

# Algebraic patterns for dynamical systems

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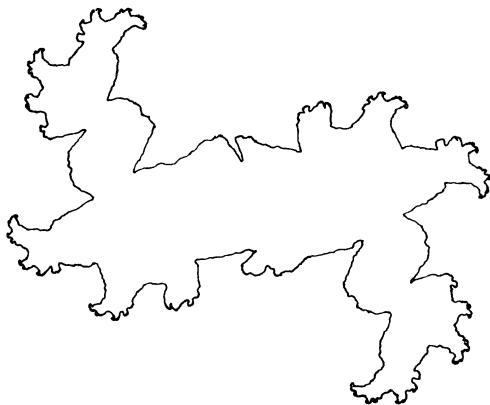
# Quasiconformal homeomorphisms and dynamics

## I. Solution of the Fatou-Julia problem on wandering domains

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### Introduction

If one perturbs the analytic dynamical system  $z \xrightarrow{R} z^2$  on the Riemann sphere  $\bar{C}$  to  $z \xrightarrow{R_a} z^2 + az$  for small  $a$ , the following happens: Before perturbation the round unit circle  $C$  is invariant under iteration of  $R$  and  $R$  is expanding on  $C$  ( $|R'(z)| > 1$ ),  $R$  has dense orbits, and is even ergodic on  $C$  relative to linear measure. After perturbation  $R_a$  now preserves a unique Jordan curve  $C_a$  close to  $C$  and again  $R$  is expanding and has dense orbits on  $C_a$ . Now  $C_a$  is not a rectifiable curve. It is a fractal curve with Hausdorff dimension  $> 1$  which increases with  $|a|$ . (Figure 1). The intricacies of  $C$  are of a self-similar nature



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These Poincaré deformations (1883) have been t

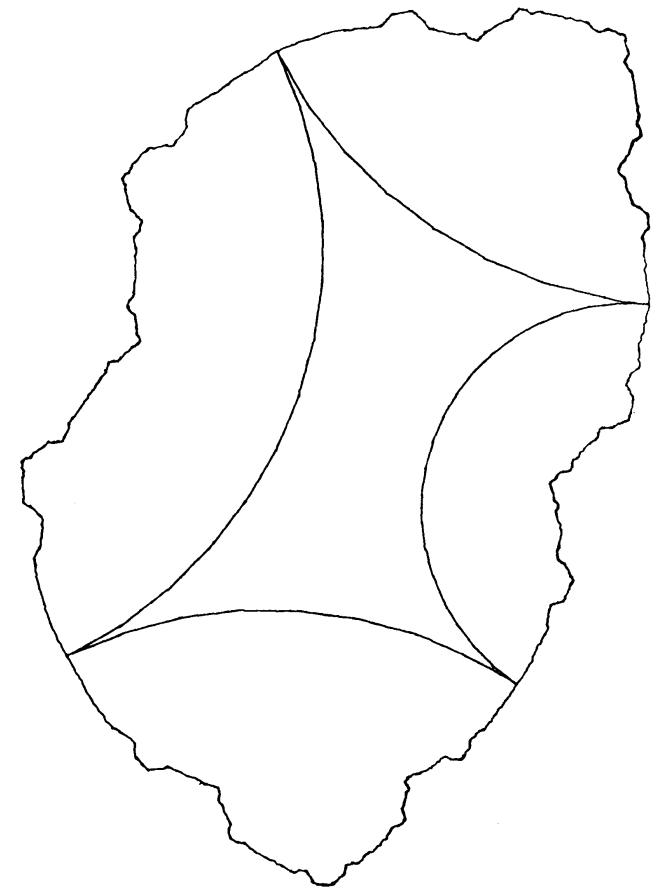


FIGURE 2

# The Dictionary

*Sullivan, 1970/80s*

We close with a sample of the dictionary between analytic iteration and discrete subgroups of  $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{C})$  which lies behind this series of papers.

*Complex analytic  
iteration*

*Discrete subgroups  
of  $\text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{C})$*

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entire mapping

Blaschke product

rational mapping,  $R$

degree of mapping,  $d$

$(2d - 2)$  analytic parameters

$(2d - 2)$  critical points

Fatou-Julia limit set ([8], [11])

arbitrary Kleinian group

arbitrary Fuchsian group

finitely generated Kleinian group,  $\Gamma$

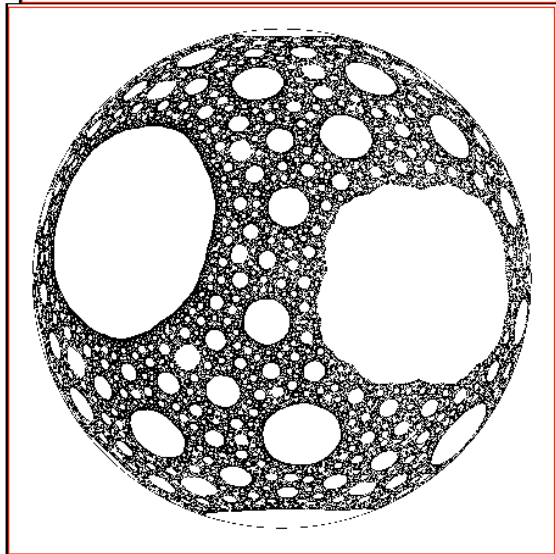
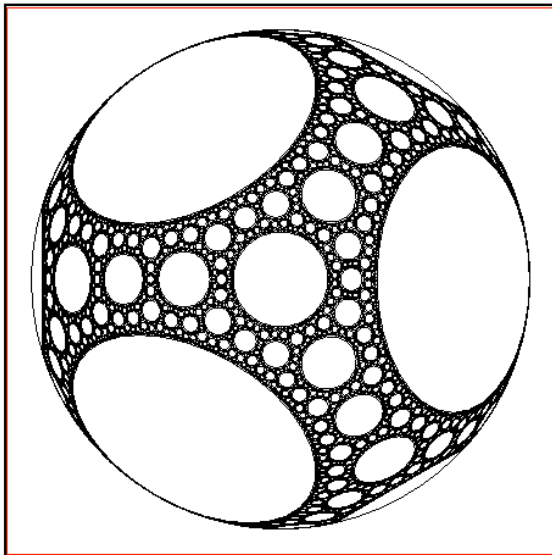
number of generators,  $n$

$(3n - 3)$  analytic parameters

(?) ends of hyperbolic 3 manifolds

Poincaré limit set (1880)

# Carpets



# Renormalization

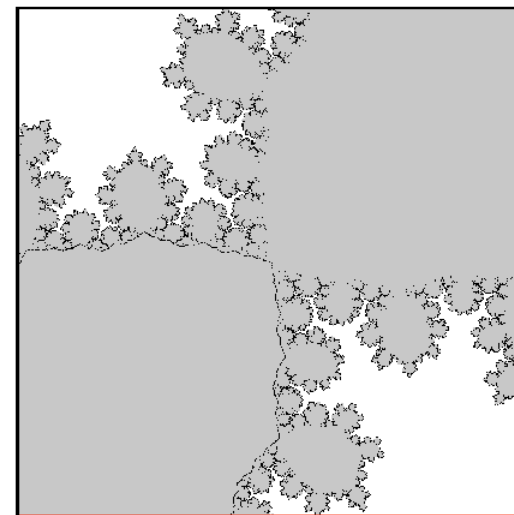
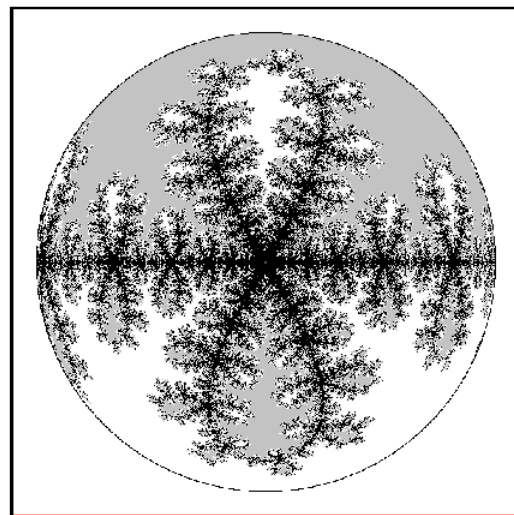
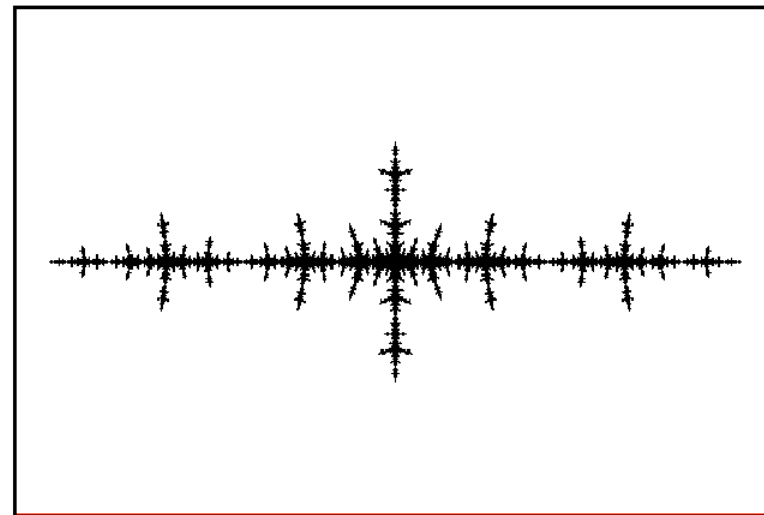
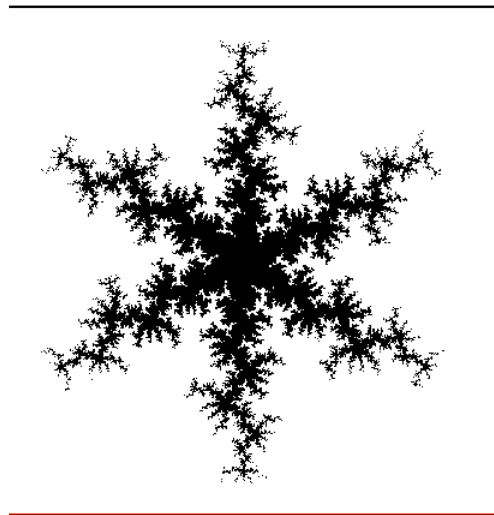


Figure 6. Sierpiński curves.

HYPERBOLIC MANIFOLDS	INTERVAL MAPS	SIEGEL DISKS/ CIRCLE MAPS
Discrete surface group $\Gamma \subset PSL_2(\mathbb{C})$ $M = \mathbb{H}^3/\Gamma$	$\mathbb{R}$ -quadratic polynomial $f(z) = z^2 + c$	Nonlinear rotation $f(z) = \lambda z + z^2$ or $\lambda z^2(z-3)/(1-3z)$
Representation $\rho : \pi_1(S) \rightarrow \Gamma$	Quadratic-like map $f : U \rightarrow V$	Holomorphic commutative pair $(f, g)$
Ending lamination $\epsilon(M) \in \mathcal{GL}(S)$	Tuning invariant $\tau(f) = \langle \sigma(\mathcal{R}^n(f)) \rangle$	Continued fraction $\theta = [a_1, a_2, \dots], \lambda = e^{2\pi i}$
Inj. radius $(M) > r > 0$	Bounded combinatorics	Bounded type
Cut points in $\Lambda$ $= \bigcup_1^\infty$ (Cantor sets)	Postcritical set $P(f) = \overline{\bigcup f^n(c)}$ , $f'(c) = 0$ $=$ (Cantor set)	$=$ (circle or quasi-circle)
( $\mathbb{R}$ -tree of $(\epsilon(M), \pi_1(S))$ )	$(\varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/p_i, x \mapsto x+1)$	$(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}, x \mapsto x+\theta)$
$\Lambda(\Gamma)$ is locally connected	$J(f)$ is locally connected	$J(f)$ is locally connected
area $\Lambda(\Gamma) = 0$	area $(J(f)) = 0?$	
Inj. radius $\in [r, R]$ in core $(M)$	$(\mathcal{F}(f), J(f))$ is uniformly twisting	
Mapping class $\psi \in \text{Mod}(S)$	Kneading permutation	Automorphism $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ of $\mathbb{Z}^2$
Renormalization Operators		
$\mathcal{R}(\rho) = \rho \circ \psi^{-1}$	$\mathcal{R}(f) = f^p(z)$	$\mathcal{R}(f, g) = (f^a g^b, f^c g^d)$
Stable Manifold of Renormalization		
$M =$ asymptotic fiber	$f =$ limit of doublings	$\theta =$ golden ratio
Elliptic points deep in $\Lambda(\Gamma)$	Critical point $c_0(f)$ deep in $J(f)$ or $K(f)$	
$\rho \circ \psi^{-n}$ , $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$f^n$ , $n = 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, \dots$	$f^n$ , $n = 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, \dots$
Geometric limit of $\mathcal{R}^n(\rho)$	Quadratic-like tower $(f_i : i \in \mathbb{Z}); f_{i+1} = f_i \circ f_i$	Tower of commuting pairs
Hyperbolic 3-manifold $S \times [0, 1]/\psi$ fibering over the circle	Fixed-points of Renormalization	
Conformal structure is $C^{1+\alpha}$ -rigid at deep points $\implies$ Renormalization converges exponentially fast		
$M$ is asymptotically rigid	$J(f)$ is self-similar at the critical point $c_0(f)$	

Parallels	
Infinitely renormalizable map $f(z) = z^2 + c$ , $c \in \mathbb{R}$	Siegel linearizable map $f(z) = e^{2\pi i \theta} z + z^2$ , $\theta$
Tuning invariant $c = s_1 * s_2 * s_3 \dots$	Continued fraction $\theta = [a_1, a_2, \dots]$
Bounded combinatorics	Bounded type
$P(f) =$ quasi-Cantor set	$P(f) =$ quasi-circle
Quadratic-like map	Holomorphic pair
Feigenbaum polynomial $(\mathbb{Z}_2, x+1)$	Golden mean polynomial $(S^1, x+\theta)$
$f^n$ , $n = 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, \dots$	$f^n$ , $n = 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 1$
$(\mathcal{F}(f), J(f))$ is uniformly twisting	
The critical point of $f$ is a deep point of $K(f)$	
Conjugacies are $C^{1+\alpha}$ on $P(f)$	

Table 2.

Riemann surfaces	D
Fuchsian group $G \subset \text{Aut}(\Delta)$	Blaschke product
Quasifuchsian group $\Gamma$	Mating $F(z)$ of
Unit tangent bundle $T_1(X)$	Riemann surface
Geodesic flow	Suspension
Closed geodesic $\gamma$	Periodic orbit
Length of $\gamma$	Log of the multiplier
Length of a random geodesic	Growth of $(f^n)$
Weil-Petersson metric on $\mathcal{T}_g$	Metric

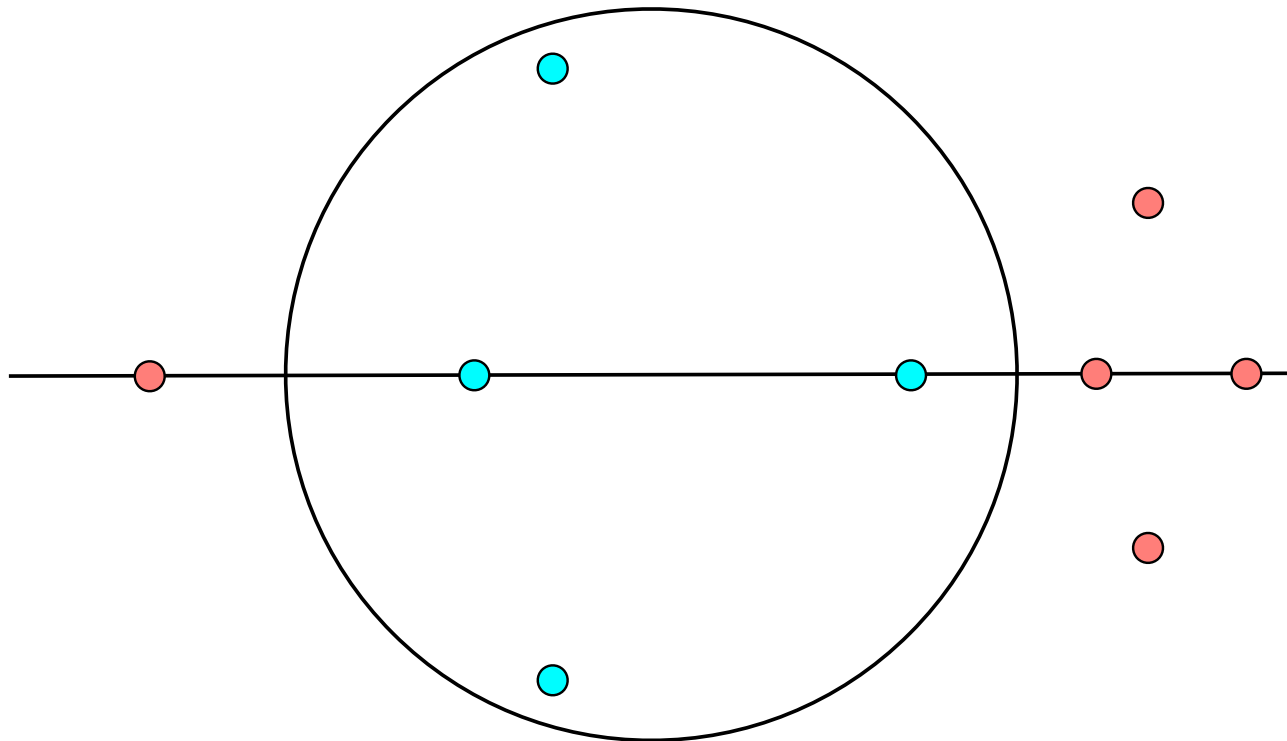
Table 1.

## Dictionary

Kleinian group $\Gamma \cong \pi_1(S)$	Quadratic-like map $f : U \rightarrow V$
Limit set $\Lambda(\Gamma)$	Julia set $J(f)$
Bers slice $B_Y$	Mandelbrot set $M$
Mapping class $\psi : S \rightarrow S$	Kneading permutation
$\psi : AH(S) \rightarrow AH(S)$	Renormalization operator
Cusps in $\partial B_Y$	Parabolic bifurcations in
Totally degenerate group $\Gamma$	Infinitely renormalizable polynomial $f(z) = z^2 + c$
Ending lamination	Tuning invariant
Fixed point of $\psi$	Fixed point of $R_p$
Hyperbolic structure on $M^3 \rightarrow S^1$	Solution to Cvitanović-Feigenbaum equation $f p(c) = c^{-1} f(c)$

# Algebraic integers

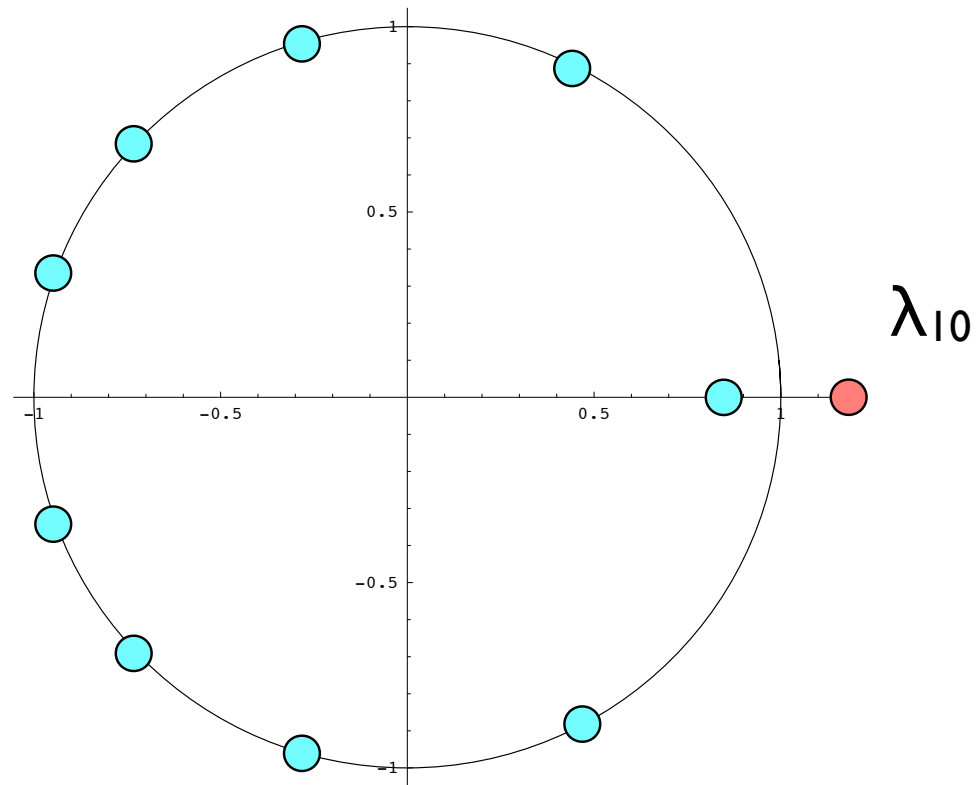
What is the smallest integer  $\lambda > 1$ ?



*Mahler measure*

$M(\lambda) = \text{product of conjugates with } |\lambda_i| > 1$

# Lehmer's Number



$$\lambda_{10} = 1.176280\dots$$

$$P_{10}(x) = x^{10} + x^9 - x^7 - x^6 - x^5 - x^4 - x^3 + x + 1$$

## Smallest Salem Numbers, by Degree

$\gamma^2$

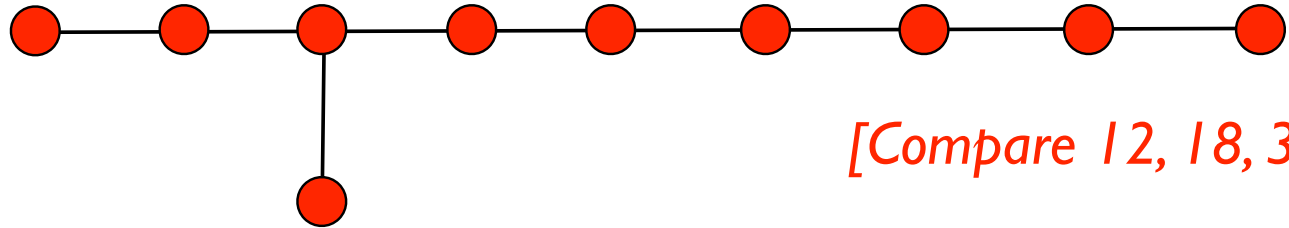
		$P_d(x)$
$\lambda_2$	2.61803398	$x^2 - 3x + 1$
$\lambda_4$	1.72208380	$x^4 - x^3 - x^2 - x + 1$
$\lambda_6$	1.40126836	$x^6 - x^4 - x^3 - x^2 + 1$
$\lambda_8$	1.28063815	$x^8 - x^5 - x^4 - x^3 + 1$
$\lambda_{10}$	1.17628081	$x^{10} + x^9 - x^7 - x^6 - x^5 - x^4 - x^3 + x + 1$
$\lambda_{12}$	1.24072642	$x^{12} - x^{11} + x^{10} - x^9 - x^6 - x^3 + x^2 - x + 1$
$\lambda_{14}$	1.20002652	$x^{14} - x^{11} - x^{10} + x^7 - x^4 - x^3 + 1$



**Conjecture (Lehmer)  $\lambda_{10} = \inf M(\alpha)$  over  
all algebraic integers with  $M(\alpha) > 0$ .**



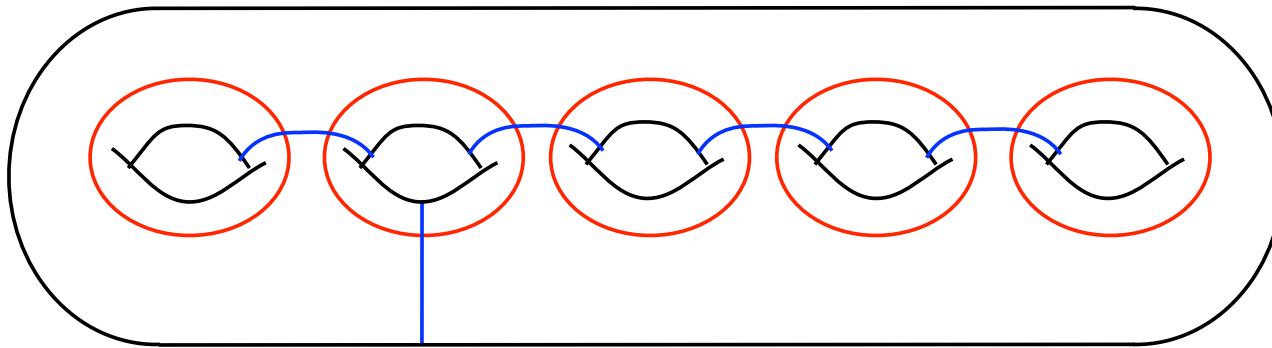
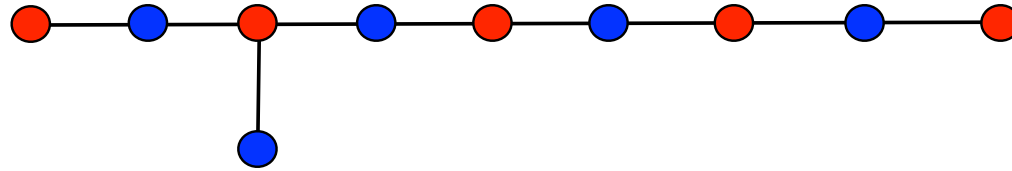
Lehmer's polynomial =  $\det(xI-w)$  for  $E_{10}$



Theorem(2002). *The spectral radius of any  $w$  in any Coxeter group satisfies  $r(w) = 1$  or  $r(w) \geq \lambda_{10} > 1$ .*

*Proof: uses Hilbert metric on the Tits cone.*

# Lehmer's number for topologists



$\psi = \tau_A \tau_B$  in the mapping-class  
group for genus 5

$$h(\psi) = \log \lambda_{10}$$

# Entropy

Entropy of English =  $h$  = about  $\log 3$  (or less)

*Schneier, Applied Cryptography, 1996*

*Number of possible English books with  $N$  characters  
is about  $3^N$  (not  $26^N$ )*

$X$  compact,  $f : X \rightarrow X$  continuous

$$h(f) = \log \lambda \Leftrightarrow$$

$$|\{\text{orbit patterns of length } N\}| \sim \lambda^N.$$

# Torus examples

$X = \text{torus } \mathbb{R}^n/\mathbb{Z}^n$

$f : X \rightarrow X$  linear map induced by  $A$  in  $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$

$h(f) = \log (\text{product of eigenvalues of } A \text{ with } |\lambda| > 1)$

$= \log [\text{spectral radius of } f^* | H^*(X) ]$

Lehmer's conjecture  $\Leftrightarrow$

$h(f) \geq \log \lambda_{10}$  for torus maps.

# Entropy on Complex Surfaces

$X$  = smooth projective surface over  $\mathbb{C}$

$f : X \rightarrow X$  holomorphic

*Q. What small values can  $h(f)$  assume?*

*(dim=1  $\Rightarrow$  zero entropy)*

# Entropy and Salem numbers

Theorem (Gromov, Yomdin)

*cf. Shub's  
entropy  
conjecture*

$$h(f) = \log [\text{spectral radius of } f|H^*(X)] .$$

Corollary. *For projective surfaces,*

$$\begin{aligned} h(f) &= \log [\text{a Salem number } \lambda] \\ &= \text{spectral radius on } H^2(X) \end{aligned}$$

## Flavors of Projective Surfaces

Theorem (Cantat) *A surface  $X$  admits an automorphism  $f: X \rightarrow X$  with positive entropy only if  $X$  is birational to:*

- |          |   |   |                      |                |
|----------|---|---|----------------------|----------------|
| 4        | • <i>a complex torus <math>\mathbb{C}^2/\Lambda</math>,</i> | } | $\log(\lambda_4)$    |                |
| 22       | • <i>a K3 surface*, or</i>                                  | } | $\log(\lambda_{10})$ | (*or Enriques) |
| $\infty$ | • <i>the projective plane <math>\mathbb{P}^2</math>.</i>    |   |                      |                |

*Q. What is the minimum of  $h(f)$  for each type?*

*A. It is the minimum consistent with Lehmer's conjecture.*

Theorem (Sullivan, 1971)

*The mapping-class group  
of a simply-connected compact manifold  $X$   
is an arithmetic group.*

*Synthesis Problem:*

Salem number

⇒ automorphism of Hodge theory

⇒ projective surface + map



## Abelian varieties $\mathbb{C}^2/\Lambda$

Theorem. *For a projective torus, one can achieve*

$h(f) = \log(\lambda_4)$  *and this is optimal.*

$(\lambda_4 = 1.722\dots)$

*Synthesis:*  $f|H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^4 \Rightarrow \Lambda \subset \mathbb{C}^2 \Rightarrow X = \mathbb{C}^2/\Lambda$

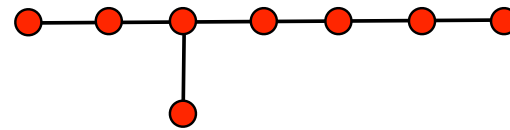
$$f = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : E \times E \rightarrow E \times E \quad E = \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$$

# Rational Surfaces

$X = \text{blowup of } \mathbb{P}^2 \text{ at } n \text{ points}$

$$H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{1,n} \supset K_X^\perp \simeq [E_n \text{ lattice}]$$

$$K_X = (-3, 1, 1, \dots, 1)$$



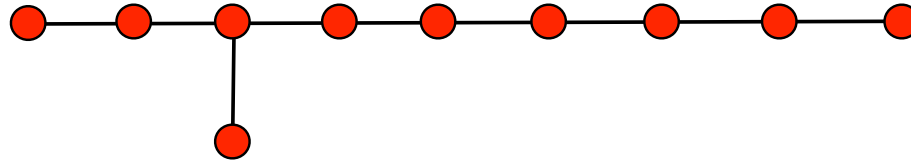
$$\text{Aut}(X) \subset W(E_n)$$

(Nagata)

Theorem. *The Coxeter automorphism of  $E_n$  can be realized by an automorphism  $F_n : X_n \rightarrow X_n$  of  $\mathbb{P}^2$  blown up at  $n$  suitable points.*

## Lehmer's automorphism

$$F_{10} : X_{10} \rightarrow X_{10}$$



First case where  $h(F_n) > 0$

Theorem (2005). The map  $F_{10}$  has minimal positive entropy among all surface automorphisms, namely

$$h(F_{10}) = \log(\lambda_{10}).$$

## Rational Surfaces: Synthesis

*$X = \text{blowup of } n \text{ points on a cuspidal cubic } C \text{ in } \mathbb{P}^2$*

$$[E_n \text{ lattice}] \simeq \text{Pic}^0(X_n) \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(C) \simeq \mathbb{C}$$



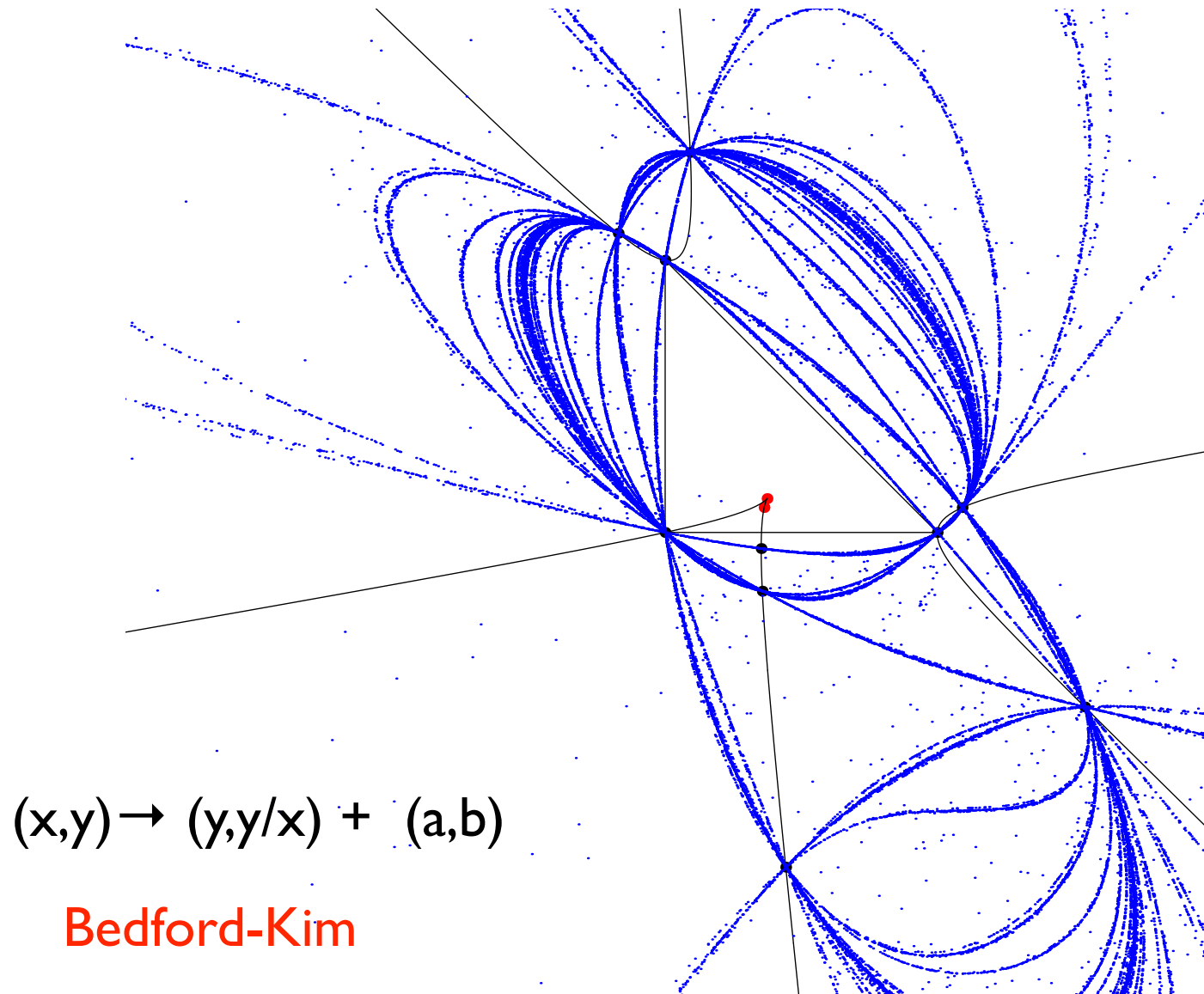
Coxeter element  $w$



Eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $w$

*$\lambda$  eigenvector of  $w \Rightarrow$  positions of  $n$  points on  $C$*

# 10 points on a cuspidal cubic



# K3 surfaces/ $\mathbb{R}$

*Mazur*

$X \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by

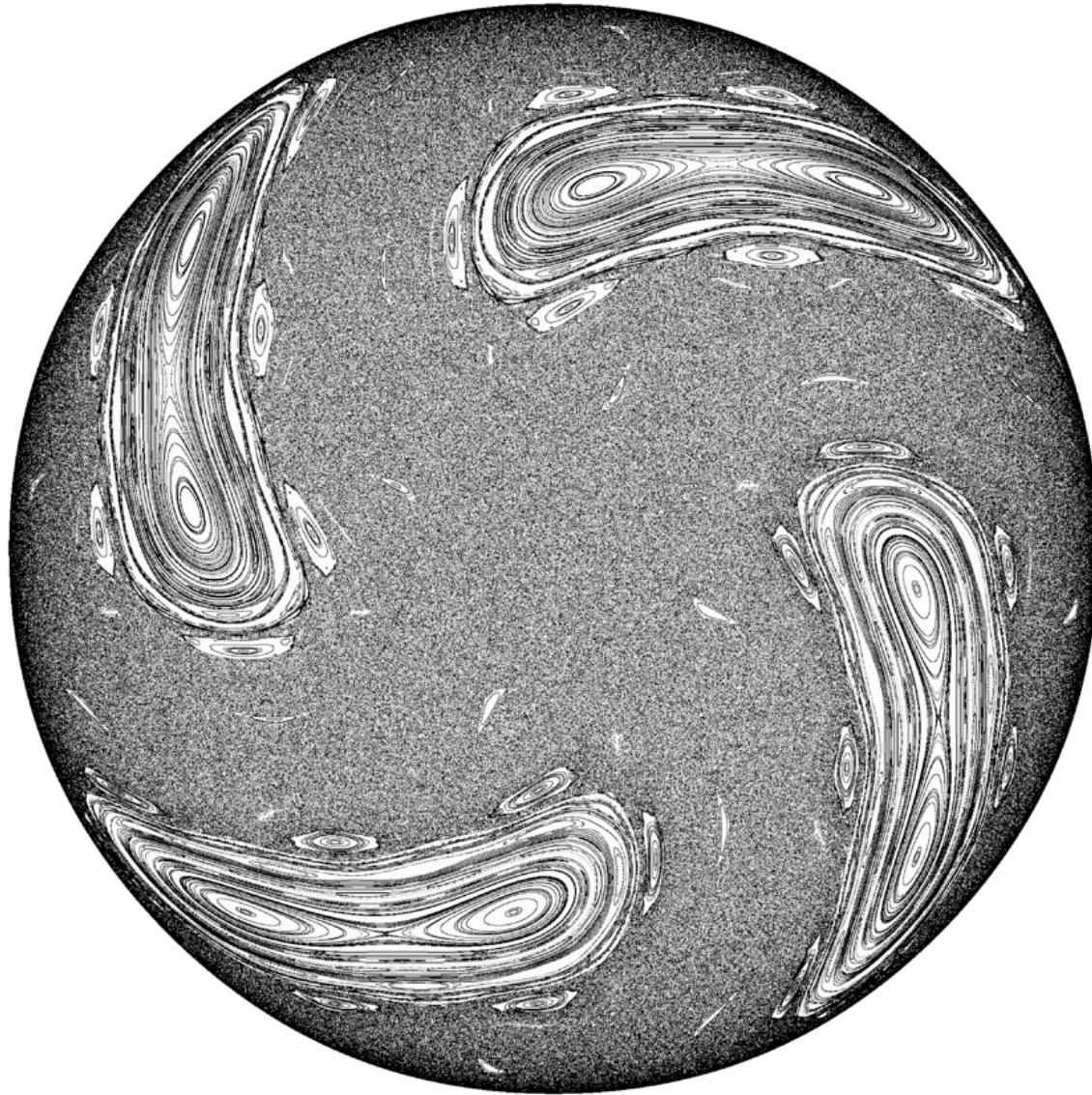
$$(1+x^2)(1+y^2)(1+z^2) + Axyz = 2$$

$f: X \rightarrow X$  defined by

$$f = I_x \circ I_y \circ I_z$$

The map  $f$  is area-preserving!

# K3 surfaces/ $\mathbb{R}$



# K3 Surfaces: Synthesis

Gross-M, 2002

**Input:** Degree 22 Salem polynomial with  $|P(\pm 1)|=1$ .

$$P(t) = 1 + t - t^3 - 2t^4 - 3t^5 - 3t^6 - 2t^7 + 2t^9 + 4t^{10} + 5t^{11} \\ + 4t^{12} + 2t^{13} - 2t^{15} - 3t^{16} - 3t^{17} - 2t^{18} - t^{19} + t^{21} + t^{22}$$

**Output:** K3 surface  $X$  and  $f : X \rightarrow X$ ,  
with  $\det(tI - f|H^2(X)) = P(t)$ .

**$X$  is not projective!**



# Islands over $\mathbb{C}$

Theorem. *There exists a K3 surface automorphism  $f: X \rightarrow X$  with positive entropy and an invariant island – a Siegel disk. Any such example is non-projective.*

Theorem (Oguiso, 2003). *Blowing up  $X \times X$  gives a simply-connected 4-dimensional counterexample to the Kodaira conjecture.*

$$h(f) = \log [\text{a degree 22 Salem number}]$$

$$\text{Pic}(X) = 0$$

cf. Voisin

## K3 surfaces and glue

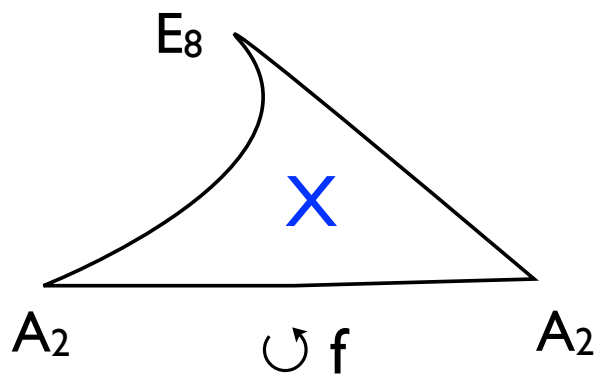
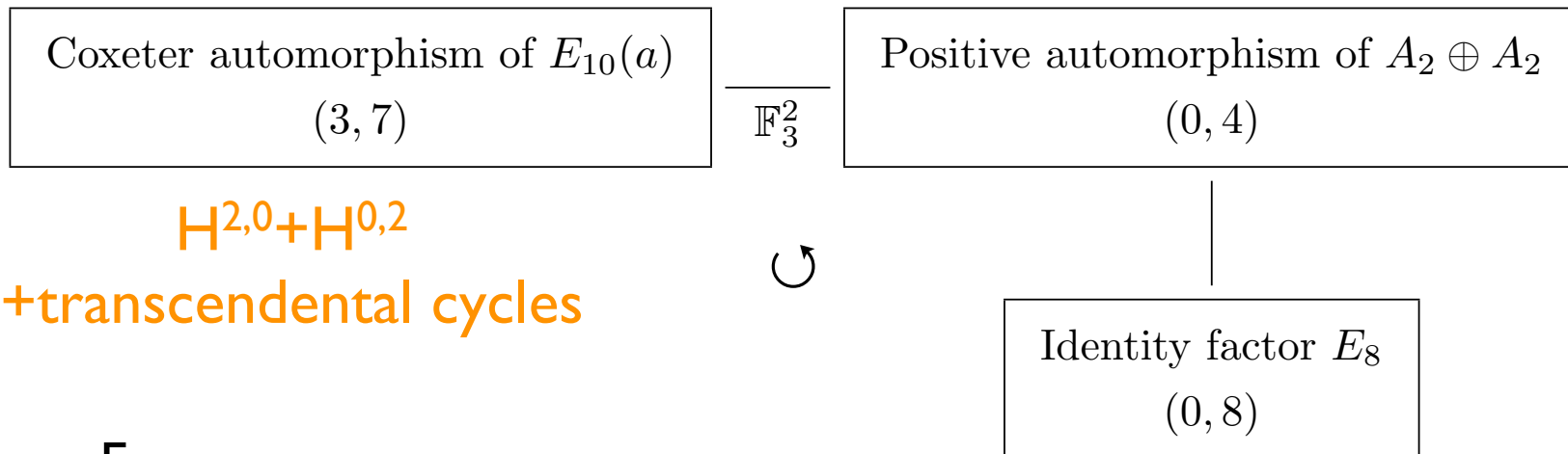
Theorem (2009) *There exists a K3 surface automorphism with  $h(f) = \log(\lambda_{10})$ , and this is optimal.*

(Gross-M -  $\deg(\lambda) = 22$ )

(Oguiso -  $\lambda_{14} = 1.2002\dots$ )

( $\lambda_{10} = 1.176\dots$ )

# K3 automorphism with $h(f) = \log \lambda_{10}$



**Pic(X)**  
**Signature (0, 12)**  
**determinant 9**  
**blows down to 3 points**

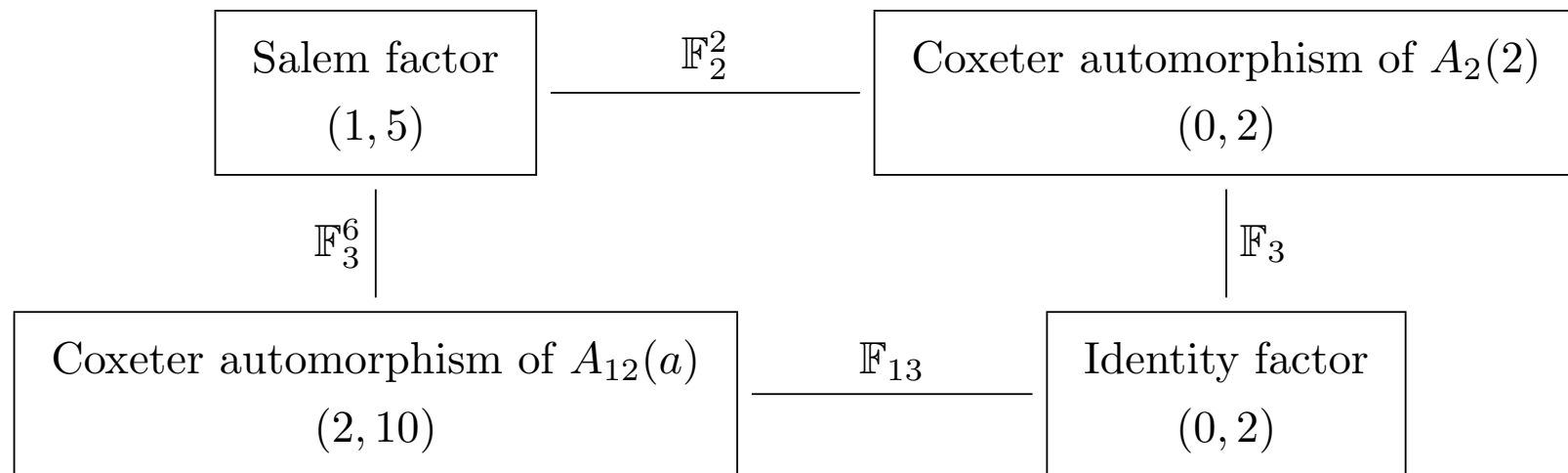
## Projective K3 surfaces

Theorem (2009). *For projective K3 surfaces, one can achieve*  
 $h(f) = \log(\lambda_6)$ .

Theorem (2011). *In fact, one can achieve*  $h(f) = \log(\lambda_{10})$ ,  
*and this is optimal.*

$$(\lambda_6 = 1.401\dots \gg \lambda_{10} = 1.176)$$

## Projective K3 -- entropy $\log \lambda_6$



$H^{2,0} + H^{0,2}$

+transcendental cycles

Pic(X): signature (1, 9), determinant  $9477 = 3^6 \cdot 13$

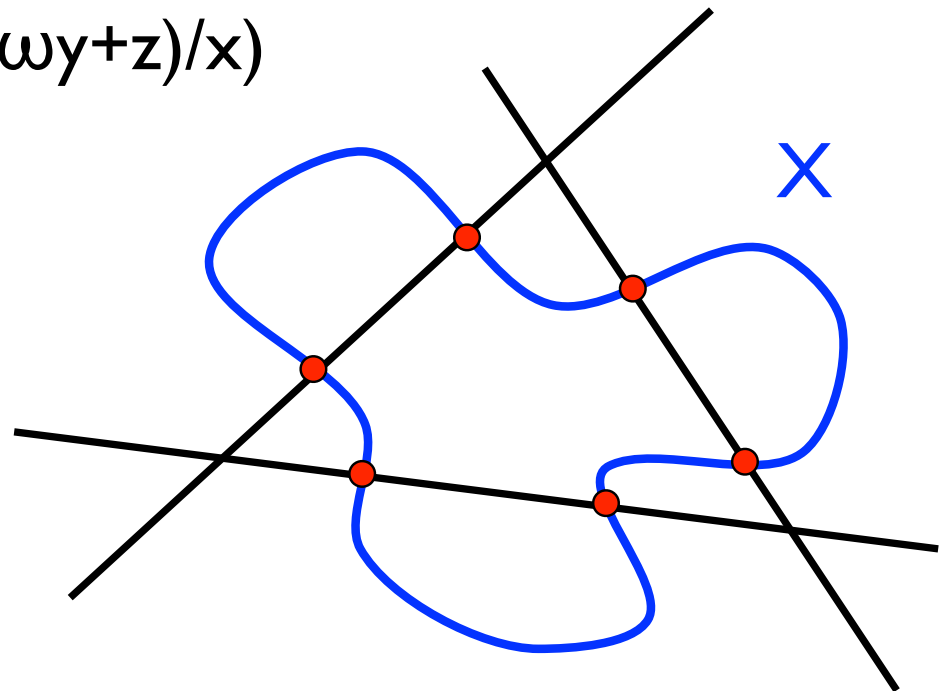
# Projective K3 with $h(f) = \log(\lambda_8)$

*Bedford-Kim, 2011*

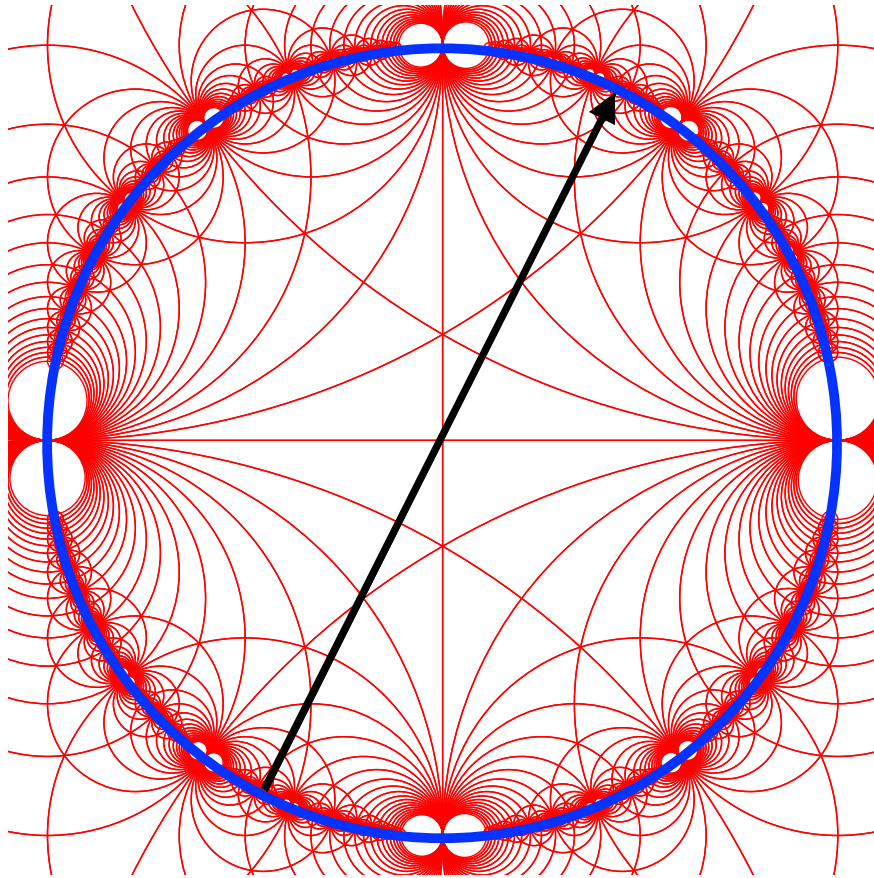
$$f : \mathbb{P}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^3$$

$$(x, y, z) \rightarrow (y, z, (a + \omega y + z)/x)$$

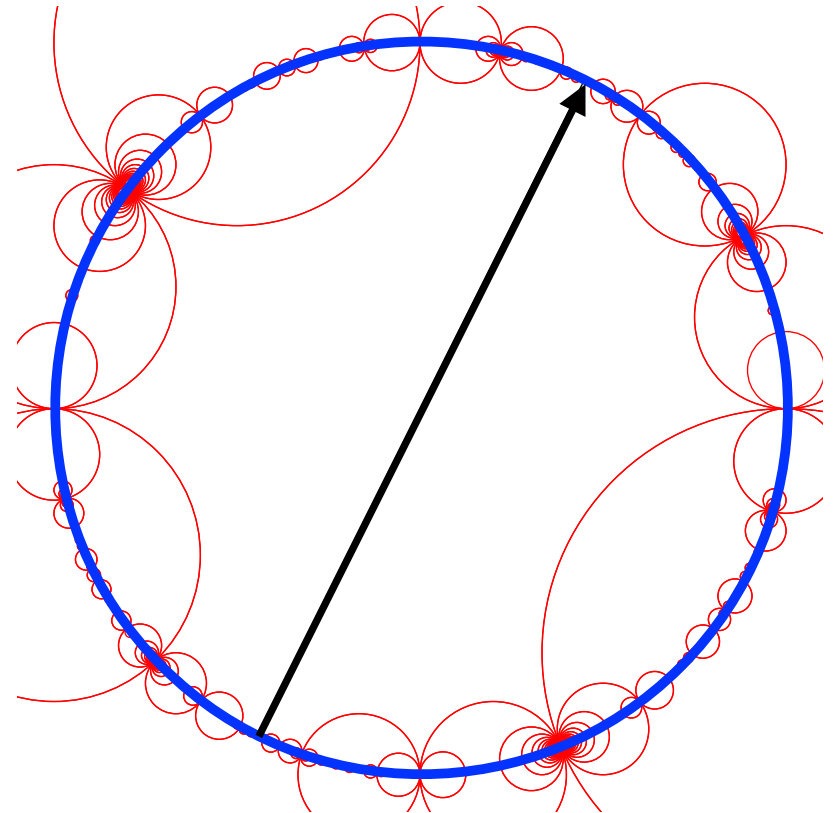
*Preserves a pencil of  
quartic = K3 surfaces  
in projective space*



# Opening the Kähler cone



*Obstructed*



*Conservative*