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1003-34-684 Anthony M Bloch\* (abloch@umich.edu), Department of Mathematics, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1109, and Arieh Iserles. Geometric aspects of isospectral flows on symmetric matrices.

In this talk I will discuss aspects of the geometry and dynamics of of certain isospectral flows on symmetric matrices. In particular I will consider generalized double bracket flows. These flows generalize the double bracket flow which describes the Toda lattice. I will analyze their gradient structure, the nature of their equilibria, and their image under the moment map. I will also consider related flows that involves both skew and symmetric brackets. This is joint work with Arieh Iserles. (Received September 27, 2004)