

# COMPLEX ANALYTIC MAPS

A special case of 2-dimensional maps

$$z = x + iy$$

$$x_{t+1} = u(x_t, y_t)$$

$$f(z) = u + iv$$

$$y_{t+1} = v(x_t, y_t)$$

where  $u$  &  $v$  satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

So the Jacobian is particularly simple

$$J(x, y) = J(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } |f'(z)|^2 &= f'(z) \overline{f'(z)} = \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) = \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)^2 = \text{Det}(J(z)). \end{aligned}$$

while the eigenvalues of  $J$  are simply  $f'(z)$  and  $\overline{f'(z)}$ .

So the stability of  $n$ -cycles is formally equivalent to the 1-D real case. If  $f(z^*) = z^*$  and  $f'(z^*) = \mu$ , then

$$\mu = 0$$

$z^*$  superstable

$$|\mu| < 1$$

stable

$$|\mu| > 1$$

unstable

$$|\mu| = 1$$

marginal.

The notions of multiplier & Lyapunov exponent generalize immediately.

Periodic orbits

The quadratic family:  $f(z) = z^2 + c$ .  
We begin with  $z = 0$ .

$$f(z) = z^2 \quad z = \rho e^{2\pi i \theta} \quad z^2 = \rho^2 e^{2\pi i (2\theta)}$$

$$\rho_{t+1} = \rho_t^2 \quad \theta_{t+1} \equiv 2\theta_t \pmod{1}$$



• Doubling map on the unit circle.

• Superstable fixed point at  $z = 0$ .

•  $z = \infty$ ? conjugacy  $h(z) = w = \frac{1}{z}$

$$g(w) = h \circ f \circ h^{-1}(w) = h \circ f \left( \frac{1}{z} \right) = h \left( \frac{1}{z^2} \right) = w^2$$

So  $g$  has a sstable fixed pt at  $w = 0$ , whence  $f$  has a sstable f.p. at  $\infty$ .

Def: Let  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a rational function.  
The Julia set  $J(f)$  of  $f$  is the closure of the unstable cycles of  $f$ .

Ex Let  $f(z) = z^2$ . Then  $J(f) = S^1$ .

Ex Let  $f(z) = \frac{z^2 - 1}{2z}$ . Then  $J(f) = \mathbb{R}$ .

Ex Let  $f(z) = 1 - 2z^2$ . Then  $J(f) = [-1, 1]$ .

Theorem Let  $f$  be a rational map of degree greater than one, and let  $J(f)$  be its Julia set. Then

- i)  $J(f)$  is non-empty, and contains uncountably many points.
- ii)  $J(f)$  is invariant under both  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$ .
- iii)  $J(f^n) = J(f)$
- iv)  $J(f)$  is the boundary of the basin of attraction of any attractive cycle of  $f$ .
- v) If  $J(f)$  has an interior point, it coincides with the Riemann sphere.

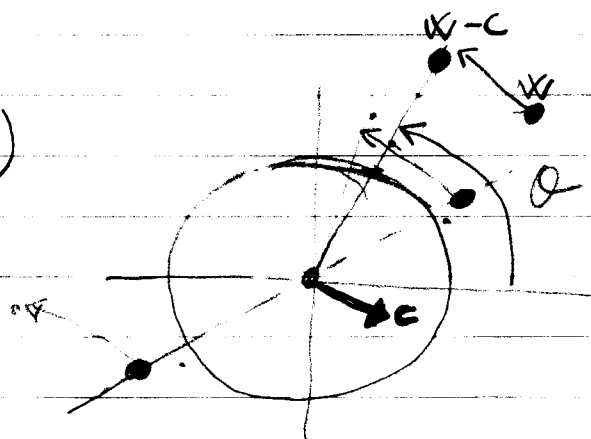
$J(f)$  is a repeller, so numerically difficult to compute by direct iteration. We turn it into an attractor by iterating backwards.

Ex  $w = f(z) = z^2 + c \quad z = f^{-1}(w) = \pm \sqrt{w - c}$

Two pre-images. Write  $w - c = \rho e^{i\theta}$ .

Then

$$z = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\rho} e^{i\theta/2} \\ \sqrt{\rho} e^{i(\theta/2 + \pi)} \end{cases}$$



Def The Mandelbrot set  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{C}$  is the set of all complex numbers  $c$  for which the orbit of the critical point of  $f_c(z) = z^2 + c$  is bounded.

The critical point is  $z = 0$ . So the orbit is

$$0, c, c^2 + c, (c^2 + c)^2 + c, \dots$$




One can prove that

- i)  $c \in \mathcal{M} \iff J(f_c)$  is connected
- ii)  $\mathcal{M}$  contains the disc  $|c| \leq \frac{1}{2}$
- iii)  $\mathcal{M}$  is contained in the disc  $|c| \leq 2$






# FRACTALS

Ex The Von Koch island (1904). It is the limit of a recursive sequence of polygons



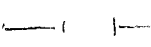
$$P_{t+1} = \Phi(P_t) \quad (\Phi \text{ not yet specified})$$

$t$	$P_t$	# sides	side	perimeter
0		3	$\frac{1}{3}$	1
1		$3 \cdot 4$	$\frac{1}{3^2}$	$\frac{4}{3}$
2		$3 \cdot 4^2$	$\frac{1}{3^3}$	$(\frac{4}{3})^2$
$k$		$3 \cdot 4^k$	$\frac{1}{3^{k+1}}$	$(\frac{4}{3})^k \xrightarrow[k \rightarrow \infty]{} \infty$

Ex The Sierpiński triangle. The limit of a sequence of closed sets

$t$	$P_t$	# new holes	area hole	area $P_t$
0		0	0	1
1		1	$\frac{1}{4}$	$1 - \frac{1}{4}$
2		3	$\frac{1}{4^2}$	$1 - (\frac{1}{4} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{4^2})$
3		$3^2$	$\frac{1}{4^3}$	$1 - (\frac{1}{4} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{4^2} + 3^2 \cdot \frac{1}{4^3})$
$k$		$3^{k-1}$	$\frac{1}{4^k}$	$1 - \frac{1}{3} (\frac{3}{4} + (\frac{3}{4})^2 + \dots + (\frac{3}{4})^k)$

Limit area:  $1 - \frac{1}{3} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} (\frac{3}{4})^t = 1 - \frac{1}{3} \frac{3/4}{1 - 3/4} = 1 - 1 = 0.$

Ex Sierpiński carpet   $\subset \mathbb{R}^2$   
 Menge sponge   $\subset \mathbb{R}^3$   
 Ternary set   $\subset \mathbb{R}$

Def Box dimension (Kolmogorov capacity) of a set  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^d$

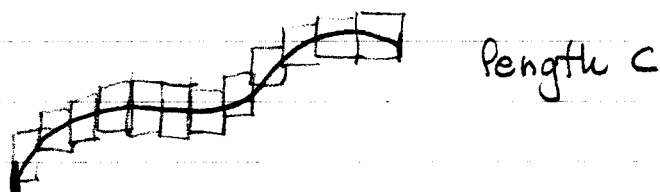
Let  $N(\epsilon) =$  smallest # of cubes of volume  $\epsilon^d$  necessary to cover  $A$ .

$$D_0(A) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log N(\epsilon)}{-\log \epsilon} \quad (\text{if the limit exists}).$$

Def  $A$  is said to be a FRactal if  $D_0(A)$  is not an integer.

Why this definition?

1-dimensional sets in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

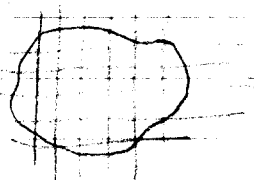


$$N(\epsilon) \cong c \cdot \epsilon^{-1}$$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log N(\epsilon)}{-\log \epsilon} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(c) - \log(\epsilon)}{-\log \epsilon} = 1 - \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(c)}{\log \epsilon} = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

2-d sets in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$N(\epsilon) \cong c \cdot \epsilon^{-2}$$



Area  $c$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log N(\epsilon)}{-\log \epsilon} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(c) - \log \epsilon^2}{-\log \epsilon} = 2 - \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log c}{\log \epsilon} = 2 \quad \checkmark$$

So, if  $N(\epsilon) \cong c \cdot \epsilon^{-D_0}$ , then

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log N(\epsilon)}{-\log \epsilon} = D_0.$$

In all example considered we had two scaling factors appearing in each recursive step

Side length of boxes  $\epsilon_{t+1} = \alpha \epsilon_t$   $\epsilon_0 = \epsilon$

Number of boxes  $N_{t+1} = \beta N_t$   $N_0 = 1$

Thus  $\epsilon_t = \epsilon_0 \alpha^t$ ,  $N_t = \beta^t$ ,  
hence

$$D_0 = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log N(\epsilon)}{-\log \epsilon} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log N_t}{-\log \epsilon_t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t \log(\beta)}{-\log \epsilon_0 - t \log(\alpha)}$$

$$= \frac{\log \beta}{\log(1/\alpha)}$$

Set	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$D_0$
Koch's island	$\frac{1}{3}$	$2^2$	$2 \frac{\log 2}{\log 3} = 1.2619...$
Sierp. Triangle	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	$\frac{\log 3}{\log 2} = 1.5850...$
Sierp. carpet	$\frac{1}{3}$	$2^3$	$3 \frac{\log 2}{\log 3} = 1.8928...$
Ternary set	$\frac{1}{3}$	2	$\frac{\log 2}{\log 3} = 0.6309...$