Regluing of rational functions

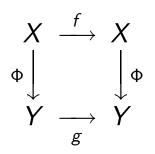
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A standard commutative diagram



To do a surgery, one needs to make Φ discontinuous.

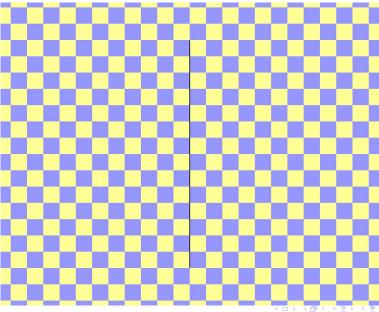
An example of regluing

A branch of the analytic function

$$j(z)=\sqrt{z^2+1}$$

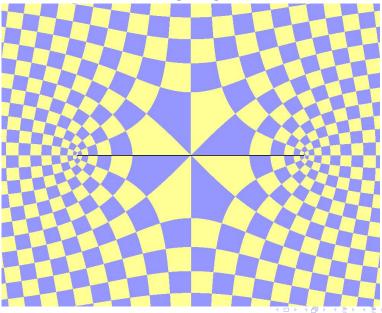
is defined on the complement to [-i, i]. It reglues the segment [-i, i] into [-1, 1].

A regluing: before



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A regluing: after



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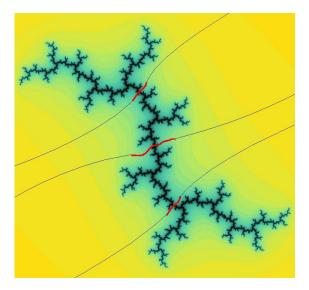
The Julia set of $z \mapsto z^2 - 3$ is a Cantor subset of \mathbb{R} . Reglue all complementary segments. We obtain the map $z \mapsto z^2 - 2$, whose Julia set is a segment!



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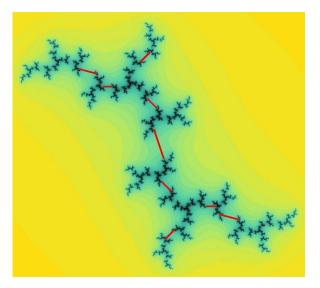
More generally, let f be a quadratic polynomial $z \mapsto z^2 + c$, where c is the landing point of an external parameter ray R. Suppose that the Julia set of f is locally connected, and all periodic points are repelling. Also, consider a quadratic polynomial g, for which the corresponding parameter value belongs to R. Thus the Julia set of g is disconnected. Then $\Phi \circ f = g \circ \Phi$ for a regluing Φ .

Regluing: before



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Regluing: after

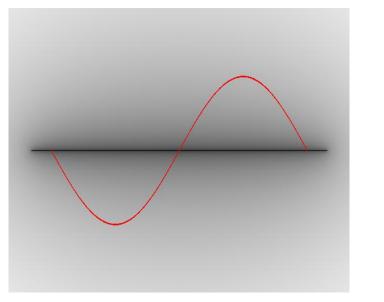


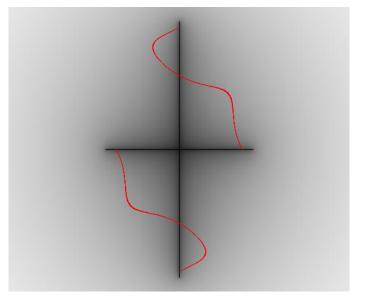
Existence of topological regluing

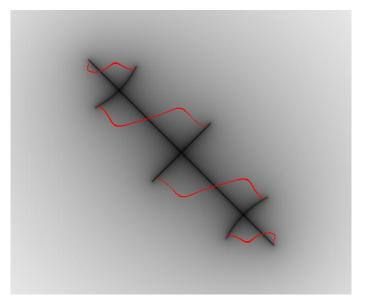
Let X be a compact metric space, and A a set of compact subsets of X. We say that A is *contracted* if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there are only finitely many elements of A, whose diameter exceeds ε . It is not hard to see that this property is topological, i.e. does not depend on the choice of metric.

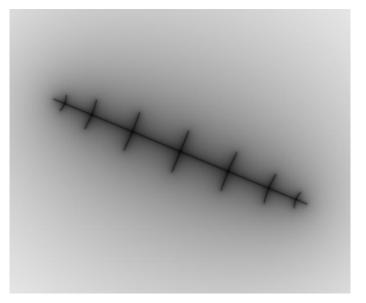
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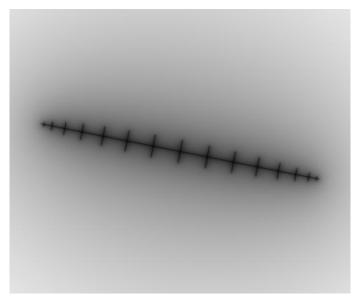
Let \mathcal{A} be a contracted set of disjoint simple curves in S^2 . There exists a homeomorphism $\Phi : S^2 - \bigcup \mathcal{A} \rightarrow S^2 - \bigcup \mathcal{B}$ regluing \mathcal{A} into another set \mathcal{B} of disjoint simple curves.

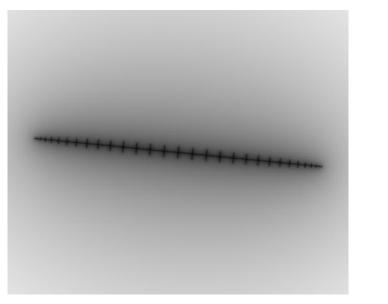


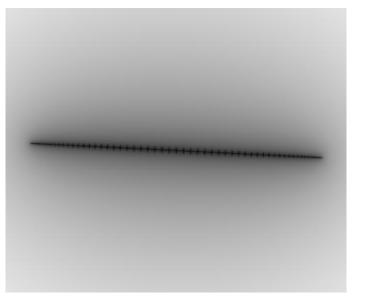




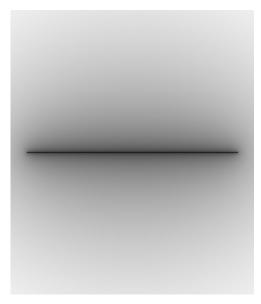




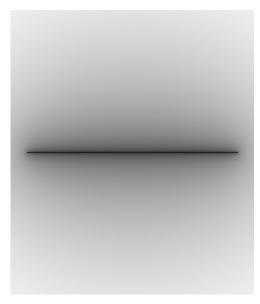


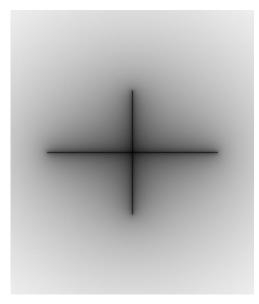


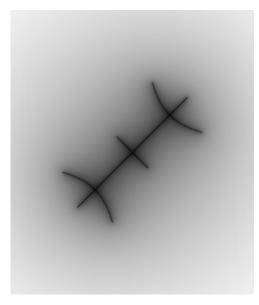
Regluing of $z^2 - 2$ into $z^2 - 2$: the limit



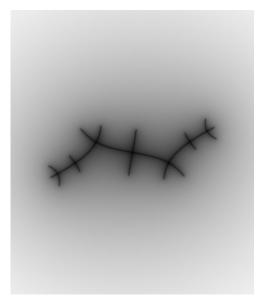
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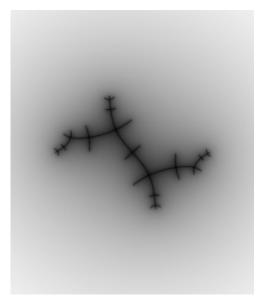


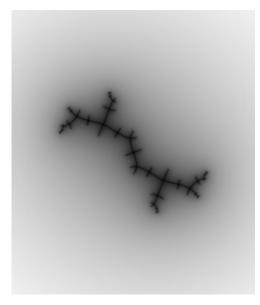




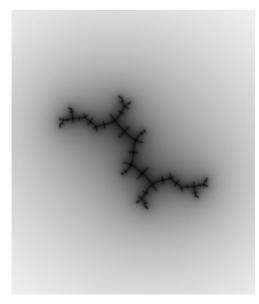
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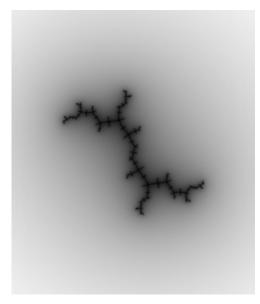


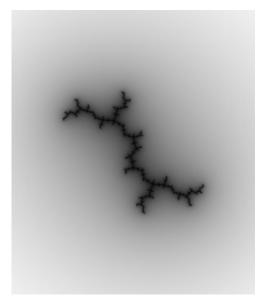


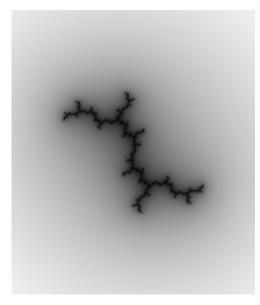


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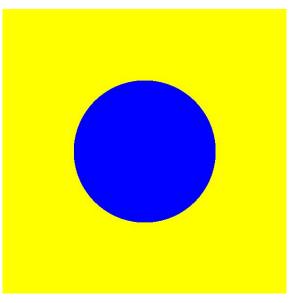


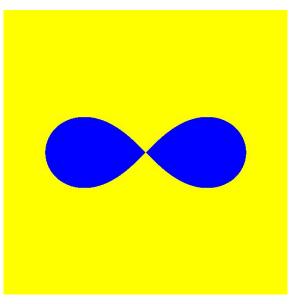


Regluing of $z^2 - 2$ into $z^2 + i$: the limit

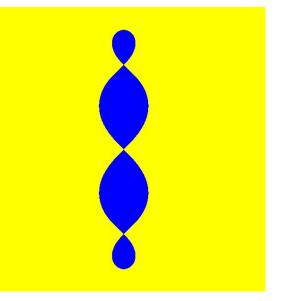
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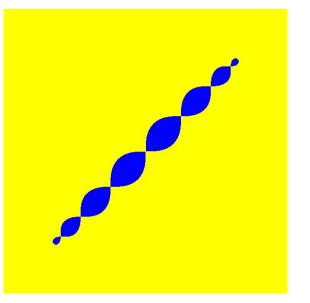




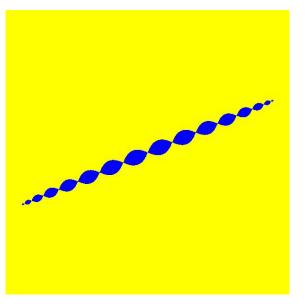


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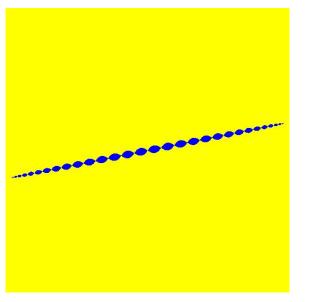




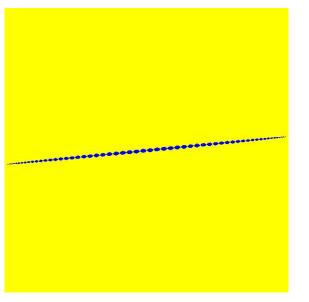
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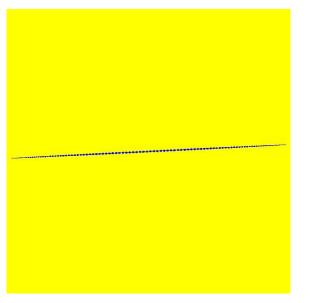


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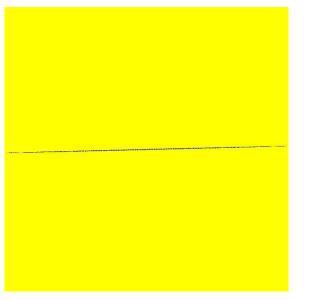
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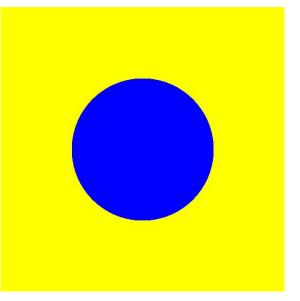
Regluing of z^2 into $z^2 - 2$: step 7



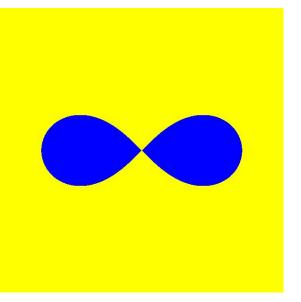
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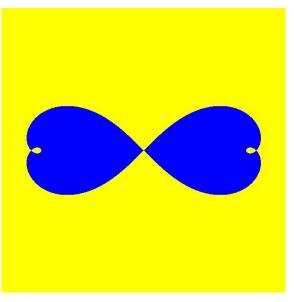




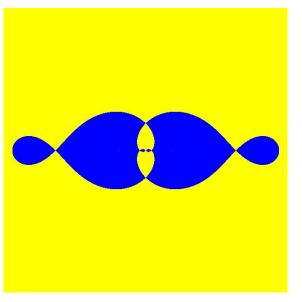
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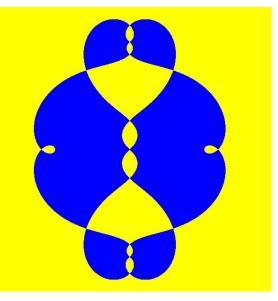
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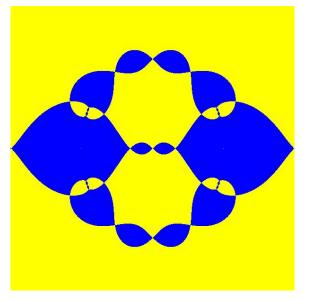
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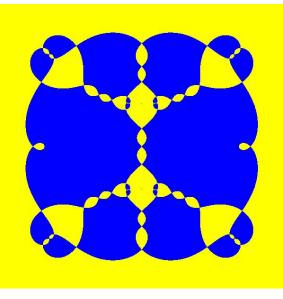
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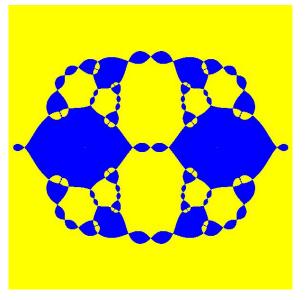
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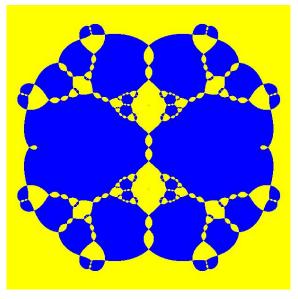
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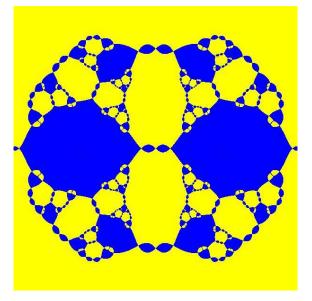
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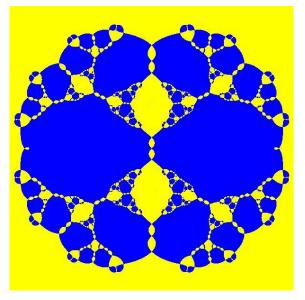
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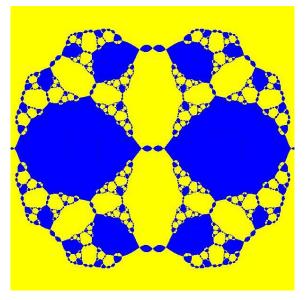
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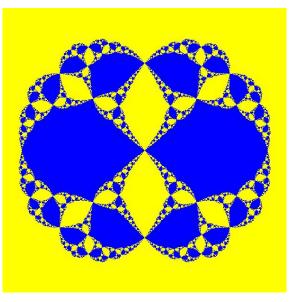


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Regluing of z^2 into $(z^2 + 2)/(z^2 - 1)$: the limit

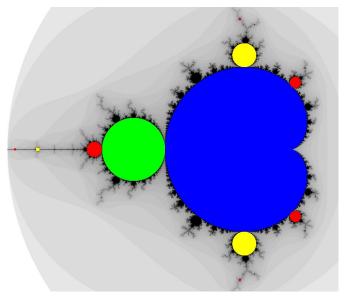


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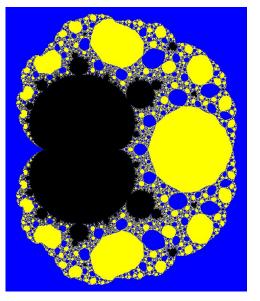
Parameter slices

 $Per_k(0) = \{$ classes of quadratic rational functions f with marked critical points c_1 , c_2 such that $f^{\circ k}(c_1) = c_1 \}$.

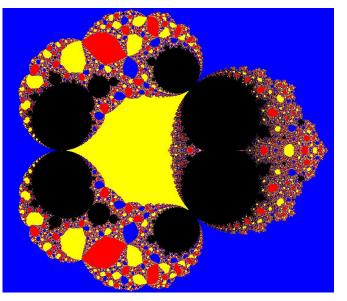
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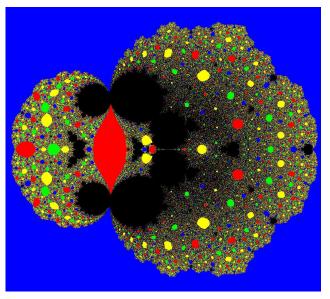


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- The set of hyperbolic rational functions with a *k*-periodic critical point splits into *hyperbolic components*.
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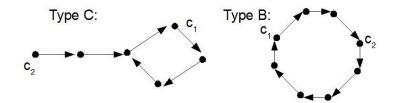
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Types of hyperbolic components



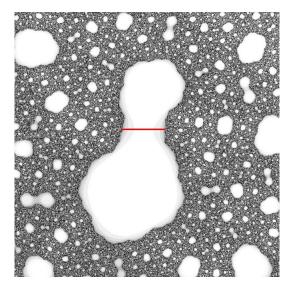
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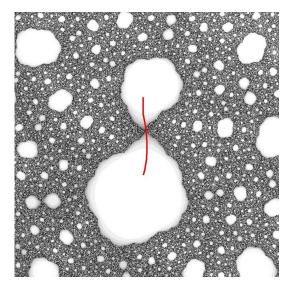
Theorem

If f is on the boundary of a type C hyperbolic component, but not on the boundary of a type B hyperbolic component, then $\Phi \circ f = h \circ \Phi$, where h is the center of a type C hyperbolic component, whose boundary contains f, and Φ is a regluing.

Regluing: before



Regluing: after



Generalized holomorphy

Let Z be a countable union of disjoint simple curves. Assume that Z has zero Lebesgue measure. We say that a map $\Phi : \mathbb{C} - Z \to \mathbb{C}$ is *holomorphic modulo* Z if there is a function $\Psi : Z \to \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{C}-Z} \Phi \,\overline{\partial}\omega = \int_Z \Psi \,\omega$$

for every smooth (1,0)-form ω on \mathbb{C} with compact support.

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Theorem

Consider a quadratic polynomial $f : z \mapsto z^2 + c$ with connected Julia set such that the critical value c is accessible from the basin of infinity. There exists a countable union Z of disjoint simple curves of zero area, and a quadratic polynomial g with totally disconnected Julia set such that $\Phi \circ f = g \circ \Phi$ on $\mathbb{C} - Z$, where $\Phi : \mathbb{C} - Z \to \mathbb{C}$ is a holomorphic map modulo Z.