

λ -LEMMA FOR FAMILIES OF RIEMANN SURFACES AND THE CRITICAL LOCI OF COMPLEX HÉNON MAPS

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ABSTRACT. We prove a version of the classical λ -lemma for holomorphic families of Riemann surfaces. We then use it to show that critical loci for complex Hénon maps that are small perturbations of quadratic polynomials with Cantor Julia sets are all quasiconformally equivalent.

1. INTRODUCTION

A *holomorphic motion* in dimension one is a family of injections $h_\lambda : A \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ of some set $A \subset \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ holomorphically depending on a parameter λ (ranging over some complex manifold Λ). It turned out to be one of the most useful tools in one-dimensional complex dynamics. First it was used to prove that a generic rational endomorphism $f : \hat{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ is structurally stable (see [12, 15]), and then has found numerous further applications.

Usefulness of holomorphic motions largely comes from their nice extension and regularity properties usually referred to as the *λ -lemma*. The simplest version of the Extension λ -lemma asserts that the holomorphic motion of any subset $X \subset \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ extends to a holomorphic motion of the closure \bar{X} [12, 15]. A more advanced version says that it extends to the whole Riemann sphere over a smaller parameter domain [5, 17]. The strongest version [16] asserts that if Λ is the disk $\Delta \subset \mathbb{C}$, then the extension is globally defined over the whole Δ . Moreover, the maps h_λ are automatically continuous [12, 15] and, in fact, quasiconformal [15].

In dimension two, holomorphic motions $h_\lambda : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$, $A \subset \mathbb{C}^2$, do not have such nice properties: in general, they do not admit extension even to the closure \bar{A} , and the maps h_λ are not automatically continuous (let alone, quasiconformal). Still, under some circumstances, holomorphic motions turn out to be useful in higher dimensions as well; see [2, 7].

In this paper, we prove a version of the λ -lemma for a class of holomorphic motions in \mathbb{C}^2 that naturally arise in the study of complex Hénon maps. (See also [6] for related versions.) Namely, we consider a holomorphic family of Riemann surfaces $S_\lambda \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ that fit into a complex two-dimensional manifold such that the boundaries of S_λ move holomorphically in \mathbb{C}^2 . We show that under suitable conditions, the holomorphic motion of the boundary can be extended to a holomorphic motion of the surfaces. The proof is based upon Teichmüller theory.

We use the holomorphic motion of the boundary of S_λ to construct a holomorphic family in the Universal Teichmüller Curve, equipped with a holomorphic motion.

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We show that the total manifold of the fibers in the Universal Curve is isomorphic to the total manifold of S_λ . This gives us a desired holomorphic motion of S_λ .

This work is motivated by study of the geometry of the critical locus \mathcal{C} for the Hénon automorphisms

$$f : (x, y) \mapsto (x^2 + c - ay, x)$$

of \mathbb{C}^2 . This locus was introduced by Hubbard (see [4]) as the set of tangencies between two dynamically defined foliations outside the “big” Julia set. It was studied in [9, 13] in the case of small perturbations (i.e., with a small Jacobian a) of one-dimensional hyperbolic polynomials $P_c : x \mapsto x^2 + c$. In the case when c is outside the Mandelbrot set (and a is small enough), the critical locus has a rich topology described in [9]. Our version of the λ -lemma implies that all these critical loci are quasiconformally equivalent.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1. Notation. We will use the following notation throughout the paper: Δ for the unit disk, Δ_δ for the disk of radius δ in the parameter plane, \mathbb{H} for the hyperbolic plane, D for the unit disk, S for the unit circle, $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$ for the Riemann sphere.

2.2. λ -lemma. Let M be a complex manifold, and let $\Delta \subset \mathbb{C}$ be a unit disk.

Definition 2.1. Let $A \subset M$. A holomorphic motion of A over Δ is a map $f : \Delta \times A \rightarrow M$ such that:

- (1) For any $a \in A$, the map $\lambda \mapsto f(\lambda, a)$ is holomorphic in Δ .
- (2) For any $\lambda \in \Delta$, the map $a \mapsto f(\lambda, a) =: f_\lambda(a)$ is an injection.
- (3) The map f_0 is the identity on A .

Holomorphic motions in one-dimensional dynamical context first appeared in [12, 15]. The following simple but important virtues of one-dimensional holomorphic motions are usually referred to as the λ -lemma.

Extension λ -lemma ([12, 15]). *Let $M = \hat{\mathbb{C}}$, $A \subset \hat{\mathbb{C}}$. Any holomorphic motion $f : \Delta \times A \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ extends to a holomorphic motion $\Delta \times \bar{A} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$.*

Definition 2.2. Let (X, d_X) , (Y, d_Y) be two metric spaces. A homeomorphism $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be quasisymmetric if there exists an increasing continuous function $\eta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, such that for any triple of distinct points x, y and z :

$$\frac{d_Y(f(x), f(y))}{d_Y(f(x), f(z))} \leq \eta \left(\frac{d_X(x, y)}{d_X(x, z)} \right).$$

A quasisymmetric map between two open domains is quasiconformal.

Qc λ -lemma ([15]). *Under the circumstances of the Extension λ -lemma, for any $\lambda \in \Delta$, the map $f_\lambda : \bar{A} \rightarrow f_\lambda(\bar{A})$ is quasisymmetric.*

Later, Bers & Royden [5] and Sullivan & Thurston [17] proved that there exists a universal $\delta > 0$ such that under the circumstances of the Extension λ -lemma, the restriction of f to the parameter disk Δ_δ can be extended to a holomorphic motion $\Delta_\delta \times \hat{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ (“BRST λ -lemma”). Though this version of the λ -lemma will be sufficient for our dynamical applications, let us also state the strongest version asserting that δ is actually equal to 1.

Ślodkowski's λ-lemma ([16]). *Let $A \subset \hat{\mathbb{C}}$. Any holomorphic motion $f : \Delta \times A \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ extends to a holomorphic motion $\Delta \times \hat{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$.*

In what follows, we will use the same notation f for the extended holomorphic motion.

2.3. Elements of Teichmüller theory. We assume that the reader is familiar with the basics of Teichmüller theory. To set up terminology and notation, we recall some basic definitions and statements and refer to [14] for details.

Given a base Riemann surface S , let $\mathcal{QC}(S)$ stand for the set of all Riemann surfaces quasiconformally equivalent to R .

Definition 2.3. Let $X_1, X_2 \in \mathcal{QC}(S)$, and let $\phi_i : S \rightarrow X_i$ be quasiconformal mappings. The pairs (X_1, ϕ_1) and (X_2, ϕ_2) are called *Teichmüller equivalent* if there exists a conformal isomorphism $\alpha : X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ such that ϕ_2 is homotopic to $\alpha \circ \phi_1$ relative to the ideal boundary $I(S)$. The class of equivalent pairs is called a marked by S Riemann surface.¹

Definition 2.4. The Teichmüller space $\mathcal{T}(S)$ modeled on S is the space of marked by S Riemann surfaces.

The space $\mathcal{T}(S)$ can be endowed with a natural *Teichmüller metric*.

Any marked Riemann surface $(\tilde{S}, \psi) \in \mathcal{T}(S)$ defines an isometry

$$(1) \quad \psi_* : \mathcal{T}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\tilde{S}), \quad \psi_* : (X, \phi) \rightarrow (X, \phi \circ \psi^{-1}),$$

called a *change of the base point* of the Teichmüller space.

Definition 2.5. A Beltrami form μ on S is a measurable $(-1, 1)$ -differential form with $\|\mu\|_\infty < 1$. Accordingly, an infinitesimal Beltrami form ν on S is a measurable $(-1, 1)$ -differential form with $\|\nu\|_\infty < \infty$.

Locally, μ can be represented as $\mu(z) \frac{d\bar{z}}{dz}$, where $\mu(z)$ is a measurable function with $|\mu(z)| < 1$ a.e. (Notice that the latter condition is independent of the choice of the local coordinate.)

Any Beltrami form μ determines a *conformal structure* on S , i.e., the class of metrics conformally equivalent to $dz + \mu(z) d\bar{z}$. (In what follows, Beltrami forms and the corresponding conformal structures will be freely identified.) The standard structure σ corresponds to $\mu \equiv 0$.

Let $\mathcal{B}(S)$ be the space of bounded Beltrami forms on S . It is identified with the unit ball in the complex Banach space $L^\infty(S)$, from which it inherits a natural complex structure.

Any quasiconformal map $f : S \rightarrow X$ induces the pullback

$$(2) \quad f^* : \mathcal{B}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(S).$$

Measurable Riemann Mapping Theorem. *Let μ be a bounded Beltrami form on S with $\|\mu\|_\infty = k < 1$. Then there exists a Riemann surface $S_\mu \in \mathcal{QC}(S)$ and a K -quasiconformal map $f_\mu : S \rightarrow S_\mu$ with $K = (1+k)/(1-k)$ such that $f_\mu^* \sigma = \mu$. Moreover, it is unique up to postcomposition with some conformal map $h : S_\mu \rightarrow S'_\mu$.*

¹Somewhat informally, we will use notation (X, ϕ) , or just X , for the equivalence class.

Analytically, $f = f_\mu$ gives a solution to the *Beltrami equation*

$$(3) \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = \mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}.$$

By the Measurable Riemann Mapping Theorem, there is a natural projection

$$\Phi_S : \mathcal{B}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(S).$$

The pullback operator from equation (2) descends to $f^* : \mathcal{T}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(S)$. It is the inverse of the change of the base point f_* .

Theorem 2.6. *There exists a unique complex structure on $\mathcal{T}(S)$ such that the projection Φ_S is holomorphic.*

Notice that the change of the base point (1) is a biholomorphism $\mathcal{T}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\tilde{S})$, so the complex structure on the Teichmüller space is independent of the choice of S .

Let $U \subset S$ be a simply connected domain. Let μ be a Beltrami form in U . It is called *harmonic* if $\mu = \frac{\bar{q}}{\rho^2}$, where q is a holomorphic quadratic differential and $\rho = \rho(z)|dz|$ is the hyperbolic metric in U .

Theorem 2.7 (BR λ -lemma). *Let $f : \Delta \times A \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ be a holomorphic motion. There exists a unique extension $f : \Delta_{1/3} \times \hat{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ such that on each connected component of $\hat{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \bar{A}$, the Beltrami form $\mu_\lambda = \frac{\bar{\partial} f_\lambda}{\partial f_\lambda}$ is harmonic.*

Let S be a hyperbolic Riemann surface, and let $\phi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow S$ be its universal covering with the group of deck transformations Γ .

Lemma 2.8 ([14, Lemma 6.6.3]). *Let ν be an infinitesimal Beltrami form on S . Then $\nu \in \text{Ker } d\Phi_S$ if and only if $\phi^*\nu = \bar{\partial}\eta$, where η is a continuous Γ -invariant vector field on \mathbb{D} such that the distributional derivative $\bar{\partial}\eta$ has bounded L^∞ -norm and $\eta = 0$ on \mathbb{S}^1 .*

Corollary 2.9. *Assume that S is a bounded type Riemann surface with the boundary $\partial S = \gamma^1 \cup \dots \cup \gamma^n$, where γ^i are smooth Jordan curves. Let ν be an infinitesimal Beltrami form. Then $\nu \in \text{Ker } d\Phi_S$ if and only if $\nu = \bar{\partial}\xi$, where ξ is a continuous vector field on S such that the distributional derivative $\bar{\partial}\xi$ has bounded L^∞ norm and $\xi = 0$ on ∂S .*

Proof. Assume $\nu \in \text{Ker } d\Phi_S$; then $\phi^*\nu = \bar{\partial}\eta$, where η is a continuous Γ -invariant vector field on \mathbb{D} , $\eta = 0$ on \mathbb{S}^1 , and $\bar{\partial}\eta$ has bounded L^∞ -norm. Its projection $\phi_*\eta$ is a continuous vector field on S , where $\phi_*\eta = 0$ on ∂S and $\bar{\partial}(\phi_*\eta)$ has bounded L^∞ -norm. To prove the other direction, assume that ξ is a continuous vector field on S so that the L^∞ -norm of $\bar{\partial}\xi$ is bounded and $\xi = 0$ on ∂S . Let $\phi^{-1}(\xi)$ be a lift of the vector field ξ to \mathbb{D} . Let D be a fundamental domain of the group Γ . The vector field ξ vanishes on the boundary. Therefore, $\phi^{-1}(\xi)|_D$ is bounded in the hyperbolic metric. Since Möbius transformations preserve the hyperbolic metric, $\phi^{-1}(\xi)$ is bounded in the hyperbolic metric on \mathbb{D} . Thus, it vanishes on the boundary in the Euclidean metric. \square

The group Γ is Fuchsian, so it acts on the whole Riemann sphere $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$. Let $\mathcal{B}^\Gamma(\hat{\mathbb{C}}) \subset \mathcal{B}(\hat{\mathbb{C}})$ be the space of Γ -invariant Beltrami forms on $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$. We can map $\mathcal{B}(S)$ to $\mathcal{B}^\Gamma(\mathbb{C})$ by lifting $\mu \in \mathcal{B}(S)$ to the Beltrami form $\hat{\mu} = \phi^*\mu$ on \mathbb{D} and then extending it by

0 to the rest of $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$. By the Measurable Riemann Mapping Theorem, there exists a unique solution $\hat{f}_\mu : \hat{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ of the Beltrami equation (3) for $\hat{\mu}$, fixing 0, 1 and ∞ . It conjugates the Fuchsian group Γ to a quasi-Fuchsian group Γ_μ preserving the quasidisk $\hat{f}_\mu(\mathbb{D})$.

Consider the map

$$\Psi : \mathcal{B}(S) \times \hat{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(S) \times \hat{\mathbb{C}}, \quad (\mu, z) \mapsto (\mu, \hat{f}_\mu(z)).$$

The image $\Psi(\mathcal{B}(S) \times \mathbb{D})$ is an open subset of $\mathcal{B}(S) \times \hat{\mathbb{C}}$. Fiberwise actions of quasi-Fuchsian groups Γ_μ induce an action of Γ on $\Psi(\mathcal{B}(S) \times \mathbb{D})$. For $\mu \in \mathcal{B}(S)$, the restriction of \hat{f}_μ to \mathbb{S}^1 and the group Γ_μ depend only on $\Phi_S(\mu) \in \mathcal{T}(S)$. We denote it by $\hat{f}_{\Phi_S(\mu)}$. The quotient of $\Psi(\mathcal{B}(S) \times \mathbb{D})$ by the relation $[(\mu, \hat{f}_\mu) \sim (\nu, \hat{f}_\nu) : \Phi_S(\mu) = \Phi_S(\nu)]$ is a subset of $\mathcal{T}(S) \times \hat{\mathbb{C}}$, with a fiber-wise action of Γ . It is called *the Bers fiber space*. Factorizing the Bers fiber space by the action of Γ , we obtain *the Universal Teichmüller Curve*.

A holomorphic map $\gamma : \Delta \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(S)$ defines a map $\hat{f}_{\gamma(\lambda)}$ on \mathbb{S}^1 . Let $h(\lambda, z) := \hat{f}_{\gamma(\lambda, z)}$. The map h is a holomorphic motion, $h : \Delta \times \mathbb{S}^1 \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$. We also use notation $h_\lambda(*) := h(\lambda, *)$.

Theorem 2.10 (Ślodkowski’s λ-lemma restated [8], [14, Proposition 6.10.5]). *Every holomorphic map $\gamma : \Delta \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(S)$ lifts to a holomorphic map $\tilde{\gamma} : \Delta \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(S)$.*

This implies that the holomorphic motion $h : \Delta \times \mathbb{S}^1 \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ can be extended to a holomorphic motion $\tilde{h} : \Delta \times \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$, equivariant with respect to Γ .

3. λ-LEMMA FOR FAMILIES OF RIEMANN SURFACES

Let us consider a complex 3-fold $\Delta \times \mathbb{C}^2$, and let $\pi_1 : \Delta \times \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \Delta$ be the natural projection to Δ . Let $\bar{S} \subset \Delta \times \mathbb{C}^2$ be a complex 2-fold with non-empty boundary such that $\pi_1 : \bar{S} \rightarrow \Delta$ is a smooth locally trivial fibration with fibers \bar{S}_λ . We assume that the fibers \bar{S}_λ are compact Riemann surfaces with boundary $\partial S_\lambda = \gamma_\lambda^1 \cup \dots \cup \gamma_\lambda^n$, where the γ_λ^i are smooth Jordan curves that move holomorphically over Δ . The intrinsic interior of \bar{S} is a complex 2-fold $S = \bar{S} \setminus \partial S$ that fibers over Δ . The fibers are open Riemann surfaces

$$S_\lambda = \text{int } \bar{S}_\lambda = \bar{S}_\lambda \setminus \partial \bar{S}_\lambda.$$

Note that since Δ is contractible, the fibration $\pi_1 : S \rightarrow \Delta$ is globally trivial in the smooth category.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $f : \Delta \times \partial S_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ be a holomorphic motion of ∂S_0 over Δ such that $\text{Im } f_\lambda = \partial S_\lambda$. Moreover, assume that the maps $f_\lambda : \partial S_0 \rightarrow \partial S_\lambda$ are diffeomorphisms. Then there exists a holomorphic motion \tilde{f} of \bar{S}_0 over Δ such that:*

- (1) $f = \tilde{f}|_{\partial S_0}$.
- (2) For any $\lambda \in \Delta$, $\text{Im } \tilde{f}_\lambda = S_\lambda$.

Note 3.2. Our argument, combined with the Bers-Royden λ-lemma [5], shows that over $\Delta_{1/3}$ there exists a canonical extension \tilde{f}_λ as above (for which the Beltrami differentials $\mu_\lambda = \frac{\bar{\partial} f_\lambda}{\partial f_\lambda}$ are harmonic).

We will show that the family S_λ can be realized as a holomorphic curve in the Universal Curve over the Teichmüller space $\mathcal{T}(S_0)$.

Let us first extend the holomorphic motion f to a smooth motion of $S_0 \rightarrow S_\lambda$ over Δ , for which we will use the same notation f_λ as for the original motion. It defines a smooth curve $\tau_\lambda := (S_\lambda, f_\lambda)$ in the Teichmüller space $\mathcal{T}(S_0)$.

Lemma 3.3. *The elements $\tau_\lambda \in \mathcal{T}(S_0)$ do not depend on the choice of extension.*

Proof. Let f_λ and g_λ be two extensions as above. Then

$$g_\lambda^{-1} \circ f_\lambda : \bar{S}_0 \rightarrow \bar{S}_0, \quad g_\lambda^{-1} \circ f_\lambda|_{\partial S_0} = \text{Id}, \quad \lambda \in \Delta.$$

Hence the maps $g_\lambda^{-1} \circ f_\lambda$ are homotopic to the identity rel ∂S_0 , and thus define the same element of the Teichmüller space $\mathcal{T}(S_0)$. \square

Lemma 3.4. *There exists a holomorphic 1-form ω on S_0 that extends smoothly to the boundary and $\omega(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \bar{S}_0$.*

Proof. Let \tilde{S}_0 be the double of S_0 [1].² There is a holomorphic embedding $\phi : S_0 \rightarrow \tilde{S}_0$ such that ϕ extends smoothly to the boundary ∂S_0 . By the Riemann-Roch theorem, we can take a meromorphic form u on \tilde{S}_0 such that zeros and poles of u belong to $\tilde{S}_0 \setminus \bar{S}_0$. The form $\omega = u|_{S_0}$ is a desired holomorphic 1-form. \square

Theorem 3.5. *The curve τ_λ is an analytic curve in $\mathcal{T}(S_0)$.*

Proof. Let us show that $\frac{\partial \tau_\lambda}{\partial \bar{\lambda}} = 0$. Fix some $\lambda_0 \in \Delta$. Consider the map $f_\lambda \circ f_{\lambda_0}^{-1} : S_{\lambda_0} \rightarrow S_\lambda$. This map defines a family μ_λ of Beltrami forms on S_{λ_0} :

$$\mu_\lambda = \frac{\bar{\partial}(f_\lambda \circ f_{\lambda_0}^{-1})}{\partial(f_\lambda \circ f_{\lambda_0}^{-1})} \in \mathcal{M}(S_{\lambda_0}).$$

Consider the projection map

$$\Phi_{\lambda_0} : \mathcal{B}(S_{\lambda_0}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(S_{\lambda_0}).$$

The map $(f_{\lambda_0})^*$ provides an isomorphism between $\mathcal{T}(S_{\lambda_0})$ and $\mathcal{T}(S_0)$. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} (f_{\lambda_0})^* \circ \Phi_{\lambda_0} : \mathcal{M}(S_{\lambda_0}) &\rightarrow \mathcal{T}(S_0), \\ (f_{\lambda_0})^* \circ \Phi_{\lambda_0}(\mu_\lambda) &= \tau_\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\frac{\partial \tau_\lambda}{\partial \bar{\lambda}} \Big|_{\lambda=\lambda_0} = df_{\lambda_0}^* \circ d\Phi_{\lambda_0} \frac{\partial \mu_\lambda}{\partial \bar{\lambda}} \Big|_{\lambda=\lambda_0}.$$

Let us show that $\frac{\partial \mu_\lambda}{\partial \bar{\lambda}}(\lambda_0) \in \text{Ker } d\Phi_{\lambda_0}$. To simplify the notation, we assume below that $\lambda_0 = 0$. We construct a vector field ξ on S_0 such that $\frac{\partial \mu_\lambda}{\partial \bar{\lambda}}(0) = \bar{\partial}\xi$ and $\xi = 0$ on ∂S_0 and apply Corollary 2.9. Let $\nu := \frac{\partial \mu_\lambda}{\partial \lambda}(0)$, $\kappa := \frac{\partial \mu_\lambda}{\partial \bar{\lambda}}(0)$. Since $\mu_0 = 0$,

$$\mu_\lambda = \lambda\nu + \bar{\lambda}\kappa + o(\lambda, \bar{\lambda}).$$

²The double of a Riemann surface is obtained by gluing the Riemann surface and its mirror image along the boundary.

Let $(g_1, g_2) : S_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ be the defining functions of the Riemann surface S_0 . The functions g_1, g_2 extend smoothly to the boundary, and

$$f_\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} g_1 + \lambda u_1 + \bar{\lambda} v_1 + o(\lambda, \bar{\lambda}) \\ g_2 + \lambda u_2 + \bar{\lambda} v_2 + o(\lambda, \bar{\lambda}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since f_λ is a holomorphic motion on the boundary, the functions v_1, v_2 are equal to zero on the boundary. Let w be a local coordinate on S_0 , $\partial f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial w} dw$, $\bar{\partial} f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{w}} d\bar{w}$. By Lemma 3.4 there is a holomorphic non-zero 1-form ω on S_0 that extends smoothly to the boundary ∂S_0 .

The functions g_1 and g_2 are holomorphic. Thus, $\partial g_1 = h_1 \omega$, $\partial g_2 = h_2 \omega$, where h_1, h_2 are holomorphic functions on S_0 that extend smoothly to ∂S_0 .

$$\begin{aligned} \partial f_\lambda &= \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \omega + \lambda \partial u_1 + \bar{\lambda} \partial v_1 + \dots \\ h_2 \omega + \lambda \partial u_2 + \bar{\lambda} \partial v_2 + \dots \end{pmatrix}, & \bar{\partial} f_\lambda &= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda \bar{\partial} u_1 + \bar{\lambda} \bar{\partial} v_1 + \dots \\ \lambda \bar{\partial} u_2 + \bar{\lambda} \bar{\partial} v_2 + \dots \end{pmatrix}, \\ \mu_\lambda \partial f_\lambda &= \bar{\partial} f_\lambda, \\ (\lambda \nu + \bar{\lambda} \kappa + \dots) \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \omega + \dots \\ h_2 \omega + \dots \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda \bar{\partial} u_1 + \bar{\lambda} \bar{\partial} v_1 + \dots \\ \lambda \bar{\partial} u_2 + \bar{\lambda} \bar{\partial} v_2 + \dots \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\kappa \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \omega \\ h_2 \omega \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\partial} v_1 \\ \bar{\partial} v_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows from [18] that the space of maximal ideals in the algebra A of the holomorphic functions on S_0 that extend continuously to the boundary is isomorphic to \bar{S}_0 . The functions h_1 and h_2 do not have common zeros on \bar{S}_0 . So the ideal generated by h_1 and h_2 coincides with A , in particular the function 1 belongs to the ideal. Hence there exists a pair of holomorphic functions s_1 and s_2 on S_0 that extend continuously to ∂S_0 so that $s_1 h_1 + s_2 h_2 = 1$. Let η be a holomorphic vector field on S_0 such that $\omega(\eta) = 1$. Since ω extends smoothly to ∂S_0 , η extends smoothly to ∂S_0 . Set

$$\xi = (s_1 v_1 + s_2 v_2) \eta;$$

then $\kappa = \bar{\partial} \xi$. Functions v_1, v_2 are smooth in \bar{S}_0 , so $\bar{\partial} v_1, \bar{\partial} v_2$ are bounded in the L^∞ -norm. They are also equal to 0 on the boundary of S_0 , so by Corollary 2.9 $\kappa \in \text{Ker } d\Phi_{\lambda_0}$. \square

Let \mathcal{R} be the total space of the lift of τ_λ to the Universal Teichmüller Curve.

Lemma 3.6. *There exists a biholomorphism $\psi : \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ that commutes with the projection: $\pi_1 \circ \psi = \pi$.*

Proof. Let \mathbb{D}_λ be the fiber over τ_λ in the Bers fiber space. Let h_λ be the holomorphic motion defined by τ_λ in the Bers fiber space. Let $\phi_\lambda : \mathbb{D}_\lambda \rightarrow S_\lambda$ be the uniformizing maps. By the construction we have the following equality on \mathbb{S}^1 :

$$\phi_\lambda \circ h_\lambda = f_\lambda \circ \phi_0.$$

We can consider it as a map $\phi_\lambda = (\phi_\lambda^1, \phi_\lambda^2) : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$.

By the Cauchy integral formula, we have

$$\phi_\lambda^j(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial \mathbb{D}_\lambda} \frac{\phi_\lambda^j(\xi) d\xi}{\xi - z}.$$

For a fixed λ , the map f_λ is a diffeomorphism on each γ_i . The complement to the full preimage of γ_i in \mathbb{S}^1 is the limit set of Γ . Hence it is a Cantor set of measure 0. Therefore, the map h_λ is absolutely continuous.

$$\phi_\lambda^j(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\mathbb{S}^1} \frac{f_\lambda^j(\phi_0(\eta)) h'_\lambda(\eta) d\eta}{h_\lambda(\eta) - z}.$$

It follows that (ϕ^1, ϕ^2) are holomorphic in λ . By definition, they are also holomorphic in z . Factorizing by the action of Γ , we get the required biholomorphism. \square

Proof of Theorem 3.1. The holomorphic motion h_λ descends from the Universal Teichmüller Curve to the holomorphic motion of S_λ .

Applying the BR Extension λ -lemma, we get the canonical extension of the holomorphic motion over the disk of radius $1/3$. \square

Note 3.7. Let us note that Theorem 3.1 is still valid, with the same proof, if \bar{S} is embedded into $\Delta \times \mathbb{C}^n$ instead of $\Delta \times \mathbb{C}^2$. We can also give a more intrinsic version of it, without assuming that S is embedded into an ambient manifold, but assuming instead that the fibration extends beyond the boundary:

Theorem 3.8. *Let \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{R} be 2-dimensional complex manifolds, $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{R}$. Let $\pi : \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \Delta$ be a holomorphic map which is a locally trivial smooth fibration, and let $\pi^{-1}(\lambda) = R_\lambda$ be its fibers. Assume $\bar{S}_\lambda := R_\lambda \cap \bar{S}$ is a Riemann surface with boundary, consisting of finitely many smooth Jordan curves.*

Let $f : \Delta \times \partial S_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ be a holomorphic motion of ∂S_0 over Δ . Moreover, assume that maps $f_\lambda : \partial S_0 \rightarrow \partial S_\lambda$ are diffeomorphisms. Then there exists a holomorphic motion \tilde{f} of \bar{S}_0 over Δ such that:

- (1) $\tilde{f}|_{\partial S_0} = f$.
- (2) $\text{Im}(\tilde{f}) = \bar{S}_\lambda$.

Under these circumstances, we can still construct a curve in the universal Teichmüller space and the corresponding holomorphic motion in the same way as above. By Theorem [10, Th. 30.1], the normal bundle over R_{λ_0} is trivial. Hence a neighborhood of \bar{S}_{λ_0} in \mathcal{R} can be embedded into $\mathbb{D} \times R_{\lambda_0}$, and therefore it can be embedded into \mathbb{C}^3 . This is enough to carry through the above proofs of Theorem 3.5 and Lemma 3.6.

4. APPLICATION TO DYNAMICS

4.1. Background on Hénon maps. Complex Hénon maps are biholomorphisms $f_\lambda : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ of the form

$$f_\lambda \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 + c - ay \\ x \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\lambda = (a, c)$, $a \in \mathbb{C}^*$, $c \in \mathbb{C}$.

In the one-dimensional holomorphic dynamics, the global phase portrait is to a large extent determined by the behavior of the critical points. Being diffeomorphisms, Hénon maps do not have critical points in the usual sense. However, they possess an interesting analogous object, the *critical locus*.

Let us recall the following dynamically significant sets:

$$\begin{aligned} U_\lambda^+ &= \{(x, y) : f_\lambda^n(x, y) \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow +\infty\}, & K_\lambda^+ &= \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus U_\lambda^+, & J_\lambda^+ &= \partial K_\lambda^+, \\ U_\lambda^- &= \{(x, y) : f_\lambda^{-n}(x, y) \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow +\infty\}, & K_\lambda^- &= \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus U_\lambda^-, & J_\lambda^- &= \partial K_\lambda^-, \end{aligned}$$

$$J_\lambda = J_\lambda^+ \cap J_\lambda^-.$$

Domains U_λ^+ and U_λ^- are called (*forward and backward*) *escape loci*; J_λ is called the *Julia set* of the Hénon map.

In the one-dimensional polynomial dynamics, the critical points of the polynomial in the complement of the filled Julia set are the critical point of Green's function. For a complex Hénon map, one can define the *forward and backward Green's functions* that measure the escape rate of the orbits under forward and backward iterations of the map [11]:

$$G_\lambda^+(x, y) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log^+ |f_\lambda^n(x, y)|}{2^n},$$

$$G_\lambda^-(x, y) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log^+ |f_\lambda^{-n}(x, y)|}{2^n} + \log |a|.$$

The functions G_λ^+ , G_λ^- are pluriharmonic on the escape loci U_λ^+ , U_λ^- respectively. Therefore, their level sets are foliated by Riemann surfaces. We denote by \mathcal{F}_λ^+ , \mathcal{F}_λ^- the corresponding foliations. These Riemann surfaces are in fact copies of \mathbb{C} [11].

Let $p_c(x) = x^2 + c$. As $a \rightarrow 0$, Hénon maps degenerate to a 1-dimensional map $x \mapsto p_c(x)$, acting on parabola $x = p_c(y)$, and $a \rightarrow 0$, Green's functions G_λ^+ converge to $G_{(0,c)}^+(x, y) = G_{p_c}(x)$, where $G_{p_c}(x)$ is the Green's function of the map $x \mapsto p_c(x)$.

There are also analogues $\phi_{\lambda,+}$, $\phi_{\lambda,-}$ of the *Böttcher coordinates*. The function $\phi_{\lambda,+}$ is well defined and holomorphic in a neighborhood V_λ^+ of $(x = \infty, y = 0)$ in the $\hat{\mathbb{C}}^2$ -compactification of \mathbb{C}^2 , and $\phi_{\lambda,+} \sim x$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Moreover, it semiconjugates f to $z \mapsto z^2$, $\phi_{\lambda,+}(f\lambda) = \phi_{\lambda,+}^2$.

In V_λ^+ , the foliation \mathcal{F}_λ^+ consists of the level sets of $\phi_{\lambda,+}$. It can be propagated to the rest of U_λ^+ by the dynamics. One can also extend $\phi_{\lambda,+}$ to U_λ^+ as a multi-valued function, and then use any branch of it to define \mathcal{F}_λ^+ . Moreover, any branch is related to the Green's function by $G_\lambda^+ = \log |\phi_{\lambda,+}|$.

The function $\phi_{\lambda,-}$ is defined in an analogous way.

4.2. Critical locus.

Definition 4.1. The critical locus \mathcal{C}_λ is the set of tangencies between the foliations \mathcal{F}_λ^+ and \mathcal{F}_λ^- .

The critical locus is given by the zeros of the 2-form

$$w = d \log \phi_{\lambda,+} \wedge d \log \phi_{\lambda,-}.$$

It is a non-empty proper analytic subset of $U_\lambda^+ \cap U_\lambda^-$ which is invariant under the maps $f_\lambda, f_\lambda^{-1}$.

Lyubich and Robertson ([13]) gave a description of the critical locus for Hénon mappings

$$(x, y) \mapsto (p(x) - ay, x),$$

where $p(x)$ is a hyperbolic polynomial with the connected Julia set and a is sufficiently small. They showed that for each critical point c of p there is a component of the critical locus that is asymptotic to the line $y = c$. The rest of the components are iterates of these, and each is a punctured disk. In this case, all critical loci are obviously conformally equivalent.

A topological description of the critical locus for complex Hénon maps that are perturbations of quadratic polynomials with disconnected Julia sets is given in [9]. The critical locus is a connected Riemann surface with rich topology. It is composed of countably many Riemann spheres S_n with holes that are connected one to another by handles. There are 2^{k-1} handles between S_n and S_{n+k} . On each sphere S_n the handles accumulate to two Cantor sets.

We are ready to formulate the main result of this paper.

Theorem 4.2. *The critical loci of the Hénon maps that are small perturbations of quadratic polynomials with disconnected Julia sets are quasiconformally equivalent.*

4.3. Topological description of the critical locus. In this section we will give, following [9], a precise description of the critical locus.

Let \mathcal{A} be the space of one-sided sequences of 0's and 1's (“infinite strings”), and let \mathcal{A}^n be the space of n -strings of 0's and 1's.

Let us describe *truncated spheres* that will serve as the building blocks for the critical locus. Consider a 2-sphere $S \equiv S^2$ and a pair of disjoint Cantor sets $\Sigma, \Theta \subset S$. Let us fix a nest of *figure-eight curves* Γ_α^n and L_α^n , $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}^n$, respectively generating these Cantor sets in the following natural way.³

Let us start with a single figure-eight curve Γ^0 bounding two domains D_0^1 and D_1^1 (with an arbitrary assignment of labeling). The curve $\Gamma_0^1 \subset D_0^1$ bounds two domains D_{00}^2 and D_{01}^2 compactly contained in D_0^1 (with an arbitrary assignment of the second label), and similarly, $\Gamma_1^1 \subset D_1^1$ bounds two domains D_{10}^2 and D_{11}^2 inside D_1^1 , etc. See Figure 1.

We assume that $\bigcup_\alpha D_\alpha^n \supset \Sigma$ and $\text{diam } D_\alpha^n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ (uniformly in $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}^n$), so for each sequence $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$, there is a unique point

$$\sigma_\alpha = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \overline{D_{\alpha_n}^n} \in \Sigma,$$

where $\alpha_n \in \mathcal{A}^n$ is the initial n -string of α . This gives us a one-to-one coding of points $\sigma \in \Sigma$ by sequences $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$.

Similarly, Θ is generated by a hierarchical nest of figure-eights L_α^n . We assume that these two nests are *disjoint* in the sense that figure-eight L^0 lies in the unbounded component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Gamma^0$, and the other way around.

The singular points σ_α^n and θ_α^n of the figure-eights Γ_α^n and L_α^n respectively are called their *centers*. For each figure-eight Γ_α^n , select a disk $V_\alpha^n \ni \sigma_\alpha^n$ whose closure is disjoint from all other figure-eights Γ_β^m and from L^0 . Then select a disk $U_\alpha^n \ni \theta_\alpha^n$ with similar properties for each figure-eight L_α^n . Moreover, make these choices so that the closures of all these disks are pairwise disjoint.

For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}^n$, we choose a homeomorphism h_α^n between the boundaries of V_α^n and U_α^n . Finally, we mark a point $p \in S$ in the exterior of both figure-eights and the disks \bar{U}^0, \bar{V}^0 . With all these choices in hand, we call

$$S \setminus X, \quad \text{where } X := \Sigma \cup \Theta \cup \{p\} \bigcup_n \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}^n} U_\alpha^n \cup V_\alpha^n \right),$$

a *truncated sphere*. Note that for any two truncated spheres $S \setminus X$ and $S' \setminus X'$ there is a homeomorphism $(S, X) \rightarrow (S', X')$ that restricts to the natural homeomorphisms between the corresponding marked sets.

³For $n = 0$, we let $\mathcal{A}^0 = \emptyset$.

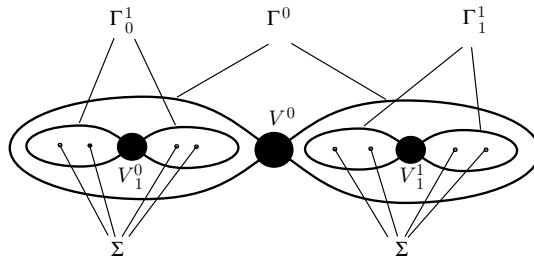


FIGURE 1. The geometry of a truncated sphere

Theorem 4.3. *Assume that the quadratic polynomial $x \mapsto x^2 + c$ has disconnected Julia set. Then there exists $\delta > 0$ such that for any $|a| < \delta$ the critical locus of the Hénon map*

$$f_\lambda : \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x^2 + c - ay \\ x \end{pmatrix}$$

is a non-singular Riemann surface that admits the following topological model. Take countably many copies $S_m \setminus X_m$, $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, of the truncated sphere $S \setminus X$, and glue the boundary of V_α^n of S_k to the boundary of U_α^n of S_{n+k+1} by means of the homeomorphism h_α^n . The model map acts by translating $S_n \setminus X_n$ to $S_{n+1} \setminus X_{n+1}$.

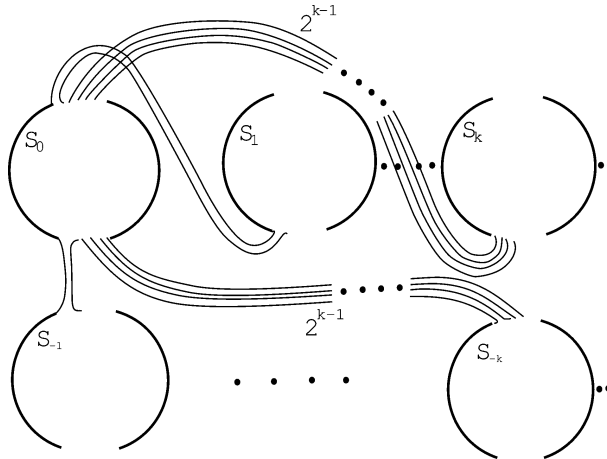


FIGURE 2. Critical locus

4.4. Proof of Theorem 4.2. The critical locus is a Riemann surface with infinitely generated fundamental group. Using results from [9], we subdivide the fundamental domain of the critical locus into pieces (each one is a disk with five holes) such that on the boundary of each piece we have a well-defined holomorphic motion. Then we extend the motion into each piece using Theorem 3.1. As a result, we get a holomorphic motion of all of the critical locus.

In [9] we gave a detailed description of the position of the critical locus \mathcal{C}_λ in \mathbb{C}^2 for $\lambda \in \Lambda$, where Λ is a set of parameters of a small perturbation of quadratic polynomials with disconnected Julia set. Below we fix a parameter $\lambda_0 = (a_0, c_0) \in \Lambda$

and use the description from [9] to construct a holomorphic motion of the critical loci \mathcal{C}_λ , for λ that belong to a 1-parameter family in a neighborhood of λ_0 . Let us first describe a fundamental domain of the critical locus in \mathbb{C}^2 . Let

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_\lambda &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2 : G_a^+ \leq r, \quad |y| \leq \beta, \quad |p_c(y) - x| > |a|\beta\}, \\ \Upsilon_\lambda &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2 : G_a^+(x, y) \geq r, \quad |y| \leq \epsilon, \quad |p_c(y) - x| > |a|\beta\}. \end{aligned}$$

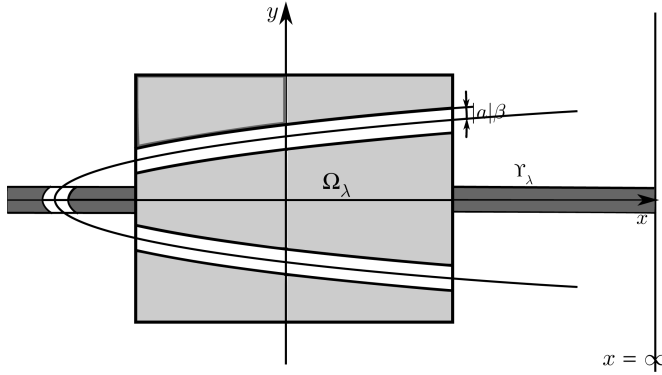


FIGURE 3. Domains Ω_λ and Υ_λ

When $a \rightarrow 0$, domains Ω_λ converge in Hausdorff topology to $\Omega_{(0,c)}$. In [9] we choose r, β and ϵ , depending on c , so that for c' close to c and a small enough, $\mathcal{C}_\lambda \cap (\Omega_\lambda \cup \Upsilon_\lambda)$ form a fundamental domain for the map f_λ on the critical locus (see [9, Lemma 13.6]). We further cut $\Omega_\lambda \cap U_\lambda^+$ into subdomains Ω_λ^α , where α goes over all finite diadic strings.

We recursively encode the n -th preimages ξ_α of 0 under the map $z \mapsto z^2 + c$ by diadic n -strings α . We assume that 0 itself is parametrized by \emptyset . Let $\alpha^0, \alpha^1 \in \mathcal{A}^{n+1}$ be the strings obtained by adding 0, 1 correspondingly to α on the right. We encode preimages of ξ_α by α^0 and α^1 . Since each connected component of

$$\left\{ \frac{r}{2^{n+1}} \leq G_{p_c} \leq \frac{r}{2^n} \right\}$$

contains a unique n -preimage of the critical point, they are encoded by diadic n -strings α as well:

$$\Omega_{(0,c)}^\alpha = \{ \text{a connected component of } \left\{ \frac{r}{2^{n+1}} \leq G_{(0,c)}^+ \leq \frac{r}{2^n} \right\} \cap \Omega_{(0,c)} \}$$

that contains a line $x = \xi_\alpha, \alpha \in \mathcal{A}^n$.

By the choice of r in [9], the connected components of

$$\left\{ \frac{r}{2^{n+1}} \leq G_\lambda^+ \leq \frac{r}{2^n} \right\} \cap \Omega_\lambda$$

depend continuously on a in the Hausdorff topology. We denote by Ω_λ^α the continuation of $\Omega_{(0,c)}^\alpha$.

Let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_\lambda^\alpha &:= \mathcal{C}_\lambda \cap \Omega_\lambda^\alpha, \quad \mathcal{C}_\lambda^\Upsilon := \mathcal{C}_\lambda \cap \Upsilon_\lambda, \\ \mathcal{C}_\lambda^f &:= \bigcup_\alpha \mathcal{C}_\lambda^\alpha \cup \mathcal{C}_\lambda^\Upsilon. \end{aligned}$$

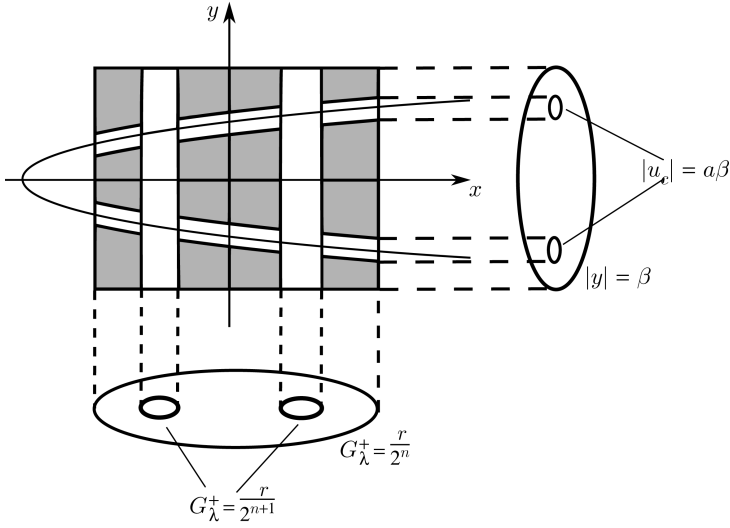


FIGURE 4. Domain Ω_λ^α

Since $\mathcal{C}_\lambda^f = \mathcal{C}_\lambda \cap (\Omega_\lambda \cup \Upsilon_\lambda)$, \mathcal{C}_λ^f is a fundamental domain of the critical locus under the map f_λ .

Let $u_c = y^2 + c - x$.

Lemma 4.4 ([9, Lemma 11.4]). *There exists δ such that for $|\lambda - \lambda_0| < \delta$, $\mathcal{C}_\lambda^\alpha$, where $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}^n$, $n = 0, 1, \dots$, is a connected sum of two disks D_1 and D_2 with two holes each. The boundary of D_1 belongs to $\{|y| = \beta\}$, and the holes of D_1 have boundaries on $\{|u_c| = |a|\beta\}$. The boundary of D_2 belongs to $\{G_\lambda^+ = \frac{r}{2^n}\}$ and the holes to $\{G_\lambda^+ = \frac{r}{2^{n+1}}\}$.*

Let

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_\lambda^\alpha &:= \mathcal{C}_\lambda^\alpha \cap \{|y| = \beta\}, \\ \tilde{\gamma}_\lambda^\alpha &:= f_\lambda(\gamma_\lambda^\alpha), \\ \delta_\lambda^\alpha &:= \mathcal{C}_\lambda^\alpha \cap \{G_\lambda^+ = \frac{r}{2^n}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\partial\mathcal{C}_\lambda^\alpha = \gamma_\lambda^\alpha \cup \tilde{\gamma}_\lambda^{\alpha^0} \cup \tilde{\gamma}_\lambda^{\alpha^1} \cup \delta_\lambda^\alpha \cup \delta_\lambda^{\alpha^0} \cup \delta_\lambda^{\alpha^1}.$$

Lemma 4.5 ([9, Lemma 13.1]). *There exists δ such that for $|\lambda - \lambda_0| < \delta$, $\mathcal{C}_\lambda^\Upsilon$ is a punctured disk, with a hole removed. The puncture is at the point $(\infty, 0)$ and the boundary of the hole belongs to $\{|p_c(y) - x| = |a|\beta\}$.*

$$\partial\mathcal{C}_\lambda^\Upsilon = \tilde{\gamma}_\lambda^\emptyset \cup \delta_\lambda^\emptyset \cup (\infty, 0).$$

Let $D_\delta(\lambda_0)$ be a δ -neighborhood of λ_0 in the parameter space.

Lemma 4.6. *Let D be a holomorphic disk in $D_\delta(\lambda_0)$. Then there exists a holomorphic motion of γ_λ^α and δ_λ^α over D .*

Proof. By [9, Lemma 11.1], in a neighborhood of δ_λ^α , \mathcal{C}_λ is a graph of function y_λ of $(\phi_{\lambda,+}^{2^n})^{-1}$. Hence we can construct a holomorphic motion of δ_λ^α by following

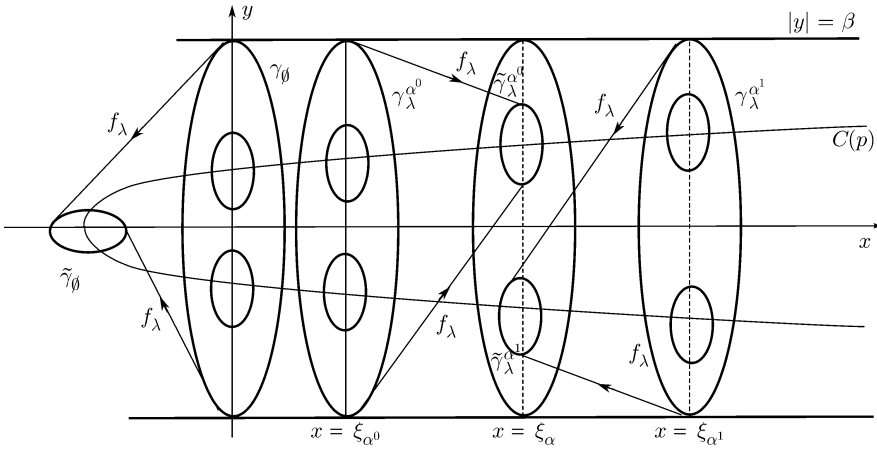


FIGURE 5. Pairing of boundary curves in the fundamental domain

the values of $\phi_{\lambda,+}^{2^n}$: we map the point $((\phi_{\lambda_0,+}^{2^n})^{-1}(z), y_{\lambda_0}((\phi_{\lambda_0,+}^{2^n})^{-1}(z)))$ on C_{λ_0} (where $|z| = e^{\frac{\pi}{2^n}}$) to the point $((\phi_{\lambda,+}^{2^n})^{-1}(z), y_{\lambda}((\phi_{\lambda,+}^{2^n})^{-1}(z)))$ on C_{λ} . Similarly, in a neighborhood of $\gamma_{\lambda}^{\alpha}$, C_{λ} is a graph of a function of y . Therefore, we can follow the values of y to construct the holomorphic motion of $\gamma_{\lambda}^{\alpha}$. \square

Lemma 4.7. *Let D be a holomorphic disk in $D_{\delta}(\lambda_0)$. Then there exists a holomorphic motion of C_{λ}^f over D that is equivariant under f_{λ} on the boundary.*

Proof. We propagate the holomorphic motion constructed in the previous lemma to $\tilde{\gamma}_{\lambda}^{\alpha}$ by the dynamics. Thus we get a holomorphic motion of $\partial C_{\lambda}^{\alpha}$, $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_n$, $n = 0, 1, \dots$, and ∂C_{λ}^f .

Then for each fixed C_{λ}^{α} , $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_n$, we apply Theorem 3.1. We obtain a holomorphic motion of C_{λ}^{α} over D that extends the holomorphic motion of the boundary $\partial C_{\lambda}^{\alpha}$. We can extend the holomorphic motion to a neighborhood of ∞ on C_{λ}^f ($C_{\lambda}^f \cap \{G_{\lambda}^+ < R\}$) by following the values of $\phi_{\lambda,+}$. Let $\tilde{C}_{\lambda}^{\alpha} = C_{\lambda}^{\alpha} \cap \{G_{\lambda}^+ < R\}$. $\tilde{C}_{\lambda}^{\alpha}$ is a disk with two holes, so we can apply Theorem 3.1 to obtain a holomorphic motion of $\tilde{C}_{\lambda}^{\alpha}$. Hence, we constructed a holomorphic motion of the fundamental domain C_{λ}^f . It is equivariant by construction. \square

We propagate the holomorphic motion to the rest of C_{λ} by dynamics. The space Λ is path connected. Therefore, the critical loci C_{λ} for all maps that are small perturbations of quadratic polynomials with disconnected Julia set are quasiconformally equivalent.

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