About Zhang's premodels for Siegel disks of quadratic rational maps.

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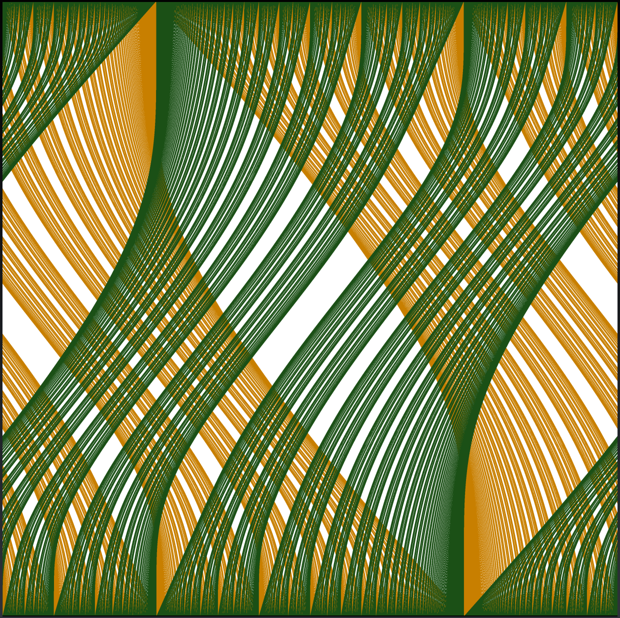
Let us show the result of a computer experiment, and then we will explain what lies behind.

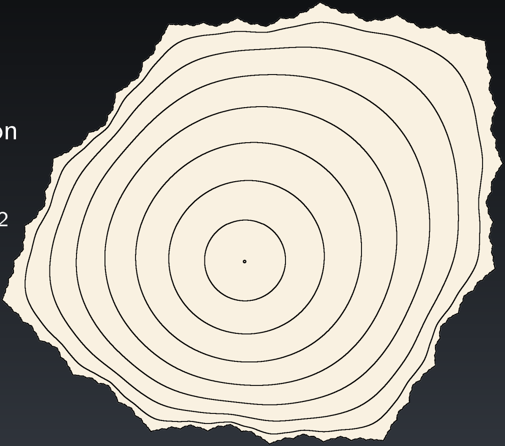


Siegel disks

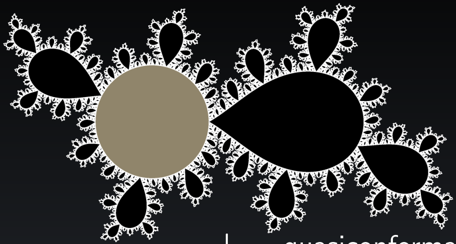
A Siegel disk is a (maximal) domain on which a holomorphic map is conjugated to a rotation, whose angle divided by one turn is called the *rotation number*.

Golden mean rotation number

$$P(z) = e^{2i\pi\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}}z + z^2$$



Quasiconformal models of Siegel disks



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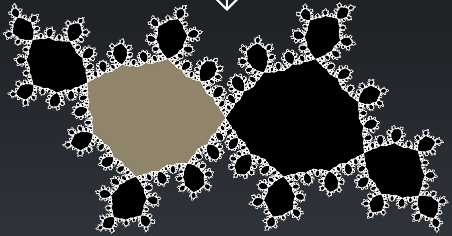


degree 2
polynomial

Quasiconformal models of Siegel disks

1. Take a map: $B(z) \mapsto z^2 \dfrac{z-3}{1-3z}$.

It restricts to an analytic circle homeomorphism on the unit circle S^1 with a unique critical point $z = 1$.

2. Compose with a rotation to adjust the rotation number $z \mapsto e^{2\pi i\tau} B(z)$.

Then the Poincaré semiconjugacy to a rotation is bijective and quasisymetric.

3. Modify it: inside the unit disk, replace by a q.c. rotation $\rightsquigarrow \widetilde{B}$ (possible iff the rotation number has bounded type).

Then $\widetilde{B}$ has an invariant ellipse field.

4. The straightening of the ellipse field conjugates $\widetilde{B}$ to a rational map, and simple observations show that this map is Möbius conjugated to a quadratic polynomial.

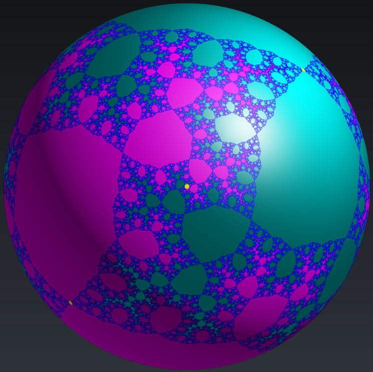
Quasiconformal models of Siegel disks

premodel B $\rightsquigarrow$ q.c. model $\rightsquigarrow$ holomorphic map

Yampolsky and Zakeri

. . . studied degree 2 rational maps with 2 period 1 Siegel disks.

By the Fatou-Shishikura inequality, all the other cycles of such maps must be repelling and by the Fatou-Sullivan classification of components, every Fatou components is eventually mapped to one of the Siegel disks under iteration.



Yampolsky and Zakeri

A quadratic rational map has 1, 2, or 3 fixed points.

Lemma

If R is a quadratic rational map and $z_1 \neq z_2$ are two fixed points of R of multipliers λ_1 and λ_2 then $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \neq 1$.

In particular, two Siegel disks of period one cannot have opposite rotation numbers.

Lemma

For all pair λ_1, λ_2 with $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \neq 1$, there exists a quadratic rational map, unique up to Möbius conjugacy, with a fixed point z_1 of multiplier λ_1 and a fixed point $z_2 \neq z_1$ of multiplier λ_2.

This map has a third fixed point unless $\lambda_1 = 1$ or $\lambda_2 = 1$.

Yampolsky and Zakeri

Let α, β with $\alpha + \beta \notin \mathbb{Z}$. Then there is a quadratic rational map $R_{\alpha,\beta}$, unique up to Möbius conjugacy, with a fixed point of multiplier $e^{2\pi i\alpha}$ and another fixed point of multiplier $e^{2\pi i\beta}$.

Let $P_\alpha = e^{2\pi i\alpha}z + z^2$ be the quadratic polynomial (also unique up to Möbius conjugacy) with a fixed point of multiplier $e^{2\pi i\alpha}$.

Theorem (Yampolsky Zakeri)

For all bounded type irrationals α, β with $\alpha + \beta \notin \mathbb{Z}$, the map $R_{\alpha,\beta}$ is the mating of P_α with P_β.

Yampolsky and Zakeri

Their proof makes use of a quasiconformal model, whose premodel is a degree 3 Blaschke fraction f with the following properties:

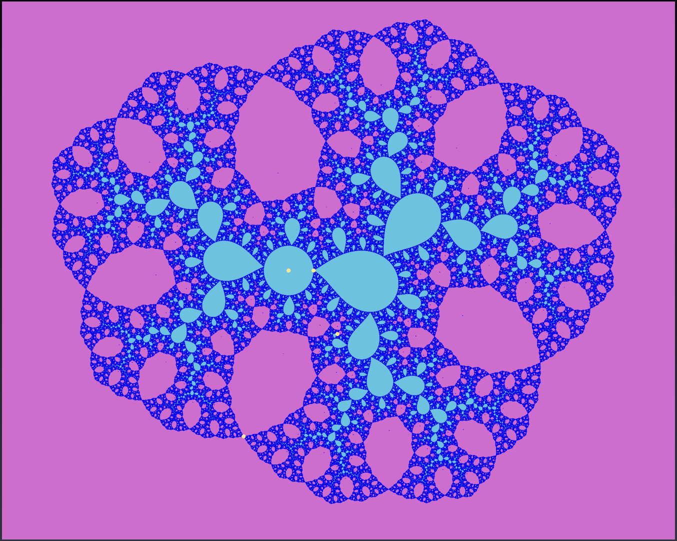
– f is a orientation preserving homeomorphism on the circle, with only one critical point on the circle, and rotation number α

– f fixes ∞ with multiplier $e^{2\pi i\beta}$

The surgery implies right away that the boundary of one Siegel disks of $R_{\alpha,\beta}$ is a quasicircle containing a critical point. Since $R_{\alpha,\beta}$ and $R_{\beta,\alpha}$ are conjugate, the same is true for the other Siegel disk of $R_{\alpha,\beta}$.

Yampolsky and Zakeri

Picture of the quasiconformal model



Petersen and Zakeri

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. . . so he is kind of mixing Yampolsky-Zakeri with Petersen-Zakeri.

A slight subtlety arises: unlike quasiconformal surgery, trans-quasiconformal surgery requires to check a non-obvious area estimate on the ellipse field form. This field is defined by pulling back an ellipse field on the unit disk by the model, and pull-back arguments nearly always require to handle the post-critical set, i.e. the closure of the orbits of the critical points.

If the pre-model is the Blaschke fraction used by Yampolsky and Zakeri, then the critical point on the unit circle has an orbit which is contained in the unit cirlce and dense. *But* the other critical point does not have a nice behavior a priori: it could even have an orbit which is dense in the Julia set. Then the estimate cannot be done and nothing can be said on $R_{\alpha,\beta}$.

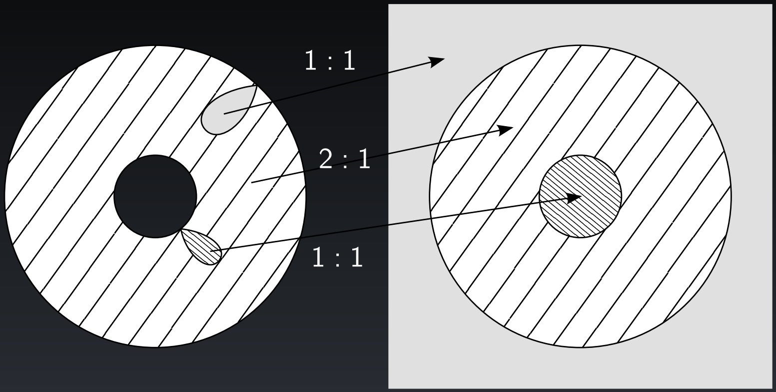
Take a premodel which preserves <u>two</u> circles.

Definition (Zhang's premodel)

Let σ_1 and σ_R be the reflections across the unit circle C_1 and the circle C_R of equation $|z| = R$. A *Zhang's premodel* is a holomorphic map $B : \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \to \widehat{\mathbb{C}}$ such that

- B commutes with σ_1 and σ_R (in particular B must leave C_1 and C_R invariant)
- the restrictions of B to C_1 and C_R are two orientation preserving homeomorphisms, each with only one critical point, of local degree 3
- 0 has exactly 1 preimage between the two circles, and this preimage is not a critical point

Zhang's premodels



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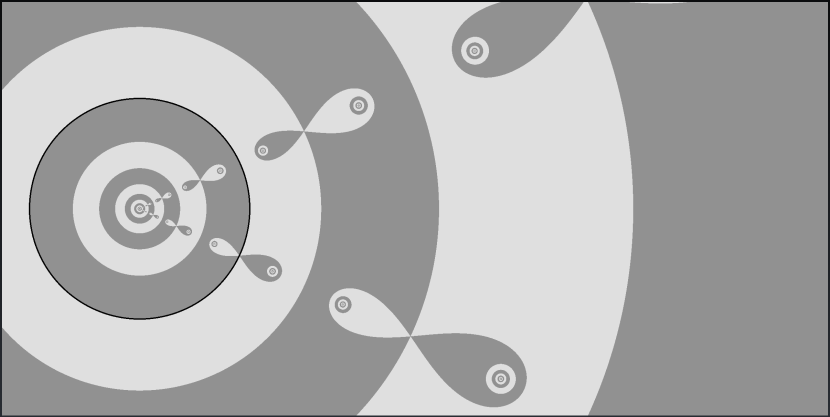

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Existence of premodels with prescribed rotation numbers

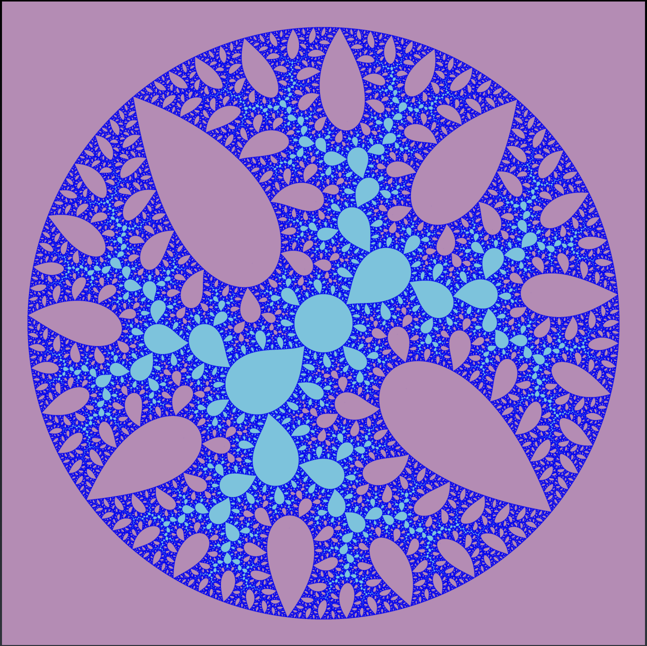
Theorem (Zhang)

For all real numbers α, β with $\alpha - \beta \notin \mathbb{Z}$, there exists such a premodel with rotation number α on C_1 and β on C_R.

Zhang's proof:

- Construct the map $B_{\alpha,\beta}$ as a limit of maps $B_{p/q,p'/q'}$ where $p/q \longrightarrow \alpha$ and $p'/q' \longrightarrow \alpha$ (the rotation number of a map depends continuously on the map).
- The map $B_{p/q}$ is constructed so that the two critical points are periodic.
- Its existence follows from Thurston's algorithm, working on a torus instead of a sphere.

Zhang's method is constructive and implementable on a computer.



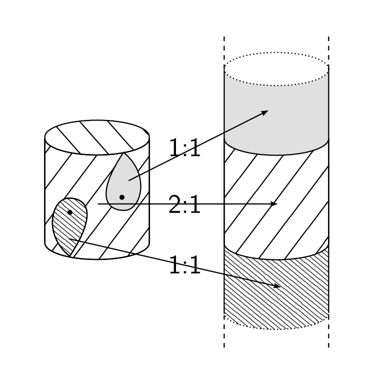
Other constructions of the premodels
Shishikura's method

Shishikura devised a kind of reverse quasiconformal surgery:

rational map with a Siegel disk $\rightsquigarrow$ rational map leaving S^1 invariant

Such a surgery will also work to transform simultaneously two Siegel disks (or more) of period 1 into round disks, i.e. create a map with two invariant circles (or more).

Conjugate things by $z \mapsto -\log(z)/2i\pi$, which sends $\mathbb{C}*$ to the cylinder $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}$, sending 0 to the lower end and ∞ to the upper end. A Zhang's premodel must map things as follows:



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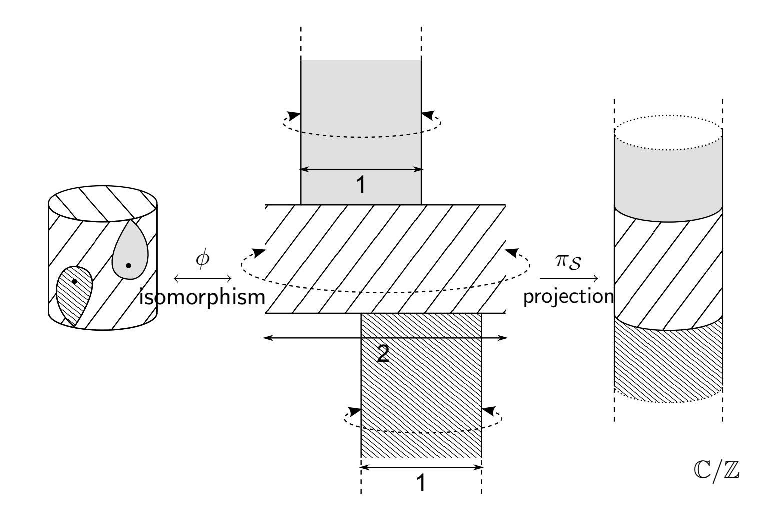

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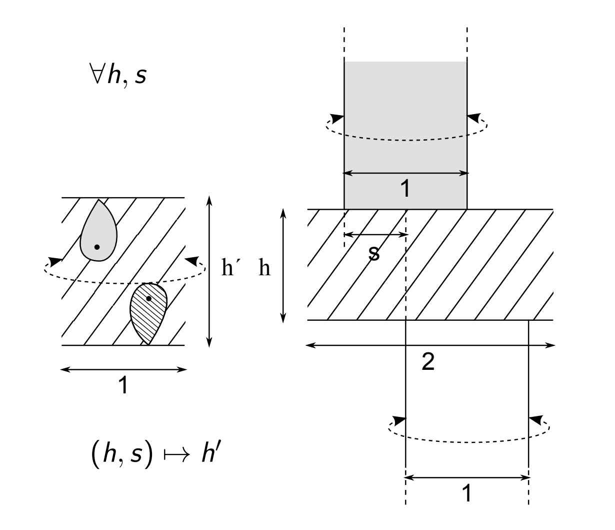


We want the circles bounding the fundamental annulus to be invariant, so we consider only the pairs $(h, s) \in]0, +\infty[\times\mathbb{R}/2\mathbb{Z}$ such that $h'(h, s) = h$. We therefore get the amusing problem of determining the shape of this set.

Two approaches:

- Working with modulus estimates.
- Working with explicit formulae, if they exist.

Zhang's infinite Blaschke fraction formula

Let a and b be the zero and the pole of B in the fundamental annulus $1 < |z| < R$. Then

$$B(z) = e^{2i\pi\tau}\, z \prod_{k=0}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{z - a_k}{1 - \overline{a_k} z} \frac{1 - \overline{b_k} z}{z - b_k} \right)^{(-1)^k}$$

where $a_k = R^k a$, $b_k = R^k b$.

The condition $h = h'$ translates into: $|b| = |a|$.

However, for arbitrary a, b, R with $1 < |a| = |b| < R$, such a map does not necessarily have critical points on C_1 and C_R.

Zhang's infinite Blaschke fraction formula

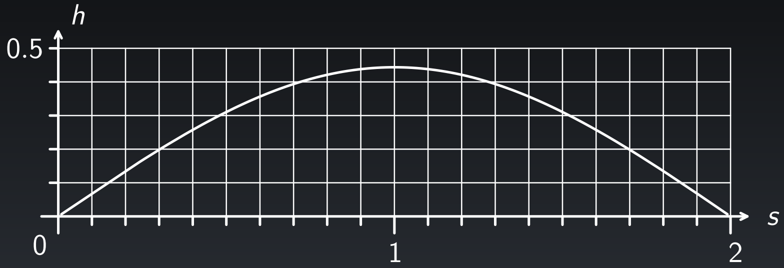
First, a Zhang's premodel necessarily has the following symmetry: $B(R/z) = \lambda R/B(z)$ where $|\lambda| = 1$. It implies that $|b| = R/|a|$, so:

$$|a| = |b| = \sqrt{R}.$$

But this is not enough, and there still remains to adjust $\arg(b/a)$ and R.

Numerical study of the pairs (h, s)

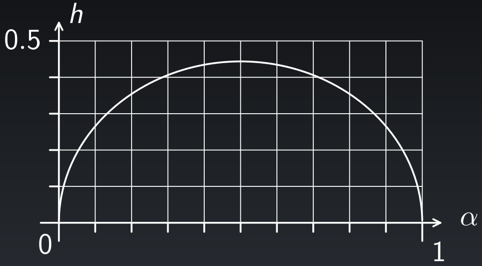
Using these formulae, one can numerically trace the corresponding values of (h, s):



It is very close to a sine curve, but different.

Numerical study of h, s, α

Let $\alpha = \arg(a/b)/2\pi \in]0,1[$.



Numerical study of the rotation number

We thus have a two parameters family of Zhang's premodels $B(z) = e^{2i\pi\tau} B_\alpha(z)$, depending on $\alpha \in]0,1[$ and on $\tau \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$.

Let the horizontal coordinate be τ and the vertical one be α.

Let us draw in red the set where the rotation number of B on C_1 is irrationnal, and in blue the set where the rotation number of B on C_R is irrationnal.

Numerical study of the rotation number

Observations and conjectures

- The Arnold' tongues with the same rotation number do not intersect (this follows from a Thurston obstruction on the corresponding torus map).
- The intersection of the two laminations are transverse.
- For a fixed τ, with the particular convention chosen in the picture, the rotation number is a monotone function of α.
- The order of contact of the tongues with the horizontal axis is 2.