

Some Dynamical Loci of Quartic Polynomials

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Abstract

Let $M_4(\mathbb{C})$ be all affine conjugacy classes of quartic polynomials. We define a projection Ψ_4 from $M_4(\mathbb{C})$ to \mathbb{C}^3 via the elementary symmetric functions of the multipliers of the fixed points. In [2], we show Ψ_4 is not surjective. The image of $M_4(\mathbb{C})$ under Ψ_4 is denoted by $\Sigma(4)$. The complement $\mathcal{E}(4) = \mathbb{C}^3 \setminus \Sigma(4)$ is called the exceptional set. On a part of the real section of $\mathcal{E}(4)$, we verify that a quartic polynomial degenerates into “twins” of quadratic polynomials. We conjecture that this phenomena holds on $\mathcal{E}(4)$.

1 Introduction

Let $\text{Poly}_4(\mathbb{C})$ be the space of all quartic polynomials, and $M_4(\mathbb{C})$ be the space of all affine conjugacy classes of quartic polynomials. We define a projection Ψ_4 from $M_4(\mathbb{C})$ to \mathbb{C}^3 via the elementary symmetric functions of the multipliers of the fixed points. In [2], we show the projection is not surjective. The image of $M_4(\mathbb{C})$ under Ψ_4 is denoted by $\Sigma(4)$, the complement $\mathbb{C}^3 \setminus \Sigma(4)$ by $\mathcal{E}(4)$ called the exceptional set. For the cubic (resp. quadratic) polynomials, the exceptional set is empty. Unfortunately it can happen that the exceptional set $\mathcal{E}(n)$ is nonempty for $n \geq 4$ (see [2] and [3]).

This paper consists of two parts, one is devoted to defining an algebraic variety $G(c)$, the other to analyzing dynamics of $\text{Poly}_4(\mathbb{C})$ on neighborhood of $\mathcal{E}(4)$.

First, we can define an algebraic variety $G(c)$, given in Section 2, that indicates essential property of the projection Ψ_4 . We can derive defining equations of the exceptional set and of the branch locus from the perspective of $G(c)$. We mainly use the symbolic and algebraic computation system Risa/Asir to obtain an algebraic variety $G(c)$.

Second, we examine dynamical behavior on the parameter space $\Sigma(4) \cup \mathcal{E}(4)$. We have Theorem 16 in Section 5.

Theorem 16

There is a component $D \subset \Sigma(4)$ such that two polynomial-like maps $(U, V, p) \sim_{hb} z^2 + c$ and $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{V}, p) \sim_{hb} z^2 + \tilde{c}$ are constructed for any $\langle p \rangle \in D$, and c and \tilde{c} converge to a common value $\tilde{c} \in \mathbb{R}$ as $\langle p \rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(4)$. The limit value \tilde{c} depends only on the landing point $(4, s, \frac{(s-4)^2}{4}) \in \mathcal{E}(4)$ and is written by $\tilde{c} = \frac{s-4}{8}$.

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Because the parameter values (corresponds to the “multipliers”) on $\mathcal{E}(4)$ forms $\mu, \mu, 2 - \mu, 2 - \mu$, the following conjectures Conjecture 15 and Conjecture 17 seem very likely.

Conjecture 15

On the exceptional set, a quartic polynomial degenerates into “twins” of quadratic polynomials conjugate to $z^2 + c$ for some c .

Conjecture 17

None of quartic polynomial p has two disjoint quadratic-like restrictions of p such that both quadratic-like map are hybrid equivalent to a common quadratic polynomial $z^2 + c$, $c \in \mathbb{M} \setminus \{\frac{1}{4}\}$, where \mathbb{M} is Mandelbrot set.

These conjectures, given in Section 5, back with the reason why the exceptional set is not empty.

2 Definitions and Notations

Let $\text{Poly}_4(\mathbb{C})$ be the space of all polynomials of the form:

$$p(z) = a_4z^4 + a_3z^3 + a_2z^2 + a_1z + a_0 \quad (a_4 \neq 0).$$

Two maps $p_1, p_2 \in \text{Poly}_4(\mathbb{C})$ are *holomorphically conjugate*, denoted by $p_1 \sim p_2$, if and only if there exists $g \in \mathfrak{A}(\mathbb{C})$ with $g \circ p_1 \circ g^{-1} = p_2$, where $\mathfrak{A}(\mathbb{C})$ is the group of all affine transformations.

The space, $\text{Poly}_4(\mathbb{C})/\sim$, of holomorphic conjugacy classes $\langle p \rangle$ of quartic polynomials is denoted by $\mathbb{M}_4(\mathbb{C})$.

For each $p(z) \in \text{Poly}_4(\mathbb{C})$, let $z_1, \dots, z_4, z_5 = \infty$ be the fixed points of p , and $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_4, \mu_5 = 0$ the multipliers of z_i (i.e. $\mu_i = p'(z_i)$). Let $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_5$ be the elementary symmetric functions of these multipliers

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_1 &= \mu_1 + \mu_2 + \mu_3 + \mu_4, \\ \sigma_2 &= \mu_1\mu_2 + \mu_1\mu_3 + \mu_1\mu_4 + \mu_2\mu_3 + \mu_2\mu_4 + \mu_3\mu_4, \\ \sigma_3 &= \mu_1\mu_2\mu_3 + \mu_1\mu_2\mu_4 + \mu_1\mu_3\mu_4 + \mu_2\mu_3\mu_4, \\ \sigma_4 &= \mu_1\mu_2\mu_3\mu_4, \\ \sigma_5 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

These multipliers are *invariant* under the action of (conjugation) $\mathfrak{A}(\mathbb{C})$.

The holomorphic index of a rational function f at a fixed point $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}$ is defined to be the complex number

$$\iota(f, \zeta) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{dz}{z - f(z)},$$

where we integrate in a small loop in the positive direction around ζ .

The following results are well known as “Fatou’s index theorem”:

- If ζ is a fixed point of multiplier $\mu \neq 1$, then $\iota(f, \zeta) = \frac{1}{1-\mu}$.
- For any polynomial p which is not the identity map,

$$\sum_{\zeta \in \mathbb{C}} \iota(p, \zeta) = 0, \tag{1}$$

where this summation is over all fixed points of p .

By an automorphism of a polynomial map p we will mean an affine transformation g that commutes with p . The collection $\text{Aut}(p)$ of all automorphisms of p forms a finite group. The symmetry locus of the polynomials of degree n is defined to be the set $\mathcal{S}_n \subset M_n$ consisting of all conjugacy classes $\langle p \rangle$ of polynomial maps admitting non-trivial automorphisms.

A *polynomial-like* map of degree d is a triple (U, V, f) where U and V are topological disks, with V relatively compact in U , and $f : V \rightarrow U$ is analytic, proper of degree d .

An orientation-preserving homeomorphism f of a domain D onto another, D' , is called a *quasi-conformal map* if f is ACL on every rectangle

$$R = \{z = x + iy \mid a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d\},$$

i.e.,

- $f(x + iy)$ is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$ with respect to x for almost every fixed y ,
- $f(x + iy)$ is absolutely continuous on $[c, d]$ with respect to y for almost every fixed x , and
- there is a constant $k < 1$ such that $|f_{\bar{z}}| \leq k|f_z|$ almost everywhere on D .

The filled-in Julia set K_f of a polynomial-like map (U, V, f) is defined by

$$K_f = \bigcap_{n \geq 0} f^{-n}(V).$$

Polynomial-like maps (U, V, f) and $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{V}, \tilde{f})$ are *hybrid equivalent* $f \sim_{hb} \tilde{f}$, if there exists a quasi-conformal map h from a neighborhood of K_f to a neighborhood of $K_{\tilde{f}}$, such that $h \circ f = \tilde{f} \circ h$ near K_f and $\bar{\partial}h = 0$ almost everywhere on K_f .

From Straightening Theorem in [1], every polynomial-like map (U, V, f) of degree d is hybrid equivalent to a polynomial P of degree d . If K_f is connected then P is unique up to conjugation by an affine map.

3 The projection from $M_4(\mathbb{C})$ to \mathbb{C}^3

Let $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_4$ be the elementary symmetric functions of the multipliers of $p(z) \in \text{Poly}_4(\mathbb{C})$. The following relation holds by Fatou's index theorem.

Lemma 1 (Theorem 1 in [2])

Among σ_i 's, there is a linear relation

$$4 - 3\sigma_1 + 2\sigma_2 - \sigma_3 = 0.$$

For a monic and centered quartic polynomial $z^4 + c_2z^2 + c_1z + c_0$, the three values $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4$ are determined by *Transformation formula*:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_1 &= -8c_1 + 12, \\ \sigma_2 &= 4c_2^3 - 16c_0c_2 + 18c_1^2 - 60c_1 + 48, \\ \sigma_4 &= 16c_0c_2^4 + (-4c_1^2 + 8c_1)c_2^3 - 128c_0^2c_2^2 + (144c_0c_1^2 - 288c_0c_1 + 128c_0)c_2 \\ &\quad - 27c_1^4 + 108c_1^3 - 144c_1^2 + 64c_1 + 256c_0^3. \end{aligned}$$

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Risa/Asir commands for getting Transformation formula:
P=z^4+c2*z^2+c1*z+c0;
Fix1=z0+z1+z2+z3;
Fix2=z0*(z1+z2+z3)+z1*(z2+z3)+z2*z3-c2;
Fix3=z0*z1*z2+z0*z1*z3+z0*z2*z3+z1*z2*z3+c1-1;
Fix4=z0*z1*z2*z3-c0;
DP=diff(P,z);
M0=subst(DP,z,z0)-m0;
M1=subst(DP,z,z1)-m1;
M2=subst(DP,z,z2)-m2;
M3=subst(DP,z,z3)-m3;
S1=m0+m1+m2+m3-s1;
S2=m0*(m1+m2+m3)+m1*(m2+m3)+m2*m3-s2;
S4=m0*m1*m2*m3-s4;
load("gr");
G=gr([Fix1,Fix2,Fix3,Fix4,M0,M1,M2,M3,S1,S2,S4],
      [m0,m1,m2,m3,z0,z1,z2,z3,s4,s2,s1,c2,c1,c0],
      [[0,4],[0,4],[0,3],[0,3]]);

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There is a natural projection

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Psi_4 : & M_4(\mathbb{C}) & \longrightarrow & \Sigma(4) \\
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 & \langle p \rangle & \longmapsto & (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4),
 \end{array}$$

where $\Sigma(4)$ is the image of $M_4(\mathbb{C})$ under Ψ_4 . The complement $\mathbb{C}^3 \setminus \Sigma(4)$ is denoted by $\mathcal{E}(4)$, and called the *exceptional set*.

Under the conjugacy of the action of $\mathfrak{A}(\mathbb{C})$, it can be assumed that any quartic polynomial is “monic” and “centered”:

$$p(z) = z^4 + c_2 z^2 + c_1 z + c_0.$$

There are three monic and centered polynomials in any conjugacy class $\langle p \rangle$ except for $\langle z^4 + z \rangle$, and they are transformed each other under the action of $G_3 = \{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$, where ω is third roots of unity.

After following procedures 1 – 4, we obtain a parametrized algebraic variety. This variety indicates essential property of the projection Ψ_4 .

1. for a point $\langle p \rangle \in M_4(\mathbb{C})$, choose a monic and centered representative $z^4 + c_2 z^2 + c_1 z + c_0$,
2. getting rid of the affine ambiguity on “Transformation formula”, set $c := c_2^3$ (if $c_2 = 0$, set $\tilde{c} := c_0^3$), and
3. rebuild Transformation formula of $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4, c, c_0, c_1$ variables,
4. remove two variables c_0, c_1 , from the above formula.

Definition 2

We define an algebraic variety in \mathbb{C}^3 with a parameter $c \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$G(c) : 262144(\sigma_1 - 4)^2 c^2 + 1024(27\sigma_1^4 + (-144\sigma_2 - 576)\sigma_1^2 + (384\sigma_2 + 1280)\sigma_1 + 128\sigma_2^2 - 256\sigma_2 - 512\sigma_4 - 768)c + (9\sigma_1^2 + 24\sigma_1 - 32\sigma_2 - 48)^3 = 0.$$

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Risa/Asir commands for getting G(c) :
Sgm1=-8*c1+12-s1;
Sgm2=4*c2^3-16*c0*c2+18*c1^2-60*c1+48-s2;
Sgm4=16*c0*c2^4+(-4*c1^2+8*c1)*c2^3-128*c0^2*c2^2+(144*c0*c1^2
-288*c0*c1+128*c0)*c2-27*c1^4+108*c1^3-144*c1^2+64*c1
+256*c0^3-s4;
CC=c2^3-c;
load("gr");
G1=gr([Sgm1,Sgm2,Sgm4,CC],
[c0,c1,c2,c,s1,s2,s4],[[0,3],[0,1],[0,3]]);
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The number of conjugacy classes corresponding to a point $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) \in \mathbb{C}^3$ is equal to the number of allowable parameter values c on $G(c)$. Namely, we have the following theorem by counting the number of solution c of the defining equation of $G(c)$.

Theorem 3

For $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) \in \mathbb{C}^3$, number of the elements of set $\Psi_4^{-1}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4)$ are $\infty, 0, 1$ or 2 :

Case 1 $\#\Psi_4^{-1}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) = \infty$ if and only if $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) = (4, 6, 1)$. And further, we can precisely formulate,

$$\Psi_4^{-1}(4, 6, 1) = \{p_a(z) = (z^2 - a)^2 + z\}_{a \in \mathbb{C}} \quad (\text{note } p_a \sim p_{\pm\omega a}).$$

Case 2 $\#\Psi_4^{-1}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) = 0$ if and only if the point $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4)$ cannot belong to $G(c)$ for any c . And further, we can give defining equation of the exceptional set $\mathcal{E}(4)$,

$$(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) = \left(4, s, \frac{(s-4)^2}{4}\right), \quad s \neq 6. \tag{2}$$

Case 3 $\#\Psi_4^{-1}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) = 1$ if and only if discriminant of the defining equation of $G(c)$ vanishes or $\sigma_1 = 4$.

Case 4 $\#\Psi_4^{-1}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) = 2$, for the remains of the above.

Theorem 3 leads immediately to the following two corollaries which are justified for structural and topological reasons.

Corollary 4

The exceptional set $\mathcal{E}(4)$ is contained in the plane $\{(4, \sigma_2, \sigma_4)\} \cong \mathbb{C}^2$.

Corollary 5

None of quartic polynomial has the fixed points of the multipliers $\mu, \mu, 2 - \mu, 2 - \mu, (\mu \neq 1)$.

Corollary 5 is clear from (2) and the relation between roots and coefficients.

Risa/Asir commands for getting the multipliers:

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S1=m0+m1+m2+m3-4 ;
S2=m0*(m1+m2+m3)+m1*(m2+m3)+m2*m3-s;
S4=m0*m1*m2*m3-(s-4)^2/4;
Index=nm(1/(1-m0)+1/(1-m1)+1/(1-m2)+1/(1-m3));
load("gr");
G2=gr([S1, S2, S4, Index], [s, m3, m2, m1, m0], 2);
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Remark 6

The discriminant of the defining equation of $G(c)$ is given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Discr} = & 1073741824(54\sigma_1^5 + (-81\sigma_2 - 27\sigma_4 - 135)\sigma_1^4 + (36\sigma_2^2 - 144\sigma_2 - 1008)\sigma_1^3 \\ & + (-4\sigma_2^3 + 360\sigma_2^2 + (144\sigma_4 + 2976)\sigma_2 + 576\sigma_4 + 4192)\sigma_1^2 \\ & + (-160\sigma_2^3 - 2176\sigma_2^2 + (-384\sigma_4 - 6400)\sigma_2 - 1280\sigma_4 - 5376)\sigma_1 + 16\sigma_2^4 + 448\sigma_2^3 \\ & + (-128\sigma_4 + 2176)\sigma_2^2 + (256\sigma_4 + 3840)\sigma_2 + 256\sigma_4^2 + 768\sigma_4 + 2304). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\text{Discr} = 0$ is a surface in \mathbb{C}^3 .

Theorem 7

The symmetry locus can be formulated as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \sigma_1 = s, \\ \sigma_2 = 3(3s - 4)(s + 4)/32, \\ \sigma_4 = -(3s - 4)^3(s - 12)/4096. \end{cases} \quad (s \in \mathbb{C}). \quad (3)$$

Proof The symmetry locus is the singular part of the surface defined by $\text{Discr} = 0$ (see [2]).

$$\text{Discr} = \text{Discr}_{\sigma_1} = \text{Discr}_{\sigma_2} = \text{Discr}_{\sigma_4} = 0, \quad \sigma_1 \neq 4.$$

Solving these equations we have (3). ■

Remark 8

The point $(4, 6, 1)$ is the unique intersection point of the symmetry locus and the plane $\sigma_1 = 4$.

4 Loci $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ on the space $\{(4, s_2, s_4)\}$

In this section, we consider dynamical behavior on the real section $\mathbb{R}^2 \cong \{(4, s_2, s_4)\}$.

The locus $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ be the set of all conjugacy classes $\langle p \rangle$ of maps p having a fixed point of multiplier μ .

Proposition 9

For each $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$, $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ is a straight line with the following defining equation:

$$\text{Per}_1(\mu) : \sigma_4 - (2\mu - \mu^2)\sigma_2 + \mu^4 - 4\mu^3 + 8\mu = 0.$$

Proof The multipliers at the fixed points are the roots of the equation,

$$\mu^4 - \sigma_1\mu^3 + \sigma_2\mu^2 - \sigma_3\mu + \sigma_4 = 0.$$

From the linear relation of Lemma 1, we have the defining equation of $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$. ■

We remark that the multipliers of a quartic polynomial on the real plane $\{(4, \sigma_2, \sigma_4)\}$ are 'four real values', 'two real and a pair of complex conjugates', or 'two pair of complex conjugates'.

4.1 $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ ($\mu \in \mathbb{R}$)

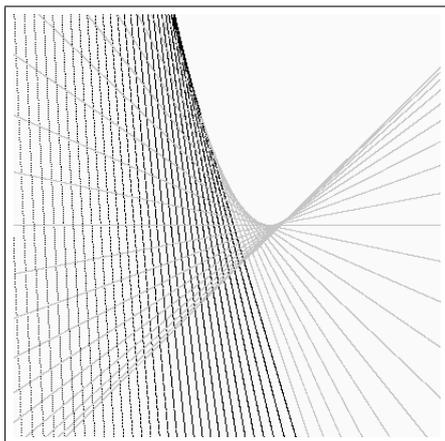
At first we consider $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$. In this case we can illustrate the figure of $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$. (See Figure 1.) The following results are easily verified.

Proposition 10

For $\langle p \rangle \in \{(4, \sigma_2, \sigma_4)\} \cap \Sigma(4)$, the corresponding multipliers of p are $\mu, 2 - \mu, \lambda, 2 - \lambda$.

Proof It is clear from the relation between roots and coefficients. ■

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Risa/Asir commands for getting the multipliers:
S1=m0+m1+m2+m3-4 ;
S2=m0*(m1+m2+m3)+m1*(m2+m3)+m2*m3-s2;
S4=m0*m1*m2*m3-s4;
Index=nm(1/(1-m0)+1/(1-m1)+1/(1-m2)+1/(1-m3));
load("gr");
G3=gr([S1,S2,S4,Index],[s2,s4,m3,m2,m1,m0],2);
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The left figure shows $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ ($-10 < \mu < 1$):
 $-20 < s_2, s_4 < 20$,
 Gray lines mean $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ ($|\mu| \geq 1$) and
 black lines mean $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ ($|\mu| < 1$).

Corollary 11

- If p has a attracting fixed point then p has a repelling fixed point with positive multiplier.
- If p has a repelling fixed point with negative multiplier then p has a repelling fixed point with positive multiplier.

Namely, each line of Figure 1 is overlapped by a line $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ for some $\mu > 1$, and p cannot have three attracting fixed points.

Figure 1:

4.2 $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ and $\text{Per}_1(\bar{\mu})$

Next, we consider the multipliers of a quartic polynomial are 'two real and a pair of complex conjugates'. In this case, the multipliers are $1 \pm i\beta$, λ , and $2 - \lambda$ from Proposition 10. Then we have the following from Proposition 9.

Proposition 12

For each $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\text{Per}_1(1 \pm i\beta)$ is a straight line with the following defining equation:

$$\text{Per}_1(1 \pm i\beta) : \quad \sigma_4 = (1 + \beta^2)\sigma_2 - (1 + \beta^2)(5 + \beta^2).$$

Proof Removing λ from two equations $\sigma_2 = 5 + \beta^2 + \lambda(2 - \lambda)$ and $\sigma_4 = (1 + \beta^2)\lambda(2 - \lambda)$, we have the above defining equation of $\text{Per}_1(1 \pm i\beta)$. ■

Note that these loci are corresponds to repelling fixed points.

Now, we consider the last case: multipliers of a quartic polynomial are 'two pair of complex conjugates'. In this case, the multipliers are $a \pm ib$ and $2 - a \pm ib$ from Proposition 10. Because defining equation of $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$ can express a line on the real plane no longer, we need a new device $\widetilde{\text{Per}}_1(\bar{\mu})$ for illustrating figures of $\text{Per}_1(\mu)$. (See Figure 2.)

The locus $\widetilde{\text{Per}}_1(\bar{\mu})$ be the set of all conjugacy classes $\langle p \rangle$ of maps p having a fixed point of multiplier μ with $\bar{\mu} = \mu\bar{\mu}$.

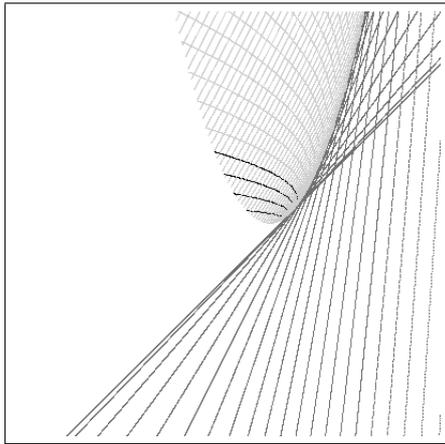


Figure 2:

The left figure shows $\text{Per}_1(1 \pm i\beta)$ and $\widetilde{\text{Per}}_1(\bar{\mu})$.

$-20 < s_2, s_4 < 20$,

Dark gray lines mean $\text{Per}_1(1 \pm i\beta)$,

gray curves mean $\widetilde{\text{Per}}_1(\bar{\mu})$, $t \geq 1$ and

black curves mean $\widetilde{\text{Per}}_1(\bar{\mu})$, $t < 1$.

Proposition 13

In the case that the multipliers are $a \pm ib$ and $2 - a \pm ib$, we have a defining equation of $\widetilde{\text{Per}}_1(\bar{\mu})$.

$\widetilde{\text{Per}}_1(\bar{\mu}) :$

$$\sigma_4^2 - 2(\bar{\mu}^2 + 2\bar{\mu})\sigma_4 + \bar{\mu}^4 - 4\bar{\mu}^3 + (\sigma_2 - 16)\bar{\mu}^2 = 0,$$

where $\bar{\mu} = a^2 + b^2$.

Proof In this case the multipliers are $a \pm ib$ and $2 - a \pm ib$. By setting $\bar{\mu} = a^2 + b^2$ for two equations $\sigma_2 = -2a^2 + 4a + 4 + 2b^2$ and $\sigma_4 = (a^2 + b^2)((2 - a)^2 + b^2)$, we have

$$\sigma_2 = -4a^2 + 4a + 4 + 2\bar{\mu}, \quad \sigma_4 = \bar{\mu}(\bar{\mu} - 4a + 4). \quad (4)$$

Removing a from the above two equations, we have a defining equation of $\widetilde{\text{Per}}_1(\bar{\mu})$. ■

Remark 14

If $0 \leq t < 1$, $\widetilde{\text{Per}}_1(\bar{\mu})$ corresponds to polynomials having two attracting fixed points of multiplier $a + ib$ and $a - ib$. As $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, the discriminant $4 + 4(4 + 2\bar{\mu} - \sigma_2)$ of the left of (4) must be positive. Therefore, on a region $\{(4, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) \mid \sigma_2 < -\frac{1}{4}(\sigma_4^2 - 6\sigma_4 - 19), \sigma_4 < \frac{(2 - \sigma_2)^2}{4}\}$, corresponding polynomial p have two attracting fixed points of multipliers $a \pm ib$.

5 Dynamics on the exceptional set

The lines $\{\text{Per}_1(\mu)\}$ have a close relation with the exceptional set. As an example, we give the following results directly obtained by the results in the section 4.1 and 4.2.

The left figure shows the real section of the exceptional set

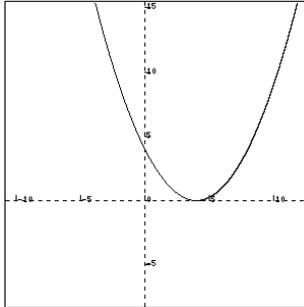


Figure 3:

$$\mathcal{E}(4) : \left(4, s, \frac{(s-4)^2}{4} \right), \quad (s \neq 6).$$

- On the plane $\{(4, s_2, s_4)\} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$, the envelopes of the lines $\{\text{Per}_1(\mu)\}_{\mu \in \mathbb{R}}$ and of $\{\text{Per}_1(1 \pm i\beta)\}_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}}$ coincides with the exceptional set. (See Figure 1, 2 and 3.)
- On the region $\left\{ (4, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) \mid \sigma_4 < \frac{(2-\sigma_2)^2}{4} \right\}$ that bounded by the exceptional set, corresponding quartic polynomial has the fixed points of the multiplier with two pair of complex conjugates.

Conjecture 15

On the exceptional set, a quartic polynomial degenerates into “twins” of quadratic polynomials conjugate to $z^2 + c$ for some c .

Theorem 16

There is a component $D \subset \Sigma(4)$ such that two polynomial-like maps $(U, V, p) \sim_{hb} z^2 + c$ and $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{V}, p) \sim_{hb} z^2 + \bar{c}$ are constructed for any $\langle p \rangle \in D$, and c and \bar{c} converge to a common value $\tilde{c} \in \mathbb{R}$ as $\langle p \rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(4)$. The limit value \tilde{c} depends only on the landing point $(4, s, \frac{(s-4)^2}{4}) \in \mathcal{E}(4)$ and is written by $\tilde{c} = \frac{s-4}{8}$.

Proof On a region $\{(4, \sigma_2, \sigma_4) \mid \sigma_2 < -\frac{1}{4}(\sigma_4^2 - 6\sigma_4 - 19), \sigma_4 < \frac{(2-\sigma_2)^2}{4}\}$, any corresponding polynomial $p(z)$ has two attracting fixed points of multiplier $\mu, \bar{\mu}$. Dynamics of $p(z)$ are symmetry for the real axis. (See Figure 4.) Therefore we can choose suitable topological disk U, \tilde{U} bounded by equipotential curves such that (U, V, p) and $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{V}, p)$ ($U \cap \tilde{U} = \emptyset$) are quadratic-like maps hybrid equivalent to $z^2 + c$ and $z^2 + \bar{c}$ respectively.

Then, if $\langle p \rangle$ converges to a point $(4, s, \frac{(s-4)^2}{4}) \in \mathcal{E}(4)$, two parameters c and \bar{c} are converges to common value $\frac{s-4}{8} \in \mathbb{R}$. (See Figure 6 and 7. Figure 8–11 show another example.) ■

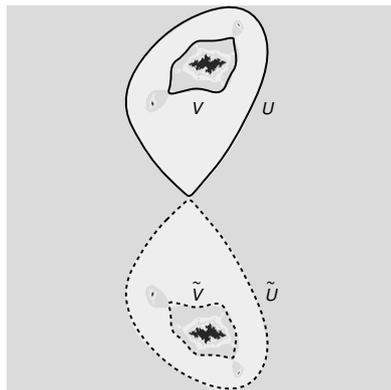


Figure 4: $(4, -1.7696160, 8.8480801)$, Julia set of $p(z) = z^4 + 3.8199z^2 + z + 3.775218$, $-2 < \Re z, \Im z < 2$

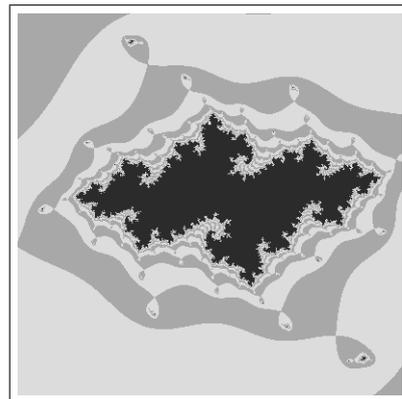


Figure 5: Julia set of $p(z) = z^4 + 3.8199z^2 + z + 3.775218$, $-0.2 < \Re z < 0.28, 1.137 < \Im z < 1.617$

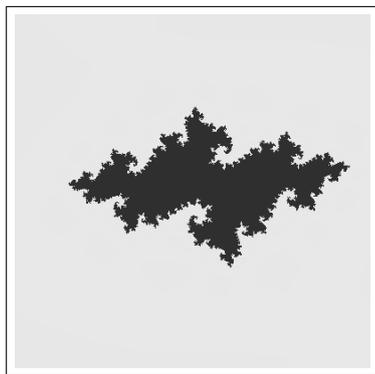


Figure 6: Julia set of quadratic - like map $-0.2 < \Re z < 0.28, 1.137 < \Im z < 1.617$

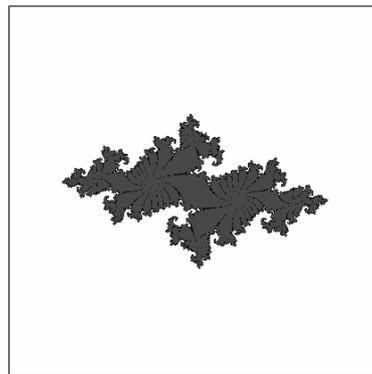


Figure 7: Julia set of $p_c(z) = z^2 + (-0.726 + 0.183i), -2 < \Re z, \Im z < 2$.

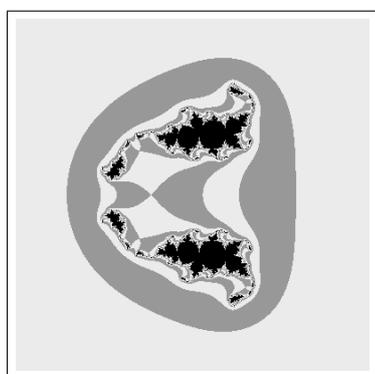


Figure 8: (4, 3, 7), Julia set of $p(z) = z^4 + 0.62996z^2 + z + 0.39685, -2 < \Re z, \Im z < 2$

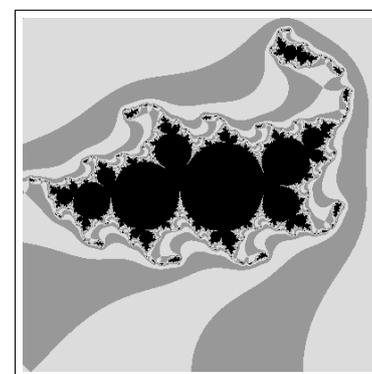


Figure 9: Julia set of $p(z) = z^4 + 0.62996z^2 + z + 0.39685, -0.5 < \Re z < 0.8, 0 < \Im z < 1.3$

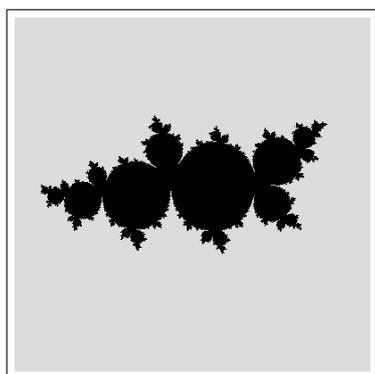


Figure 10: Julia set of quadratic-like map $-0.5 < \Re z < 0.8, 0 < \Im z < 1.3$

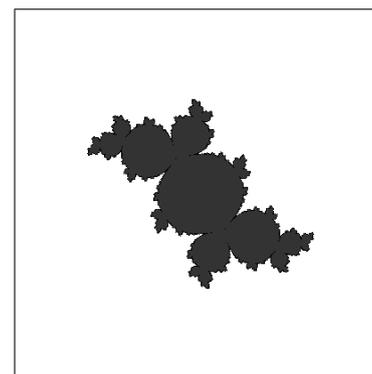


Figure 11: Julia set of $p_c(z) = z^2 + (-0.125 + 0.65i), -2 < \Re z, \Im z < 2$.

6 Dynamics on the point $(4, 6, 1) \in \Sigma(4)$

One parameter family $\{p_a(z) = (z^2 - a)^2 + a\}_{a \in \mathbb{C}}$ ($p_a \sim p_{\pm\omega a}$) corresponds to the point $(4, 6, 1)$. There are maps p in this family such that p have two disjoint quadratic-like restriction, hybrid equivalent to common quadratic map $z^2 + \frac{1}{4}$. (See Figure 12 and 13.)

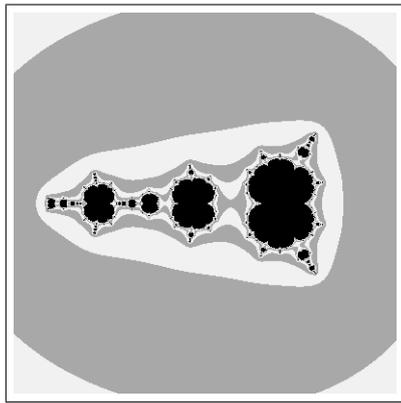


Figure 12: Julia set of $p(z) = z^4 - 2z^2 + z + 1$, $-2 < \Re z, \Im z < 2$. $(4, 6, 1) \in \Sigma(4)$

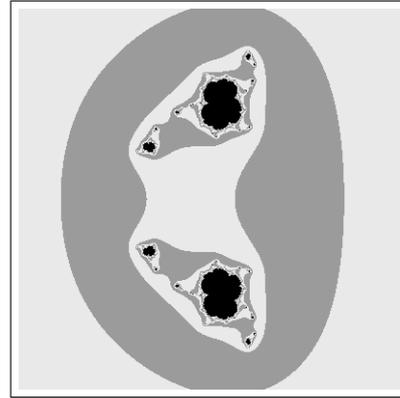


Figure 13: Julia set of $p(z) = z^4 + 2z^2 + z + 1$, $-2 < \Re z, \Im z < 2$. $(4, 6, 1) \in \Sigma(4)$

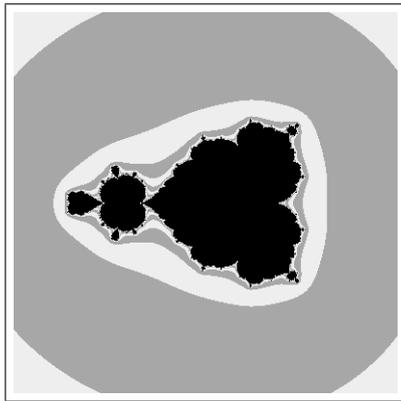


Figure 14: Julia set of $p(z) = z^4 - z^2 + z + 0.25$, $-2 < \Re z, \Im z < 2$. $(4, 6, 1) \in \Sigma(4)$

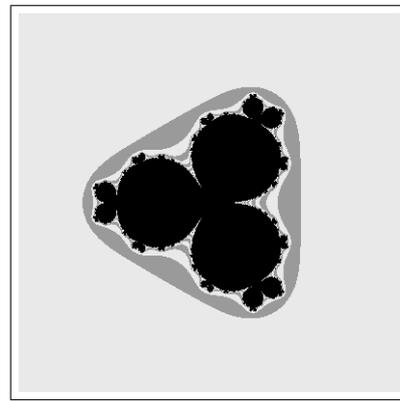


Figure 15: Julia set of $p(z) = z^4 + z$, $-2 < \Re z, \Im z < 2$. $(4, 6, 1) \in \Sigma(4)$

On the other hand, in Figure 14, the largest Fatou components contains two critical points. Therefore in this case p cannot have two disjoint quadratic-like restriction. The quartic polynomial in Figure 15 has unique parabolic fixed point at the origin.

Conjecture 17

None of quartic polynomial p have two disjoint quadratic-like restrictions of p such that both quadratic-like map are hybrid equivalent to a common quadratic polynomial $z^2 + c$, $c \in M \setminus \{\frac{1}{4}\}$, where M is Mandelbrot set.

This conjecture gives a reason why the exceptional set is not empty.

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