\lambda \neq 0$ is a constant. This proves the claim.

Let us finish the proof of corollary 3. Let $Z = Y - \lambda . X$. Then [X, Z] = 0. If $Z \not\equiv 0$, then we could write $Z = \sum_{j=r}^{\infty} Z_j$, where r > d, Z_j is homogeneous of degree j and $Z_r \not= 0$. But, this contradicts claim 3.2.1 and proves the corollary.

3.3 Proof of Theorem 1.

Let $(Z_{\lambda})_{\lambda \in \mathbf{P}^1}$ be a non-trivial pencil of homogeneous of degree $d \geq 2$ commuting vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2 . Fix two generators of the pencil, X and Y, and set as before $X \wedge Y = f \cdot \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$, $R \wedge X = g \cdot \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$ and $R \wedge Y = h \cdot \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$.

Suppose first that the pencil is colinear, that is, $f \equiv 0$. In this case, we can write $X = \alpha.Z$, where α is the greatest common divisor of the components of X and Z has an isolated singularity at $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$. Since $Y \wedge X = 0$, we get $Y \wedge Z = 0$, and so $Y = \beta.Z$, where β is a homogeneous polynomial with $dg(\beta) = dg(\alpha)$, by De Rham's division theorem. Now,

$$0 = [X, Y] = [\alpha.Z, \beta.Z] = (\alpha Z(\beta) - \beta Z(\alpha)).Z \implies Z(\beta/\alpha) = 0.$$

Since the pencil is non-trivial, β/α is non-constant. On the other hand, we can write $\frac{\beta(x,y)}{\alpha(x,y)} = \phi(y/x)$, where $\phi(t) = \frac{\beta(1,t)}{\alpha(1,t)}$, because α and β are homogeneous of the same degree. Therefore,

$$0 = Z(\phi(y/x)) = \phi'(y/x).Z(y/x) \implies Z(y/x) = 0,$$

because $\phi' \not\equiv 0$. This implies that y Z(x) = x Z(y). If we set $Z = A \partial_x + B \partial_y$, then we get y A = x B, and so $A = \lambda . x$ and $B = \lambda . y$, where λ is a homogeneous polynomial. Since 0 is an isolated singularity of Z, it follows that λ is a constant. Hence, $X = \alpha_1 . R$ and $Y = \beta_1 . R$, where $\alpha_1 = \lambda . \alpha$ and $\beta_1 = \lambda . \beta$ are homogeneous polynomials of degree d - 1. This proves the first part of theorem 1.

Suppose now that the pencil is non-colinear. In this case, we have $f \not\equiv 0$. Let us prove that $g, h \not\equiv 0$. If $g \equiv 0$, for instance, then $X = \phi R$, where $\phi \neq 0$ is a homogeneous polynomial of degree m = n = d - 1 > 0, by the division theorem. Therefore,

$$0 = [Y, \phi.R] = Y(\phi).R - m.\phi.Y$$
.

Since $m.\phi.Y \neq 0$, the above relation implies that Y and R are colinear. Hence, X//Y, a contradiction. This proves (a) of theorem 1.

Since $m = n \neq 0$, it follows from (a) of theorem 2 that f/g and f/h are non-constant meromorphic first integrals of X and Y, respectively, which proves (b) of theorem 1. Recall that f, g and h are homogeneous polynomials, where dg(f) = 2d, dg(g) = dg(h) = d + 1.

It follows from (c) of theorem 2 that we can write the decomposition of f, g and h into irreducible linear factors as $f = \prod_{j=1}^r f_j^{\ell_j}$, $g = \prod_{j=1}^r f_j^{m_j} . \prod_{i=1}^a g_i^{a_i}$ and $h = \prod_{j=1}^r f_j^{n_j} . \prod_{i=1}^b h_i^{b_i}$, where r > 0, $m_j, n_j > 0$, $\ell_j \ge m_j + n_j - 1$ and any two polynomials of the set $\{f_1, ..., f_r, g_1, ..., g_a, h_1, ..., h_b\}$ are relatively primes. Set $k_j = \min(m_j, n_j)$.

Claim 3.3.1. The generators of the pencil can be choosen in such a way that:

- (a). $m_i = n_i = k_i$ for all j = 1, ..., r.
- (b). a = b and $a_i = b_i = 1$ for all i = 1, ..., a.

Proof. Set $X_{\lambda} = X + \lambda . Y$ and $R \wedge X_{\lambda} = g_{\lambda} . \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$, where $g_{\lambda} = g + \lambda . h$. It follows from Bertini's theorem that for a generic set of $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ the decomposition of g_{λ} into linear irreducible factors is of the form:

$$g_{\lambda} = \prod_{j=1}^{r} f_{j}^{k_{j}} . \prod_{i=1}^{s} g_{i\lambda} , \qquad (17)$$

where $s+\sum_j k_j=d+1$ and any two polynomials in the set $\{f_1,...,f_r,g_{1\lambda},...,g_{s\lambda}\}$ are relatively primes. Now, it is sufficient to take $\lambda_1\neq\lambda_2\in\mathbb{C}$ such that g_{λ_1} and g_{λ_2} are as in (17). Set $X_1=X_{\lambda_1},\,Y_1=X_{\lambda_2},\,g=g_{\lambda_1}$ and $h=g_{\lambda_2}$. Then X_1 and Y_1 are generators of the pencil with the properties required in claim 3.3.1.

From now on, we will suppose that the generators X and Y of the pencil satisfy claim 3.3.1. Let us prove that the decomposition of f into irreducible linear factors is of the form

$$f = \prod_{j=1}^{r} f_j^{2k_j + m_j}$$
, where $m_j \ge 0$. (18)

Since m = n = d - 1 > 0, relation (14) implies that

$$g dh - h dg = m f(y dx - x dy), m \neq 0.$$

Set $g = \psi . G_1$ and $h = \psi . H_1$, where $\psi = \prod_{j=1}^r f_j^{k_j}$. As the reader can check, we have

$$g dh - h dg = \psi^2 \cdot (G_1 dH_1 - H_1 dG_1) = m f(y dx - x dy) \implies \psi^2 | f .$$

Hence, the decomposition of f is like in (18) and we get

$$G_1 dH_1 - H_1 dG_1 = m \prod_{j=1}^r f_j^{m_j} (y dx - x dy)$$
.

Now, consider the map $\phi \colon \mathbf{P}^1 \to \mathbf{P}^1$ given by

$$\phi[x:y] = \frac{g(x,y)}{h(x,y)} = \frac{G_1(x,y)}{H_1(x,y)} .$$

Since G_1 and H_1 are relatively primes, the degree of ϕ is $s = dg(G_1) = dg(H_1)$. Let $\{p_1, ..., p_t\} \subset \mathbf{P}^1$ be the critical set of ϕ and $\phi(p_j) = c_j \in \mathbf{P}^1$. If $c_j \neq \infty$ set $K_j = G_1 - c_j . H_1$, and if $c_j = \infty$ set $K_j = H_1$. Suppose that p_j is a critical point with $mult(\phi, p_j) = \ell_j \geq 2$. This implies that we can write $K_j = \psi_j^{\ell_j} . A$, where ψ_j is a linear polynomial, A a homogeneous polynomial and ψ_j does not divide A. We claim that $\psi_j^{\ell_j - 1} | \Pi_i f_i^{m_i}$. Indeed, if $c_j \neq \infty$, we get

$$K_i dH_1 - H_1 dK_i = G_1 dH_1 - H_1 dG_1 = m \prod_{i=1}^{r} f_i^{m_i} (y dx - x dy)$$
 (19)

Since $\psi_j^{\ell_j-1}$ divides $K_j dH_1 - H_1 dK_j$, relation (19) implies the claim. If $c_j = \infty$ then $\psi_j^{\ell_j-1}$ divides $G_1 dH_1 - H_1 dG_1$ and we get also the claim. Therefore, $\psi_j = \lambda_j f_{i(j)}$, $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}^*$, for some $i(j) \in \{1, ..., r\}$ and $\ell_j - 1 \le m_{i(j)}$. In particular, we get $t \le r$. By reordering the $f_{i's}$, if necessary, we can suppose without lost of generality that $i(j) = j, \ j = 1, ..., t$. Set $\ell_j = 1$ for $t < j \le r$. With these conventions, we have $m_j - (\ell_j - 1) \ge 0$ for all j = 1, ..., r.

Let us prove that $m_j = \ell_j - 1$ for all j = 1, ..., r. Recall that $s + \sum_i k_i = d + 1$. Since $f = \prod_i f_i^{2k_i + m_i}$ and dg(f) = 2d, we get

$$\sum_{i} m_{i} = dg(\Pi_{i} f_{i}^{m_{i}}) = 2 d - 2 \sum_{i} k_{i} = 2 d - 2 (d + 1 - s) = 2 s - 2.$$

On the other hand, it follows from Riemann-Hurwitz formula (cf. [F-K]) and $m_i - (\ell_i - 1) \ge 0$ that

$$\sum_{i} (\ell_{i} - 1) = 2s - 2 = \sum_{i} m_{i} \implies 0 \le \sum_{i=1}^{m} [m_{i} - (\ell_{i} - 1)] = 0 \implies m_{i} = \ell_{i} - 1, \ \forall i.$$

This proves (d) and (e) of theorem 1. Note that (f) follows from (d) of theorem 2.

Let us prove that $1 \le s \le d-1$ and $1 \le r \le d$. First of all note that

$$k_j \ge 1 \implies 2r \le \sum_{j=1}^r (2k_j + m_j) = 2d \implies 1 \le r \le d$$
.

Moreover,

$$s = d + 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{r} k_j \implies s \le d + 1 - r \le d \implies 0 \le s \le d$$
.

Suppose by contradiction that s=0. This implies that the map ϕ is constant, and so $g=\lambda.h$, where $\lambda\in\mathbb{C}^*$. It follows that

$$R \wedge (X - \lambda . Y) = 0 \implies X - \lambda . Y = \psi . R$$

where ψ is homogeneous of degree d-1. Therefore, the first part of theorem implies that X and Y are colinear with the radial vector field, a contradiction. Hence, $s \geq 1$. It remains to prove that $s \leq d-1$. Suppose by contradiction that s = d. In this case, we get $g = f_1.g_1...g_d$, $h = f_1.h_1...h_d$ and $f = f_1^{2d}$. It follows that the map $\phi = (g_1...g_d)/(h_1...h_d)$ has degree $d \geq 2$ and just one ramification point, $(f_1 = 0)$, with multiplicity 2d-1. However, this is not possible, because this would imply that

$$mult(\phi, (f_1 = 0)) = 2d - 1 > d$$
.

It remains to prove that in the converse construction the vector fields X and Y defined by (9) in theorem 1 commute. But, this is a consequence of lemma 2.0.2 and the fact that f, g and h satisfy (b) of theorem 2. This finishes the proof of theorem 1.

3.4 Proof of Corollary 1.

Let X_1 and Y_1 be generators of a pencil of commuting of degree two homogeneous vector fields on \mathbb{C}^2 . As before, define f_1 , g_1 and h_1 by $X_1 \wedge Y_1 = f_1 \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$, $R \wedge X_1 = g_1 \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$ and $R \wedge Y_1 = h_1 \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$, respectively. If $g_1 \equiv h_1 \equiv 0$ then X_1 and Y_1 are multiple of the radial vector field, and so we are in case (a) of corollary 1. If not, then $f_1, g_1, h_1 \not\equiv 0$, by (a) of theorem 1. Moreover, the rational map $\phi = g_1/h_1$ has degree s = 1, by (c) of theorem 1. Therefore, the pencil has one movable direction and one or two fixed directions, because g_1 has degree d+1=3.

Suppose that it has two fixed directions. In this case, we can suppose that they are (x=0) and (y=0). This implies that $g_1=x.y.g_2$, $h_1=x.y.h_2$ and $f_1=x^2.y^2$, where g_2 and h_2 correspond to the movable direction. Since g_2 and h_2 are relatively primes, there exist (a,b),(c,d) such that $ag_2+bh_2=x$ and $cg_2+dh_2=y$. If we set $g:=x^2.y=x.y(ag_2+bh_2)$ and $h:=x.y^2=x.y(cg_2+dh_2)$, then we can apply lemma 2.0.2 to $f=x^2.y^2$, g and h. We get the first integrals $f/g=(x^2.y^2)/(x^2.y)=y$, $f/h=(x^2.y^2)/(x.y^2)=x$, the forms $\omega:=g\frac{d(f/g)}{f/g}=x^2dy$, $\eta:=h\frac{d(f/h)}{f/h}=y^2dx$, and the vector fields $X=x^2\partial_x$, $Y=y^2\partial_y$. So, we are in case (b) of corollary 1.

Suppose that it has one fixed direction. We can suppose that it is (y = 0). In this case, we have $g_1 = y^2 \cdot g_2$, $h_1 = y^2 \cdot h_2$ and $f = y^4$. Consider linear combinations $a g_2 + b h_2 = x$ and $c g_2 + d h_2 = y$. So, we have just to apply lemma 2.0.2 to the polynomials $f = y^4$, $g = x \cdot y^2$ and $h = y^3$. By doing this, we obtain case (c) of corollary 1, as the reader can check.

3.5 Proof of Corollary 2.

Let f, g and h be as in theorem 1. If $g \equiv h \equiv 0$ then we are in case (a) of corollary 2. If not, then $f, g, h \not\equiv 0$ and $\phi = g/h$ has degree s, where $s \in \{1, 2\}$.

Let us consider the case where s=2. Let $\phi \colon \mathbf{P}^1 \to \mathbf{P}^1$ be a map of degree two. It follows from Riemann-Hurwitz formula that $\sum_p (mult(\phi,p)-1)=2\,s-2=2$, and so the map must have two ramification points, both

of multiplicity two. After composing the map in both sides with Moëbius transformations, we can suppose that $\phi[x:y] = y^2/x^2$. This implies that (x=0) and (y=0) are fixed directions of the pencil, so that x.y divides g and h. Since dg(g) = dg(h) = 4 and s = 2, we get $g = x.y.g_1.g_2$ and $h = x.y.h_1.h_2$, and so $k_1 = k_2 = 1$ in (2) of theorem 1. Since dg(f) = 6 and $mult(\phi, (x=0)) = mult(\phi, (y=0)) = 2$, we must have $m_1 = m_2 = 1$ and $f = x^3.y^3$. In this case, we have

$$\phi = \frac{g}{h} = \frac{(g/x.y)}{(h/x.y)} = \frac{y^2}{x^2} \implies g = x.y^3 \text{ and } h = x^3.y$$
.

So, when we apply lemma 2.0.2, we get $f/g=x^2$, $f/h=y^2$, $\omega=2y^3\,dx$ and $\eta=2x^3\,dy$. Hence, we can set $X=x^3\,\partial_x$ and $Y=y^3\,\partial_y$. In this case we get case (e) of corollary 2.

Suppose now that s=1. In this case, we have just one movable direction and the map ϕ has no ramification points, which implies that $m_j=0$ for all j=1,...,r. This implies that $f=\Pi_{j=1}^r f_j^{2k_j}$. Since dg(f)=6, we have three possibilities: (1). r=1 and $k_1=3$. (2). r=2, $k_1=1$ and $k_2=2$. (3). r=3 and $k_1=k_2=k_3=1$.

Case (1). In this case, we have just one fixed direction f_1 . After a linear change of variables in \mathbb{C}^2 , we can suppose that it is $f_1 = y$. This implies that $f = y^6$, $g = y^3.g_1$ and $h = y^3.h_1$. Since g_1 and h_1 are relatively primes, there exist $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $a.d - b.c \neq 0$ and $a.g_1 + b.h_1 = x$ and $c.g_1 + d.h_1 = y$. Therefore, we can apply the construction of lemma 2.0.2 to $f = y^6$, $g = y^4$ and $h = x.y^3$. This gives the first integrals $f/g = y^2$ and $f/h = y^3/x$. Moreover,

$$\begin{cases} \omega = i_X(dx \wedge dy) = 2 y^4 \frac{dy}{y} = 2 y^3 dy \implies X = 2 y^3 \partial_x \\ \eta = i_Y(dx \wedge dy) = x \cdot y^3 \left(3 \frac{dy}{y} - \frac{dx}{x}\right) = 3 x y^2 dy - y^3 dx \implies Y = 3 x y^2 \partial_x + y^3 \partial_y \end{cases}$$

Therefore, we get case (b) of corollary 2.

Case (2). In this case, we have two fixed directions, that we can suppose to be $f_1 = x$ and $f_2 = y$. Since $k_1 = 1$ and $k_2 = 2$, we get $g = x.y^2.g_1$, $h = x.y^2.h_1$ and $f = x^2.y^4$. After taking linear combinations, we can suppose that $g = x^2.y^2$ and $h = x.y^3$. This gives the first integrals y^2 and x.y and so $\omega = 2x^2y\,dy$ and $\eta = xy^2\,dy + y^3\,dx$ and we are in case (c).

Case (3). In this case, we have three fixed directions. After a linear change of variables we can suppose that they are $f_1 = x$, $f_2 = y$ and $f_3 = x + y$. This gives $g = x y (x + y).g_1$, $h = x y (x + y).h_1$ and $f = x^2 y^2 (x + y)^2$. After taking linear combinations of g_1 and h_1 , we can suppose that $g = x^2 y (x + y)$ and $h = x y^2 (x + y)$. Therefore we get the first integrals are f/g = y (x + y), f/h = x (x + y) and

$$\begin{cases} \omega = x^2 \, y \, (x+y) \, [\frac{dy}{y} + \frac{dx+dy}{x+y}] = x^2 \, y \, dx + (2 \, x^2 \, y + x^3) \, dy & \Longrightarrow & X = (2 \, x \, y^2 + x^3) \, \partial_x - x^2 \, y \, \partial_y \\ \eta = x \, y^2 \, (x+y) \, [\frac{dx}{x} + \frac{dx+dy}{x+y}] = (2 \, x \, y^2 + y^3) \, dx + x \, y^2 \, dy & \Longrightarrow & Y = -x \, y^2 \, \partial_x + (2 \, x \, y^2 + y^3) \, \partial_y \end{cases}$$

Therefore, we are in case (d) of corollary 2.

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