Bifurcations in spaces of meromorphic maps

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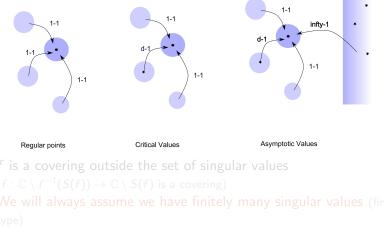
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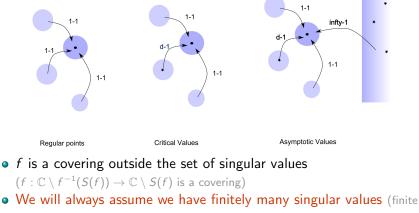
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In holomorphic dynamics, the plane splits into two completely invariant subsets:

- The Fatou set is the maximal open set on which the dynamics is stable, it contains for example attracting basins, rotation domains;
- The Julia set is the set on which the dynamic is chaotic, and is the closure of repelling periodic points.

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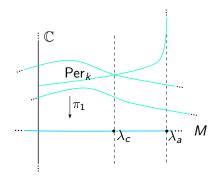
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Proposition

The only possible bifurcations are cycle collisions (parabolic), cycles disappearing to ∞ (or accumulation thereof).

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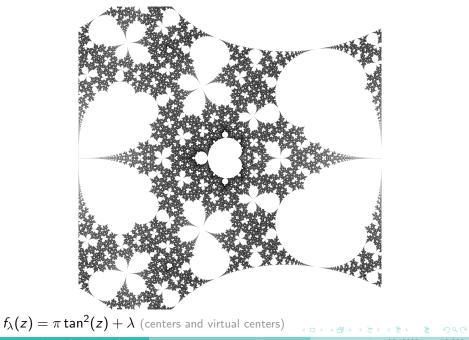
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Could we do more?

- When there are infinitely many singular values, a Newhouse-type phenomena has been announced by Epstein-Rempe, which would lead to bifurcation locus with non-empty interior
- Our results apply to the class of finite type maps: holomorphic maps from W → Ĉ with finitely many singular values Epstein, cpt Riemann Surface, need tameness



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