A GEOMETRIC PROOF OF THE ARNOLD CONJECTURE FOR 3 DEGREE-OF-FREEDOM CONVEX NEARLY INTEGRABLE SYSTEMS.

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Abstract. We will give a short overview of a geometric proof of the existence of global diffusion for cusp-generic 3 degree-of-freedom convex nearly integrable Hamiltonian systems. The main ingredients are:

- (1) the existence of compact normally hyperbolic cylinders visiting most of the phase space
- (2) the Birkhoff theory of twist maps on the annulus applied to suitable sections inside the cylinders
- (3) the generic properties of the homoclinic correspondence
- (4) a general simple shadowing lemma for compact normally hyperbolic manifolds.